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The Quiet Observer

CHRISTMAS WILL ENDURE. his advancement of learning. Plato

Christmas is quite safe as Don Marquis has pointed out in "Life." It has been taken up by the Departmental stores and for good reasons such as appeal to store managers' Christmas will not be allowed to lapse. Santa Claus has quite usurped the place of Father Christmas and this also is the work of the departmental stores. Santa Claus or Kais Krinkle spark of that divine nature. Our or whatever we may call him used to duty as men was to develop it so that More recently he came in a motor propriately at the chimney top by airplane. At all events he gets here and manages to overlook very few o overlook very few, e, only the naughty and undes ring. The season has been observed, however, from time memorial, probably since that remote period, when it is declared, one of the early races on the Lemurian continent, millions of years ago, invented the zodiac. From the earliest ages the great spiritual teachers of the earth have been associated with the Yule-tide date, and the first certain mention of Christmas as on December 25th was in 354 A.D. Various other dates have been mentioned, but there is little doubt that the presently accepted date was fixed apon to synchronize with the ancient unless we generated new force society festivals that celebrated the birth of the Sun-Gods of antiquity. Krishna. Buddha, Mithra, as well as Opheus. Zoroaster, Horns, Bel, Bacchus, Balder, Apollo, Tammuz, Quetbalcoatl, Adonis, and other reputed saviours of the world all had their births celebrated at the winter solstice when the sun stands still for, three days and nights and then on December 25th dians under the sod of France and turns north again to bring the spring and the new life of the year. It has paid for Duropean statesmanship. It always been a season of joy and gladness, and the ancient sages who associated it with the Sun of Righteousbeauty and gladness on which the to allow any European league to setuniverse rests though they did not forget what one of their school wrote two centuries and a half ago:

Though Christ a thousand times In Bethlehem be born, And not within thyself Thy soul is still forlorn.

SOCIAL SERVICE MARKS

PROGRESS. Dr. Bernet R. Brickner, the new chief Rabbi in Toronto of Holy Blosgilted with eloquence, which a pow- calls attention to three positions his fund of common sense and evi-committed themselves. These are that dent original thought and breadth of all existing territorial delimitations Columbia University and came from will be responsible for them. It is Cincinnati Succeed the late Rabbi obvious that not to accept these points Jacobs in Tonto. As a distinguish—would be to sacrifice everything that ed social worker he spoke with au—had not already been attained and in proposed by one writer. If our present era was likened to the face of a great clock indicating twelve hours of desire, among the more enlightened 24 we know practically nothing. The without heat or pique, and without in-Babylonian and Egyptian civiliza- jurious expense to others. Should 333 1-3 years. At seven minutes to the lesser nations would more readily 12 the Greeks and Romans flourished. follow such August examples than At one minute to twelve Eacon wrote their unimplemented precepts.

and Aristotle were our contemporar-Shakspeare was our playmate and we might say we had Bacon for dinner. In this vast period life generated change but change and evolution were not equivalent. Progress involves the recognization and pursuit of ideals. There is a force in the world ruling it, pushing it forward. Man is imbued with a tiny we go in the direction dictated. When Now he is said to arrive ap- Brickner, we become truly divine. "That is my conception of social progress. When I see you and others banded together for social progress then I know that God is in the world, and that there is a divine spark in men. Philanthropy is not a means of finding the way to heaven or of helping other fellows to get there, it is not a question of saving man's soul, but of saving man." His view of civilization was that the present system was virtually turning out a race of virtual savages, drifting to a stage of intellectual lassitude and indifference. School statistics showed an alarming proportion of feebleminded, defectives or morons. We had been living on the storage batteries of past intellectual achievement and would inevitably decay.

HOME

SWEET

HOME

by

Earl

Hurst

Her confused thoughts were brok-

en by Savinge's voice. "I think I

ought to tell you," he said in rathe?

a strained voice, "that before taking

Frankie had not listened to

She caught Savinge's coat sleeve.

vinge said in the same cheerfully

controlled voice. "I think you will

agree to marry me when I explain a

'Carmen' at the opera house tonight

if you do not marry me. The car

will simply drive about till midnight.

that is all, and I think you will cwn

I am strong enough to conquer any

to become a laughing stock on your

account. Our engagement had been

announced by Mme. Kain, and I do

assured her gravely. "And I told the

Mme. Kain as soon as we had started

Frankie flushed. He had been as-

sured of her as that then! He had

actually prepared for this thing to

The ceremony at the office was so

short that Frankie would almost

have believed it of no value, had she

not signed the paper with its govern-

ment stamp and had not Savinge care-

fully placed a wedding ring on her

CHAPTER XIII.

saying you would be a little late as

you wanted to go for a drive."

porter at the flat to telephone to

not quite see myself being twitted

be married."

few things to you.

