

BIG SALE of CORDUROY VELVETS

15 pieces in the lot, in a variety of shades. This lot should have been delivered in Oct, but only arrived this week.

of 20 p.c. off. 10 doz. Bungalow Aprons, good full size, fast colors only 50c. Hosiery for Men, Women and Children, splendid values.

Right Prices Wims & Co

Another Quaker Oats Explosion

With a bang heard throughout the central part of the city, a gas explosion in the southeast side of the big Quaker oat grain elevator blew the heavy iron top off into the river and a hole as big as a wash tub out of the cement wall a few yards below the top.

Workmen loading grain in the cars at the very foot of the elevator jumped at the first noise, and scampered away across the piles of debris, expecting that the whole structure was about to tumble on the top of them.

DO LONG BREATHS HURT? Dangerous Pleurisy Always Begins This Way

Speediest Cure is Nerviline. Ouch, that stab-like pain in the side is like a hot knife blade in the ribs! Probably got overheated—cooled too fast—now there is congestion, tightness, such soreness you can't draw a long breath.

Quickest relief will come from a vigorous rubbing with Nerviline. This trusty old pain reliever will fix you up in no time—will take away the congestion—make you well just as it did Mr. Samuel St. Johns, of Stamford, who says:—In running to catch a train last week I became much overheated. I put up the train window and rode that way in order to get cooled off. In an hour my side was so full of pain and my breathing hurt so much that I thought I had pneumonia. I always carry Nerviline in my grip and at destination I rubbed my side thoroughly three times.

Any sort of a cold can be quickly broken up with Nerviline which is a marvel for reducing inflammation, for relieving congestion in the throat and chest, for curing stitch in the side, lumbago, neuralgia, sciatica or rheumatism. Nothing more soothing or powerful. The 25c large family size is the most economical, at all dealers everywhere.

ADDITION TO LIST OF FLOWERS: The following names were omitted from the list of those sending flowers in memory of the late F. B. Johnson.—Mrs. Patterson and family of Toronto, spray; Brother Fred, of Toronto, spray.

ASSISTANT MATRON. Mrs. M. Carr, who was recently appointed assistant matron of the new Children's Shelter, has taken up her duties. She is a qualified nurse and comes highly recommended.

Read "The Ontario" and get all the latest news.

LABERNACLE ANNIVERSARY

Interesting and Edifying Services on Sunday Conducted by Rev. Capt. W. G. Clarke

The first service of the anniversary at the Tabernacle church on Sunday was marked by large and appreciative congregations, and a liberal free-will offering. Rev. (Capt.) W. G. Clarke, B.A., Chaplain of the 235th Battalion delivered two strong and stirring sermons, which both pleased and profited his many former friends.

Throughout the day the music by the choir and quartette was both appropriate and inspiring. Rev. Hiram Hall, B.A., of Toronto will be the preacher at both services next Sunday.

COBourg WANTS ANOTHER INSPECTOR

Claims Territory is too Large For Inspector Goodrich.

The Cobourg Post says:—Judging from what can be seen on the surface and from reports, there are many violations of the Ontario Temperance Act in Cobourg and the neighboring district. Men, women, boys and soldiers have been indulging too freely, Inspector Goodrich is not to blame. On the contrary he is an efficient officer and always on the job, but the License Commission and Ontario Government are asking too much from one man. Mr. Goodrich's headquarters are in Cobourg but his duties call him to various parts of the counties and make it impossible for him to keep an ever watchful eye on conditions here. The area he is expected to cover in the enforcement of the Act is by far too large for one man and it is fully for the commission or government to expect the provisions of the Act to be properly enforced under such conditions.

In drawing the department's attention to this matter it is with a desire to see conditions improved and we believe the only way to successfully do so is to divide the present duties and appoint another inspector or an assistant to Mr. Goodrich.

THE FUTURE OF BELLEVILLE.

