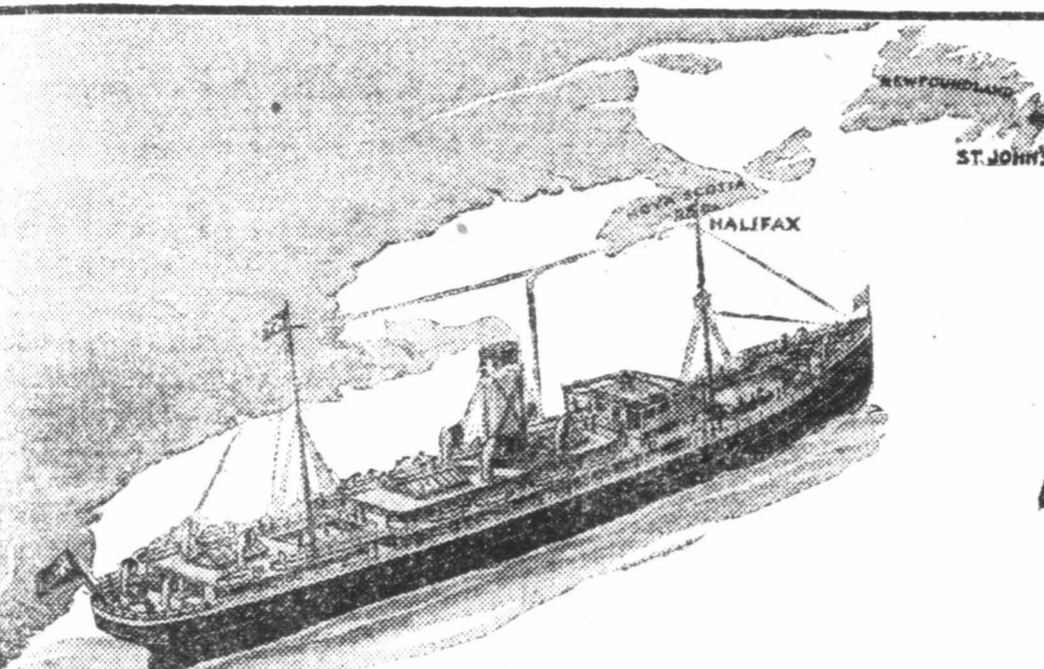


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Look! There he lies—reposing on the plain—
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of rain:
Think, will he see again his native shores,
And hear the voice of cattle on his moors.
He's left alone, of all the valiant men
Who did that day to battle fierce advance:
He's left alone of heroes who're unseen,
Who'll fill some nameless grave in sunny France.

The night has spread its darkness o'er the scene,
Over the corpses in which life has been.
But now no sound will wake them from their sleep,
Soon will the widows and the orphans weep.
They lie around him—friends and bitter foes
Slain by the deadly bullet and the knife.
Perhaps he'll number with them ere the rose
Doth show its full-grown colours, brightening life.

Be not surprised if now he dreams of home,
Now that the battle's o'er and he's above:
Perhaps he recollects the last night there,
When first his soldier's habits he did wear.
But time rolls on, and in another clime
He sees the stars to shine between the clouds:
He sees the sun with brighter rays to shine,
He sees the sights which battle smoke enshrouds.

By fancy now he sees his native town,
Its cliffs, which many times he's walked around:
He knows the sports in which his chums engage,
Whilst he against his brothers war doth wage.
He sees his fields all green with rolling grass:
He hears his cottage sound with music sweet,
And thinking thoughts like these, he feels a mass
Of burning tears roll down his sun-burned cheek.

Away, away! Such thoughts as these can't last,
Their nature makes his courage fail so fast.
Hark! What was that?—the feeble trumpet's baw!?
Ay, ay, the bugler soundeth the Recall.
NEWFOUNDLANDER.
Elliston, Feb. 23, 1916.

BARONESS TOLD A STIRRING STORY

Describes Her Flight From Battle of the Marne

QUEBEC, Feb. 21.—One of the most thrilling stories ever unfolded before a Quebec audience was that of Baroness Haurd, a brilliant young American woman, daughter of Francis Wilson, who spoke at the Knights of Columbus Hall, under the auspices of the Quebec Women's Canadian Club. The Baroness, who is the wife of a French nobleman serving his country was introduced by Hon. Cyr. F. DeLage.
The Chateau Villiers, the home of the Baroness, and her husband, is situated between Paris and Soissons, almost on the border of the banks of the historic Marne, and she had the awful experience of being caught in the first German rush, and of being forced to flee for her life. Her simple, sincere story, told with all readiness of recent experience, keyed her audience up to a high pitch and brought the awful aspects of this war home with far more impressive force than the most graphic official despatches.
The Baroness made her lecture doubly interesting by throwing on the screen pictures of various passages of her flight across the River Marne, taken by herself with a kodak which she mistook for her jewel case, and thanks to this error the audience at Columbus Hall were brought to look upon the actual scenes.
On Sept. 2nd, the Baroness received a message from her husband, plead-

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German Bishops Lenore Belgians

Will Make No Reply to the Joint Letter of the Later—Pope is Anxious to Avoid Controversies Between Nationalities.

