UKRAINE REPUBLIC ACTS INDEPENDENTLY AT BREST-LITOVSK

Striving for General World Peace on Right of Self-Determination.

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 11.—A dispatch from Brest-Litovsk says that at the resumption of the Brest-Litovsk conference today the Ukrainian delegate, M. Bolubowysch, said the Ukrainian Republic, having resumed its international existence which it lost 250 years ago, had decided to adopt an independent attitude toward the present negotiations, and that the general secretariat had instructed him to hand the following note to the powers represented at the conference:

"The Ukrainian people's republic brings the following to the knowledge of all belligerent and neutral states. The central radia on November 20 proclaimed a people's republic and by this act an international status was determined. Striving for the creation of a confederation of all republics which have arisen in the territory of the former Russian Empire, the Ukrainian people's republic, through its general secretariat, proceeds to enter into independent relations pending the formation of a federal government in Russia and until the relations of the Ukraine with the future federation are established."

M. Bolubowysch protested that the commissaries were agreeing to an armistice independently of the Ukrainian delegates and proceeded to declare that the Ukraine was striving for a general world peace on democratic lines and insuring even the smallest nation unlimited self-determination, with proper guarantees for rendering possible a real expression of the people's will.

DISTRICT ORANGEMEN INSTALL NEW OFFICERS

GODERICH, Jan. 11.—At the annual meeting of Goderich district, L.O.L., the following officers were installed by County Master George Vanderburgh.

Dist. Master, Bro. John McClure, 145; deputy district master, Bro. Ben Cox, 153; district chaplain, Bro. John Woods, 189; recording secretary, Bro. E. J. Carter, 182; financial secretary, Bro. Wesley Vanderburgh, 189; treasurer, Bro. John Sturdy, 182; lecturer, Bro. Arthur Cooper, 306; director of ceremonies, Bro. Frank Elliott, 182.

After the election and installation, the local lodge provided the visiting brethren with a lunch. It was unanimously decided to hold the next meeting at the hall of No. 139, Goderich Township.

OWNERS OF MONT BLANC ASK TWO MILLION DAMAGE

HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 11. — An action for $2,000,000 damages was filed in the admiralty court here today by the solicitors for the owners of the steamer Mont Blanc, against the Norwegian Belgian relief steamer Imo. These two steamers collided in Halifax harbor on December 6. The explosion which wrecked part of the city followed. The writ states the amount of damages claimed, but gives no particulars. It is expected the action will be tried within six weeks.

CREWS ARE CLEARED

Held Not Responsible For Fatal Wreck at Darval.

MONTREAL, Jan. 11.—The crews of the two Canadian Pacific Railway trains in collision last Friday night near Donald, when seven Vancouver soldiers were killed, were today held to be not responsible for the wreck, by a coroner's jury. The jury's verdict stated this decision had been arrived at because evidence submitted seemed to show the electric block signals were not altogether reliable.

E. S. Taylor, in charge of the block signal maintenance for the division in which the accident occurred, said that it had happened within his experience that the signal had stood at clear when there was a train in the block, but in such a case as this he had found some fault in the apparatus. In the Dorval case he had found the apparatus to be perfectly in order immediately after the accident.

OFFICE GIRL SHOOTS AND KILLS DESPERADO

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 11.—A hold-up man who attempted to rob the P. McCoy Fuel Company's offices here tonight, was shot and instantly killed by Miss Mabel Drumateur, a 28-year-old clerk, who grabbed a revolver hidden underneath the counter and fired at the intruder. Miss Drumateur was alone in the office at the time. Later the man was identified as E. F. Orr, a local switchman.

LATTA—HARRIS.

GODERICH, Jan. 11.—A quiet wedding took place at high noon on Wednesday at the residence of Miss Mary C. Harris, when she was united in marriage to James Gilbert Latta, a nephew of George Thompson. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. Routledge. The bride and groom were unattended. The bride is a daughter of the late George Harris of Dungannon, and was given away by her brother, George Harris, of Dungannon. Her sister, Mrs. Stephens, of Toronto, was present also, and after the ceremony [illegible] Mr. and Mrs. Latta left on an afternoon train for Detroit, and after a visit will return to town, and in the spring leave for Bounty, Sask., where the groom has a farm.

