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THE NEED OF SHIPS.

England still has her calamity howlers who find almost daily fresh evidence that the Empire is going to smash. The latest jeremiad is in the "Smallholder," which charges the Board of Agriculture with ignoring the grave question of food supply. Great Britain has to import \$1,500,000,000 worth of food annually. "The submarines have sunk upwards of 2,250,000 tons of shipping are now sinking about 60,000 tons a week with the regularity of clockwork," says the "Smallholder." This editor also declares that foreign shippers will not be able to secure food supplies as hitherto "because Canada will not plant as much wheat this year by 14.9 per cent.; United States, 11.9 per cent. less, and France, 8.6 per cent. less than last year."

The tonnage of the British mercantile marine at the beginning of the war was something over 20,000,000, according to Lloyds. Deducting 2,250,000 there remains 17,750,000. Lloyds recently reported that a greater mercantile tonnage had been built during the war than had been destroyed by the enemy. If, however, there is only 17,750,000 tons in existence and the Germans diminish it at the rate of about 60,000 tons a week, it will take more than six years to wipe out the mercantile marine of Great Britain, even if she does not build another ship. Further when the "about 60,000 tons a week with the regularity of clockwork" is analyzed it is simply not true. No British mercantile tonnage was destroyed one week recently except—Berlin statement—the trawler King Stephen. The rest of the submarine week's bag was a Norwegian steamer of 1840 tons and a Danish craft of 225.

Since the outbreak of the war 736 merchant ships have been destroyed by submarines and mines. 198 of these were neutral vessels. That is to say for every eleven Allied ships lost, four neutrals have been destroyed. Norway, for example, has lost more than one and a half times as many ships as France and one-fifth as many as Great Britain. Norway's losses have been heavy, but she is being compensated in part by the increased earnings of her mercantile fleet. As for Britain, while the submarine has made serious inroads upon her merchant marine, there is every reason to believe that her shipyards will be able to supply in part the deficiency. At the same time the situation in the shipping world points to the wisdom of Canada setting to work to establish a shipbuilding industry of her own. Now is the time to start.

GERMAN LOSSES.

A statement issued in London, and based upon the official German casualty lists, puts the enemy's total losses to the end of March at 2,730,917. This includes Prussians, Bavarians, Saxons and Wurtembergers—but does not include naval losses nor losses in Germany's colonial possessions. British experts declare that this total is well below the truth. Mr. H. C. Woods in the London Express insists that the minimum is not less than 3,000,000. Mr. Belloc declares that it was at least 3,250,000 on January 1, in which belief Mr. H. Warner Allen, official British observer at French Headquarters, concurs and declares that it now totals 4,000,000. According to estimates in French papers Germany on January 1 had only 800,000 men of fighting ability in reserve. This included the 1917 class of about 550,000. It has been already abundantly proved from German sources that the German official lists are not the whole truth and have been seriously minimized for many months past. After the French Champagne drive last year the German loss-list covering statements of prisoners in the hands of the French, in the cases of many regiments, declared the number taken much below the numbers of those regiments in French hands, and officially reported. This fact lends strength to the accuracy of the British and French estimates. Germany is bleeding at every pore, and her losses in men which cannot be replaced are stupendous.

WORLD'S LONGEST LAKE.

The press despatches recently announced that a German naval force was defeated by a British fleet on Lake Tanganyika in Central Africa and thus calls attention to the longest fresh water lake in the world, the existence of which was not known to the white man until 1858 when it was discovered by the explorers Barton and Speke. At that time the natives

were navigating the lake in dugouts made from the trunks of large trees which grew upon the shore. The lake varies in breadth from thirty to forty-five miles and the deepest soundings shows 350 fathoms. It is 2,600 feet above sea level.

The first steamboat appeared on the lake in 1884. She was called the Good News and was owned by the London Missionary Society. The machinery was brought from the Indian coast, a third of the distance across the African continent. The English warships which defeated the German boats were constructed in England and transported in sections overland to the lake and the German craft were put on the lake in the same manner.

While Tanganyika is the longest body of fresh water in the world Lake Superior is the largest, being but twenty miles less in length than the African lake and about four times as broad. Lake Michigan comes next, with a length of 320 miles and a breadth of sixty-five miles.

WOMEN DO THE WORK.

United States Vice-Consul Davis B. Levis, located at St. Etienne, France, in a report sent to Washington, says the women of that country have, on account of the absence of so many men on the fighting front, found employment in practically every branch of industry.

On the Paris, Lyons and Mediterranean railway women are now employed as block signal operators, and are said to be filling these responsible positions satisfactorily. They had already found employment in railway ticket offices, and even as freight handlers. Indeed practically all of the operating positions, except driving and firing locomotives, had been filled principally by women. The railway company now carries 3,400 women on its pay roll, against 1,400 last year.

The substitution of women for men in other occupation is also quite general, including those which require considerable physical strength. It is now, according to Vice-Consul Levis, quite common to see women working as day laborers. The contrast is marked as before the present war a comparatively limited range of gainful occupations was open to women.

It is recognized that the changed condition will present an interesting economic problem at the close of the war. But French women are patriotic and matters will doubtless adjust themselves.

John Redmond says Home Rule has been torpedoed but not sunk.

Judge Tutill's Shakespeare decision is explained. He has passed his seventy-fifth year.

Some of the American papers are referring to him as Sir John Redmond. He is just plain John.

The Sinn Feiners might have done better had they opened their revolution at Donnybrook instead of Dublin.

It is the verdict of all the foreign correspondents that the Irish revolutionists were generally intellectual. It would have been better for them if they were merely sensible.

Hereafter the good-natured fat man will be compelled to pay higher insurance rates. Franklin Mead, the actuary, has figured it out that he dies earlier in life than the skinny fellow.

