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EXHIBITION LESSONS

This evening many of us will figure up our profit and loss account in connection with the exhibition. There are several classes who are mainly interested in what the exhibition did or did not for them: the farmers, in whose interest exhibitions were originally designed; the merchants, the hotel keepers, the restaurants, the taxi drivers, and all others who incidentally receive some benefit by making use of the occasion. There are also the different classes of sharks who follow in the wake of large gatherings to pick up what they can and whom so many of us delight to throw our crumbs and even our bread to.

Although in some respects this year's exhibition fell somewhat short of the best of former years the farmers, whose main business the exhibition is, had many opportunities of learning much. While, owing to the lateness of the season, there were fewer exhibits than ordinary, the samples shown were very creditable and as all had been produced under similar conditions there were good opportunities for comparison. Some were better than others and the wide awake farmer had an opportunity of finding out why.

There was also, for the first time, an entomological exhibit this year which far outclassed any previous showing. And never was there greater need of this exhibit than this year. It is well known that injurious insect pests, hitherto unknown here, have recently made their appearance and the demonstration given, and in which we were pleased to see so much interest taken, could not fail to benefit those who took advantage of it. The Entomological Department deserves much credit for the elaborate exhibit shown and is to be congratulated on having at its disposal such an efficient and painstaking demonstrator as Mr. Payne whose careful explanations and thorough knowledge of his subject were much appreciated by the many who interested themselves in his exhibit. The farmers would do well to inform themselves as thoroughly as possible in regard to these pests which they will be obliged to fight to the death before long.

Another valuable demonstration was that given by the Provincial Experimental Farm in plant diseases. The beginning and the effects of the different diseases were clearly demonstrated on leaves and roots, so clearly that every farmer who has seen the exhibit can easily diagnose the disease and prescribe the remedy.

It is evident that the problem confronting the farmer today is not how to grow the best crops or raise the best animals—most of them know this now—but how best to fight insect pests and diseases of plants. In demonstrating this necessity alone the exhibition has done much for the farmer.

The merchants, hotels, restaurants and others whose privilege it was to cater to visitors will we believe find the balance on the right side of the account. The fakirs, so called, will not, we are inclined to think find as favourable a balance to their credit as on previous occasions but in any tears that will be shed over this the general public will not share to any depressing effect.

On the whole the exhibition of 1918, notwithstanding the war, will be pleasant and, we trust, profitably remembered.

CANADIAN BOLSHIEVIKI

According to our despatches yesterday the Government is about to institute measures for the suppression of Bolshevism in Canada. Bolshevism, like the grip, is a many sided disease, ranging in severity from the grumbler at things as they are, to the man who is ready to lead a strike or a rebellion. As in the case of grip, which may manifest itself in a slight indisposition and develop into pneumonia or something equally serious, prudence demands that it be checked in its incipient stages.

Bolshevism has made considerable progress even in loyal and law abiding Canada. It has two main sources of supply, the out and out enemy alien whose activities are directly paid for by the German government; the disgruntled politician who

has been disappointed in his quest for office or other emolument and who is ready to vent his disappointment and his anger upon all and sundry. They are both enemies of the country, both helping the Kaiser. The former, of whom there are unfortunately many, has already done much harm; he has engineered strikes, he has burned property, he has blown up mills and munition plants, he has hindered recruiting, he has caused rebellion. When caught red handed in the act he is imprisoned but there are still many of him at large and it is not before time that the Government is taking hold of him in earnest.

The native born Bolsheviki is little if any more desirable as a citizen. He may not recognize the fact that he is an enemy, he may not even be conscious of it. He is nevertheless as dangerous a citizen as the resident German or Austrian, who makes no secret of his enmity and who prides himself on having thwarted some enterprise in the carrying on of the war.

"Thwarting Canada's war activities" is the general charge against Canada's Bolsheviki. In how many different ways this can be done is too well known. Foundationless criticism of and antagonism to efforts made for recruiting, for the conservation of food; for the raising of war funds; whispered insinuations as to the honesty of officials, military and otherwise, these and many other forms of Bolshevism which tend to discourage, to arouse dissatisfaction, should be sternly suppressed and we trust the measures about to be adopted will prove efficacious. If ever Canada needed to put forth a united effort, if it ever needed to crush out Bolshevism it is now.

SIGNIFICANT

There is significance in recent news that comes from Germany to the effect that great indignation was manifested among the people when it was learned that the statues of Goethe and Schiller were thrown into the melting pot to be manufactured into munitions while the statues of the Hohenzollerns and the Hapsburgs were spared. The discrimination is characteristic of German militarism and of Hohenzollern pride. The chief significance however lies in the fact that the popular indignation assumed such a pitch that orders were issued from Berlin to sacrifice the Hohenzollern and Hapsburg statues. As a result of these orders three Hohenzollern statues are missing from Berlin, three from Cologne, two from Munich and one each from a number of other towns. Whether these have been seized by the indignant populace or stolen by the Hohenzollerns history saith not. The main fact is that they have been removed on account of popular indignation against the unfair and impudent discrimination of the ruling classes. That the historic relics of Germany, the memory of the two men who even now redeem the German name, should be wiped out and those of the Hohenzollerns who were and are the curse of Germany should be perpetuated, was too much even for the Germans. There may be hope yet for some Germans.

