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LET SIR DOUGLAS WRITE IT. IR DOUGLAS HAIG paid the finest tribute that can be written to the Canadians yesterday when his official report contained the

"Canadian troops showed the greatest skill and courage in storming the Drocourt-Queant line. These lines had been perfected by the enemy in the past eighteen months. They provided the most formidable obstacle, as they had been furnished with every device of modern engineering. The enemy had reinforced his defences here to such a degree that on a front of 8,000 yards no less than eleven German divisions were identified."

PUSHING THEM BACK.

THE FALL of Lens places an immense advantage with the Allied forces, and coming after the splendid British-Canadian stroke in breaking through the Hindenburg line at the Drocourt-Queant switch makes almost certain that with constant pressure and further strokes by Foch a new line from Lille to Douai to Cambrai to St. Quentin to Laon must be quickly formed.

The whole of the Hindenburg line would then be lost to the Germans, and there is imminent danger to the Huns that beyond its famous bulwark of defence is almost certain to come an overwhelming defeat. The speed with which the Allied armies are operating, the success at points strongly or lightly defended, the spirit of victory which appears to beckon on our fighters and to fill them with a marvellous stamina are telling Nor drummer to beat the morning drum." factors in the development of a potential rout for which history would hold no parallel. Prophecy has been humbled in this war, but the signs were HE ADVERTISER is being accused by the never so full of the certainty of speedy German friends of one alderman who seldom opens defeat and an end to the war. The enemy in more defeat and an end to the war. The enemy in more than five weeks of fighting on his own battle- his remarks to another alderman who rarely opens ground has never been able to get his feet set to his mouth. It should be noted London has three sinks itself and attempts to hold on, the toes are board of works meeting on Tuesday night was an

been put to the great test in the last five weeks. the city at large. The strategy was crumpled up and made to seem a poor thing, as on many other occasions when it appeared the Hun had the whole world at his feet. The British and French have shown that they could fight a wonderful defensive action and finally check their enemy. The German has yet to prove that he can retreat without showing a yellow streak up his back as broad as the River

OUR DEBT to the sea fighters, the men who fleets, can only be conceived when one eliminates the spaces that lie between us and the ocean and lives on the seaboard.

come in contact with the dangers and disasters faced by the brave fellows who keep the sea lanes ing. The former postmaster-general is one of the clear, who hunt the submarines and by dint of the staunchest lieutenants of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. most constant vigilance, skill, sacrifice and courage frustrate the sea serpents of the enemy in his

attempts to strangle the free people of the world. every parcel that goes forward, we owe a debt to possibly tanks converted into agricultural implethe sailors. They are removed from us to such an ments. extent that a seaman's uniform is a sight on our streets. They do not receive the same rate of pay as the soldiers nor are their dependents secure

navy for our safety and the world's safety? Talk is very cheap. The thing to do is to give some- at Archangel, by Japan and in various other ways, is so thing during sailor's week for such a cause. Sit transparently, unquestionably sincerely friendly toward the down quietly for a few moments and take the navy as a subject for your thoughts. Let the force of that mighty service to humanity sink in. And your hand will reach automatically for your checkbook or your purse. Give much or give a end. The best line that any advertiser in the United States eneckbook or your purse. Give much or give a end. The best line that any sovertise in the cinted states in the cinted states.

Let us get over the ever wrote was the line: "While some one gives his life, she asked.

He flicked the ash from his cigaretts what are you giving? Think a minute." top this week and respond with that \$25,000 for which the Navy League of Canada is making an your virtually undisturbed affairs? What are you giving appeal! Let the spontaneous generosity of when you think a minute of the fellows who fight Germans citizens take the place of organization! Give all and filth, and endure atrocious suffering or miserable dis-

his best poetry at a time when the minds of men were occupied, just as they are today, with war and all its surroundings, it is not shaken out of its pockets; the fashion in which lose habits are ironed out and community discipline imposed. strange to find these verses of civil war times ringing afresh with new inspiration and new message in this our own day of stress and conflict. It is precisely because of the humanity aspect of this war, its hopes and its strivings for freedom and "Pop goes the Vesle" has him beaten several kilometres. democracy that Walt Whitman is so much that poet of the past who makes the living appeal today. "How many young men did I find in the French Ambulance Service during this war in value there is little difference between them and the regular Belgium or in Macedonia reading Walt Whit- ham variety.

man's 'Wound Dresser From the Drum Taps?' writes Pierre de Lanux in a recently-published book. "His influence on a few poets is small, compared to his action on the mentality of the young in general. It is an immensely renewed inspiration which he proposes and which is one of

the treasures of our time.' And a tribute not unlike this is brought by Medicine and Surgery," which sees in his effect on youth a breath of preventive medicine. "Walt Whitman has become today," says this journal, 'a tone of the clearest resonance with mighty reverberations which are effecting a complete change in the youth of France and England."

