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#### SOLDIER PENSIONS.

C ANADA'S military system might be described as quasi-democratic. It is more democratic in spirit than in form. As a whole there is little snobhas had a large place in Canada's war in the building up of the Dominion. history. In the first place "Jack is as good as his master" in Canada, and

shes and serves to wipe out the class It is a healthy sign when Londoners has greater opportunities. Superior they have been shoved out of their own also necessary to have some financial how valuable they would be there esources in order to get a commissio in Canada. Quite often the thrifty WHAT MONASTIR MEANS artisan has qualified for his commission. From those cases where political 'pull' has counted much dissatisfacion has resulted. Often, though, sheer tory. As a feat of arms, it is regarded merit has brought men to important by the military expert of the New posts. On the whole there is not much York Times as one of the most mag complain of; the system of securing nificent strokes of the war. A con centlemen's sons" as officers is cerain to have its abuses, but the young gave the Serbs victory without the nen from the wealthier homes have necessity of costly frontal attack

ensions-in fact it has already comeis it not possible for Canada to adopt egard no rank, and should make no omparison of service. No matter how arge or how small the pension for emplete disability or death may be. should be meted out as the portion f all who have served. like a medal truck by a grateful nation to be be-

Liberals of Eastern Ontario did urpose it is seeing that justice is you surprised at it? neted out to those who have suffered, nd to the dependents of those who ave given their lives.

#### A NEW CHANCE FOR THE INDIAN.

S INCE THE advent of civilization in North America, the Indian race as been declining rapidly. Two enenies, both products of civilization, have worked with extraordinary success to xterminate the race. It was from his ery first contact with the white man that the Indian fell a prey to intoxiating liquor, and later, as he was bility will continue to be so. forced to desert his natural outdoor ife and be cooped up, tuberculosis be-

an to diminish the vitality of his race. Young Canada was too busily occuied with the building up of her constitution and commercial prosperity to take much notice of her aborigines, and for a time the Indian race was sadly neglected. However, in time, the Canadian and American governments ealized that a race was dying in their midst for want of attention, and came to the rescue, apportioning Indian reserves to them. It was hoped that by living in a manner somewhat similar

In Canada, the Indian population is low showing a fair increase. This s due in part, to the fact that the Government has reserved for their special use great tracts of land, but is mostly due to the reverses which the wo great enemies of the Indian have ffered. Prohibition deprives them "firewater," and science is ever

have been established, where Indian Canadian P, and R. office in old again. Was it imagination that made trades, but what is more important, how to fight their two great enemies.

changed since the Indian went forth with his tomahawk. Tecumseh never dreamed of howitzers, zeppelins or submarines, yet the same spirit exemplified in this brave warrior still ourns in the breast of the Indian, as he goes forth over the sea to fight for freedom and the Empire.

When the war is ended there is ound to be a re-establishment of the races in Europe. The Poles will be united again. The Slavs in Austria-Hungary will break away from German supremacy, and the little nations of the Balkans will be reconstructed on racial lines.

In Canada, made up as she is of diverse nationalities, the racial question is important and has constantly been the study of historians and politicians. Yet, in spite of this, the oldest race on the continent, has been kept in the background.

Now that fate, unkind for so long time, is beginning to favor the Indian, so that his numbers are increasing, and with this increase a strong feeling of patriotism is evinced

by Indian enlistment and patriotic contribution, let us not forget that we were in a way responsible for his long bery in the army, although regulations period of apparent obliteration. Let are such as to assure an officer the us give him greater prominence in the opportunity to assert his dignity, or land, which we have inherited from even to over-assert his authority. But him. Let him feel that his race has it is doubtful if the snob or the bully a large share and a new opportunity

#### A HEALTHY SIGN.

as this war is antithetical to autocracy, the ADVERTISER has received a comment on a recent editorial. and brotherhood has been the key- "Hold to the Home Town," wherein note of service in the army. The offi- numerous instances are given of Loncer loves his men and vice-versa. don positions which have been filled But while this fine fraternity flour- by men from other cities.

ines, thereby making us a stronger are brought to the point of complaining race, we cannot begin to compare ours about "their jobs" which have been with the French army, in which a given to outsiders. For where there is system of advancement on merit alone a complaint there may be a remedy. exists. There have been promotions to London must try to persuade her best commissions among the Canadians in men to stay with her, and this can be the ranks, but many a man fit to com- done only by assuring them that there nand because of his ability and ex- is work here for them. As for the perience has had to take second place men who are brought here from other to a man who by the accident of birth places-poor things-most probably ducation may be essential, but it is town, which was too stupid to know

HE FALL OF MONASTIR to the stantly repeated flanking movemen They fought wonderfully, under the di-But when the time comes to pay rection of Gen. Sarrail, to wrest back

That Bulgaria may be led for him, unless, at the expense of every point of the question, and the could not put into words.