NO. 3 WHEAT $2.19 PER BUSHEL.

WINNIPEG, Jan. 11—An order issued by the board of grain supervisors today fixed the price of No. 3 Ontario winter wheat at $2.19 per bushel, basis in store Montreal, from today until August 31.

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Miss Emma E. Melanson, Halifax, N.S., writes: "I am now 20 years of age, and since I was 16 I have been greatly troubled with constipation, so much so that at times I would be in bed three or four days a month. I tried all the old-fashioned remedies, castor oil, cascara, etc., with only temporary relief until my sister-in-law gave me some of Milburn's Laxa-Liver Pills. From the first they seemed beneficial, and I gave them a fair trial. This was two years ago, and with an occasional dose I have kept entirely free from constipation for the period mentioned."

Milburn's Laxa-Liver Pills are 25c a vial at all dealers, or mailed direct on receipt of price by The T. Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.

MUSIC IN THE HOME

Conducted by A. Minor.

YOUNGEST SUB AND OTHER "LONELIES" SING WAY TO CHEER

Tough for Those Left in Barracks Christmas, But Music Saved the Day.

The following little incident of Christmas Day in a certain Canadian barracks has been sent in to further illustrate what music does in the way of cheering up the boys in khaki.

Some officer had to be on duty, and it fell to the lot of the youngest subaltern. Early on Christmas day the barracks had been practically deserted, and at supper time the youngest subaltern sat alone at the table in the officers' mess—even the waiters had gone, leaving his cold supper spread out for him. The snow beat against the windows until the glass trembled and rattled in its sashes. The mess cat licked its paws and then settled down for an evening's snooze.

Fifty yards away the bugle sounded the supper call.

"Oh, come to the cookhouse door, boys, come to the cookhouse door."

The youngest subaltern readjusted his belt and issued forth (for does not the sacred law of K.R. and O. state that the orderly officer must attend all parades). This disconsolate bugler stood at attention as he appeared. Twelve solitary soldiers were grouped on the parade ground.

"Tough luck, men," the officer looked at them, "first Christmas away from home?"

"Yes, sir." A fair-haired, blue-eyed lad answered for them all.

"Same here," said the subaltern, wistfully, and then stiffened up. "Parade 'shun—right turn—right wheel—quick march," and the lugubrious bugler blew.

"Oh, pick 'em up, pick 'em up, hot potatoes, hot potatoes."

The youngest subaltern went back to his lonely supper—and the cat. An hour later he was still there—his eyes gazing into space—his heart—well, he was only a kid and was on duty Christmas Day, 500 miles from home. He heard the twelve men stroll up to the recreation room just outside the officers' mess, each man aimlessly handling some old magazine, looking for some story or picture that would make him forget his own vision of a fireside and a merry crowd at the table, where the lad who went "a-soldiering" used to sit.

"Christmas," muttered the subaltern, and the cat opened one eye and yawned.

"Christmas," muttered the men outside. "Christmas—in barracks."

Then the youngest subaltern heard a wonderful thing. Someone had gone to the piano—there had been a few bars played by fingers that seemed to caress the keys, and then the strains of the familiar marching song came to him:

"Keep the home fires burning, for the hearts are yearning."

It wasn't German music—for that matter, it wasn't very good music, but the subaltern's eyes moistened, as a dozen voices took up the refrain, a little querulously at first, and then with a hearty Canuck roar. The orderly officer got up, and leaving the cat and the mess, he joined the men. The fair-haired, blue-eyed lad stopped playing the piano and stood to attention.

"Carry on!" cried the youngest subaltern. "Give us some more music, Jove, how I envy you that gift! Study much?"

"No, sir. Just picked it up at home, I suppose."

"Good work! Give us 'Keep the home fires burning' again. Come on, you chaps—let's give it with some pep—now, then, all together!"

It wasn't as good as the Mendelssohn Choir could have done it, and the subaltern's conducting was more energetic than accurate, but it eased a lot of heart strings, and men were smiling and singing with all the business of full blooded Anglo-Saxons. When he left them an hour later, the youngest subaltern was grinning like a new recruit, and the fair-haired, blue-eyed boy was playing, very softly and tenderly, some little melody of the past—and the snow beat against the windows until the glass trembled and rattled in the sashes.

