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The human tongue should move at a reasonable pace, but not at a gallop.

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Some people object to a compliment. They want compliments in-deed.

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It is quite true that work never kills some people. They never give it a chance.

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And incidentally, it is comforting to know that the balmy days of spring will be balmy.

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The biggest fib some people ever tell is when they insist that they are always truthful.

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It is possible for a wise man to become foolish, but the fool never leaves his class.

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Every man should dare to speak the truth — and be ready to fight or duck when necessary

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It is quite proper to do the things you like, but highly improper to like the things you should not do.

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There is only one thing that can spread faster than a piece of naughty gossip. That is a naughtier one.

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You come mighty close to getting something for nothing when you convert that back yard into a garden.

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If discretion is the better part of valor, the conscientious objectors must have been wonderfully brave men.

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A clean town may not cause undue comment, but a dirty one invariably comes in for a bunch of free advertising.

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There is talk now of putting smoking under the ban. But don't lose heart entirely. The right to live has not been prohibited.

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If present conditions of improvement continue, one will soon be able to think of Mexico without letting out a string of cuss words.

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Time was when we could buy a dozen fresh eggs for ten cents, but now any self respecting hen wants about that much a cackle.

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One-half of the world doesn't know what the other half is doing. And, in most cases, it is not anxious to advertise its own acts.

Certain people apparently go on the assumption that the more smoking they do in this world the less they will have to endure in the next one.

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Cheer up and stay cheered. Business conditions in this country are not of the best, but they are immeasurably better than those of any other country.

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Some people are convinced that nobody ever reads the home paper until the editors begins to tell the truth about them, and then they are ready to fight.

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Once there was a time when a fellow would ask nothing better than a fortune invested in government bonds. Now he can hardly conceive of anything worse.

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Germany is said to be in a better economic condition than the allies. The latter are squabbling over the $[illegible],000,000,000 they want Germany to pay them, while the Germans are getting down to hard work and are producing wealth. It's a lesson [illegible]

WHEN a fellow brings up at the end of a long run he is tired and wants a rest. He wants to look around a little before he takes another spurt.

That about represents the business situation to-day.

It has been moving at a wild and strenuous pace for a number of years, and now the period of relaxation is at hand.

It is resting and sizing up the situation before it begins another gallop.

We have much the same thing at every presidential election.

As the time approaches for the incumbent to retire from office business interests begin to wonder what the new man will be — and "What He Will Do."

Capital always has an eye open for breakers ahead. It never goes blindly onto the rocks of uncertainty.

After the new president has been inaugurated, and uncertainties begin to crystalize into something definite, business will be able to make a fairly accurate survey and determine just what line of action it is advisable to take.

That, in all likelihood, will mark the beginning of the end of our period of commercial rest.

Now idle wheels will spin again. Men will return to their occupations, and the business world will soon be at normal again.

We see nothing in the present situation to occasion any alarm.

We see every indication of an early return to activity.

Let us husband our strength and our resources and await with confident patience the day when the tide begins to turn.

We will not have long to wait.

USE YOUR PEN

WRITE to your senator and congressman occasionally. They need "your" counsel and advice.

Senators and congressmen are not little tin gods, nor yet big ones. They are just human beings like the rest of us — people whom we have picked from our midst and sent to Washington to represent "our will" in the affairs of the nation.

Don't get the mistaken idea that your duty ends with casting your vote. That is only the beginning.

It is your duy to keep our representatives in Washington advised as to the attitude of this particular community relative to the various matters that come up in congress. Otherwise they will not know what WE think—what WE desire—what WE expect THEM to do, and how they should vote in order to truly represent the people of their districts.

Senators and congressmen receive many letters, but most of them are from professional politicians or people who have an axe to grind. They seldom hear from the rest of us, and as long as we are indifferent to our interests we can hardly complain if they become so themselves.

Write them nice friendly letters and tell them how you stand and how your neighbors feel. They will appreciate it for two reasons. First, because they are really desirous of doing something for us if it is possible for them to do so. Second, they are anxious to keep in touch with the sentiment of their districts, lest they find themselves "in bad" at the next election.

Write to them.

You will find that they are quite human, and will be as fair with you as you are with them.

Most men either have an automobile or wish they had one. But the automobile is rapidly depriving the people of the daily exercise they require to keep their bodies in fit condition. The owner of a car spends most of his time in his machine — that is, his spare time — and while he is thus skimming over the country he is depriving his body of that exercise which the law of human nature demands. The car is a modern necessity, and everyone who can afford it should own one, but not at the expense of health. Take your daily exercise before you take your drive. You will be able to live longer and [illegible]

[illegible] European affairs, and yet we cannot bring themselves to the point of going to the polls and voting in a home election.

It is estimated that there are about four million men in this country out of employment, but country editors are not included. The income of the news gatherer may decrease, but never his hours of toil.

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If you feed an engine too rich a mixture of gas it will soon choke it and stop it. It needs more air. If you surfeit the brain continually with heavy reading it will become dulled and clogged for lack of relaxation. It needs a change. A little clean fiction mixed in with the heavy literature will produce a keener mind and a quicker brain and a stronger mentality. This is worth keeping in mind when bringing up children.