HERE IS A POSSIBILITY THAT SHALL DE DETAINED ON BUSINES

FOOLISH FRANCESCA

By Olive Wadsley

Savinge got in beside her and the sima would help her. Save her from

I'LL SEND THE BOY OVER WIT

NOTE IF I AM

MR. ROWELL AND ARTICLE X

Hon. Newton Rowell has made a distinct impression in Europe by his speech setting forth the objections to Article X of the League of Nations Covenant. "Fifty thousand Cana-Flanders is the price that Canada has was European policy and European ambition which drenched the world in blood and precipated the situation ness undoubtedly wished to make the from which we have suffered and are masses understand all the love and still suffering. We are not prepared tle world problems for us." In this sentence he summed up the attitude of the new diplomacy towards the old. He voiced the sentiment of all the new-world nations. Naturally the European statesmen have not fallen in with this view with alacrity. It is not so much a reflection on them as on the system of which they are the offspring. They could have passed over a personal criticism, but that which involves their patriotism, their dominant love for their own lands and institutions does not comsom Synagogue, made his first pub- mand their sympathy when it adopts lic appearance in that city at a Cana- tone of disparagement. But after all dian Club luncheon recently and this would be a purely surface conspoke on "Social Progress Through sideration. The matter goes much Social Service." He is a young man, deeper. Sir Robert Borden in corunder thirty, and has just become the roborating the statement of Mr. father of an infant daughter. He is Rowell on the Canadian viewpoint, erful voice, makes impressive, and which signatories of the covenant view, indicate a distinct addition to are just and expedient; that they will the intellectual forces of the prov-continue indefinitely to be just and ince. He obtained his doctorate from expedient; and that the signatories thority on the topic chosen. He cluded in the present status. To deopened his address with a personal clare that all existing conditions are note on his marriage and home life just and expedient is a tacit invitaand told how his wife had been first tion to rebellion or revolution—frichis college chum and afterwards his tion or some description with all who sweetheart. She wanted a boy, but think differently. The old difficulty he wanted a girl, for he desired to of dogmatic affirmation without adesee her grow up and be her mother quate opportunities for modification over again. He paid a tribute to the or change of view should not be per-British nation which had been the petuated. It has led us in the past first to do justice to his people. "If into all manner of bitterness, envy, we are the people of the Book the hatred and malice. The scientific English ought to be called the people method is one of co-operation, careof the Bible," he said. He recalled ful enquiry, complete tolerance, total a striking illustration of the lapse of labsence of prejudice and of anything time and the passage of great periods but that which makes for the general 20,000 years, then we stood at the nations at all events, to arrive at such point of noon of eleven hours and an order and disposition as would enforty minutes of the first part of the able all reasonable aims to be realized tions began about twenty minutes to the great nations decree a universal 12 when every minute represented and self-denying ordinance of peace

MACHINERY TRADE

METAL MARKET ALSO HAS BROKEN, AND DEALERS ARE REFUSING TO BUY MATERIAL.

In the summary of the image steel, metal and machinery mark Canadian Machinery and Man turing News, Toronto, makes the owing comment:

A few nice orders were secured in the machine tool market during the week and these provide the bright spots. Otherwise trade was not up to the mark. Several of the principal makers have notified their agents that they will protect buyers against price declines for the coming general steadying of prices in the six months. Buyers do not seem to be wool market. We are getting back taking advantage of the fact that it to about pre-war prices, and there is is a buyers' market now, and they a tendency, noted for the first time could probably come in with their requirements to much better advantage than at any time during the past three

or four years. Local warehouses have announced new prices on some lines. Bar iron stable, half-blood clothing, half-blood and steel are selling at 5c base. Sheets and plates were also put on a lower There is a fairly large stock aging. of sheets in store, quite enough to take care of the present requirements of the trade. Manufacturers still send were not at all successful; only 10

the former taking off his hands for

One of the largest dealers in scrap

metals notified some 3,000 firms during the week that for the present they were entirely out of the market as far as taking on anything in the line of brass, copper, zinc, lead, pelter, etc. is concerned. In fact they are out of the whole non-ferrous line, and in iron and steel they are buying only against contracts. This is the first time in the history of their business that they have sent out such notices. They intend to keep out until something definite is established as a working base in the metal market. Duting the past month they have ha? to write off some hundreds of thousands by way of depreciation on stock in their yards and warehouses.