MISS ANNA COCHRILL, artist pupil of Mr. J. Parnell-Morris, who will sing at the opening organ recital in Ridout Street Methodist Church Monday evening next.

A NUMBER OF THINGS

That Community Chorus

It is suspiciously like getting down to brass tacks, when even musical art must bow the knee and acknowledge the sovereign sway of the coal man.

But it is to just such a pretty pass that things have come in the city of London. Away back last September, the Musical Art Society began to carefully lay plans for community singing, plans to take effect immediately after Christmas. And here it is after Christmas, and the majority of people nicely recovering from their holiday indigestion, and nary a sign or a notice of those long promised old-time singing school evenings. Heaps of people who have arrived at the stage, where the routine church choir practices is too much of a strain, week after week, have nevertheless been looking forward to those community sing-songs and the relaxation which they would doubtless afford.

Some of the community singing schools, the dance to sing the old songs, (if not quite as in the days of yore)? What about those nice informal family choruses for everybody alike, old and young; the people that really can't sing much, but enjoy trying; the people with voices who are too timid to exercise them in solos, or too busy to keep up regular practice?

The plans have been neither lost, stolen nor mislaid. They are merely "in abeyance," waiting on the pleasure of the fuel situation.

It is this way about that community chorus: In order to reach all parts of the city and give the singing-disposed an opportunity to sing at an easy distance from home, it has been proposed by those promoting the movement to hold singing classes in half a dozen or so centres.

Supposing the consent of the school board were obtained to use the social community centres, the schools? That would mean six schools a week and necessity for keeping the rooms warm so many more hours a day. That would mean the consumption of so much more coal, and when people can't get fuel to burn in their homes, it isn't likely they will raise much objection to postponement of the community chorus if, thereby, some saving of coal for the city can be effected.

The Musical Art Society is merely awaiting a decided improvement in the coal situation or warmer weather before launching the community chorus. Not many people would be anxious enough to sing to sit in an unheated building for a length of time since last week. Too much cold isn't any better for vocal apes than it is for water pipes or steam pipes.

Even if the fuel situation does keep the public worrying, the cold weather won't last forever. A warmer day will be dawning, and with it the advent of the community chorus. Then heigho for the big song festival next June, which is probably to be a "light" festival as well.

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Ever hear an orchestra beginning its first rehearsals? A funny, growly, incoherent thing it is, and the uninitiated person who has slipped into the room or listens outside wonders how the conductor can ever bring order out of such chaos. But the days go by, and practice follows practice, and, lo! the orchestra becomes a unit, not just a heterogeneous collection of instruments or a group of individuals, each animated by a different purpose.

A celebrated musical writer recently likened the orchestra to the voice, and the conductor to the singer. The singer can't sing without the voice, and the voice requires stern discipline in order to make it beautiful and even throughout, free in production, and to realize best possibilities.

The conductor isn't just a more or less limber person, who is poked up in front of the orchestra for the purpose of beating time. Ever so many intelligent people have an idea that is all he does with his baton.

The conductor is a much more important and necessary person than that. He, he keeps the musicians together and gives them the time by waving his baton or his hand as the case may be.

But it is in reality the conductor who is the master musician. No matter how great the individual excellence of the performers, he it is who must get the right ensemble effect. This is only possible when he has achieved full control, just as the singer only is able to adequately interpret when he has obtained entire command of his voice, or the player of his instrument.

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Seventy Players This Year

Talking about orchestras, the Musical Art Society Symphony Orchestra is getting ready for its appearance this year in the course of concerts, on the evening of February 14 in the Grand Opera House. The soloists of the occasion will be Mme. Velli Gardini, soprano of the Metropolitan Opera Company, and Wynne Pyle, pianist. Wynne Pyle, by the way, is an American who had achieved an enviable European reputation as an artist before the war. She was in Germany in August, 1914, and was obliged to return home. She has in the meantime gained wide recognition in her native country, and by some enthusiasts is acclaimed successor to the world's greatest woman pianist, the late Madame Correno, whose death occurred last June.

To get back to the Musical Art Society Symphony Orchestra some seventy musicians make up its strength this year.

