

The Evening Times and Star

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THE WAR.

The war news supports the dictum of Lord Kitchener that he must have more men. That, in fact, is the outstanding feature. Canada, New Brunswick, St. John, must do more than they yet have done.

The Post points out that whereas the British government undertook at the outset to provide an expeditionary force of 150,000 men, it has since raised an army of 8,000,000 men, and the British casualties have been nearly three times as great as the number of men in the original expeditionary force.

Attention is also directed by the Post to the enormous debt the Allies owe to Russia, and emphasis placed upon the obligation of Britain to do more, and more, even if conscription should be necessary, to aid in bringing the war to a satisfactory end.

The obligation of Britain is also that of Canada. More men, more munitions, a more general and generous devotion on the part of all the people to the great task are even more incumbent upon Canadians because Canada has more to lose if Germany should win.

MR. H. L. SPENCER.

I think the dreams of savage and of seer cannot be idle—that the land that lies beyond hath rest for those that rest not here.

Mr. H. L. Spencer, poet and journalist, has gone forth on that great adventure which one of the victims of the Lusitania tragedy described as the most beautiful adventure life has to offer to the sons of men.

The author of The Fugitives found much of sadness in his later life, and nearly all his poems, sweet as they are, have a tinge of melancholy and a suggestion of disappointed aspirations.

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"Good thing you did not sing again," said the critic.

"Why, would you do me?"

"They would have yelled 'Imprisonment! Imprisonment!' the second time," said the critic.

Sunday School Teacher—Did you ever forgive a enemy?

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Sunday School Teacher—And what noble sentiment prompted you to do it?

Tommy Tuffnut—He was bigger than me—Life.

The curtain had dropped on the first act of the amateur play "Ladies and Gentlemen," said the youthful stage manager, stepping to the front of the stage.

"You will observe that the programme says that there is an interval of two years between the first and second acts. This will be fully carried out. The leading lady has just swallowed the powder put under the impression that it was a marshmallow, and I think it will be about that time before she is able to go on."

A young married man in Boston met a friend of his bachelor days and insisted on his wife's presence.

"How could you urge him to have more oysters when I had explained to you that there weren't any more?"

"I'm very sorry," said the penitent husband, "but I forgot all about it."

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NEWS OF THE SOLDIERS Two members of the 26th Battalion have been wounded, J. W. Bettle, of Passages, N. B., and George B. Finn-

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gan of St. Andrews, N. B. Norman Bordeau of Sussex, N. B., with the 14th Battalion, is also reported wounded.

Private E. H. Creed, formerly Methodist minister at Hampton, has been made a lance-corporal in the 56th stretcher-bearer section.

A letter from R. Layton Colborne of the 14th Royal Montreal Rifles, said that he found officials in touch with national affairs counting on five years' war.

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