

Talk of the Town And of the Country

GEN. KING AT PICTON.

Brig-Gen. W. B. King, G.O.C., M.D., No. 3, Kingston, returned Wednesday from Picton where Tuesday he waited on the county council of Prince Edward County and asked the support of the council in the re-organization of the Hastings and Prince Edward Regiment.

Gen. King pointed out everyone insures his home, and there was no reason why the county should not be insured as well. He asked that moral and practical support to the regiment be given.

The council and citizens were most sympathetic and all promised to support the regiment as far as possible.

The Hastings and Prince Edward Regiment comprises the old 16th Regiment and the 45th Regiment.

HENS DESTROYED BY FIRE.

Forty-two chickens were lost by Mr. B. Windsor, 132 Perry Street, Peterboro, Tuesday night, in a fire of unknown origin, that destroyed his hen house at ten o'clock. The fire which was fanned by a north east wind, was well under way before it was first seen by Mr. Windsor. The fire started at the front of the house, and the birds were thus trapped and had to be left to a fiery fate. None escaped. The alarm was rung in from Box 15 and in a few minutes the fire was smothered out by the firemen. The hen house was of heavy timber and of considerable dimensions and was practically a total loss. It was valued at over \$50 by Mr. Windsor. Thirty of the hens were thoroughbred Brown Leghorns, six were Plymouth Rocks, four were white Leghorns and one black hen, and one thoroughbred Brown Leghorn rooster, made up the casualty list.

LENGTHY ARGUMENT AS TO VALUE OF COW CATCHERS.

Quite a lengthy argument as to the relative values of cow catchers and steps on the front of freight engines engaged in road service, was heard by the Railway Commission at Ottawa Tuesday in the application of the New York Central Railway Company for a modification of the board's regulations regarding safety appliances. The company wished to use a step construction on its freight engines running into Canada instead of the pilot construction. Representatives of the railway brotherhoods, Calvin Lawrence and W. L. Best, fought against the application determinedly, the former characterizing it as the most retrograde step he had observed in forty-two years of railroading. R. Payne, manager of the Ottawa and New York branch of the N.Y.C., stated that his company was hauling coal trains hundreds of miles, on the U.S. side by means of freight engines with the step construction, but unless the modification was granted, could not haul the same trains, twenty miles in Canada. The board reserved judgment.

LAW LIBRARY PRESENTED TO COUNTY.

At the session of the Lanark County Council on Saturday, Major J. A. Hope appeared before the council at the request of Mrs. Honora Senkler and family and presented the late Judge's law library, now in the court house, to the county as a county law library in memory of him. One condition to the gift is that the current English and Canadian Law reports, which now form part of the library, be brought up to date and continued from year to year. The gift was accepted and a brass tablet will be placed in the judge's chambers at the late Judge Senkler.

APPOINTED G.E.R. DOCTOR.

At Brockville, Dr. T. F. Robertson has been appointed district medical officer of the Grand Trunk Railway and Dr. F. G. Wallbridge district medical officer of Belleville. Both vacancies were caused by death.

MET WITH PECULIAR ACCIDENT.

A horse owned by Burns Dowell, Brockville, and used in the cab business met with a peculiar accident Wednesday afternoon shortly after one o'clock. The animal was being backed out of a carriage shed adjoining the rear of the Franklin House and slipping on the icy surface of the roadway crashed through a window of the boarding house. The hind legs of the horse slipped into an opening in the ground through which ingress to the cellar

of the building is made and became wedged in such a manner that it took several men and a team of horses nearly an hour to extricate it, apparently none the worse for the experience.

EMERY WHEEL BURST.

Shortly after 11 o'clock Wednesday morning Frank Timleck, 10 Halliday street, Brockville, polisher in the employ of the James Smart Mfg. Co., narrowly escaped death when an emery wheel he had adjusted and was testing burst into several pieces, one of which struck him in the abdomen, inflicting injuries which fortunately are not believed to be as serious as was first supposed. He was removed to St. Vincent de Paul Hospital and an examination by Dr. W. E. Harding revealed an abrasion of the skin of the abdomen and a slight injury to the right hand. The patient is suffering considerably from shock, but no serious results are anticipated.

