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SPRING

Spring has arrived with its one thousand and one suggestions. For all, it suggests surcease from the rigors of a heartless winter. And for some its suggestions, or a few of them, are house-cleaning in the office, vacation-time approaching, new automobiles, old automobiles, to be overhauled, Easter clothes to be shopped for by some and paid for by others, last year's straw hats and summer suits to be rediscovered, garden seeds and faint dreams of fair harvests, automobiling, "parking sparking," opening of the baseball season, bathing and beach censors.

Spring is one of the two neutral seasons of the year. The other is fall. Winter has its irreconcilables and summer its rank partisans, but spring strikes a happy medium. You can dread winter and adore summer or you may have a preference for winter over summer and retain a warm regard for the intermediate seasons.

Those who are reminded by spring of the hot weather to come should find solace in the thought that the coal man must live on his interest for six months and those who are concerned over the wear and tear the new balloon tires must soon undergo have the consolation that the strain on the rugs and furniture at home will be relieved.

YOUTHFUL BABE RUTHS

Where two or three boys are gathered together there is the start of a ball game. It matters not that an alley, a street, backyard, is all that is available. The rules are adjusted to suit the conditions. The American boy holds a master's degree in accommodating himself to circumstances. Observation is convincing that there is as much fun to be had in playing an alley game interrupted frequently by passing trucks and with improvised equipment as under conditions where there is more room and nothing to interfere with the progress of the game. If a mitt salvaged from a rubbish heap is not the prized possession of some boy something else can be made to supply the deficiency, for no self-respecting boy would try to play ball without giving at least an imitation of possessing a mitt. And the games of this character are thoroughly democratic. There is no snobbery, no race prejudice. Boys of a half-dozen shades of color may participate but all are Americans because they are devoted to the national game.

One who observes the efforts of small boys in playing ball amid such restricted surroundings cannot repress a regret that better facilities for play are not afforded. Yet those who make the best of what they have are learning a valuable lesson, though they may not be aware of it. The small boy is able to play in the confines of an alley and get a lot of fun out of it by imbibing instructions in the philosophy of getting something out of life wherever life finds him. He should have a better place to play but a wider space might make less demand on his ingenuity. Thus there are lessons to be learned in cramped quarters for the boy who is alert.

And the right kind of a boy who learns to make the best of an alley will be the kind who will make the most of his circumstances in later life and he is not likely to be satisfied with an alley when he gets old enough to work for himself in the more serious game of life.

DO YOUR SHOPPING NOW

There are many things which December and April do not have in common, weather being the first point on which they differ, but there is one bit of good advice which can be accepted without question either in December or April. This message of pure wisdom is: "Do your shopping early."

The buying public has learned from

and experience that Jarvis stores do not emulate the traditional "general store" in buying stocks in the lull for the next five years. Parodying that bromide, "The early bird catches the worm," it can be said with truthfulness that "The early shopper catches the pride of the shops." If you don't buy early you take what the other shoppers have refused.

Spring and summer buying is limited chiefly to wearing apparel, household needs and the implements of out-of-doors life. At this time of the year the mind of every man, woman and child turns to the thought of light and colorful raiment, to furnishings which will lend a cool summery atmosphere to the city home and to the multitude of accessories to summer play. Our merchants recognize this seasonal demand and provide amply for it, but it is manifest that the wide choice of the new stocks can not be maintained to the end of the season. Many people defer their summer buying until the passing of spring. Others advance their seasonal buying a few weeks and give themselves the privilege of leisurely shopping and wide choice. The late shopper saves no money and loses that enviable satisfaction given only to the early shopper.

The summer frocks are fresh on the counters. The very first choices are already being made. He and she who hesitates will lose. Shop early for summer as well as for Christmas.

CLEAN-UP TIME IS HERE

Springtime is the time of new things, when the old and decadent give way to nature's new birth of foliage and plant life, and all the world puts on a new raiment.

Spring also is the clean-up season, when man's habitation should be made to harmonize with nature.

Where there is filth there is nearly always disease. Disorder is accompanied by waste, danger and decay. Dirt and disorder are the greatest enemies to public decency, health and safety.

A few clean and orderly homes, in a select residence district can never safeguard the entire community. A single filthy home, dirty backyard, or a stagnant pool may easily become the source of an epidemic of fatal diseases that will sweep a city. A trash pile may start a general conflagration.

Every thrifty housewife knows the need and the joy of household cleanliness. She has a general housecleaning twice a year, when she changes her furnishings, but she keeps her home immaculate all the time. No semi-annual or "annual bath" for her home!

Every individual should be as proud of his town and his habitation and its environments as the most immaculate housekeeper is proud of her home.

The Melting Pot

The laws of nature are always enforced.

Looking down on others doesn't place you above them.

The world changes in spite of those who refuse to believe it.

Elinor Glyn advises the American girl "to cling to her youth." The only objection to this is that it leaves talcum on his lips.