The civil war brought physical suffering to Whitman just as it has come to so many in our own day. It tested his religion and faith, tried his sanity and his cheerfulness and his charity. He gave of his best to the relief of wounded and suffering soldiers and the best came back to him in widened vision of mankind, of mankind's sufferings, aspirations and hopes. Out of that experience came some of his noblest verses, the 'Drum Taps'' and the poems on the great emancipator that are so deeply spiritual.

John Burroughs saw him in 1863 and he has written: "The actual scene of this man moving among the maimed, the pale, the low-spirited, the near-to-death, can hardly be pictured by any pen, however expert. His magnetism was ineredible and exhaustless. The lustreless eye brightened up at his approach, a bracing air seemed to fill the wards.

The external details of his daily task the poet records in one of the "Drum Taps": Bearing the bandages, water and sponge, Straight and swift to my wounded I go,

Where they lie on the ground after the battle brought in.

To each and all one after another I draw near, nor one do I miss."

The lesson of the war for Whitman, the greatest lesson, was that the race could still sacrifice for its ideals. That, too, has been the supreme discovery in our own day. "The soldiers know how to love," he said on one occasion, and he saw where that spirit lay latent in all hearts ready to be touched by a world need. He saw men as brothers all, soldiers all in a field that is the world, the battle going on every day for the body and the eternal soul until the times comes he'd take an oyster's temperature, feel

'Presently, O soldiers, we too camp in our place in the bivouac-camps of green, But we need not provide for outposts, nor word

for the countersign,

EXCESSIVE SPEECH.

his mouth at a council meeting with crediting bring a pressure against the Allied forces. One or four silent aldermen, but the others are equal foot is first forced back, and though the second | to the task of making up for the silent ones. The hacked and battered and the other leg subjected evidence of this. On one occasion five aldermen to such a punishment that the big brutal fighter were talking on different subjects at one time, cannot maintain his balance. The lilliputians while the real subject under consideration was have grown up into a sturdy set of youths, to say forgotten. The minutes of the meeting since comthe least. They are hammering the giant from piled in the clerk's office state that "no action every side. They have the numerical strength, was taken" on the matter. The claims of the they have the guns, the money and the will to different wards on their respective aldermen are soaring to the top repeatedly of late, even to the German strategy and German morale have exclusion of matters of paramount importance to

EDITORIAL NOTES.

First through the heart of the Hindenburg ne-Currie of Middlesex and his brave men.

The Provincial Government sets a fine example in donating \$100,000 to the Sailors' Fund.

Sir Robert Borden gave his watch to a baby to chew at Toronto. Is that all he knows about feeding infants?

All sorts of featherweight championships were decided in London Monday. Two prize fighters were after one title and at the Labor Day sports two women in a chicken race disposed of the feathers of a fowl in short order.

line which these sailors hold. Inland cities are only geographically fortunate if they do not tended to Hon. Rudolph Lemieux in the loss of true;

The sympathy of many friends will be extrue;

He never tells what he has done, his son, Lieut. Lemiex, who fell in recent fight-

Let's hope when peace comes that the Allies will make a present to France of all war material that may be converted to the country's peaceful carried safely to England, for every letter and pursuits, such as barb wire, tractors and even

PATIENCE NECESSARY.

[Philadelphia Public Ledger.] We must be patient with Russia. This does not mean against financial deprivation in the event of their ferences of race and mental methods, have prevented us week to do something in a substantial way for the navy. Who has not thanked God and the British from judging prematurely the good faith and honest pur-pose of men whom the turbid tide of the Revolution has The present attitude of the Allies, as expressed by the American Government, by the British expedition turning and every man working, and Russian people and the Russian Revolution that it is no longer possible for an honest mind to doubt it.

NO END TO GIVING.

[Chicago Tribune.] Is there no end to giving? There is not-until the great what are you giving? Think a minute."

What are you giving, you who run loose and go about and cooties, rats and trench fever, gas and shrapnel, mud

What have you given or what can you give? The de- if mands upon your money do come rapidly. It is the way they have to come. It represents the pressure which must DECAUSE WALT WHITMAN wrote some of the put upon. Even this pressure is an indication of your own good fortune. You are here, being asked for your

money but not your life.

This is the way in which the loose coin of the nation is

THOSE FRENCH NAMES.

[Hamilton Herald.] The war-poet who made Joffre rhyme with offer did not reach the limit. The newspaper jester who remarked

SAVING THE HAM.

[Vancouver Province.]

Sandwiches in which gold coins were concealed are ing smuggled into Germany from Holland. In point of lue there is little difference between them and the regular m variety.