In the history of Canada, there never has been an opportunity like the present to make the City of Belleville and many other cities, centres of immense industries. From one hundred to two hundred millions of dollars worth of orders going to American firms have been cancelled by the British government in order that these same munition orders should be placed in Canada. Already Trenton has secured an immense establishment for the manufacture of munitions. Now is the time to place before the authorities namely the Munition Board, the claims and advantages possessed by Belleville. If the opportunity is not taken hold of at once and vigorously pushed, we shall lose the greatest chance for the advancement and substantial growth of our city which will ever be presented. Now let our influential men get to work at once. Will the Council please take notice of this?

J. J. B. FLINT.

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE

While it is natural that newspapers should have an adequate appreciation of the value of advertising, as a royal road to business success, yet the eye of self interest is not the only one open to the advantages of intelligent newspaper advertising. At the Fair and Exhibition Convention in Toronto, Mr. R. J. Bushell, manager of the Kingston Fair, during the discussion upon the President's report, made an illuminating statement, in saying that when he took over the management, "his fair board was spending \$70 in advertising and there was a deficit. Last year," he said, "he spent \$600 in advertising, and the business of the fair showed an increase of 400 per cent, and there was a surplus." Argument like that, and proof like that need no auxiliary comment in order to show that it pays to advertise.

(And we might add that after 45 consecutive years of Dominion Day celebrations the committee had to their credit in the bank \$14, and their expenditure in advertising was about \$50 per year. The new committee expended \$300 yearly in advertising, and after four years management, have over \$500 surplus. Printers' ink will bring results.)—Port Hope Guide.

CURLING EVENTS.

At the Curling Rink last evening the following club games were played:— G. H. Frith S. Bongard James Wallbridge A. E. Thrasher H. Bryant F. E. O'Flynn F. Quick A. McGie

Skip 12 F. S. Wallbridge H. B. Somers Dr. O'Callaghan R. W. Adams H. A. Kerr H. B. Stock W. W. Belair Col. A. P. Allen

Skip 17 R. G. Stanford W. Symons P. Harrison Geo. Dulmage J. A. Borbridge A. R. Symons J. G. Galloway C. J. Symons

Skip 13 A. E. Wrightmeyer W. Vanderwaters R. A. Backus H. Holland F. D. Diamond M. Wright M. A. Dav J. A. McFee

BOYS ARE NO DOWN-HEARTED

Letter From Gerald Spafford to Women's Patriotic League. France, Jan. 7, '17. To Mrs. S. S. Lazier, Pres. Wom. Patriotic League, Belleville, Ont., Can. Permit me, on behalf of the under-mentioned representatives of Belleville, that are still serving with the 1st Canadian Divisional Artillery, 1st Contingent, to request that you, as President, present our greetings to the ladies of the Patriotic League, combined with our sincere and deep appreciation for their kind remembrance of us, at this time.

We, who by the Grace of Almighty God, survive to fight yet another day, month or year, whatever it may be, want you dear ladies and all at home to know (and most of us have had two solid years of hardships and participated in all at the most important engagements) we are not by any means, downhearted yet, we are not for in the distant future—a glorious, victorious conclusion—and hope we may be spared to greet you all in person and express our gratefulness and thanks for your kindness of the past and of the present.

In conclusion dear ladies, we wish the Patriotic League and all its worthy co-workers every success and a Prosperous and Happy New Year. Yours very truly,

On behalf of the undersigned, Gerald N. Spafford, W.O., D. 2 Battery, Howitzers, Members of 2. H. B. 1st Bde, C.F.A. Driver Charles Sharpe Driver H. Newton Driver F. Bird Trumpeter F. Sheldon Driver H. Thomas Driver C. Tryon Sgt. A. E. Harris Members of 4th F. B., C.F.A. G.M.S. H. W. Delnutt Gunner R. Small Gunner A. Traynor Gunner C. Nesbitt Gunner T. Ashmore N.B.—All received one of the parcels.

The Women's Patriotic League have received also a very interesting letter from George Johnson, a Belleville boy in the trenches in France, but it is too lengthy for publication.

OMEMEE FAMILY HAS THRILLING EXPERIENCE.