The excellent showing of the orchestra in the March concert of last year gives ample reason for pleasurable anticipation of the orchestral part of the city Symphony Orchestra, some seven-

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The New Organ Celebration

A regular musical festival will attend the formal opening this week-end of the fine new church organ of the Ridout Street Methodist Church, the generous gift of Henry Pocock, and installed under his direction. The organ has been built by the Canadian Pipe Organ Company of St. Hyacinthe, Quebec, and, according to a prominent organist of the city is "a genuine treat." Mrs. W. R. Court is the organist of this Ridout Street Church, and Mr. Court the choir leader, but visiting organists have been asked to do the honors on opening day. A. D. Jordan, organist of the First Methodist Church, will preside at the organ at the morning service and give a short recital at the close. J. Melvin Bush will play a violin number. In the evening E. W. G. Quantz, organist of Askin Street Church, is presiding at the organ, and giving a recital after the service, and A. G. McCulloch, baritone, will sing.

Monday evening J. Parnell Morris, organist and choir conductor of the Dundas Centre Methodist Church, is giving a recital on the new organ and the assisting artists of the evening will be his talented pupil, Miss Anna Cochrill, soprano soloist of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church; Bert Howcroft, tenor soloist of Dundas Centre Methodist Church, and Robert Hannah, reader.

PAULIST CHORISTERS SING TO AID FRANCE

The famous Paulist choristers, who give a concert in this city in the Princess Winter Garden on Thursday evening next, January 17, under the auspices of the Musical Art Society, receive no financial profit from the tour. All proceeds, beyond the living and traveling expenses of the singers, go to the French restoration, the Paulist choristers having assumed the responsibility of raising $100,000 towards the rehabilitation of the ruined French and Belgian cities. They are now on a continent wide tour to secure this amount. Of the supreme artistry of the choir, a Western critic recently wrote:

"There is a peculiar and lovely appeal in the clear, sweet, pure voices of boys, something removed from every day and hinting of the music of the golden age when the world was young, and life had not blurred the edges of beauty. In the Paulist choristers this element is present in a high degree, the lads singing in lovely unconsciousness of self, as though song were their native voice, giving to each melody a quality of rapture and purity. For perfection of training and technique one would have to go far to find the peer of this choir. The exquisite pianissimo when the cadences died away in tenuous filaments of sound, the wavering, soaring phrases, the long, lovely sustained notes, the clarity of tone and the precision of attack are qualities which set them apart from the usual choir."

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BATTLE IN THE REICHSTAG

Crisis Will Decide Whether Majority or War Lords Shall Rule.

Petrograd, Jan. 12.—The Russo-German peace conference has been adjourned until Monday, while Trotzky decides what will be his answer to the German withdrawal of peace terms.

London, Jan. 11.—It is reported in Berlin that German Chancellor Count von Hertling probably will address the Reichstag main committee on Monday in reply to the war aims speeches of President Wilson and Premier Lloyd George, an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen says.

[Special and Canadian Press Dispatches.]

Amsterdam, Jan. 11.—"Keep your eyes open; be ready," is the warning given to the German oScial Democrats by Vorwaerts, the socialistic organ, referring to the persistent attempts on the part of the pan-Germans under Count Reventlow, the most vicient of the imperialists, to smash the Reichstag majority in order to provide a change from the Hindenburg-Ludendorff domination over the Brest-Litovsk negotiations.

It is obvious, from the excited tone of the German press that the decision now approaching is significant of a contest of authority between the Prussian military clique and the Reichstag majority.

Must Repudiate War Lords.

Vorwaerts and the Frankfurter Zeitung both state in emphatic terms that Hindenburg and Ludendorff must be repudiated if they interfere with the peace negotiations which Herr von Kuehlmann is executing according to the instructions of the Reichstag majority.

There have been constant clashes between von Kuehlmann and the military leaders, and on a number of occasions negotiations were suspended while the foreign minister hastened to the royal presence for instructions. In most instances the kaiser supported von Kuehlmann.

All the majority newspapers agree that the ruling wing of the Reichstag will fight to a finish before permitting military domination.

Situation Appears Dangerous.

The situation appears dangerous, and this crisis may decide the question asked by President Wilson whether the Reichstag majority or the military is supreme at Brest-Litovsk.