It won t cost you much to try "The boys in the camps have worked all winter, too, Billy. And they're not getting any rest now, or prospect of rest with France ahead."

He threw away his cigarette impa
It won t cost you much to try this treatment in your own home. It is sure to relieve, and usually effects complete cure.

By Fontaine Fox TOMBOY TAYLOR - -

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Taylor's mother has sworn that never again will she speak who chaperoned the children's hay ride.

BY LUKE McLUKE

Open. The clumsy hippopotamus Must be a very honest cuss; I do not think he could be base, Because he has an open face.

The Limit.

"Smith is a finicky fellow, isn't he? sald Brown. "He sure is," agreed Jones. "Wh

its pulse and look at its tongue before he'd eat it." No Joke. "Easy Come and Easy Go,"

The careless fellow chants; And that's what puts the fringes on The bottom of his pants.

I like the old woodpecker's way, I'm fond of him, by jing! He pegs away the livelong day, And never tries to sing. You Win, Jackie.

It's too durn hot to joke or grin, It's too durn hot to roam; But it's a durn sight hotter in The kaiser's future home. -Luke McLuke.

It's too durn hot to joke or roam, It's too durn hot to even grin; But the kaiser has no future home, The devil will not let him in.

As the kaiser of the Cerman nation; For anyone else he wouldn't care, But he hates to spoil his reputation -J. L. M., on board U. S. A. North Daketa.

Mean Bruta! I wish you wouldn't try to bake, Dear wife," said Mr. Devel; You claim that this is angel cake, But it tastes like the devil."

-Lake McLake. His wife responded with some heat, "You're most extremely rule! And anything that you might est,

Would sure be devil's food!" -- Newark Advocate. The Wise Fool.

"He laughs best who laughs last," quoted the Sage. "Not when you are telling funny stor ies to a crowd," commented the Fool.

A good-for-nothing pest is Bunn, These are hard words, but they are

He tells what he INTENDS to do. Doing Finely. The kaiser's herd of kultured curs Is doing very, very well;

One million now are prisoners, A million more have gone to Berlin.

Oh. Joy! Heavy Lemon, who has a shoe store

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"SOPHISTICATED BILLY."

turning and every man working, and now that the warm, languorous days of spring had come he decided that needed a vacation.

So he called on Eleanor Gage one so he called on Eleanor Gage one land to make the called on the small town girl. And, although just now you don't seem especially anxious for my answer to a certain question you asked me a week or so ago, I'm going

evening to bid her good-bye and to impart the news that he was going to New York "for a time."

"What do you call a 'time,' Billy?"

He flicked the ash from his cigaretts.

"Well." he answered, with a man-ofthe-world air, "it means to the sophisticated a round of pleasure. The usual
thing, you know—shows, restaurants,
roof gardens this time of the year, and
so forth. Lots of pretty, well-dressed
women, people you get along well with
if you're the right sort, and all that.
Dickie Merrick and I usually hang out
together. Dick knows scads of people.
I'm to meet him at the Giltmore."

Eleanor counted her stitches before
she answered.

"But just now, Billy, do you think it's the thing?"

He regarded her with tolerant amuse-

in Mansfield. Ohio, has agreed to the club's circus ranch in Florida. Oh, Death, Where Is Try Sting!

Pleasant Graves lives in Houston, The Big Town Hick! There is such a thing as a City Hick. A New York girl, who had never had any gaslights in her home, blew out the gas while away on a visit to a small

only kind she knew anything about. Well, Weil! Talking about hustlers, O. P. Lively lives at Rusk, Texas.

town relative. Electric lights were the

Names Is Names. Ruby Lipps lives at 18 West Pratt street, Indianapolis.

Our Daily Special. If Promises Were Votes, Every Candidate on the Ticket Would Be

Luke McLuke Says The man who realizes that he is fooled a whole lot oftener than there is any excuse for never loses much. It is the square-head who thinks he can't be fooled who gets the hard wallop.

The reason why Mother knows that trying to get some curdled milk out of his throat and isn't trying to say any-

Once in a while a woman drives a man beats her to it. The best way to get on with people

is to let them alone and not to see too much of them. That's the reason why married couples have so many One thing worth remembering is that every time you butt in you add at least one more to your collection of enemies.

If a man wants to go to a blow-out and tells his wife so, she will tell him that he can't go. But if he is smart and growls around that he promised to attend the blow out and isn't going to because he doesn't want to go, she will bawl him out for being a mean and disappointing his friends, and man, and disappointing his friends, and she will force him to go.

A girl often marries a man when she knows that he isn't good enough for her because she knows that he is too good for the other girl who is chasing

Many a nice sleeping porch is un cupied at night because Friend Wife knows how Friend Husband snores, and make him sleep indoors so he won't arouse the neighborhood.

