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FOR BETTER MAIL SERVICE

There are few public utilities more widely used in any given community throughout the entire country than the postoffice. And there is none so effective a operation of which it is more necessary than it is in the case of our mail service that the individual should have some knowledge of how it is conducted.

Many people think the activity of the postoffice is confined to the collection and delivery of letters and postcards, with an occasional parcel thrown in for good measure. They would be surprised to learn how much of its attention is given over to other lines—to the insurance of mail matter, collect-on-delivery service, registered division, money order and postal savings system.

Except that it should reach its destination as quickly as possible, it is as many of us a matter of little concern as to what happens to a letter when it has been dropped into the great mail box. How many and what kind of operations are necessary by how many persons before this letter is finally delivered into the next city or across three continents, is a question to which we give very seldom even the slightest thought.

Some day an expert in such matters will calculate to a nicety how much in hours of work and money might be saved to the nation in the course of a year if the sender of a letter would be only a bit more careful in addressing it and putting his return address on the envelope. When we learn how much may be saved in this manner, we shall be surprised beyond measure. Ten million pieces of mail matter go to the dead letter office each year. If it were more widely known than it is, to what extent this adds to the cost of our mail service, every letter-writer in this country would see the necessity of taking more pains in addressing letters.

CONFIDENCE AND CONCEIT

Efficiency experts and practitioners in the art of super-salesmanship lay stress on what is casually termed "self-confidence." To sell one's product or to sell one's self, they say, one must have confidence in one's products or in one's ability and talents.

But there is a wide difference between legitimate self-confidence and stupid conceit. The latter quality, unfortunately, is to be found in many persons, in many different walks of life, and when displayed to any noticeable degree at all, is insufferable. Beautiful women, that is, those who are naturally beautiful and do not have to depend upon artificial aids to gain take on the air of having been altogether responsible for their pulchritude. They forget that fate just as easily might have made them hideous. And the same thing is true of the handsome youth who, realizing his handsomeness, affects the role of having been altogether responsible for his good looks. Fate might just as easily have marred him, too.

Conceit, however, takes its worst

form in those human frames which lay claim to more than the average brains or intellectuality, and this applies particularly to professional walks of life. Even in the matter of brains or intellect, whatever gods there be obviously are as capable of producing morons as they are of producing intellectual giants. The most beautiful woman, of course, is that woman who, although quite lovely, seems unconscious of it. And the wisest man is he who realizes that mortal wisdom, and especially his endowment of it, has many limitations.

Confidence is a quality of strength and ability; conceit is the attribute of the incurably silly.

NOW HE FACES THE WORLD

The week following graduation frequently is a time of heart-searching for many young people. Many a conscientious young man gazing upon the beautifully lettered diploma asks himself rather gloomily, "Now that I have it, what am I going to do with it?"

It may be, perhaps, something of a disappointment for the youthful bachelor of arts to find that the great world of business and of everyday affairs doesn't seem to realize that he has graduated and is ready to offer his services. A college professor in a recent commencement address said, "It is not a convincing or an edifying spectacle if a man who can display a college diploma and attach a degree to his name, gives the impression that he has no idea what to do with them."

The tendency to put dollar estimates upon everything is not quite the attitude held in former times with regard to an education, and is not necessarily right. Surely the state in contributing largely to the higher education of an individual has a right to expect him to render some worthy contribution to society in return. But the highest public services are not always those most amply rewarded in money.

For the most part the great scientific research work carried on by various departments of the government is in charge of highly trained men and women whose salaries are quite ordinary if not meager. And for the love of this work many of these scientists persist in their endeavors through life hoping for no large monetary returns. Educators, preachers, and many others who devote their lives to services they believe to be for the good of others, always have found their remuneration in money less than they might have hoped to achieve in other callings. And always the worst students have been those who sought culture for itself and regarded money as of secondary importance.

IN THE FELTING POT

You can always tell a native at a resort. He assures you the weather is unusual.

Expediency — The polite name for a bit of crookedness that seems essential to a profit.

And yet we doubt if red theories have done more to retard civilization

IN MEMORIAM

PRIEST—In loving memory of a dear husband and father, James A. Priest, who passed to his rest one year ago today, June 13th, 1927.