NOTES

In the report of the Executive of the Temperance Alliance published yesterday it is claimed that the Government appointed the Prohibition Commission as the result of the efforts of the Alliance. This is not strictly in accordance with the well-known facts. The Government appointed the Commission in spite of the Alliance and largely to prevent officials of the Alliance making a political football of the prohibition question. The report also "respectfully calls the attention of the Commissioners and of the Government to the fact that the provision of section 52 of the Act has not been brought into operation." It may be, or it may not be, news to the signatories to the report that the Commissioners and the Government had already taken action in the matter, the Commissioners having interviewed the Premier on the subject about a fortnight ago and he having promised to bring the matter before the first meeting of the Government.

Ask yourself the question—"Am I spending today more than I need?" Go over the items of your daily expenditure. What are you spending on pleasures? You may be surprised what you can dispense with, without inconvenience to yourself and with benefit to your country. A solemn duty hangs over us all in these days of prosperity and peril; so save, save, save—for Victory.

"Strikers in the United States must work or fight," says President Wilson, "otherwise they will lose draft exemption and be barred from all government employment for one year."

HAPPENINGS OF THE WEEK

H. R. H. Princess Patricia of Connaught recently acted as god mother at the christening of the infant daughter of Col. Sir Edward Worthington. The baby was named Patricia Marie. Sir Edward Worthington who is a Canadian, and who was educated at Toronto University, has been medical advisor to the family of the Duke of Connaught for many years.

The death occurred this week in Halifax of Mrs. B. A. Weston, wife of Colonel Weston. Mrs. Weston has visited this city on several occasions with her husband Col. Weston who is general manager of the Eastern Trust Company.

Charlottetown was crowded with visitors for the big exhibition this week and the city took on a festival appearance. Although the weather was disappointing early in the week the sun came out on Tuesday and with it things brightened, the races were a big drawing card and the fair in general a splendid success.

"It's ordained of Fashion, and occurred in by womankind in general, that buttons shall play a very important part in the adornment of this season's modish apparel. Even the plainest of plain tailored suits show

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Your Problems Solved

BY REV. T. S. LINSOTT, D. D.
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Dr. Linscott, in this column will help you solve your heart problems: religious, natural, social, financial and every other anxious care that perplexes you. If a personal answer is required, enclose a five cent stamp. No names will be published; if you prefer, sign your initials only, or use a pseudonym.

"A WIDOW WITH THREE CHILDREN" writes, "My husband has been dead thirteen months; I have had to work for a living for myself and children. Yesterday a man whom I knew in the old country asked me to marry him. I have always highly respected him. What would you advise? If he is a good man, able to support you and if you have reason to believe that he loves you I advise you to accept of his offer."

JONATHAN AND DAVID "Dick" tells a tender story. He and his chum, Tom, were fast friends from childhood and for ten years boarded together; they were such intimate friends that they sought no other companionship, but finally Dick fell in love with a young woman and married her and from that time Tom has been so jealous that he will not even speak to him. "Dick" and his wife ask my advice. Poor Tom he has lost his chum and for the time it has taken away his reason. Treat him with the utmost kindness; if he will not speak to you write to him, after a while invite him to dinner and he will soon come back to his senses.

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A SPIRITUAL PERENNIAL

There is a somewhat familiar saying: "We believe the Bible to be inspired because it inspires us."

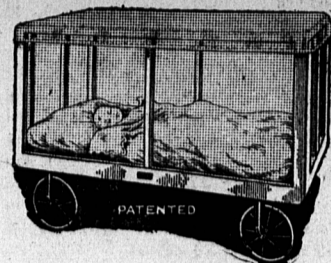
Amid the sorrows and sufferings of the war there are few brighter spots than the record of what the Bible has done for thousands of lives. To speak of numbers alone, there never has been a time when so many portions of Scripture have been in circulation. Various organizations like the British and Foreign Bible Society, the American Bible Society, the Bible Society of Scotland, the Scripture Gift Mission, and the Pocket Testament League have sent out millions of copies, and the evidences of spiritual blessing among the men abound on every hand. It is hardly too much to say that the proofs of the power of the Bible to save, comfort, encourage, inspire, and transform lives of soldiers and sailors during these awful four years will abide as among the most potent evidences of Christianity ever made available.

And so, while for very many today the most convincing evidence that the Bible is inspired lies in the fact that in it men find what they need, it is also true, as we probe the matter to its foundation, that the supreme evidence of the reality of this satisfaction is the fact that in Jesus Christ men have the One who alone meets their needs and transforms their lives.

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