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TRAINING THE CHILD

When we discover a streak of heredity there is no taint we often attribute it to original sin. The honest father or mother would be inexpressibly shocked if told that they, rather than Adam were to blame. The mother who locks her cupboard to save the jam or the cookies or for the more worthy purpose of guarding the child's health, gives her young hopeful his first lesson in dishonesty. Naturally he wants the jam, the cookies or the pennies and he reads into the incident of the locking the idea that the barred door is the only reason why he cannot get the coveted goodies inside. He watches his chance at the open door, seizes his prize and gets away with it. He knows no better but although he may get a spanking for it the only wrong he is conscious of is that he forgot to wipe off the jam stains or the crumbs and so was found out. He will know better the next time and will get away with it often enough to encourage him to take a gambler's chance whenever the opportunity present itself.

Any child, even the infant in arms, can be taught that certain things, even the most coveted things, are not his and that he cannot have them without permission. This teaching followed through his childhood and youth will teach him the meaning of meum and tuum, the rights of property, the sin of dishonesty. We make a serious mistake when we attempt to guide the young feet in the path of rectitude by flanking the path with fences, even barbed wire fences. He will make it his business to crawl through the fence and find out for himself what is on the other side and why he has been forbidden to walk through the grass and the flowers, and the chances are many to one that he will find these to his liking and that he will find other holes in the fence. Some one, when asked at what age the education of a child should begin, replied, "It should begin with his grand parents." This may not always be possible but, failing in it, if we begin even with the parents the child will have a good fighting chance. How many toddling infants have taken their first downward steps by being laughed at and applauded for their cuteness in stealthily doing something they were forbidden to do? The child's first lesson in honesty and truth is to learn what is and what is not his and his duty towards both. This lesson learned in childhood and insisted upon during the impressionable years of youth will develop into a strong, sturdy and inflexibly honest manhood.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Quinque-gesima tomorrow; Shrove Tuesday, 24th and Pancakes; Ash Wednesday and Lent, 25th. In an editorial on the Maritimes The Victorian (B. C.) Times asks: "Why should people from the West on a holiday tour stop at Montreal or Quebec?" We suppose it is because they are very thirsty after such a long railway journey through the arid territory of Ontario, but all the same we agree with our contemporary that the Maritimes Provinces should be sold to them through well directed publicity. According to an official return the total number of pensioners of the Great War at December 31 was 64,068. Of this number 44,069 were

pensioned for disabilities as members of the C. E. F. Dependents receiving pension numbered 19,999. Of the total number 50,746 resided in Canada, 5,431 in the United States, 7,292 in the British Isles and 599 elsewhere. In addition \$312,008 was paid out for unemployment relief through the Department of Soldiers Re-Establishment. It cost us just \$75,672 to have the Pulpwood commission perambulate from New Brunswick to British Columbia, notwithstanding that immediately prior to its appointment, the King Government passed an order-in-Council legalizing the export of pulpwood for the next ten years. This generous King Government allowed the chairman of the Commission \$35 a day and \$15 a day living expenses, and the ordinary members \$25 a day and \$15 a day living expenses. Yet this spend-chrift King outfit cannot afford the money to widen the gauge on the Eastern section of our railway. In the discussion of estimates of the Federal Department of Agriculture some interesting disclosures were made. Last year the Department paid \$24,000 in salaries to outsiders in Ottawa, and all sorts of banquets to delegates, and all sort of expenses paid to people going and coming. One banquet to the Dairy Council included 87 guests at \$1.74 per plate while there was an additional item of \$22.50 for cigars. The National Dairy Council besides receives a subsidy of \$3000 while the Secretary resides in Ottawa and, according to one of the members criticising the expenditure, "had been useful to the Government at election time." That is how our money goes at Ottawa. A subsidy of \$275,000 is proposed to be given to maintain a fleet of ten ships to cut ocean freight rates. This will be literally a case of throwing money into the sea. The effect on the freight rates will be insignificant and the taxpayers will be made to pay through the nose for it. Experience, it is said, teaches fools, but evidently the Government is worse than foolish or it would remember the disastrous consequences of its attempt to regulate freight rates on the Lakes. The American shipowners withdrew entirely and grain merchants were left high and dry with orders pouring in and no shipping to give delivery. In the end the Government had to back down and ask the American shipowners to resume on their own terms. What are ten vessels compared with the entire Atlantic tonnage, and what export or importer is going to wait his turn in the subsidized ships when the regular shipping is available every day? According to Senator Reed of Pennsylvania there has been a sharp falling off in immigration from Canada and no quota law is needed to apply to the Dominion. Of course, the explanation of this policy is simple. The emigrants to the States from Canada are the best possible citizens, easily assimilated and suitable in every way to the conditions and requirements of the republic. When a bad one, or unfortunate one, happens to get in the U. S. immigration regulations permit of his being sent across the border whence he came with the least possible trouble and expense. So that automatic restrictions applied to Canada would work more to Uncle Sam's disadvantage than otherwise. It is merely sophistry for the Senator to say that it is because of the falling off of the immigration from here that makes the application of the quota law unnecessary.