BERLIN, (via London.) Feb. 19.—The Koelnische Volks Zeitung says it can state authoritatively that the German Catholic bishops will not make a reply to the joint letter of the Bishops of Belgium, which recited instances of atrocities alleged to have been committed in Belgium, and recounted the grievances of the people of Belgium and proposed an investigation on the subject by the German prelates.
The Volks Zeitung adds: We are convinced that this refusal on the part of the German episcopate is to be attributed primarily to the desire of Pope Benedict that controversies of this kind between bishops of different nationalities be avoided. The refusal is also quite comprehensible since the letter only tends to increase the present political excitement among the Belgian people.

A despatch from Paris on Feb. 19 said that, according to Rome advices, the Cardinals and Bishops of Germany and Austria were preparing a collective statement in answer to the letter of the Belgian Bishops. This letter, dated Nov. 24, 1915, and signed by Cardinal Mercier and by the other members of the Belgian Catholic Episcopate, was addressed to the Cardinals and Bishops of Germany, Bavaria and Austria-Hungary, and contained an appeal in the name of their common religion, for justice for the clergy and faithful of Belgium.

Charges Against Four Ministers

Members of Scott Government in Saskatchewan Are Accused

PREMIER IS INCLUDED
Alleged to Have Accepted \$1,500 Campaign Fund From Liquor Men

REGINA, Feb. 27.—Definite charges against four Ministers of the Scott Government were filed in the Legislature this morning by J. E. Bradshaw, member for Prince Albert. The Ministers named were: Hon. Walter Scott, Premier and President of the Council; Hon. J. A. Calder, Minister of Railways; Hon. W. F. A. Turgeon, Attorney-General, and Hon. Archie P. McNab, Minister of Public Works.
The charge against Mr. Calder is that he promised and effected certain amendments to the Liquor Act requested by the licensed victuallers in consideration of political support.
The charge against the Attorney-General is that he borrowed \$300 from the Metropole Hotel Company, a liquor licensee, as personal accommodation and the money was not returned until over a year later.
The charge against the Premier is that the hotelkeepers at Swift Current contributed over \$1,500 to his campaign fund in 1912.
The charge against Mr. McNab is that he was a party to having charges against licensees for infractions of the Liquor License Act withdrawn in consideration of political support.
The charges created a considerable sensation when read in the House.

CONSCRIPTION NOT NEEDED
Montreal Gazette.

In Hamilton the advocates of conscription are urging the adoption by the government of their idea. Meanwhile, recruits for war service abroad are being accepted at the rate of a thousand a day, and battalions fit for the front are in barracks in various parts of the country, awaiting with eagerness the word to sail for England. To date every call for men from the other side has met with an immediate response. The facts being as they are, conscription does not seem to be needed in the Dominion as yet.

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Italy's Position in the Great War

Dr. Roselli Tells How His Country Is Doing Its Part

FEARED GERMAN DRIVE
Action in Balkans Must be Taken by the Allied Powers Jointly

Much light on Italy's "Peculiar Position in the World War" was shed by Dr. Bruno Roselli, of Adelphi College, Brooklyn, N.Y., in an address at the weekly luncheon of the Canadian Club at the Cafe Royal yesterday.
Dr. Roselli in answering critics who thought that Italy should have declared war on Germany as well as Austria stated that as Italy's northern frontier was absolutely open, a declaration of war on Germany would probably be followed by one of those big drives such as had been engineered by Germany into Belgium, Serbia, Poland and Montenegro, and the undefended towns of Northern Italy would have been laid waste. He therefore contended that it was the part of wisdom for Italy to avoid such a calamity. As for the situation in Serbia, Albania and Montenegro, Dr. Roselli claimed that any movement in the Balkans would have to be made by the Allied Powers conjointly. If Italy went in alone on the west her forces would merely have to fall back as the French and British had done in the west, and probably with far more disastrous results, because the roads in Albania and Montenegro were practically impassable for a large force.
The speaker gave some insight into the history of the Triple Alliance from the Italian standpoint, and declared that it was the Central Powers, not Italy, who had been guilty of treachery. Italy's only ambition in Albania, he said, was to hold Avlona, at the mouth of the Adriatic,

which would give them control of that sea, just as the British controlled the Mediterranean through their command of Gibraltar. He gave a striking illustration of Italian feeling in the statement that the officers of the Italian navy knew that their men if asked to fire on a British cruiser would refuse to do so, because the people of the Italian seaboard, from whom the Italian navy was largely recruited, had for centuries looked on Great Britain as their best friend.

The Promise of the Spring.
Dr. Roselli frankly admitted that Italy's position in the Adriatic was a peculiarly difficult one, and that Austria at the present holds the command of that sea. This was explained by the difference in the configuration of the respective coast lines. While the Austrian coast was marked by capacious rockbound harbors which would easily be made practically impregnable, that of Italy was low-lying, sandy and practically open to attack. He ventured the prophecy that when the Spring broke the Italian armies on the Austrian frontier would reap the benefits of their hard work on the Alpine heights, where they were encamped in many instances more than 8,000 feet above sea level.

A SERIOUS QUESTION

In a parish in Wales where very little English was spoken, a general meeting was held to consider the desirability of putting a chandeller in to the schoolroom. Everyone seemed in favor of the idea.
"Do you think we ought to have one, Mr. Davies?" said the schoolmaster to a venerable parishoner.
"I agree to it," was the reply, "but there is one thing I wish to know, if we have a—"
"Chandeller," said the schoolmaster, helping him out.
"If we have a chandeller," the old bitton in Albania, he said, was to hold Avlona, at the mouth of the Adriatic, it?"



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