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"Lord, when saw we thee an hungered, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink? ....or naked, and clothed thee?"

And the King shall answer.....  
"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

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**A SAD CASE**  
Secretary S. M. Wetmore of the Municipal Home board had a cold drive this morning. He had to gather together a supply of provisions and go two or more miles out the Boat's Head road, to relieve a family in want. The family consists of man and wife and seven bright children. The father, laborer, has had pneumonia and as a result of his long illness, their distress became acute. Further aid must be provided.

**NEGLECTING HER CHILDREN**  
A case of neglect of her children by a mother whose husband is at the front was reported to the Children's Aid Society today. There are five children.

**The Man In The Street**

On a day like this, the title of the man in the street is misleading; the one time man in the street is today hugging the hottest radiator he can find.

And, by the way, if he repeated all the knocks and kicks which are submitted to him for publication that editor would be changing the name of this column to "The Semi-Weekly Grouch," or something like that.

**Even Kipling is Bored**  
Harland Observer—Once again The Observer must repeat that it does not, under any circumstances, print obituary or other original "poetry."

**So Careless of Him**  
An evening contemporary publishes the picture of a notorious citizen of the United States "who attempted to commit suicide by cutting his own throat." It would have made a still better story if he had attempted to commit suicide by cutting some other person's throat.

**A Long Wait**  
A German statesman remarks that "it is sad to see how long women wait to wait for a couple of potatoes." It is still sadder, for them, to think how long the average German will have to wait for a juicy beefsteak.

**That's Good News**  
The morning government organ makes the frank admission that it was "scooped" on the sensational developments at the Westmorland county council. If they thought it necessary to apologize for all the news they miss there would not be room for any they might happen to get.

**Real Economy**  
France is so enthusiastic about last year's daylight saving scheme that they are talking of introducing the plan again on February 15. At that rate, they should save enough daylight this summer to last them all next winter.

**On the Brink**  
Soon we'll have to dig up that well-worn head line "On the Brink of War" for the benefit of Sweden and Switzerland and on the brink of the long that the directories will be giving that as her permanent address.

**Won't We Need it Again?**  
The decision of the authorities to convert the army into a hospital for returned soldiers, looks up a ration for reflection on the physically fit men of the city who have not enlisted.

**Safety First**  
Premier Borden seems to have learned a lesson from Caesar, judging from his elevation of Hon. Mr. Hazen over the head of Hon. Mr. White. As Shakespeare makes the remark say:  
"Give me men about me that are fat; Sleek-headed men, and such as sleep of nights;  
"Yond Cassius has a lean and hungry look;  
"He thinks too much; such men are dangerous."

**GLAD HE WENT; WOULD GO AGAIN**

**Halifax Soldier, Here Yesterday, Speaks of War—Sees Germans Finally Beaten Next Summer**

"I am glad to be home, am glad that I went and would gladly return was the way that Private J. McDermott, of Halifax, expressed himself when interviewed by a Times representative yesterday afternoon, after spending one year and a half on the western front.

Private McDermott went overseas with the 53th Battalion and crossed to France with the first draft from that unit, which was attached to the 25th Nova Scotia Battalion. "My experiences while at the front," he said, "were too many to enumerate, but I can truly say that the 25th Battalion, as have other Canadian units, has shown up well."  
"It was in the great battle of the Somme that the Germans put me out of commission by placing in my back a piece of shrapnel, yet with all that, I am one of the fortunate ones." He was of the same opinion as others who have recently returned, that the war will be brought to a close during the summer of 1917, and added, that within the last twelve months the Germans have been surrendering in all quarters and crossing to the Allies lines with hands up. "It is not necessary for me to tell you that this was not the case. When I crossed to France—about eighteen months ago, in those days it was a fight to the finish."  
"The morale of the German army," he said, "was undoubtedly broken, and it was not only the battle of the Somme that had done it, as we so often hear said, but also the battles of Ypres and St. Eloi. It was in these battles that the enemy found that we meant one thing, and that was victory. Our artillery have them from every standpoint, in the placing of shells, in guns and in ammunition, which, by the way, is one of the greatest factors in the winning of the war. All one can see on the way from the Somme front back to the coast is guns and ammunition. Our airmen have the enemy hands down and while at the first of the war it was an every day occurrence to see German airplanes over our lines, it is now a very rare thing. We have also put the drop on the Zeppelins, and they are fast becoming in the same class as the German navy, that is, they stay where man or gun cannot reach them."

**FROM ERNEST MCCOLLOM**  
Mrs. W. McCollom of 126 Erin street, has received a letter from her son, Private Ernest, a member of the Princess Patricia's. He writes that he is well. He wishes to thank the St. Mary's A. Y. P. A. for the Christmas gifts that he received from them, and also wishes to be remembered to Rev. T. McKim, Private McCollom left St. John under Major Sturdee.