Notes By The Way

One thing that militates against Canada, and it is an aftermath of the Great War, is the enormous increase in the cost of railway carriage. Doubled wages and cost of fuel are main items in the bill of costs. In round figures the railway mileage between Halifax and Vancouver is 3,000 miles and rail carriage costs about ten times as much per mile as ocean steamship carriage. That is why Alberta wheat and cattle for the British market are being sent westward over the stiff railway grades of the Rockies and Selkirk to Vancouver, then southward by steamship, a vast distance to Panama and thence northward to their British destination. This long, crooked course over which large shipments of Canadian farm products are made illustrates the difficulties and cost of Canadian transportation in general and also between the Maritime Provinces and the West. An added difficulty and cost arise from the fact that in the 2,000 miles between the Maritimes and Alberta there are no coal deposits in Canada and the Dominion expends over \$80,000,000 in the purchase of coal in the United States to furnish fuel for her railways, factories and domestic heating.

The bare mention of our national debt of two and a half billions of dollars coupled with the facts above stated surely call like a trumpet blast for economy in our public affairs. But the call is utterly unheeded in Parliament and in most of our Legislatures and Governments. Apart altogether from party considerations our Canadian system of government and legislation is alarmingly costly. Altogether we have over 900 legislators in the federal and provincial arena. In the local legislatures outside the Maritimes the pay of members is, as a whole \$2,000 each per session. Ontario which hitherto had formed a favorable exception at \$1,400, is this year adopting the \$2,000 rate.

Our federal Parliament by a sneaking "round robin" device in which both political parties joined to discredit themselves, raised their own pay a few years ago from \$2,500 per session to \$4,000 per session. Sir John Macdonald and his colleagues along with the ablest statesmen that Canada has yet produced served year after year in the same Parliament for \$600 per session. Whatever excuse the war may have given for this latest salary grab, there can be none for its continuance now that the war is more than six years past. It is a mockery for our legislators to prate about economy while they thus conspire together to despoil the burdened taxpayers and workers of the country.

We have as above stated a very expensive system of Government and legislation. Why must the Ottawa Government have twice as many Cabinet Ministers and as many Senators as the United States? Such is the case, and the United States has twelve times as many people as Canada has, and is today the richest country in the world. In these matters Canada has been going steadily from bad to worse. It would seem as if Canada were being made to play the role of the Frog as told in Aesop's Fables—the frog that bloated himself with wind that he might appear as large as the ox and burst in the attempt. The Ottawa Civil Service is another example of Canadian extravagance. Both the old parties are partly responsible for its present enormous cost, but it is entirely beyond question or dispute that the King Government has out-heroded Herod in creating new and larger salaries than were ever heard of before in Canada and increasing the highest of the high salaries that were paid before. Had the people been consulted they would never have consented to these extravaganzas but would have forbidden them. The people were not consulted. They did not know what was being done until it

was too late. (Continued on Page 7)

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Your Birth-day FEBRUARY 21.—You are studious serious, and rather reserved, a lover of good books and of the finer things of life. You have excellent reasoning powers, and are somewhat critical in your opinions. You care for men only when they are manly and vigorous. Try to think more of others, and cultivate unselfishness in little things. Your birth-stone is an amethyst, which means sincerity. Your flower is a primrose. Your lucky colors are light blue and yellow. (Continued on Page 7)



By James W. Barton, M.D.