Omeme, Feb. 13.—Andrew Faulkner, whose farm is five miles east of here, had his house burned last night. Mr. and Mrs. Faulkner and their five children had retired, and cold in their night robes, had to break out of an unuseful door when one of the boys discovered the fire. It was bitterly cold, several degrees below zero, and the family had to take refuge in the stable until morning. The house and contents were a total loss, but Mr. Faulkner and his family consider themselves fortunate to have escaped with their lives. One boy had his feet frozen and was slightly burned in assisting the others to escape.

BIRTH

RIDLEY — On Friday, Feb. 9th, 1917, to Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Ridley, 293 Charles St., a daughter.

DIED

CHAPMAN — At his home in Belleville on Monday, Feb. 12, 1917, Arthur Meachem Chapman, aged 46 years, 6 months. Funeral service Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 14th at 2.30 o'clock at Bridge Street Methodist Church. Family service at the residence 176 South Charles street at 1.30 o'clock. Interment Belleville Cemetery vault. 413-11d

Advertise in "The Ontario"

CORP. E. CARR ON WAY HOME

Belleville Boy, A Victim of Hun Shell Is Now In Canada.

Corporal Ernest Carr, who left Belleville with the 34th Battery in August 1914, is once again on Canadian soil. So read a telegram which Mrs. G. N. Bennett, 38 Dunbar street, received yesterday from St. John, N. B.—"Arrived safe in St. John. Will be home soon—Ernest."

He went to France Feb. 15, 1915, and with the exception of once having a bullet cut through his cap, and graze his skull, passed through 16 months of battle without injury until June 8th, 1916, when he was struck by a shell. Both legs were so badly shattered that amputation was necessary in both cases. He had been obliged to be unattended to, except by first aid men, for two days. This increased the danger and on one leg he had to have two amputations. He was a fireman on the G.T.R. at Belleville prior to enlistment as a gunner. He is a native of Belleville and a nephew of Mrs. G. N. Bennett and Mrs. Chas. Hardwick, of this city. It is expected he will go to a convalescent home in Toronto. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Carr, formerly of Belleville, now reside at Muscow, North Hastings.

DEATH OF JAMES HUDDLESTONE

Well-Known Soldier Died of Pneumonia in Europe.

Pte. James Huddlestone, of the 155th Battalion, is dead of pneumonia in England, to which he went last autumn with his unit. He is a well-known Belleville boy, at one time having been employed by Messrs. Tickell & Sons and having worked at Mr. C. A. Hart's pottery on Mill St. He was about 35 years of age and leaves two brothers living in Belleville.

GERMANS WILL KILL BRITISH WOUNDED

New Barbarism Revealed in an Announcement from Berlin

London, Feb. 13.—The Foreign Office has issued a statement showing that just before the rupture of diplomatic relations between Germany and the United States, Germany, through an American channel notified Great Britain that she would no longer permit, as heretofore, the transportation of British and German incapacitated war prisoners on hospital ships to and from Holland, such method of transportation being "no longer considered safe, owing to changes which have occurred."

It was added that henceforth transportation would only be permitted either by Dutch paddle-wheel steamships, which guaranteed safe conduct from the German side, or by hospital ships to southern France, outside the prohibited maritime zone, and thence to Switzerland.

The German notification further announced that the transport of severely wounded British was temporarily suspended until Great Britain replied to this note.

The Foreign Office appends the note: "Comment on the nature of such communications or upon the character that inspires them seems superfluous."

NO SCORE.

At the Arena on Monday evening last a hockey match took place between the Midgets and the Ontarios in which there should have been no score on either side. Up until about five minutes of play one of the Ontarios' famous players made a rush up the ice and played foot ball with the puck kicking it into the goal while the referee was having a little sleep. The game was very exciting and both sides worked hard. The Midgets played a very good game considering their size.

MERELY RUMORS.

Many rumors have been going the rounds about the 235th as to the sending of a draft of men overseas. Apparently there is no foundation for these reports.