**BRIED TODAY**  
The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Rafferty took place this morning from her late residence, Coldbrook, to St. Joachim's church, where requiem mass was celebrated by Rev. A. J. O'Neill. Interment was made in the New Catholic cemetery.

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**SAYS YPRES WAS HARDEST FIGHT**

**Soldier Creamer of Aylesford, N. S., Home From War, Reached Home Yesterday**

Of the thirty-four maritime province men who returned to Canada by steamer yesterday, perhaps none could tell a more interesting story of experiences than did Private Ernest Creamer of Aylesford, N.S., who went overseas with the first contingent as a member of the 1st Divisional Train, Army Service Corps.

He said that in all he had spent about fifty months at the front and during that time had seen what at one time looked like defeat for the allies on that front change into what might be called a sure victory, but the victory he added, would not be won until the summer of 1917.

"This is not only my opinion," he said, "but the opinion of practically all the men at the front including the officers. For one to be able to make this remark he must have been at it since the beginning of the war and, believe me, the change is wonderful in the conditions at the front at the present time to what they were when the first contingent of the Canadian boys arrived on French soil."

When asked as to what he thought was the fiercest and most deadly battle that took place from the time the Canadians arrived on the western front up to the time he was wounded, he named the first battle of Ypres, the inhabitants of the city of Ypres, which numbered, he would judge, about from sixty to sixty-five thousand people, had been warned to get out of the city, but they delayed. The trenches which were held by the Canadians were about three miles beyond the city and the fighting had been going on for a few days with nothing more, but the exchange of sniping fire until one day the German artillery opened fire on the city and began to shell the city. The first shell fell at 3:00 a.m. The inhabitants were taken by surprise and the deaths one can imagine. The 8th battalion, which was entrenched about three miles from the city, held their trenches, while the trenches on both the right and left flank were taken by the enemy. This left the 8th battalion surrounded and they fought for three days without food, until the 10th and 16th battalions had made several bayonet charges and succeeded finally in relieving the 8th. Too much could be said for the members of this unit for they practically held a German army for three days. His unit was ordered to take up rations for the unit, also hand grenades, and while going through the city, it was all one could do to keep from falling over in a faint because of the sad sights.

"Did anyone ever tell you about the old Maxey? Well, he was most sensational officer on the western front. He was in command of an imperial field artillery battery, and, by the way, was an airman. The airplane had placed at his disposal an airplane and with his own hands he had seen him come down within 100 yards of the German trenches, take their positions and then, with a few shells blow a German trench to atoms. He is known by all the boys on the western front. He was wounded just recently."

Private Creamer, in speaking of the spirit of the men who have spent from one to two years at the front, said that it was surprising the way these men go into the trenches. They are always wearing a smile and exchanging jokes. He added that a man that can smile after spending some time on that front could be decorated. Private Creamer was wounded in the hand and left leg and cannot go again to the front.

**SISTER AND BROTHER RESIDENTS OF ST. JOHN**

**Particulars of Death of Private Cady of Chatham Received**

Mrs. Henry J. Kelly, of 15 Brooks street, received a letter Wednesday informing her that her brother, Private Alfred Cady, had died in a hospital in France, December 28, as a result of gas poisoning. He left Canada attached to the 53th Battalion and was transferred to another unit in England. Word of his death was received by his mother, Mrs. Cady, of Chatham, N. B., from Father Patrick, a priest, who prepared the unfortunate man for death. He wrote that he had been with Private Cady to the last and had been present at his burial. Father Fitzpatrick said that Private Cady had been in the hospital only five hours when he succumbed from the effects of the poisoning.

The news of his death came as a great shock to his family, as his mother had received a letter from him recently. Private Cady had sailed from Canada only a few hours when his father passed away.

Private Cady was a resident of Chatham and was well known in that town. He played for several years on baseball teams. Besides his mother he is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Henry J. Kelly of this city, and Mrs. John Clancy of Chatham, also three brothers, George Cady of St. John, Robert at home and Joseph with the 182nd Battalion in France.

**HIS ANKLE SPRAINED.**  
When returning home from work last evening about seven o'clock, Cecil R. McKiel of Prospect street, Fairville, fell on the ice near his home and badly sprained his ankle. Doctor Allingwell was hastily called, as it was feared at first the leg had been broken, but it was found that the accident had resulted in a very bad sprain. Mr. McKiel will likely be confined to the house for several days.

**VISIT POSTPONED**  
Mrs. G. A. Kihring, president of the Women's Canadian Club, has received a communication from Baroness Huard, author of a famous book entitled "Our Home on the Field of Honor," who was to speak before the Canadian Club here. She regrets that she will be unable to visit St. John at the present, but gives a probable date in April.