

THE VALUE OF THE PERSONAL TOUCH

Many a Canadian Family Being Saved From Ruin By Kind Hands.

From a small Ontario town comes this story of the work of the Canadian Patriotic Fund: When it was decided to form a local branch, whose in charge of the relief work decided to make the disbursement a personal matter between the relief officer and the head of the family, to dispense advice as well as money, and exercise as much control as possible. Each woman when being put on the fund, is given a personal interview with the honorary treasurer and receives an explanation of what is expected of her, for her own good and for the good of the fund.

One family who moved into the district had a record of extravagance and mismanagement in other towns. They were given the usual advice, but it was not heeded. The family most cases and put on probation. The result has been that the younger children are attending school regularly and are better clothed and fed than ever in their lives. The family are beginning to accumulate a little solid furniture; they pay the rent regularly have taken on a little industrial insurance, started a savings account, and hold their heads up. There are five small children under fourteen, who now are living in a different atmosphere to any they ever knew before. The chances are that the three boys will make respectable heads of families instead of town loafers, and that the girls will make better wives and mothers. The secret of the whole affair is that some one was taking an interest in them, something which had never happened in their lives before. They were put on a certain standard of honor, and they measured up to it.

It might be argued that this is an exceptional case. Our experience has been that others are also showing an improvement. However grant that it is an exception. This town has expended in relief the total amount of \$1,500, while it has raised in all about \$13,000 for the Patriotic fund. Would not the economic improvement in that one family be worth much more to Canada than the total amount of relief money expended in this town? Would it not measure up nearer to the \$13,000 that our citizens have paid? That result would not have been secured in any other way than by the direct personal touch of that relief committee. No government department or more monthly cheque could have done it. The responsibilities of the Stay-at-Homes is not only to the soldier's wife and kiddies now; it is to the future of Canada and our race. Intelligent interest on the part of the local executives can and will do much toward improving the minds and bodies of the soldiers' children. They are our trust, and the more efficient, personal and helpful means we take for them cannot be too much trouble to a true Canadian.

John D. Hunt, clerk of the Alberta Executive Council, has published a new book, "The Dawn of a New Patriotism."

At New Dayton, Alta., J. F. Morrison threshed 3,120 bushels from a 60-acre tract of sod broken in June, 1915, seeded in spring wheat this spring, making him an average of 52 bushels an acre.

William J. Gannon, of Arden, Man., was killed at Cuckoo when a strap which was attached to his artificial leg caught in the belt of a separator, wound around his neck and caused death by strangulation.

ONLY MORE SHOPPING DAYS BEFORE CHRISTMAS



It's funny how some folks think they other celebrate the birth of our Saviour by seeth' how much red licker they kin git away with.

Bender Deal Falls Through

Big Chief Will Not Manage Leafs; Blackburne May Stay.

New York, Dec. 15.—Announcement was made last night that the deal by which "Chief" Bender was to have gone to Toronto as manager of the Leafs, has fallen through. It was said that Russell Blackburne would probably retain the leadership of the Leafs.

Philadelphia, Dec. 15.—It appears that the announcement to the effect that Charles Alber ("Chief") Bender of the Philadelphia National League Baseball Club, had been appointed manager of the Toronto International Leaguers was premature. According to local authorities there were two obstacles in the way of the consummation of the deal. No agreement was arrived at between Toronto and the Phillies, and none could be reached between Bender and the Canadian owners. It is stated that "Lena" Blackburne will continue as manager of the Toronto.

There is no likelihood of Blackburne assuming the management of the Leafs. That player stated with some emphasis on the day on which he departed for his home in Pennsylvania after the closing of the 1916 season at the Island Stadium, that he would not under any circumstances whatever, accept the management of the Leafs in 1917. Blackburne makes no secret of the fact that he aspires to play third base for some major league team before he quits the game. He is firmly of the belief that he will get back into the "big show," and thinks that to accept the management of a team in the minors would not help him to realize his ambition.

BOOKS FOR MEN Including "The Truth About the Danes; Retreat of Wons; Imperial Germany," by Prince Von Buelow; These books will particularly appeal to men as they are actual truths on the war and the cause. E. B. Crompton & Co., Ltd.

Four persons were injured on a Pennsylvania train as it rushed past the Jeannette, Pa., station. The temporary vacuum caused by the rush of the train jerked several bread hampers from a truck on the platform. The hampers struck the side windows of the train with such force that the passengers were cut by flying glass.

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Laughs at the Hun's Demands

Japan Will Not Consider Return of German Colonies as Basis For Peace.

By Courier Leased Wire. New York, Dec. 15.—The Herald this morning publishes the following despatch from Tokio, under Thursday's date:

I have it on highest authority that Japan will not entertain thought of peace as long as restoration of the ante-bellum status is insisted upon by the Berlin government as basis of settlement. Japan will stand staunchly by her allies in their determination to continue the war until the main purpose of overthrowing Prussian militarism is accomplished. Japanese statesmen smile when Germany's demand for the restoration of her colonies is mentioned. The restoration of Kiao-Chou is considered as a possibility in this country, and Kiao-Chou was the colony of which Germans boasted most. Public sentiment in this country may approve the return to China of that portion of Shantung now in Japanese hands, provided arrangements favorable to Japanese trade and enterprise can be made, but never would approve its again becoming a German colony.

Japan's purpose in joining in the war was to drive the German menace from Asia. This represents retribution for the part which Kaiser played in robbing Japan of the fruits of the war with China. Japanese are willing enough to call the account squared, but this implies the present status in the Orient, not the before war status. For the same reasons Japan will not consent to the restoration of other German holdings in the Pacific in the taking of which she was largely instrumental.

Submarine Still Intact

American Submersible Is Stranded In Shallow Water.