A STRANGE CASE.

Suffering from a strange hallucination that he had within him another person, exerting an evil influence in his life Nikola Koucher, under arrest on a charge of carrying firearms illegally, has been committed to the Ontario Hospital, Brockville. Koucher walked into the Royal Canadian Mounted Police headquarters at Ottawa on Sunday and informed Sergeant Syms that he wished to make a confession to the Governor-General. He had in his coat pocket at the time a loaded revolver which, he said, was for the purpose of shooting the other man within him. Koucher was examined by two physicians who both found that he was mentally deranged. He claimed to have purchased the revolver in Montreal and to have had it blessed for the purpose of destroying the person within him.

ANOTHER \$1,000 GIFT.

It is announced that George Burns, Pembroke, has placed himself in the ranks of the generous contributors to the \$500,000 general hospital fund at Pembroke, by a donation of \$1,000. Mr. Burns by this handsome gift, as well as by the active assistance which he is personally giving to the campaign, shows that he is sincerely behind the efforts being made to liquidate the debt on the new wing.

HEAVY LIQUOR SHIPMENT.

Strongly guarded by railroad detectives, a shipment of eleven carloads of imported liquors, one of the largest ever passing through to Ontario consumers, passed through the Outer Station, Brockville, Tuesday over the Grand Trunk by fast freight train. The shipment was made direct from Scotland to the consumers.

TO BE MANAGING DIRECTOR.

John E. Kennedy, New York, formerly of Allumette Island, a brother of James R. Kennedy, Pembroke, has organized a \$2,000,000 co-operative drug concern to be known as the Fronto Druggists, Inc. Mr. Kennedy, who for many years was engaged in the advertising business, receiving before he launched out for himself salaries totalling \$50,000 per year, will be chairman of the executive committee and managing director of the new company, the operations of which will extend throughout the United States and Canada. His friends will be pleased to learn of his continued success.

BINGHAMTON N.Y. FINANCIER DEAD.

Thomas B. Orary, financier, who died at his home in Binghamton, N. Y., occupied a summer home at Thousand Island Park for the past ten years and was one of the best known and most popular of the summer residents along this part of the St. Lawrence. Death came after a short illness of typhoid fever. His home at Thousand Island Park was one of the most palatial on the river.

MARMORA L.O.L. VISITED SPRING BROOK.

Members of Marmora L.O.L. 319 and Alversville L.O.L. visited Spring Brook L.O.L. 442 last Thursday evening. After the regular business of the lodge had been transacted, District Master Bro. Thos. Potts very efficiently presided over the election of officers for the ensuing year. As his conclusion there was one member advanced to the Blue Degree and three to the Royal Arch Purple De-

gree. In this work, the officers of L.O.L. 442 were ably assisted by members of L.O.L. 719. Speeches and an appetizing luncheon concluded a memorable evening for all present.

WILL PRACTISE IN WATER-TOWN.

Dr. Hiram M. Buchanan, who has practised medicine in St. Lawrence, N.Y., for years, has purchased the Barney residence, Watertown, N.Y., and has taken possession. He was born in Kempton, Ont., graduated in medicine at Queen's University.

VILLAGE SUPPLIED WITH ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

It is expected now that if the weather continues at all favorable for outdoor work, part of the village of Marmora will have electric lights by the latter part of next week, says the Marmora Herald. The business places, churches and halls will be among the first to be given service and the other portions of the village will have the Hydro turned on as soon as the reconstruction can be completed. Following the experience of the past couple of weeks the Hydro Electric service will be doubly appreciated.

NEW LICENSE INSPECTOR.

John R. Reid, who has been Chief of Police in Orillia for the past seventeen years, has been appointed License Inspector for the County of Simcoe to succeed Mr. Wellington Fisher. Mr. Fisher retires on the 1st of January, after fifteen years' service, under the Superannuation Act, passed at the last session of the Ontario Legislature. The Act makes it compulsory for all civil servants to retire upon reaching the age of 70.

PIN LODGED IN THROAT.

