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HE THAT WALKETH with wise men shall be wise; but a companion of fools shall be destroyed.—Proverbs 13:20.

FRIENDLINESS WITH AMERICANS.

A woman's letter published in the Daily Colonist, Victoria, B. C., recently, gives a most interesting view of the attitude some "Canadians" have toward Americans. Fortunately we know that such expressions come from a minority, not the majority, and most frequently are from the pure English residents who have migrated to the province and have not yet absorbed a reasonable measure of the tolerance, broad mindedness, and sensible friendliness that is otherwise characteristic of the average citizen of this continent. In part, the letter is as follows:

It seems that your paper is afraid to publish anything that is not exactly complimentary to the Americans. You surely must know that the Yanks never once considered our feelings in anything, and publish the most insulting things about us. I have read articles in their papers that made my blood boil with indignation.

I would like to remind others who are wrongly informed about this, that what the Yanks did in this war was not done to help us, but to help France, because the French helped them against England during the American revolution. Our great debt to France was the cry heard everywhere when the question was discussed about their entry into this war.

The Americans are not our friends, never have been, and I do not think they ever will be. They are a too mixed population to be the friends of any one nation or of anything but the almighty dollar.

Such an attitude is, of course, very foolish and comes very probably from an Englishwoman, not a Canadian, whose petty jealousies and prejudices are those of the old Middle Class now fast becoming extinct, we trust. Any American could set this Canadian neighbor right as to our impulse in the late war. We neither "loaned" our soldier selves to Great Britain nor went unselfishly to the aid of France. We were almost as selfish in entering the war as was England—a matter of preservation of ourselves and our future.

As far as friendliness with Canada and Canadians is concerned, one could hardly wish for more pleasant international relations than now exist. Naturally there are some English people in Canada, jealous of our industrial growth, our business efficiency, and our comparative prosperity, who we find it difficult to like; and there are also some varieties of Americans who make themselves obnoxious no matter where they are encountered. But those people are in the minority and will be increasingly so. Canada is a wonderful country with untold opportunities and possesses an admirable citizenship. It is gratifying that many Americans and much American capital are taking a prominent part in promoting its fine growth and development into a greater province.



OFFICE CAT

By Junius

Sentimental Old Lady (during snowstorm): "God pity the poor motorists on a night like this!"
Technician: "Pity, hell, Madam, more power to 'em."

The tractor is a good thing but you never saw a mule standing in a field waiting for a spare part.

Perhaps the reason France is so slow in paying her debts is on account of her artistic temperament.

The screen that draws the biggest crowds in summer—the screen door.

A real old timer may be defined as one who can remember when it was considered a distinction to be acquainted with a millionaire.

The mannish woman is a great problem. She often deserves to be hit, but no man dares to hit her.

It isn't fair to judge the neighbors by what you see hanging on their clothes line.

When it comes to playing "The Sweet Bye and Bye," the king of musical instruments is the cash register.

There's plenty of room at the top but couples with children are rarely ever able to reach it.

The next war should be for making the world safe for husbands.

The Worry Cow would have lived till now.

If she hadn't lost her breath, she thought the hay wouldn't last all day.

So she starved herself to death.

Some women won't be happy in Heaven if all the wings are alike.

"Chorus Girl Will Give Address," says a headline. But a lot of old ducks who have been through the mill wouldn't give a nickel for any chorus girl's address.

Jeanette: They call her Mag—
It's short for Magneto.
Norma: Magneto?
Jeanette: Yes, everything on her is charged.

A South Dakota woman asserts that she has lived to the ripe old age of 100 because she has smoked tobacco all her life. Church papers please copy.

Radio may ruin the movies, but it won't hurt much until they can broadcast bathing girl pictures.

Gov. King: I hate to think of my twenty-fifth birthday.
The Duke: Why, what happened.

If we put ourselves in the other fellow's place, occasionally, we'd feel more like sympathizing than criticizing.

NAVIGATION AIDS NEEDED

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port, a harbor and an anchorage. If you want to save time by using commercial aviation, you must learn the difference between an airport, a flying field and a landing field.

"The landing field is only an anchorage. There your ship may stay under certain favorable conditions, but will avoid it she can possibly help it. An anchorage is better than nothing; so is a landing field, even though small and restricted."

"Natural Harbor"

"A flying field is only a natural harbor. Grassy plains make good landing fields, but the existence of grassy plains is more satisfactory to the air pilot looking for good terminal facilities than does a natural harbor satisfy the demands of a sea captain look for good port facilities."

"An airport is like a seaport. It has to be constructed by man to meet the needs of aircraft. Seaports attract ocean commerce. It takes real airports to attract air commerce. Nature has provided flying fields and landing fields, but man must build hangars and shops and provide runways, night lights, radio service, weather data and other facilities. Then will commercial aviation make great strides and those cities which have adequate airports will flourish accordingly."

New York, San Francisco and Seattle are blessed with wonderful natural harbors. When they took advantage of what nature had given them and built adequate docks, they became great seaports. If they are to become great airports they must speedily study the requirements and build accordingly."

The Hackensack Meadows, the speaker suggested, afforded great possibilities for an airport for New York and another was Governor's Island if the government could be persuaded to convert that into a great federal airport.

Concluding statements
After discussing the possibilities of commercial aviation as compared to railroad and steamship commerce, Senator Bingham said in conclusion:

"Permit me then to call to your attention certain things which must be done if we are to enjoy the enormous saving of time which commercial aviation will permit. In the first place, we must plan to use airplanes over land and air-ships over sea. In the second place, we must recognize the absolute necessity of proper terminal facilities. There must be adequate airports if there is to be much air commerce. There must also be suitable flying fields as air stations and frequent landing fields to use as anchorages in time of storm and stress. In the third place, we must realize the necessity of developing navigable airways and providing them with adequate charts, lighthouses, buoys, beacons, radio and other necessary aids to navigation. Finally, our municipalities must aid by furnishing airports; our states must aid by providing airways. Our national government, through a Bureau of Air Navigation in the Department of Commerce, must do as much to aid

Poets' Corner

I HAVE A BOIL.
(By Flora L. Barrie)

Say, did you ever have a boil?
When it would all your beauty spoil?

One that would keep you in suspense
And make you look like thirty cents?

I've got one. It's a dandy, too,
It's colored purple, red and blue.
Now, where is it, do you suppose?
Right on the end of my poor nose.

It puts to shame, my friends agree,
The highlight on train twenty-three.

I have a disposition sweet,
A gilt-edged one that can't be beat.

But when a feller's nose is made like that of Bonaparte and Abe,
It doesn't leave a bit of space.

To add a boil to such a face—
Old Job had boils, so I have read,
Just where he had them, is not said.

But where he didn't, this I know,
The Bible plainly tells me so.

air commerce as it has to aid ocean commerce. Time flies. If you would catch up with it you must fly also."

The Start Isn't Hard

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It says when good friends came to call,
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His troubles, so perhaps he had
One just like mine, but not so bad.

It causes me such awful woe,
I cannot breathe, I cannot blow.

Don't want to laugh, don't want to sing,
Just will not do a blessed thing.

Pat grunt, and put on naive and dope,
And sit around and sigh and moan.

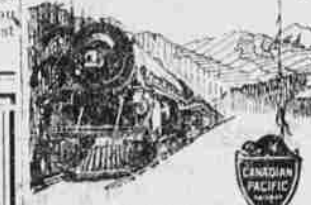
But all things end. And I will try
And hope the pesky boil will bust.

Then I'll be happy, and I pray
The next time boils are sent my way.

"Dear Lord, just put them any place,
But please don't park them on my face."

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