Flourishing Immigration Prospects



Figures 1-4—Typical examples of immigrants to Canada. No. 4 shows 7 children who arrived alone recently. 2. Immigrants crowding the decks for a first glimpse of the new shore. 3. Sturdy settlers for the Dominion.

The active immigration season of 1927 that has just opened will see, according to authoritative information given out by the Department of Colonization and Development of the Canadian Pacific Railway, the largest and most effective addition to Canadian population of any similar period since the outbreak of the Great War. In the opinion of authorities it is not unreasonable for the Dominion to expect over 200,000 new citizens, or about 70,000 more than during the year 1926. During this year Canada received 135,984 settlers.

Several factors tend towards this promised increase, of which one of the most potent in the gradual evolution of systems and the development of new machinery that has made the organization well nigh perfect. Further seductions in ocean and rail rates from the British Isles have induced considerable numbers to submit to the examinations for acceptance under the cheap passage. Applications at the rate of several a day are being received, it is reported. Already

this year well over 3,000 settlers have been landed in Canada by the Canadian Pacific liners plying between this country and the Motherland. It is interesting to note that about sixty per cent of the applicants are miners and others who have some knowledge of and experience at farm work. The volume of pertinent inquiries from United States agriculturists with regard to western Canadian farming prospects, has been much heavier this year than for some years, is the report. This is regarded as a most reliable index to the trend of the movement. A new and significant movement to develop however is that of tobacco growers from North and South Carolina, Virginia and other states to Western Ontario, being attracted by the rosy prospects now facing the Canadian tobacco growing industry.

Though land settlement conditions have drastically changed and the tendency is to place newcomers on vacant lands within reasonable distance of the railways, it was pointed

out that it was a mistake to consider that homesteading is altogether a thing of the past as a factor of western Canadian development. During the year 1926 homestead applications in the west amounted to an increase of 60 per cent over the previous year, and accounted for the occupation of nearly a million acres of raw land. This movement is continuing as is evident in the figures of filings in January 1927 which were 32 per cent more than those of the same month of the previous year.

The most significant factor today, it was pointed out, is the local colonization heard, through which the general interest in immigration and colonization takes practical shape under the direction of the railways. About 150 similar boards now exist in western Canada.

Juvenile immigration, the importance of which is being increasingly realized in recent years, promises to be very heavy during the year 1927, all of which is being directed towards the land.

COUNTY COUNCIL

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The inmates of the House of Refuge have this winter again been royally entertained by the different societies of Dunnville. On Feb. 3rd, the choir of the Anglican church entertained the inmates, to a delightful program of music and speeches. Gifts of oranges, candy and nuts were given to the inmates. On Feb. 21, the Lions Club served them with an oyster supper to which everyone did ample justice. Afterwards a splendid program was given by the members and gifts of tobacco and candy were presented to the old people.

Mrs. Anderson also treated the inmates to oranges, candy and nuts. On March 3, the members of the Masonic Lodge again paid their annual visit to the House of Refuge. This pleasant event began with an oyster supper followed by a splendid program of music by Voll's Novelty Orchestra, comic songs and speeches. Gifts of tobacco and candy were given to the inmates, not forgetting our worthy Matron, Mrs. Gardiner and Mr. Brown, who were also presented with suitable gifts.

The Home Committee wish to extend our many thanks to these organizations of Dunnville for their kindness and we also extend to the other towns of the County an invitation to follow the example of Dunnville. We have examined the accounts and found them correct and pass them on to the Finance Committee for payment.

We also recommend that all live stock purchased and sold by the Home must meet with the approval of the Home Committee.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. F. RAMSAY, Chm. McDonald-Miller—That the Home

Committee's report be adopted as read. Carried.

Miller-Saunders—That the report of the Supply Committee be received and read. Carried.

REPORT OF THE SUPPLY COMMITTEE

To the Warden and Members of the County Council:

Gentlemen—We, your Supply Committee, met at the House of Refuge on Feb. 1st and recommend the following:

1. The buying of a combination coal gas or wood stove.
2. That the deeling of one room of the home be gyrokked.
3. The committee purchase a dozen arm chairs for the Home.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. MacDONALD, Chm. Honsberger-Wingfield—That the report of the Supply Committee be adopted as read. Carried.

Sherk-Shoupe—That report of the Building Committee be received and read. Carried.

REPORT OF THE BUILDING COMMITTEE

To the Warden and Members of the County Council:

Gentlemen—We, your Building Committee, have met and beg leave to report as follows:

1. We have had the two day rooms and part of the hall in the goal decorated and suggest that the balance of the walls in the hall be completed.
2. We recommend that a vice and an emery wheel with some shafting be purchased and placed in the basement of the goal.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. S. COLTER, Chm. Saunders-Glenny—That the report of the Building Committee be adopted as read. Carried.

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