That Body of Hours

FEVER BLISTERS

When you were a youngster it was not unusual to see what was called "fever blisters," on the lips or nose of your playmates. Perhaps you had your own share. They were also called "cold sores." These little white pearly blisters were usually found at the corners of the mouth. They often accompany some infantile ailment, may be due to indigestion, or even have some "nervous origin."

The little "blisters" occur in groups, which dry up, leaving a brown "scab" which drops off, or the "scab" gets broken, and a painful "sore" persists for some time. Of course, occurring as they do at the corners of the mouth and on the lips, eating, speaking, smiling and so forth are bound to stretch the sore spot and thus the sore lasts for some time. Some physicians are of the opinion that most of these cases are due to nervous origin, and that the branch of the nerve supplying that part of the face has become affected in some manner. And an infection of the gums, the teeth, or the tonsils, adenoids and so forth, have often been the cause, as the correction of these conditions, has seen the rapid disappearance of these fever blisters about the mouth.

A lazy intestine with its consequent constipation, is also a contributing cause of this condition. Of course the first thing to think about is the underlying cause. If some inflammatory condition of the nose or throat, or one of the usual infantile ailments, they will clear up with the other symptoms, if ordinary care be taken. The youngster will soon find out that it has to eat, laugh, or cry in a very mild manner, or it will keep the sores open and give them no chance to heal. Where the sores are dry and "crusty" it is good treatment to give either a zinc or calomel ointment. Where the sores are moist and seem to "ooze" considerably, then dry calomel, dusted on, is good treatment.

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Daily Selections FOR Guardian Readers

February 21, 1925 LAW FULFILLED.—Love worketh no ill to his neighbor: therefore love is the fulfilling of the law. Romans 13:10. PRAYER.—Our Heavenly Father, grant to awaken and strengthen in us a more abiding love to Thee and to our neighbor, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

February 22, 1925 WORLD'S BEST NEWS.—The angel said unto them, Fear not, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. Luke 2:10-11. PRAYER.—O thou Lord of Life, be thou born anew in us, and then we will pass on daily the good tidings and great joy to others until all people have received them.

MEMORY The fire drops out, and dies: no one now remains. Empty, the chairs line, stiff, against the walls. A small, cold rain smudges the window panes. A lonely shadow falls. Is this Thy shadow, Memory, that lies lightly across my heart? Are these Thy hands That steal out, truantwise, from full starred skies, Back to these present lands? June thinks not back on lilac time but leaps On in the lengthening grass. Winter forgets Where the last petal of the wild rose sleeps— These harbor no regrets. Yet in the world a vain and emptied place Of songless birds and gardens striped of flowers, If Thou, Memory, turnest from me Thy face, With all Life's vanished hours, — The Guardian.

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The Public Forum

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HALIFAX WAR MEMORIAL

Sir.—You are probably aware of the fact that in 1921, a very handsome stained glass window was placed in All Saint's Cathedral, Halifax, in memory of all the men and women of Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island, who fell in the Great War.

The Diocesan Women's Cathedral League was instrumental in raising the money for this Memorial and it is now most anxious to have a complete list of the names of the men and women who made the supreme sacrifice in order that these may be put in an illuminated book which will be placed near the window. Will you be good enough to publish this letter in your paper with the request that relatives will forward to me as soon as possible the names of those who were so much gratified. As soon as this list is obtained the book will be completed and dedicated.