Developments may provide an unexpected and convincing reply.

Germany was never in such danger of collapse from internal and external difficulties as at present, says the correspondent in Germany of the Tijd in an analysis of the existing situation. The political struggle concentrated around Foreign Secretary von Kuehlmann has been reflected in violent scenes in the main committee of the Reichstag.

Cannot Resist Public Action.

Public action of the Socialist majority cannot longer be resisted, and even should militarism gain a temporary victory, the correspondent thinks reaction will follow quickly.

Russia's example is said to already have infected popular and military circles. The food question, national mourning, the dislocation of industry the growing desire for peace and fear of a new offensive on the west, threaten to lend a tragic phase if the negotiations at Brest-Litovsk fail, and in that case a domestic explosion is inevitable.

EUROPEAN NEUTRALS SECURING SUPPLIES MORE FREELY LATELY

Only Sweden Is Still on the "Tight Blockade" List of United States.

Washington, Jan. 11.—American supplies were allowed to move more freely in November to Northern European neutrals with which re-export arrangements had been reached, and exports to the Allies were reduced sharply. Figures made public today by the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce show that decrease in shipments to Great Britain, France and Italy accounted for most of the $55,000,000 reduction in exports over the previous month. On the other hand, the Netherlands received $14,914,773 worth of goods in November, compared with $7,807,057 in October, and Norway received $2,275,542, compared with $558,436 the month before.

Exports to Sweden, which has not entered into a satisfactory arrangement, are listed at $7. In the previous month there were no shipments to that country. Shipments to Denmark and Spain also showed decreases as compared with October.

Europe, North America, Asia, South America, Oceania and Africa rank in the order named as America's customers, but in the sale of goods to the United States, North America ranks first, Asia second, South America third, Europe fourth, and then Oceania and Africa.

BOLSHEVIKI CONFISCATE GREAT MUNITION WORKS, OWING TO INDEBTEDNESS

Also Seize Motor Car Plant In Petrograd.

London, Jan. 12.—A Petrograd dispatch to Reuter's, Limited, here says the Bolsheviki Government has issued a decree of confiscation against the great Putiloff steel and gun works in Petrograd "owing to the indebtedness of the company." The motor car workshops of the International Sleeping Car Company also have been confiscated, "owing to the refusal of the management to continue work."

TRENCHES NEAR LOOS RAIDED BY THE BRITISH

London, Jan. 12.—"Early this morning our troops successfully raided the enemy's trenches east of Loos, capturing a few prisoners," the war office announced. "There is nothing further to report."

HUN PRESS BUREAU DENIES SUBMARINE SANK HOSPITAL SHIP

But Admits It Cannot Prove Case.

Amsterdam, Jan. 12.—The Wolff Bureau, the semi-official German agency, in a communication regarding the sinking of the British hospital ship Rewa, says that the German authorities cannot yet give a final statement, as the submarine which might have been concerned is still at sea. The communication adds: "Nevertheless competent quarters regard it as impossible that the ship should have been torpedoed by a submarine. Accordingly, the only possibility is that she was sunk by a mine."

The hospital ship Rewa was torpedoed and sunk in the Bristol Channel on January 4, according to official announcement made last Tuesday. There were 559 persons on board, including a number of wounded and sick. All were rescued except three members of the crew, who were killed. A news dispatch from Cardiff, Tuesday, said that the torpedo which sank the Rewa went directly through the Red Cross painted on her side.

ONLY ONE MEMBER OF ADMIRALTY BOARD NEW TO HIS LABORS

Rear-Admiral S. R. Fremantle Appointed.

NO STARTLING CHANGE

But Behind Board Is a War Staff of Brilliant Officers.

London, Jan. 12.—The new admiralty board is announced officially. There is nothing sensational or dramatic about the list of names and only one naval member of the board was not serving at the admiralty when Admiral Sir R. Jellicoe was the head. He is Rear Admiral Sydney R. Fremantle, who becomes deputy chief of staff to Vice Admiral Sir Rosslyn Wemyss, the new first sea lord.