It is a good thing that a man doesn't have to carry a handbag in which to keep his handkerchief and his money like a woman. If he did he would have to buy a new bag every day in the week. If he didn't leave it in the street car he would leave it in the first cafe he visited.

Maybe money would look as big to a man as it does to a woman if he had to touch his wife for every cent he got to spend. The reason why everything he does

pleases her before they are married is because nothing he does will please her after they are married. tiently, and then he said a mean thing. "That's what it is to live in a small

"That's what it is to live in a small town. You girls are like everyone else; you get one idea in your head and you can't get it out. That's what I'm going to New York for—to get away from knitting and Red Cross and Liberty bond flends and war talk. I'm going where people understand, where they have a broader view and don't think you're a criminal if you have a little fun."

Are You

Deceived? that the knife is the only cure

He regarded her with tolerant amusement. "I suppose you mean the war. You rather have a sneaky idea I ought to enlist, haven't you. Nellie?"

"Oh. it isn't exactly that. I just think it's not good taste to throw away money on foolishness when it's so badly needed elsewhere."

"Well, maybe it looks like fiddling while Rome burns, but I've earned the right to have a good time. I've worked all winter on war stuff—what more do you want?"

"The boys in the camps have

to tell you now that I won't marry you. You're a slacker."

Billy left at that, crestfallen. He really hadn't meant to get into it so deep. Besides, he really did care for Eleanor's opinion, and he cared for her a great deal; but he had to confess that the glamor of his trip ahead softened the sorrow of losing her very considerably. Besides, he thought she might change her mind by the time he got back.

The next day William R. Seymour

I'll run the car around to the hotel and pick you up."

The two men looked at each other, obtained to have my eye-teeth cut on this war but had nothing to say. Leona Merrick was very pretty. Of course, they could not refuse.

That night, tenderly nursing the bilisters on their hands, they got ready for the theatre. Things were looking for the theatre. Things were looking of the theatre. Things were looking of the theatre whole jolly crowd was up a bit. The whole jolly crowd was up a bit. The whole jolly crowd was the prospect.

The next day William R. Seymour

The play was Blanche Bates in "Get-

The next day William R. Seymour registered at the big metropolitan hotel and waited for Richard Merrick, who arrived in the course of a few hours and proceeded to tell his troubles to his of old.

"I say, Bill, has your town gone nuts

on the war?"
"Has it?" whistled Billy. hanged if I'm not glad to get went on Dickie. "A fellow can't without some Jane piping up and saying, 'Wouldn't you rather invest in a war savings stamp? Or some grandmother poking in with, 'Half that, young man, would keep a Belgian child for one day.' I did buy a bond. Now I wish they'd let me alone."

me alone." "Same here," said Billy, gloomily.
Then brightening, "But we're wasting time, old man. We're here to forget.
Let's call up the girls and get something storted." "The girls" were cousins of Dick's, rery fashionable and up to date.
"All right. I'll ring them now. Say,

"Never did. Nellie says they don't get rest. She ought to come to New York and find out. I shouldn't mind splurging and find out. I shouth the round in a uniform myself."

But William's remark had been overheard. An old gentleman at the next table leaned forward. "Then, young man, why don't you? You can get one for othing."
Billy flushed and murmured something

Billy flushed and murmured something about doing war work. But the old man went on. "These soldiers and officers are leaving for overseas duty. Most of them go from the port of New York. The Englishmen and French soldiers are here on war work. Some of them off ships that carry our mer over. They're all here for a purpose, young man. And if they appear to splurge, surely they've earned the right. Why shouldn't a man be proud of his Why shouldn't a man be proud of his

Our friends left soon after. Leona Merrick herself answered their "Oh, I'm so glad you boys are I'm nearly dead with work and here. I'm nearly dead with work and can't get a soul to help, everyone is so busy. I've got two tons of stuff to take from our Red Cross unit to headquarters. I'm running a motor truck, you know, and you have saved my life. The headle

"Don't you want to hear Abbe "Don't you want to Jane Merrick. tomorrow?" asked Jane Merrick. "We're all going after surgical dressing "We're all going after surgical dressing." class. They say he is wonderful."

Again Billy and Dick exchanged

When Eleanor opened the door to



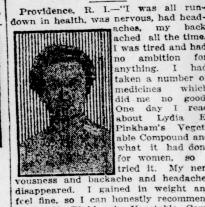
glances, and again they accepted.

At the end of a week, after hearing the Bishop of York, Major Watt and the Bishop of York, Major Watt and Anne Morgan, they were ready to go home. They had changed—not their opinion of New York but of their own



BACKACHE AND

Told by Mrs. Lynch From Own Experience.



ached all the time. was tired and had ambition for anything. I nedicines which one day I bout Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetble Compound and what it had done or women, so I tried it. My ner-

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