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### THE FEDERAL PARLIAMENT

The parliament of Canada has been summoned to meet on the 4th day of February.

It will be a war-session and, providing the Opposition does not introduce subjects of a controversial nature, a short one. It is expected, will see parliament to vote \$100,000,000 with which to carry on the Canadian end of the war.

Notes for several large national undertakings will be requested but the customary items for new public buildings, harbor improvements and the like will be missing from the budget this year.

Last session, the government guaranteed a large issue of Canadian Northern bonds. The company has been unable to dispose of the whole of them and, it is stated, will apply to parliament for assistance or money to cash those securities.

The Grand Trunk has not yet announced its intention of taking over the National Transcontinental railway and it is safe to assume that it will delay doing it as long as it can, in view of the general trade situation.

At Ottawa there is a well-defined report that the Liberals wish to enter into an agreement with the government that there shall be another session of parliament before a general election. In exchange for this they are willing to promise that there will be no obstructionist tactics followed or controversial topics introduced at this session.

Evidently the Opposition wishes to gain time, so as to allow the government to forget its stand which it, as a party, took on the Three Dreadnaughts matter. It declared there was no emergency and had the senate throw out the government's bill to contribute three capital ships to the imperial navy.

The government stands too well in the eyes of the Canadian people to require to enter into any agreement with the Opposition, whereby it would obtain its concurrence with war measures.

The party in power has the sole right to determine when an election should be held. It would appear weak if it barred this right for silence on the part of the Opposition. If the minority party has not sufficient patriotism to assist in enacting necessary war legislation, let it do the other thing.

### BY THE WAY

The Ontario legislature will meet on 10th of February, says a report from Toronto.

Hon. Robert Rogers, who has just returned to Ottawa from a trip in the West, reports conditions on the Prairie as improving.

A traveller for Tiffany and Company of New York states that business is better in Canada than in the United States.

### CANADA'S BORROWINGS

The following is a summary of Canadian borrowings during the year 1914:

Governments in London.....	\$1,300,000
Governments in Canada.....	10,800,000
and United States.....	10,800,000
Municipal in Canada and the United States.....	\$46,900,000
Municipal in London.....	32,000,000
Municipal in U. S.....	12,600,000
Public Utilities.....	\$66,690,000

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## CANNOT CROSS BZURA

Germans Make Heavy Sacrifices But Are Repulsed.

After Capture of Bolimow Germans Have Tried to Push On to Warsaw But Have Been Stopped With Large Losses—Austrians Are Retreating In Disorder Before Victorious Russian Army.

LONDON, Jan. 5.—Violent fighting is in progress along the eastern battlefield, leading at some points to desperate hand-to-hand encounters. The official Russian statement shows that after capturing Bolimow, the Germans attempted to push on to the northeast, in the direction of Warsaw. Their advance is asserted by the Russians to have been repulsed with large losses. The Berlin official report says the German attacks are still being pushed east of the Rawka river.

A Petrograd cable says it is learned authoritatively that the fighting on Sunday on Bzura river front resulted in important success for the Russians. The Austrians in Galicia are retreating in disorder, and whole regiments are surrendering.

The Muscovite steam-roller is crushing out the dying embers of the last Austrian advance through Galicia. The victorious troops of the Grand Duke Nicholas are following up the retreating Austrians down to the plains of Hungary, and as far east as the Austro-Romanian frontier. Bukovina has been swept by the Russian left wing. Some of the Austrian corps co-operating with the Germans on the Vistula are being driven southward along the valley of the Nida.

The partially shown by the Russian soldier for the bayonet is one of the features of the recent fighting on the Bzura. Again and again the Russians allowed the Germans to advance within a few yards of their trenches and then dashed upon the astonished enemy with the cold steel.

The Germans are still trying to force a passage of the Bzura river and are sacrificing men by the hundreds in the attempt. Night assaults rule, but up to the present have failed at every point. The most severe fighting is in the neighborhood of Koszów and Biskupki.

The official statement of the Russian General Staff of the Caucasus says the Russians on Jan. 1 and 2 captured more than 5,000 Turks in a battle near Sari Kamyah, also mountain artillery and machine guns. One entire infantry regiment was captured. The battle was going on when the statement was issued.

The Turkish official report says the Turkish army in Caucasus is continuing its march toward Karz, and that a victory was won at Sari Kamyah. Two thousand Russian prisoners were taken, with cannon and machine guns, and two military trains destroyed on the road leading to Karz.

### WILL REPLY SOON.

Britain's Answer To American Note Expected This Week.

LONDON, Jan. 5.—The British Government's reply to the American note concerning contraband probably will be sent before the end of this week. An outline of the reply has been submitted to France, which is greatly interested because of the activity of French ships in searching Mediterranean cargoes.

Probably there will be a statement issued shortly, showing that Italy and England and the other allies have arrived at an understanding concerning contraband satisfactory to all the countries affected.

It can be authoritatively stated that only five cargoes destined for Italy have been stopped at Gibraltar since Nov. 15. Two of these were released within three days, and the others as soon as the alleged contraband in their cargoes could be removed. Since Dec. 4 no cargoes destined for Italy have been intercepted by the allies.

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probable that Augustus Burfill will retire as Chief Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland and be succeeded by Herbert L. Samuel, Postmaster-General.

German Lawyer On Bail.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—Maurice Deiches, a New York lawyer, who was arrested in Philadelphia Saturday night, was arraigned here yesterday on a charge of conspiring to defraud the Government in connection with the issuance of fraudulent passports, to enable German reservists to return to Germany. He was released in \$5,000 bail for a hearing on Jan. 11.

United States An Easy Prey.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—Capt. M. E. Hanna, U. S. military expert, who is writing a series of articles for The New York Sun, declares that the United States could not repel an invasion. An enemy could easily land at every point on the coast, as proved by the mock war waged two years ago.

Winning Wheel Futures Closed 4c to 5c lower, cash closed 4c lower for contract grades, only closed 4c lower, and 4c to 4 1/2c lower for the rest.

MONTREAL GRAIN MARKET.

MONTREAL, Dec. 31.—There was no improvement in the demand from over the winter wheat market, and the price of wheat was better than it has been for some time.

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Fact.

You won't be able to dodge strife.  
You won't succeed, my son,  
When you have a good aim in life  
And tote an empty gun.  
—Cincinnati Enquirer.

On the Road?

"Has he returned?"  
"Not exactly. He is just flirting with conscience."  
—Judge.

For the Time Being.

Ardent Admirer—Dearest, I have brought you no paltry Christmas gift. I ask you to take me for the present.  
Chicago Widow—Well, if it is to be only temporary, you are mine.  
—Judge.

Making Sure.

Mrs. Olden—I buy my husband a box of cigars every