Archibald S. Hurd, the naval critic, in commenting on the new board, says it is apparent that no revolutionary disturbance of the main lines of naval policy is indicated. He adds that behind the board is the reorganized war staff for which some of the most brilliant younger officers have been chosen.

The new admiralty board, a dispatch to London on January 3 said, will be divided into three departments—operations in home waters, operation overseas and trade protection operations. Admiral Wemyss will be chief of naval staff and responsible for the large questions of naval policy.

HAS GUNSHOT WOUND.

KITCHENER, Jan. 11.—Word was received today that Gunner Lorne Heeney has a gunshot wound in the hand. He was formerly a local insurance man. He enlisted with the 63rd Battery in London. Word was also received by J. P. Scully that his son, Staff-Sergt. John F. Scully, who was injured in a motor truck collision behind the lines in France, is recovering.

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STARTLING HEROICS OF CANADIANS GAIN NUMBER OF V. C.'S

Captain Rushes Crest, Takes Six "Pill Boxes."

CORPORAL CAPTURES GUNS

Sergeant, Alone, Rushes a Sniper's Post and Bombs Out Garrison.

London, Jan. 11.—The heroic deeds of Canadians in the recent fighting on the western front was described during the King's awarding of Victoria Crosses to seven Canadians out of eighteen decorated today.

How Capt. J. O'Kelly advanced his command a thousand yards after the original attack failed, took two enemy positions on the crest of the hill under a heavy fire, and then personally organized and led attacks against "pill boxes," capturing six with one hundred prisoners and ten machine guns, was graphically gazetted.

Another hero was Corp. Colin Barron, who, single-handed rushed enemy guns, killed four of the crews and captured the others and then turned the captured guns on the retiring enemy, causing severe casualties.

Through Hail of Bullets.

Sergt. George H. Mullin captured a "pill box" single-handed, rushed a sniper's post in front of him, destroyed the garrison with bombs, and crawling on a "pill box," shot two gunners with his revolver. Mullin's clothes were riddled with bullets from the rapid fire guns directed against him, but he did not falter.

Other heroes, equally daring, charged "pill boxes," killed, captured or silenced the enemy and cleared the way for the advance of troops and saved the lives of many of their comrades. They are Capt. George R. Pearkes and Ptes. Thomas W. Holmes, Cecil J. Kinross and James P. Robertson.

Escapes Capture; Leads Attack.

The accounts of the deeds for which the Victoria Cross was awarded embrace events which must have been as thrilling as any during the war.

Capt. Robert Gee, of the Royal Fusiliers, when the enemy pierced the British lines and captured brigade headquarters and an ammunition dump finding himself a prisoner, killed one of the enemy with a spiked stick and succeeded in escaping. He then organized a party of the brigade staff, with which he attacked the enemy, clearing the locality.

After establishing a defensive flank, Gee, with a revolver in each hand, rushed and captured an enemy machine gun, killing eight members of its crew.

Silences Five Machine Guns.

Sergt. C. E. S. Packman, of the border regiment, and Corp. R. McBeath of the Seaforth Highlanders, also were awarded the Victoria Cross for capturing enemy machine guns together with their crews; single-handed McBeath put five machine guns out of action, capturing one officer and thirty men who had taken refuge in a dugout.

A trooper of the Indian cavalry was decorated for thrice carrying dispatches over open ground and under a heavy fire, although each time his horse was shot under him.

MORE AUTOS PASSING.

SARNIA, Jan. 11.—More automobiles have commenced passing through here on their way to the Eastern States. The cars were prevented for a few days from coming owing to a heavy snowfall between here and Flint which made the roads impassable.

Cries of Parrot Aroused Inmates of Burning House

Bird Kept Calling, "What's the Matter, Papa?"

WINDSOR, Jan. 11.—A trained parrot owned by Frank St. Louis, Essex County, bailiff, saved the official's house from being burned early this morning by its insistent inquiries of "What's the matter, papa."

St. Louis investigated and found a blaze had started from his furnace in the basement. The fire was extinguished without serious damage.

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The famous "Cyclone" Davis, member of the 64th United States Congress, says the effect of Nuxated Iron on him was almost magical, that after taking it, nothing seemed to tire him out, no matter how strenuous it might be. Dr. A. J. Newman, late police surgeon of the city of Chicago, and former house surgeon, Jefferson Park Hospital, Chicago, says Nuxated Iron has proven through his own tests of it to excel any preparation he has ever used for creating red blood, building up the nerves, strengthening the muscles and correcting digestive disorders.