DOMINION WOOL MARKET REPORT.

There has been considerable evidence during the past ten days of a since the war commenced, toward a greater equalization of grade prices. Movements of Canadian wools recently reported comprise considerable qualities of western fine clothing, fine staple and seedy. This activity, fol-lowing a very dull period, is encour-

The British wool market has not improved. The sales of December out lists of surplus material on hand, and the peculiar situation is found at times of the dealer trying to sell the manufacturer the very materials that the manufacturer would like to see serve limit.

Bis- Bis! Bis!

The English ambassion columned and peculiar situation is found at the following and peculiar situation is found at the Government reserve limits were reduced 10 per cent., but even at that, was to happen later Frankie did the fine of the intense grip variety and the fine of the

She sat huddled up in a co the big car; from his corner flavinge looked at her curiously, but he did not speak.

you to the opera, I am taking you At the opers house Muse Kain to a lawyer's office where we are to waiting impatiently. "Late, Bebe, you will be late." Then to the dresser, "The frack so than the shawl—n3 like this, idiot, so draped on the left—the rouge. Gott, how pale you are! Yes—to—and so—and the powder, no idiot, a bit of it on her nose, so—yes, now then the lips, yes—now the shoes, so—look at yourself, Bebe—look—" first part of the sentence; the last words awoke her like a heavy blow. "It's a lie; you daren't do it. P won't marry you; no one can force me "I think you are wrong there," Sayourself, Bebe look-"

Francesca saw herself in the large winger mirror, a small, vivid scarlet-clad being, her hair wound round herhead, a scarlet passion flower stuck "The first is, that there will be no lover one ear.

She looked wild, Bohebian, attractve, and alluring. "My throat is absolutely dry," she said; "utterly dry."

may make. The second reason is that I have already notified the leading papers of our marriage this evening. That is all."

Frankie cowered in a corner. Wild thoughts of jamping from the car, of screaming, of trying to fight Savinge and escape came to her, but The hell I must are the car. The hell I must be the car.

corridor.

crises, the music from the lighted press, the press, the music from the lighted cates.

Time was going, there was only another hour left before the opera began, and Frankle had to dress, and already she knew Mme. Kain would becoming anxious.

A sick dread clutched her at the hought of marrying Savinge—she was afraid of him now, afraid of marriage, terrified by everything. Another train of thought held her.

Mme. Kain had given her this marvelous training, had been so boundlessly generous to her she could not full her at the last instant. The chef drochestre of the opera house had only given her Carmen after endless lebates, and at the end of it all it was really Mme. Kain's sord mood of his or her sufficience, Frankle's voice that she had forced others to believe in it, too. Could she fail her. After all she had done for her, after all the forbearance and gentleness and bollet?

"I'll marry you," Frankle said, "for Mme. Kain's save. I can't go back on her, I can't fail her, and I tell you had only given about her; I can't fail her, and I tell you had only my strength I loathe and despise you. So drive to your lawyer's and be quick; if I am late I will tell every one what you done, whatever it costs me."

"You will not be late." Savinge—she was clarked as such deer gravely. "And I told the porter at the flat to telephone to Mme. Kain as soon as we had started.

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her hands. Then as though tear aid not exist, Frankie recovered herself.

Carmen sang as only Carmen could sing—fire, deviltry, sheer sorgeous music was in her volte. A tear slid down Mime, Kain's thee making a little furrow in its powder.

"West waits as though tear aid married to save himself from fidiculating furrow in its powder." "Wait, wait," she told the audience

silently.

Not pretty, perhaps, but by Jova, how amazingly sedulmante! And what fire of life, what intense attrac-tion! He bit the end of his short

car, of screaming, of trying to fight Savinge and escape came to her, but all the while she knew she was trapped. Either she must marry him or else make herself and Mme, Kaine a laughing stock.