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After the war Canada placed many thousands of her returned soldiers on new farms and furnished them the financial assistance necessary to get a start. Now most of the money the Canadian government loaned them has been repaid, new farms are adding to the wealth of the dominion, and the question of unemployment is less pressing than it otherwise would have been. Canada builded wisely and is now reaping her just reward. In this country we are still waiting for "George" to do something.

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When a fellow looks at his liberty bonds he feels inclined to cuss. He remembers how they have depreciated in value when he was urged to buy with the expectation that they would soon be above par. But if you have any of them don't sacrifice them at present rates. The present high rates of interest will not last, and as interest rates decline the value of the bonds will increase. Then it is quite within the bounds of possibility that congress will take some action toward restoring their market value to par by federal legislation if necessary. A little patience and you may yet come out whole on the deal.

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Some people are inclined to be very critical of our public officials, but it doesn't always produce the best results. Men are men the world over and they are inclined to exhibit a stubborn streak when some other fellow takes it into his head to administer a kick. A quiet talk face to face is readily understood by both parties, and if there is any differences of opinion there is an opportunity to come to an amicable understanding. When we see anything in this town that isn't just as it should be it is our right as citizens to point it out to our officials, but the officials have an equal right to expect that we will talk to them instead of about them. It is the better way.

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Country people who go to the big cities are amazed at the shortness of women's dresses. Many seem to consider it indelicate, even vulgar. In reality, however, these short dresses are exceedingly sanitary, vastly more so than the long sweeping ones our mothers used to wear. It is the state of the mind and not the length of a dress that breeds indelicacy and vulgarity. The human race would be in much better condition if the dresses of our women were even shorter than they now are. Freedom of movement means better health and greater strength and vitality, and without these humanity would soon cease to be.

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A friend dropped into our office the other day and complained of having a "bum stomach." We don't wonder. His time is consumed in working, eating and sleeping. If he will run half a mile every morning before breakfast and drink two quarts of pure water every day he won't do so much grunting. And if he will spend an hour or two a day punching the bag, jumping fences and sawing wood he will soon wonder why he ever did so much complaining. When the Lord gave our friend a perfectly good stomach He did all that can be expected of Him. That which the Lord gives is worth keeping and taking care of. It's [illegible]

NEW GOODS
NEW PRICES

We are showing many new lines in Men's Wear and in Shoes for all the family that we bought at panic prices and are now offering as follows:

Service One-piece Overalls, were $5.50 ---------- Now $4.00
Blue Denim Overalls, were $2.25 ---------- Now $1.50
Men's $4.50 Trousers ---------- Now $3.50
Men's $4.00 Trousers ---------- Now $3.00
Men's Heavy Cotton Work Socks ---------- Now 15c
Men's Jersey Gloves ---------- Now 20c
Men's $5.50 Work Shoes ---------- Now $4.25
Men's Lyon Shoe Co. Work Shoes, were $3.65 ---------- Now $2.95
Boys' Knickerbocker Suits, snappy styles, were $12.50 ---------- Now $7.95
Men's Work Shirts ---------- $1.00 and $1.25
Women's Walk-over Shoes and Pumps at a saving of $5.00 on a pair.
QUAKER COMFORT SHOE and Oxfords 25% off price.
Women's Gun Metal Shoes, all solid leather ---------- Now $3.45

James P. Cannon Company

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F. M. LEE, AUCTIONEER

Owing to my real estate changes I have no use nor suitable place for the property hereinafter described. If you have,

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BIGGEST SALE EVER

of its kind in this vicinity, at my Jersey Barn
in the VILLAGE OF ANDVOER, N. Y.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23

Property on exhibition at 9:30 A. M. Sale commences at 10:30 A. M. sharp. Free Lunch at noon. The following is a partial list of the property to be sold:

42 HEAD OF CATTLE

Consisting of 19 Milch Cows and Heifers, 19 Dry Heifers (coming 1 and 2 years old), 4 yearling Bulls. The foregoing cattle are mostly select stock, being 7 Grade Ayrshires and 35 Grade Holsteins.

FIVE HORSES

Being one good team about 6 and 8 years old, weighing about 3,700 lbs., good, able, active workers, ready for hard service; one pair of horses, weighing about 2,200 lbs., good, active farm teams; bay mare weighing about 1,000 lbs., very kind, sound and true.

Seven Shoats 4 to 6 months old, 1917 model Ford Truck in good running condition, 2 pair heavy Lumber Sleighs, 4 Wagons, 2 Platform Buggies, 2 Grain Drills, 2 Rompers and Binders, 4 Sets of Plows, 3 Hillers, Wiard Sulkey Plow, 2 Flat Land Plows, 2 Side Hill Plows, 3 Grain Drills, nearly new Wagon Box with Top Box and Spring Seat, 3 Cultivators, 3 Single Buggies, 2 Log Racks, 2 Wood or Bark Racks, 2 Hay Racks, Grindstone, 4 Harrows, Mowing Machine, 4 Hay Rakes, Land Roller, Potato Sprayer, 2 Portland Cutters, 3 sets Trailing Grabs, 4 Crosscut Saws, quantity of Forks, Shovels, Blocks, Whiffletrees, Neck Yokes and many other articles too numerous to mention.

If weather is bad, sale will be continued inside. If there is any of the foregoing property that you are going to need this year, get posted up to place bid on hand early or come to the day of sale, as everything must be sold and will be sold readily.

TERMS — All sums of $5.00 and under cash; over that amount six months time on approved [illegible]

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