Dr. Schuyler C. Jaques, visiting surgeon, St. Elizabeth's Hospital, New York, says he has never before recommended any remedy to the public, but that in the case of Nuxated Iron he would feel he were remiss in his duty not to mention it. Dr. Ferdinand King, New York physician and medical author, says that in his recent talks to physicians on the grave and serious consequences of iron deficiency in the blood of American women, he has strongly emphasized the fact that doctors should prescribe more organic iron—Nuxated Iron—for their weak, run-down, nervous, haggard-looking patients.

Dr. E. Sauer, a Boston physician, who has studied both in this country and great European medical institutions, said: "Nuxated Iron is a wonderful remedy. Not long ago a man came to me who was nearly half a century old, and asked me to give him a preliminary examination for life insurance. I was astonished to find him with the blood pressure of a boy of twenty, and as full of vigor, vim and vitality as a young man; in fact, a young man he really was, notwithstanding his age. The secret, he said, was taking Iron—Nuxated Iron had filled him with renewed life. At 30 he was in bad health; at 45 he was careworn and nearly all in—now at 50 after taking Nuxated Iron, a miracle of vitality and his face beaming with the buoyancy of youth. If people would only take Nuxated Iron when they feel weak and run-down instead of dosing themselves with habit-forming drugs, stimulants, and alcoholic beverages, I am convinced that in this way they could ward off disease, preventing it becoming organic in thousands of cases, and thereby the lives of thousands might be saved who now die every year from pneumonia, grippe, kidney, liver, heart trouble and other dangerous maladies. The real, true cause which brought on their disease was nothing more nor less than a weakened condition brought on by a lack of iron in the blood. Thousands of people suffer from iron deficiency and do not know it."

If you are not strong or well, you owe it to yourself to make the following test: See how long you can work or how far you can walk without becoming tired. Next take two five-grain tablets of Nuxated Iron three times per day after meals for two weeks. Then test your strength again, and see how much you have gained.

NOTE.—Nuxated Iron, which has been used by Former United States Senator Towne with such surprising results, and which is prescribed and recommended above by physicians in such a great variety of cases, is not a patent medicine nor secret remedy, but one which is well known to druggists everywhere. Unlike the older inorganic iron products, it is easily assimilated, does not injure the teeth, make them black, nor upset the stomach, on the contrary, it is a tonic and regulative for nearly all forms of indigestion, as well as for nervous, run-down conditions. The manufacturers have such great confidence in Nuxated Iron that they offer to forfeit $100.00 to any charitable institution if they cannot take any man or woman under sixty, who lacks iron and increase their strength 100 per cent or over in four weeks' time, provided they have no serious organic trouble. They also offer to refund your money if it does not at least double your strength and endurance in ten days' time. It is dispensed by Standard Drug Company, Limited, and all good druggists.

What Senator Towne Says:

"As a member of Congress from New York, as a member of Congress and Senator from Minnesota, as participant in political campaigns and candidate for Vice-President, my nervous energy and reserve force were tremendously drawn upon. That I survived these trials and came into advanced middle life with the elasticity and strength of a boy, is unquestionably due to the rigorous attention I have paid to the proper care of my body. Recently I have been taking Nuxated Iron and have found it of the greatest benefit as a tonic and regulative. Henceforth I shall not be without it. I am in a position to testify for the advantage of others, to the remarkable and immediate helpfulness of this remedy, and I unhesitatingly recommend Nuxated Iron to all who feel the need of renewed energy and the regularity of bodily functions."

Minnesota's Man of Mark.

Former United States Senator Charles A. Towne graduated from the University of Michigan, twice elected member of the United States Congress, served in the United States Senate, nominated for Vice-President, takes Nuxated Iron; now recommends it to all who feel the need of renewed energy.

Ty Cobb, the greatest baseball batter of all time, took it to help give him renewed energy and great staying power. No matter what anybody says, you could not, at this day, get such prominent men to indorse a remedy that has no value—doctors, lawyers, politicians, athletes — a great array.