The great fact is other fronts, which the kaiser can illhe officer. If war is the great leveller the same simple and marveilously suc- dinarily he would have dispatched the on a table near her.

"Why. I do believ." must be remembered that in the cessful flanking movements. Mace-liberation. To accept the offer would must be remembered that in the doma is doomed to fall from the Teumean on appreciable rise in the world, annot be tabulated. The value of a support of a support of the nation the value of a support of the nation that the nation the nation that the na further temporary victory.

#### EDITORIAL NOTES

towed upon her defenders, or like a the United States propose to remain her, was maddening to him whose lips

all to declare for the equal pension

It is reported that Emperor Francis derness? And could not other men give the handed the pack to her. "Tell her that, and wealth besides?"

He handed the pack to her. "Tell me my future," he said. "I am going

The prohibition act may prove re munerative to the Government after all-according to Sarnia.

The city should entertain the returned men of the city to a real oldfashioned Christmas feed.

council is desirous to know

of "interest" still, and in all proba-

up about Sir Sam's successor. The nothing left for him to do but bid some press would like to have a rest, of his friends good-bye. Wouldn't you?

be full of holes. Trust the present were others, he knew, who enjoyed the Government to look after its pets, the same privilege, Canadian food barons.

With few preliminaries and without sion, which showed that her thoughts swered him and the fortune was told. any objections, London City Council were far away. She rose when she saw gave \$8,000 to the British seamen's him, and came forward to meet him.

"I am glad you have come," sh

fered the mayor's chair for 1917 by acclamation. Save for a technicality, he loved her always? But they were treading on days? But they were was the choice of citizens as mayor treading on dangerous ground. If he

It may be that the Government does not grant credentials to Canadian newspapermen because there is just a little too much to be seen around the might occur before they would meet houses are full and that they cannot It may be that the Government does

hildren are taught, not only useful rades, but what is more important, low to fight their two great enemies. Since the outbreak of the war, the ladians have enlisted in large numbers of ladians have enlisted in large numbers. Jack Tar, opening the ladians have enlisted in large numbers. The more important, words?

British naval officers and men are noted for their coolness in times of greatest stress. Jack Tar, opening the ladians have enlisted in large numbers. The morning as the latter of greatest stress. Jack Tar, opening the ladians have enlisted in large numbers. The morning as the latter of greatest stress and detailed information apply to local Railway and Steamship costs for selling short-weight bags of him. Indians have enlisted in large numbers greatest stress. Jack Tar, opening the to fight for the British Emptre, of door of his master's cabin: "Enemy him. which they are proud to form a part. Ships sighted, sir. Will you have your bath before or after action?"

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Tight for the British Emptre, of door of his master's cabin: "Enemy ships."

"Isn't this a sudden determination?" she asked. "Why are you going?"

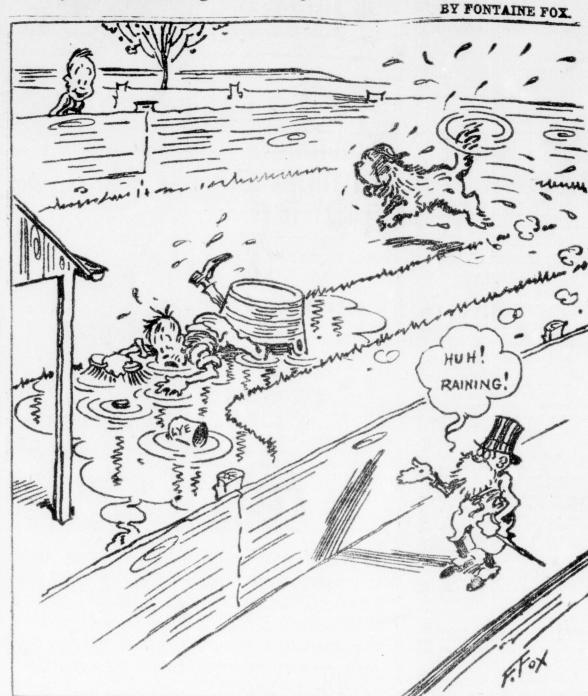
She had turned her face away, and brought before him on a similar charge."

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That Poor Fish, Vernon McNutt, Decides to Use a Little Lye in Washing His Dog.