Mr. Jesse Pratt, who has for the past two years been chief linotype operator at The Ontario office, left yesterday for Barrie where he entered into a partnership to manage The Barrie Gazette. Mr. Pratt was formerly chief linotype operator in the office of the London, (Eng.) Daily Mail and there had 37 machines under his charge. He is a thoroughly competent, steady and reliable man.

5,000 TROOPS ARE EXPECTED

To Be in Barrielfield Camp When it Opens—Artillery May Train With the Infantry—Strength of the Various Units Here and in the District.

"What will be the number of troops at Barrielfield military camp during the season of 1917" is a question that is being asked by citizens. One officer in reply to the question replied off-hand that there would be well over 5,000 men in training.

To really estimate the number of soldiers which will be under canvas at the camp is very difficult. The names of numbers of the units is a matter of conjecture. Last year the Depot Artillery Brigade was under canvas for the latter part of the season. This will in all probability be the case during all next season. Whether Petawawa will remain an artillery camp is doubtful, as there is a proposition to have the artillery train with the infantry. In that case the Depot Artillery Brigade would be probably 500 or 600 men strong. There are now 413 officers, N. C. O's and men in the brigade. This includes the 5th Divisional Ammunition Column.

The units which have been in process of organization since the last camp will not all be in Canada at that time. Already the 207th Battalion of Ottawa has gone, and three more will in all probability be on the ocean by that time. There is left the 247th Battalion of Peterborough, 252nd Battalion of Lindsay 253rd Queen's University Highlanders and the 254th Battalion of Belleville. These are recruiting steadily and should be well up to strength in the course of a couple of months. In Ottawa there is now the 257th Railway Construction Battalion. The recruits are pouring into this unit. In view of the urgency with which these kind of units are needed and the fact that practically no training is necessary, would indicate that this command would go direct to England and not to a training camp for any part of the summer.

The rumors are that more battalions will be authorized shortly. These would probably come to the camp for a time at least.

Queen's Field Ambulance Corps now has a strength of 187. This unit was changed this week to No. 15 Canadian Field Ambulance Corps (Queen's), and as soon as it is organized on this basis it will go overseas. There will undoubtedly be a base left however, and this base would go to Barrielfield camp.

Another company to go will be the Special Service Company. The strength of this unit is changing constantly, but it hovers around the 300-mark.

Then in Brockville, Kingston and Rockland there are three companies being formed to reinforce units now overseas. These companies have an establishment of 250 and would probably come into camp at about full strength.

Other units which are left would be the Army Service Corps overseas company of possibly 100, and the Dental Corps with thirty.

KINGSTON COAL DEALERS RE-FUSE OUTSIDERS.

That the local coal dealers are determined to look after the interests of citizens in the matter of providing them with coal before supplying the needs of outside points was exemplified this morning when Mr. Stevens, a coal dealer from Napanee came to the city and interviewed every coal dealer in the city in an attempt to secure some of the precious material to relieve the shortage which prevails in the western town. He was unsuccessful, every dealer intimating that there would scarcely be enough here to supply the needs of the local consumers and each preferred to cater to the needs of his regular customers first.

So far citizens have escaped any serious shortage, and as the days go by the dealers are hoping that there will be no stringency, but they again counsel the greatest economy and carefulness in using the supply. It is difficult to get shipments through by rail, and little is reaching the city that way. Each day the visible supply dwindles, and an early break in the severe winter weather is eagerly looked for by the dealers, who, as much as the consumer, dread a shortage.

MILITARY NOTES.

Lt. James Bews left Kingston Saturday for Cobourg, Belleville, Lindsay, Renfrew and Pembroke with Lt. Willis, C.A.G.S., to inspect B.F. and P.T. arrangements.

Sinclair's NEW SPRING GARMENTS

This week we place in Stock our first shipments of 'adi's' and Misses' Spring Garments including New Tailored Suits, New Dress Skirts and Dresses, New Coats, New Silk and Cotton hirt Waists and Blouses, New Midys etc; and as in the past, so far the Spring Season of 1917, Garments shown in our store are not to be seen elsewhere, while our Styles and Prices have established our reputation for Ladies', Misses' and Children's Garments.