Tears gathered in her eyes and fell. Savinge saw them fall, and did not take his eyes from her.

"That you should be so absolutely cowardly and despicable as to do this,' Frankie said, her eyes butning through the tears.

"I do not propose to play fast and loose with in the way you affect," Savinge said indifferently. "Neither Savin

And suddenly, as she sat there, the vast impenetrable night seemed to close all round her; it was as though she was alone, a tiny unit to the second second

not quite see myself being twitted by all my friends tomorrow morning, when the truth is published.

"Yourself, your wounded feelings, your name," Frankie flashed at him. "And yesterday I thought I loved you!"

"You acted magnificently," he assured her bitterly.

The light of the streets flashed into the car. The clang, clang of the motor buses, and the cries of the Presse, the music from the lighted cafes.

Close all round her; it was as though she was alone, a tiny unit to fight against huge massed forces that combated with her. This was real stage fright, she knew that.

She rose and walked up and down, sheer triumph.

She rose and walked up and down, for the time she had forgotten Leon's very existence, she was simply a single of paper with the word "Yes" on it, signed "Frankie," was bated with her. This was real stage fright, she knew that.

She rose and walked up and down, sheer triumph.

Further the long wait Leon, in a box was conscious of in old woman touching his arm. He knew that caller's voice, the double roll on the rise. She caught up her shawl her cries of the caller's voice, the double roll on the caller's voice, and ran swiftly down the care.

"You'll excuse me, sir, but I know Carmen."

Loon watched the stage; watched Frankle, his wife, the girl he had married to save himself from Hilleu's. He had never heard much about her

itimself for generosity; that he had been willing to marry her without Frankie was bowing her thanks, her face alight, her hands clasping and anclasping nervously.

"Bis, his, his," the audience reared; no claque was accord here!

"Pis—"

The curtain fell, the lights flaved up long before the clapping was stilled.

The English ambassacur saturned and vesterbay the last his had been willing to marry her important through the deadening or of solithhouse his life had on him a thought of shame along him a thought of shame along her lifthe, thin hody alive with the inference has a stilled.

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Canada

maintenance of Government. Another suggestion in the proposals of the inland electors was that the Dominion Government should assist it in the policy of buying back the Crown lands that had been alienated in the pioneer days. This agreement was ratified at length and although it was mustache, a tabit he had when he was excited. land. As a result, partly of the policy, partly from the natural wealth of the island and also from the thrift of its inhabitants that part of the Dominion is making rapid progress.

ORIGINAL 86,000,000 RAISED WHEN ABSORPTION WAS DIS-COVERED TO BE EASY.

Ontario's bond sale came to a successful climar when the syndicate of eighteen band houses handling the issue were able to announce that, instead of the original \$6,000,000 offered to the public, they had actually disposed of no less than \$15,000,000. When it became known that the issue was meeting with unexpectedly good welcome from the investing public, it seemed desirable to extend the offerseemed desirable to extend the offering beyond the original plan, and the first step was to raise it to \$12,000,000, which was afterwards again enlarged to the \$15,000,000 mentioned.

The situation surrounding the Ontario issue was uncommonly interesting, and not without its anxieties

to those engaged in it.

The re-listing of Victory bonds established a new level of values in Can-

ada, and Victory bonds must always be the basis of bond values in this country. The province of Ontario loan came upon the market at a time when these new values are being es-tablished and created confidence which not only resulted in the ab-scription of the Ontario bonds, but had a steadying effect on the Victory bonds. Frequently during the last year or two in the United States, which is the one large free market for securities today, a new issue placed by a strong group in a compre-hensive way has restored confidence, and re-opened a buying power which seemed to have disappeared.

BEST FERTILIZERS FOR POTATOES

The advantage of the use of fer-tilizer are shown in the results of a potato experimental plot on the farm of Stanley Merrill, Caradoe Town-ship. An acre of Lotatoes was plant-ed in five sections. Three of the sections were treated with varying amounts of fertilizer, the other two sections heing on ground on which no fertilizer was used. The yield from the whole acre was more than 200 bushels.

bushels.

The greatest yield was obtained from a plot on which an average of 1,600 hounds of fertilizer to the screwas used. This section of the plot gave a yield of 300 bus, to the acre. A plot on which 750 pounds of fer-