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"What the Cards Told"

a sky overhead like the deep blue of a Delft plate may be very attractive to one attuned to the liveliness of nature, but to a young man with a wealth of but to a young man with a wealth of the many reasons, where the said of them. I'm afraid I am get a device to prevent trousers bag-

events of the present trio of important to put distance between him and an campaigns. The winter will serve to object that was unattainable? To see freeze to death all German hope of the woman he loved, to be brought into almost daily contact with her beauty and her thousand charms, was simply

to live in a fool's paradise. laid their hearts' secrets before her, Another sub case. How long does and at least stood a chance of winning were sealed. How could he ask her to her but a heart overflowing with ten- the future

poverty and the sordid side of life, her her to give up all that she had been for his sake? In imagination he could look of careless happiness, growing ook of careless happiness, serious day by day with the cares of his voice was husky. life, with anxiety about unwonted de-Is the Government responsible for all tails. He had heard that love glorified of Sir Sam's promises? The London all things, but was it not selfishness even to think of winning her heart? Perhaps, if he went away, in years to come he might learn to think of her

as only a gracious memory. But why torture himself with thoughts of the future? As for the present, his mind was made up. He had written his letter accepting the position We wish that Ottawa would hurry departure were concluded. There was

He was ushered into the little studio, where she elected to paint when it That "high cost of living" law is declared by Toronto's city solicitor to

She was sitting near the bay win-dow, her hands clasped loosely in her in confusion to the floor as his hands lap, and in her eyes a dreamy expresto the old forest life, the Indian race fund. None of us have objection to said. "I am glad you have come," she said. "I think I was about to give way to one of my moods. I don't like moody

> He looked at her. Could she not for 1916 quite as much as the present his own he must turn the conversation into other channels; but when he proceeded to do it, it was with a half-heartedness that was very apparent. receded to do it, it was with a hairleartedness that was very apparent.
> He told her that he was about to
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> Wanted box cars on failway sidings. It
> was alleged by retail dealers that the
> potatoes are not being taken up by

A spring sun with early flowers and he could not catch the expression that vilyun.

That Bulgaria may be led to rean absolutely democratic system which shall regard the service of the private and the non-commissioned officer as and the non-commissioned officer as donia was the stake in Ferdinand's comes with a sensation that jars.

That Bulgaria may be led to result to a young man with a wealth of nounce the Teuton is regarded as a possible result of the capture. Macelone with a sensation that jars.

But to a young man with a wealth of ting egotistical. Let us talk of someone withing else." And this they attempted to do, but the conversation lagged person of the capture with a sensation that jars.

Comes with a sensation that jars. officer receives? In repeating this sug-section. The Advertiser is not at-

She, too, was unusually silent, At should be given. The great fact is afford to deplete of men. Ferdinand hat whatever the amount as finally manded an immediate reply. It was a length he grew desperate. This was Dear J. H. F.—I saw by the paper manded an immediate reply. It was a fore he is crushed. The Serbian of- distant city, offering him a position at would leave behind. He felt that he opposite sex likewise, and print this fensive will continue, no doubt, with the officer. If war is the great leveller the same simple and markellously such as fensive will continue, no doubt, with dinarily he would have dispatched the continue and markellously such as female and markellously

"That is your own conclusion," she

replied. "I was not playing solitaire. can explain the presence of those cards by telling you that I was trying my fortune. When you appeared in the doorway I had just discovered the pleasing fact that I had a 'friend, a a most edifying way of spending the time. Instead of being bored in the share his lot? What had he to offer present, I delve into the treasures of

He thought of her willowy grace, of her little white hands. Shielded from before me."

She smiled, "I half believe you are spirit had grown straight and free as a skeptical. I wonder if I can convince fresh young flower. How unsuited she was to endure privation! Could he ask hidden here!" She drew out a king of hearts as she spoke, "You are in love, customed to and endure hardshing she said. Her eyes met his for one moment, then a wave of color swept almost see her dear face losing that up to her brow. He leaned forward

'Yes," he said, "that is true. And She was idly turning the cards over ove a woman strongly, tenderly, as a ell her so. I can read pride here, and We-we-ah-loved him so.-A'n, this it is that keeps you from it." She paused, but he begged her to go on. "Tell me of her! Is she fair or never been a thinker. It took the folks

Her face was half in shadow. "She has fair hair," she said.
"Like a wealth of gold," he broke 1. "And her eyes?"

"They are brown," she replied, so oftly that he had to bend forward to atch her words. "Glorious eyes,"

"Brown with all the lights of an autumn sun! But tell me that which PORTLAND Me. wish most to know. Does she love A soft breath of spring flowers stole

#### From PORTLAND, Me DEC. 2 MONTREAL WHOLESALERS

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#### \*1:30 p.m., \*3:30, \*5:30, \*7:30, Wait a Minute! \*9:15 p.m.

ES communication ( ) ( ) ( materialism ( ) ( ) ( ) ( ) ( ) ( ) ( ) Thomas, 6:15 p.m. and 11:15 "Twilight Sleep" has been discarded. p.m. It will still be popular with the On-

The oldest rascal in this plant, a saintly man, too, informed us this morning that there should be plenty of STANLEY RAILWAY

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