COTTONS AT OLD PRICES

We have just concluded our Annual Stock Taking and, we believe we have in reserve sufficient White and Grey Cottons, White and Colored Flannelettes, Cotton Blankets etc, to meet our requirements for the next two years. This means we are in a position to give you these Staple Goods at prices that you are not likely to get elsewhere.

Get our Prices before Buying these Goods We are now showing New Prints, Wash Goods and Horrockse's Cottons Sinclair's

UNION BANK OF CANADA

Send Small Sums by Money Orders issued by the Union Bank of Canada. For amounts up to \$50.00 they may be purchased at any Branch of this Bank, and are payable at full face value at any Chartered Bank in Canada. Yukon excepted, and in the principal cities in the United States. They are convenient to secure and cash, and absolutely safe.

Belleville Branch J. J. MOFFAT, Manager. Picton Branch C. B. BEAMISH, Manager.

THE STANDARD BANK OF CANADA

QUARTERLY DIVIDEND NOTICE No. 105. Notice is hereby given that a Dividend at the rate of THIRTEEN PER CENT PER ANNUM for the Capital Stock of this Bank has this day been declared for the quarter ending 31st day of January, 1917, and that the same will be payable at the Head Office in this City and at its branches on and after THURSDAY, the first day of February, 1917, to shareholders of record of the 22nd of January, 1917. The Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Head Office of the Bank in Toronto on Wednesday, the 29th of February next, at 12 o'clock noon. By Order of the Board. G. P. SCHOLFIELD, General Manager. Toronto, December 20th, 1916. John Elliott, Manager. Belleville Branch

McINTOSH BROS. GREAT SALE

of Imported Swiss Embroideries Continues All This Week Many have accepted our cordial invitation to view this elaborate display of dainty embroideries and were more than surprised to find such high class embroideries to be had in Belleville, and not a few who came to look went away with their own. Season's supplies, prices were so low being. Just as good values will be obtainable all this week. We would suggest however early purchasing while the great range of prices and display is at its best. SHE WINS OW DISPLAY The Daintiest of Insertions, trappings, Edgings and Bindings on sale at per yd. 5c and 15c.

Corset Cover Embroideries

Flouncings! Flouncings!! Flouncings!!! In a great bowlful of pretty patterns at prices you will be astonished at, several widths, sale price per yd. 50c to 98c. buy your embroideries now and save money. These low prices positively the lowest they will ever be for some time yet to come.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. Gilbert, of day at the hotel. A large number of N. B. (tra welcome. Pte. S. Smith from the front line was given a home. The Sunshin at the home of son, H. being. The Ladies of Mrs. Jackson, widow, Mrs. Dent, made the well chosen refreshments for an evening of them many h. Mr. and M. Thursday with Donald. Mr. and M. a party to a honor of Mr. a very pleasant one these were Mrs. Irene (a beautiful one. A party to all the ladies and new for room, No. 1 Tuesday after.

Rev. W. L. rament in d. last. The 10 Women's M very much splendid pay Jones, Fox The Y. P. were entertained Belleville, on Miss Leah ing a few days. Mr. and M. Clapp, spent J. Reynolds' The Tea at the home Friday evening Mrs. J. P. ing at the R. Foxboro, on Mr. York Vanderwater Mr. and Miss M. Patterson's

MAD Mrs. Nina Toronto, ca week on her Madoc. Mrs. Phil spent Sunday Mrs. Sara doc attendi ther-in-law. Mr. and Stirling we last Sunday. Mrs. Fran visited Mrs. the sick list. Mr. Burt popular 70 week to wo. Mr. and Miss Lottie Mr. Chas. M. afternoon. a Miss Tan here. Rev. Mr. pit here is another ex. mon. The W. Miss Keog A solo by appreciat close which next meeti Mrs. Frank several attend the month and onto.

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