Thanking you in advance for your courtesy in giving me the use of your paper. I am, Sir, etc. (MRS.) MARION T. MORROW, 12 Garden Crest Apartments, Halifax, N. S.

A TRIBUTE TO LOYAL PRESBYTERIANS.

Sir.—In Heb. Chapter 10, Verse 23, we find these words:—"Let us hold fast the profession of our faith, without wavering, for He is faithful that promises." As we look back over the centuries that have passed, we finally find ourselves directing our thoughts to the year 1560, when Presbyterianism was made the established religion of the Church of Scotland. At this time, and from the Church were great and noble leaders, whose great sacrifices for God, have been instrumental in making this Church, a source of great blessing to all nations and peoples of the globe. The faith of those true worshippers never wavered, and because of that, all religious bodies which exist today, enjoy freedom and liberty, which they would not otherwise possess. Chief Justice Mathieson assisted by her charming daughters entertained very pleasantly at ten tables of Bridge yesterday afternoon at her lovely home on Grafton Street.

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Happenings of the Week

I asked my bookman, could he tell me the volumes selling extra well, in this new winter season, Whether the biographic sort, The novel or the story short, Philosophy or reason?

The book purveyor shook his head. "Not one that you have named," he said. "Nor tales of spooks and fairies. The books for which the public cares are of plain paper ruled in squares and pocket dictionaries."

Ellen Terry was invested on February 12th at Buckingham Palace as Grand Dame of the Order of the British Empire. She had private investiture before the King, who received former Premier Asquith and a large number of others who were to get knight-hoods and similar honors, and she had a few minutes' quiet chat with him. Then she was taken along to the Queen's sitting room and there the Queen began to talk to her about the theatre. The Queen remembered in particular a visit she paid before she was married to the Lyceum to see Dame Terry and Sir Henry Irving in "Charles I." After the play was over the Queen with her party went behind the scenes and had supper in the old beefsteak room. A wheel chair had been provided for Dame Terry, and when the interview was over the Queen came out and helped the elderly actress settle herself in it, during which the Queen explained to her that the cross of the order which was conferred on ladies had been especially made smaller than those given to men in order to make them more becoming. When Dame Terry left she declared herself "charmed, but tired."

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she is now slowly but surely regaining her health at the P. E. I. Hospital. Mr. George B. McNutt is the new President of the Summerside Y. M. C. A. for the ensuing year. Dr. A. W. Leard, recording Secretary and Mr. G. M. Mattart Treasurer. Miss Roma Stewart, accompanied her father, Premier J. D. Stewart to Ottawa where Mr. Stewart will argue an appeal case before the Supreme Court of Canada.

Lace wedding dresses are coming into favor, and a very pretty one was chosen by Miss Mary Claire Russell for her marriage to Lieutenant-Commander Doves-Lyon in London. Of fine white lace, the gown was mounted on a pink foundation and the rosy note was repeated in the silver and pink-shot tissue train and the veil of palish pink tulle. Bay trees replaced the usual banks of flowers used for decorations at a wedding and these trees were themselves adorned with white tulips opened wide and fixed to the leaves—a curious but rather effective device. The bridegroom is a cousin of the Duchess of York, besides being equerry to Prince George. These facts helped, no doubt, to create the very large and fashionable congregation at the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Lockhart Porter, Bridgewater, N. S., arrived Monday on a three weeks holiday, the guests of Mrs. John Ross. They are being cordially welcomed by their numerous friends.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Pope of Summerside, were visiting in St. John this week.

Miss Edith Rogers left for Boston yesterday morning in answer to a telegram telling of the serious illness of her mother from pneumonia.

Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Nicholson of Montreal are visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. A. McLean in Ottawa.

Miss Dorothy Wyatt of Summerside has gone up to Toronto to visit her friend Miss Jack.

The ankle-watch has made its appearance in Halifax. A dressed young lady was seen hurrying along Barrington street taking her time step by step. The watch was of the best, while a brown leather strap held it clasped securely in place on the neatly shaped ankle of her right foot. The new fad

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