By Courier Leased Wire. Eureka, Cal., Dec. 15.—The submarine H-3, in which twenty enlisted men and two officers of the United States navy were imprisoned for several hours yesterday while she pounded in a heavy surf on the beach near the Eureka harbor entrance, was still intact early today, as far as could be seen from the shore. The sea was smoother during the night, and hope was expressed that with the help of coast cutters, the stranded submersible would be hauled back into deep water today. "Ma-cree" at 12:30 spent the night on the United States cruiser Chenyenne in Eureka harbor. Werner Swains, a coast guardsman on to-day Eureka life-saving station, while became the hero of the rescue. While the navy men were still bottled up in the submarine, a coast guard cutter with eight men pulled alongside with a lead line for a breach. When the cutter was dashed away by a giant wave, Swains leaped aboard the submarine and made fast the line. Washed overboard, he clasped a struggling line and hauled himself to safety, only to be forced to repeat his hazardous struggle a moment later. The conning tower hatch was opened to him when the men inside became aware of his presence there by lusty kicks, and a little later Swains and members of the crew were able to haul the buoy tackle aboard.

BRANT CHAPTER, I. O. O. E.—Ladies! don't forget the Christmas home-made cooking market in the Tea Pot Inn building next Saturday morning, Dec. 16th. Mrs. J. J. Hurley, Mrs. George Watt and assistants will look after your wants. This will be the place to buy your Christmas cakes, plum puddings, mince meat pies, preserves, pickles, candies and anything suitable for your Christmas dinner. Any contributions from ladies outside the Chapter for the Saturday market will be most acceptable. No orders will be taken before the sale, and no member of the committee in charge may buy goods that are on sale, so that the public may have a free choice. All articles for sale must be at the Tea Pot Inn by 9.45 o'clock, so that they can be priced and placed on the counters before the doors open to the public at 10.30. First come, first served.

SHORTAGE OF Fuel in Paris

By Courier Leased Wire. Paris, Dec. 15.—Owing to a rise in the waters of the Seine, diverting the passage under the bridges of coal barges from Rouen, Paris is suffering from a shortage of fuel. City dealers with stocks are selling by the parcel of 20 pounds at 25 cents a parcel, while wholesale merchants have posted notices asking their clients to await the arrival of the barges from Rouen. Meanwhile the Government is taking measures to facilitate transportation and the distribution of cargoes.

FURS FOR GIFTS

Beautiful Fur Sets and Jackets, for Ladies, Misses, and Children at W. L. Hughes, 127 Colborne St. Winnipeg citizens have decided to give up the winter carnival idea with the ice palace attractions and its programme of sports in favor of recruiting, and will spend the \$25,000 grant and subscriptions in that direction.

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The Christmas Spirit Pervades the Store

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Infants' Beds at . . . . .75, to 25, 20, 15 and 10c
Wool or Silk Veils at . . . . .35, 25, 20 and 15c
Children's Wool Over Drawers in white, cardinal, Scarlet, grey and etc., at \$2.50, to \$1.35, \$1.00, 85 and 75c
Children's Wool Caps in white, copen, scarlet, cardinal, At . . . . . \$1.00, 75, 50 and 40c
Children's Wool Caps at . . . . \$1.25, \$1.75 and 50c

Warm Winter Coats at \$10.00

Ladies' and Misses' Coats in Chinchilla, Tweed curl cloth in navy, brown & black, body lined, several styles to choose from, regular up to \$16.50 special at \$10.00



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New Gloves, lined or unlined, all sizes at \$2.00, \$1.75, \$1.50 and \$1
Men's Underwear, Shirts and Drawers to match At . . . . \$2, \$1.75, \$1.50, \$1.25, \$1
Men's Silk Mufflers at . . . . \$2, \$1.75, \$1.50 to 75c
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- Black Dress Goods (old dyes) in Silk, Henrietta, wool, poplin, chiffon, Panama serge, duchess cloth, At . . . . \$2.50, \$2.00, \$1.50, to \$1.00
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Ladies' Silk Underskirts, in plain or shot effects, several styles to choose from. Prices \$8, \$6.50, \$5, \$4.50 and . . . . . \$3.95
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Black Wolf Sett at \$70.00
Handsome Animal Scarf, 40 inches long, finished with head and tails. Large fancy muff to match scarf. Price . . . . \$70.00



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Ladies' Parasols, steel rods, silk and wool tops, beautiful range of handles in natural wood trimmed with sterling silver right top and come in suit case styles. Special at . . . . \$10.00, \$8.00, \$7.00, \$6.00, \$5.00 to \$1.50

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Ladies' Silk Sweater Coats in all silk and part, in plain and shot effects, some very pretty styles, special At . . . . \$20.00, \$18.00, \$15.00, \$12.00 to \$8.00

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ACTION TAKEN BY GOVERNMENT

In Case of Capt. Blaikie, Steamer Caledonia, Bon Law Announces.

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Dec. 15.—A. Bonar, chancellor of the exchequer, member of the British war cabinet, announced in the House of Commons yesterday that the government had taken "such action as it considered necessary" regarding Capt. Blaikie, who was taken prisoner by the crew of a German submarine after the submarine had sunk the steamer, the Caledonia.

TEUTON CARDINALS By Courier Leased Wire. Berlin, via London, Dec. 15.—Cologne Volks-Zeitung says it has from an authoritative source. Pope Benedict intends to name German and one Austrian to the vacant places in the cardinal which were not filled at the consistory. The Pope, the newspaper says, refrained from naming two cardinals because the position at the time made the ability of their journeying to Rome doubtful.

Dr. Pratt, of Sweet Grass, gone to Fraeche to serve in the hospitals. Dr. John Taylor, for eight years a resident of Winnipeg, ther recently.

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