Days of sadness still come o'er us,
Tears of silence often flow;
Memory keeps him ever near us,
Though he died one year ago.

Father, you were always true and patient,
Through the years you struggled on
Through the years that rest forever
Made our home, but now are gone.

Sadly missed by his loving wife and son.

THE THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

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NOTES

1.—Each school is expected to send at least three delegates.
2.—Talk Convention. Come and bring all you can and help make the Convention an inspiration to all.
3.—Supper will be provided. The Selkirk people will billet the people.

THE PROGRAMME

AFTERNOON SESSION
2.00-2.15—Devotional Period
..... Rev. J. Grenzebach
2.15-2.30—President's Address
..... Mr. D. W. Hilborn
2.30-2.40—Business. Appointing of
Nominating and Resolutions
Committee.
2.40-2.45—Report of Treasurer
2.45-3.00—Music
3.00-3.20—Address, Rev. Dr. Marsu
3.20-3.30—Music
3.30-4.00—Address, Mr. W. P. Fletcher
4.00-4.10—Hymn and Offering
4.10-4.30—Round Table Conference,
led by Mr. Fletcher
4.30-4.40—Closing Exercises

EVENING SESSION

7.30-7.45—Song Service
7.45-8.00—Devotional Period
..... Rev. H. Brand
8.00-8.20—Report of Committees and
Service for Installation of
Officers
8.20-8.30—Music and Offering
8.30-8.50—Address, Rev. C. J. Lamb
8.50-9.00—Music
9.00-9.30—Address, Mr. Fletcher
9.30—Closing

than red tape.
About the only difference between a hobby and a job is that you get paid for the job.

Women look better than men, but a man doesn't have to stay at home after he washes his head.

"Canadian girls are selfish," says a writer. But when you ask one for her hand you usually get a whole girl.

An institute for study of the brain is planned by the Russian soviet. It will fail because of a dearth of specimens to experiment on.

VARENCEY W. I.

The June meeting of the Varencey Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. C. Bush on Thursday, June 7th, with 25 members present. After the adoption of the minutes the business was discussed. A garden party about the middle of July was decided upon. Mrs. Marr, Annie Miller and Inez Lundy were the committee appointed to see after the program. Plans were made for the Summer meeting at Hagersville on June 21st. Mrs. Lundy gave several suggestions for a successful Institute year. Community singing, "The Glory Song" and "Jumita." Miss Helen Miller gave a reading, "The Institute Ode." Margaret Doughty favoured us with a piano solo and Miss Kathleen Miller with a humorous reading. The meeting closed with the National Anthem, after which lunch was served.

The July meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. R. A. Miller.

ROD AND GUN AND CANADIAN SILVER FOX NEWS

Taking the form of a special Ontario Tourist Number, the June issue of "Rod and Gun and Canadian Silver Fox News" which is just out is of special interest not only to all residents of that province but also the rest of the Dominion and those of the United States with whom Canada is becoming a popular vacation ground. A personal message of welcome from the Premier of Ontario to tourists as the leading article offers every encouragement to visit Canada and enjoy the delights the country offers.

The contents include a notable aggregation of articles on hunting and fishing with two very good ones. One by S. H. Howard deals with sport in the Mattawa district while a very good article by Alan S. Longstaff describes fishing in the Pickering River district. The regular departments and Canadian Silver Fox News contain the usual list of entertaining and instructive material.

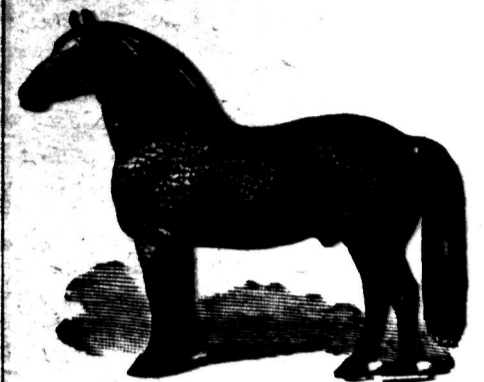
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