The Bookman uses twenty-five pages to explain why so many manuscripts are returned to the writers by magazines and newspapers. It could have been done just as well in two words.

Corporal Cosgrave of Aghada, County Cork, who won the Victoria Cross in Gallipoli, pays a fine compliment to the Turks when he says "they are an honorable foe, daycent min every divil of 'em."

It now develops that the leader of the Irish revolution was the son of an Englishman. At first blush that seems rather strange, but to the student of the revolutionary history of Ireland for eight centuries it will be plain enough. It has occurred very often in the past. As early as the thirteenth century it was a common complaint in England that the sons of Englishmen made the most dangerous of all Irishmen so far as the safety of the crown was concerned.

HER NEIGHBOR'S CHILD.

"He's a terrible youngster!" says Mrs. McBride, while gazing at Micky O'Flynn; "He's spoiling my boy, for he can't keep a toy, and the way that he swears is a sin. I think that my Dinny will be a great man; Do ye mind the grand shape of his dome? He'd study and plan, the dear little man, If Micky O'Flynn would stay home."

"I'm proud of my Micky," says Mrs. O'Flynn, "He'll be a great statesman some day; That's him alongside of young Dinny McBride—They're always together at play, My Micky ain't wan of them wanderin' lads That's always a-plannin' to roam; Sure he'd be a fine lad, as smart as his dad, If Dinny McBride wud stay home!"

—William F. Kirk in Louisville Herald.

BELLEVILLE BOYS ARE WOUNDED

Chas. Doyle Suffers With Concussion—Lt. Murray & Driver McKenna Injured.

Private Charles Doyle, son of Mrs. James Doyle, 37 Cedar street, is today reported wounded in action in France. Yesterday his mother received a telegram from Ottawa announcing that he was suffering in the back from concussion and had been admitted to hospital.

Private Doyle enlisted in Belleville with the 39th battalion and went to England in June last. He is a carpenter by trade. He was transferred to the 1st battalion, 1st brigade and has been fighting in France for some time.

Mrs. Doyle has surely done her share in the defence of the Empire. She has three sons and two sons-in-law in khaki—two sons being Chas. of the 39th battalion; Eugene, 30th battalion; Leo, 155th battalion, the sons-in-law being Owen O'Brien 155th battalion and Mounted Orderly John Bradshaw, who is now in England.

Driver William McKenna, son of Mr. and Mrs. John McKenna, West Belleville, has been wounded in the arm, according to a report received by his mother yesterday from Ottawa. "Billie" McKenna left Belleville with the 1st contingent in the 34th Battalion and has for nearly eighteen months been fighting in France with the Canadian Artillery. His injuries are said to be slight.

Lieut. John Gordon Murray, son of Mr. John Murray, manager of the Dominion Bank is today named in the casualty list among the wounded. He was wounded once before and returned to duty before he had entirely recovered.

MILITARY Y.M.C.A.'S NEEDS.

The Military Y.M.C.A. is urgently in need of more magazines in order to be able to put one in every seat in the coaches for the men and still have plenty to use on the boat.

Those having short story magazines or illustrated papers will greatly help if they can deliver them to them to the Y.M.C.A. or if impossible inform Mr. Sharpe and they will be called for.

GIFTS OF DRUMS.

Lt.-Col. and Mrs. Marsh Make Presentation to A.S. Cadets.

Lieut.-Col. Marsh and Mrs. Marsh presented to the cadets of Queen Alexandra School two drums for use in their drilling. They will be of great service to assist in regularity of marching and Col. and Mrs. Marsh's kindness is very much appreciated by the faculty and scholars of the school. The condition of the Queen Alexandra School Corps is first-class and the interest which the boys have in their company will be very much increased by the thoughtfulness of Col. Marsh.

ANNUAL REUNION.

Of the Ladies' Bible Class of Bridge Street Church.

A very pleasant social function was held last evening in Bridge St. Church when the annual reunion of the Ladies' Bible Class took place in the church. The tables were spread with a sumptuous repast to which some seventy ladies sat down with a number of the officers of the Sunday School.

The occasion was taken advantage of to give expression to their appreciation of Mrs. Osborne's service as teacher of the class during the four years she had resided in the city.

A most appreciative address was read by Miss M. E. Carmichael on behalf of the class expressive of the great pleasure and benefit derived from Mrs. Osborne's ministrations as teacher of the class, and this was accompanied by a tangible token of affection and esteem in the form of a beautiful sunburst pin.

At the close of the repast Mrs. Ketcheson, president of the class took charge of the proceedings and called upon a number of those present, each one of whom expressed in the warmest terms, the deep regard for Mrs. Osborne, their appreciation of the beautiful life she had lived among them and the quiet but potent influence she had exerted in the class, in the church, and throughout the city and their deep regret at parting from one who had endeared herself to all.

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CHAS. S. CLAPP

SIXTY YEAR MARRIAGE
Diamond Wedding at Demore
 A golden wedding quite a frequent occasion of a diamond anniversary, so it is an occasion of great interest. Such an anniversary was celebrated on Saturday, May 6th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Woodley, of more than sixty years. Their daughter, Mrs. J. H. Woodley, and her husband, Mr. J. H. Woodley, are both very successful in their respective lines. They were married in 1846. The tables at the dinner were set in purple, decorated in purple, where a cosy fire, fireplace decoration and blue. An old lantern burned. Those serving were Mrs. E. H. Palmer and Miss Palmer. The Rev. Mr. Crawford presided at the health of the guests. The members of all present exceptable to attend, as heretofore. The day was a which no one will forget. The presents were but a small token in which the age are held. Mr. and Mrs. J. U. E. Loyalist are the first residents.