Four weeks ago, in eating a mouthful of bread, Mrs. Andrew Powley, Gananoque, had it, as she thought, stick in her throat. After suffering for two or three days with a sore throat, she consulted a physician, who could find no obstruction. Awakened this week by a spell of coughing, she felt something in her mouth and, examining it, discovered that it was a pin which was evidently imbedded in the bread.

TO USE BOWLING GREEN FOR RINK.

It is the intention of the Oshawa Bowling Club to have an open rink on the bowling green this winter. This was decided by the members within the past few days, and it is also their intention to lease it to any one desiring of using it for skating purposes. Whoever wishes to do so will have to take it for the entire season. The dimensions of the rink will be 126 by 130 feet which will be ample room to accommodate quite a large number.

THE AUTUMN WOODS.

Today I walk in the autumn woods
In their lovely, leafy solitude—
In their pillared, pictured galleries:
Where Mother Nature is richly dressed,
In the dainty robes she loves the best—
All precious gifts from her knightly trees.
Here God is the Master, Friend and Guide,
Where law and liberty, side by side
In beauty and order gently reign;
The whispering west wind passes by,
And the picture leaves make soft reply—
"We fall but the leaves will live again."

Oh, Autumn woods! Your glorious leaves, Give joy and strength to the soul that grieves— The soul that hammers to fly afar, Sweet hope springs up with a purpose true, Refreshed by your gracious gifts anew— And waits again for the morning star.

Beautiful! Beautiful! Autumn woods! Where nature, in sweetest of all her moods, Gives leaves of knowledge, to all who care To read the message which God displays, On leaves that He loves—these golden days Immortality is written there.

E. D. MCCREARY,
Spencerville, Ohio, Nov. 20, 1920.

Trial Is Inexpensive.

To those who suffer from dyspepsia, indigestion, rheumatism or any ailment arising from derangement of the digestive system, a trial of Parmelee's Vegetable Pills is recommended, should the sufferer be unacquainted with them. The trial will be inexpensive and the result will be satisfactory. Write for this excellent medicine. So effective in their action that satisfaction can certainly be traced to their use.

GERMAN AMBASSADOR TO SPAIN PRESENTS HIS CREDENTIALS.

The German Ambassador paying his first official visit to Señor Dato left to right—Marquis de Lima (Minister of Foreign Affairs), Baron Langwirth von Simmers (The German Ambassador) and Señor Dato (President of Council).

MEXICO'S NEW PRESIDENT

Written for The Ontario by
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Peace in Mexico, freedom of communication and development of its varied resources, mean a great deal to us when business at home is sagging and things have a dubious appearance across the ocean. The inauguration of Obregon, as president promises peace, a settled condition, a firm hand at the wheel and friendship restored between the two countries. It is expected that before the year closes diplomatic relations will have been resumed and Mr. Wilson acknowledges the new Obregon administration as lawful and coming within the requirements set down by him in the Huerta year as necessary to secure recognition. Four pariers are being exchanged regarding the attitude of the Obregon administration to American investments. The American Secretary of State is requiring guarantees not contained in the present Mexican constitution.

Much of what has taken place in Mexico in the last year will make most interesting chapters in history when it is time to draw aside the curtains and reveal the truth. Perhaps the end justifies the means taken to secure that end; this, however, must be left to the future when the facts are known and the moralist can deal with them freed from prejudices. An international drive, made on Mexico following European peace in order to relieve the tension on another continent. The strategy employed was to undo the Carranza government as impractical and too narrowly Mexican, and put in its place a strong man, with plenty of power and funds behind him, and to buy off and drive off the leaders of the various rebel armies and revolutionary factions molesting and disturbing the business and safety of the country. This included a deal with Villa, the notorious bandit and assassin. By-gones were by-gones. International

high finance planned and carried forward a great part of the work, beginning with an aggressive propaganda in the United States against Carranza and his methods. This involved an agreement among the oil, mining and smelting international corporations regarding exploitation of Mexican resources. Despite the American citizen's instinct against foreign alliances, as exemplified by his vote, the American financier and business man have no scruples about international deals that would make investments safe. The new Mexican executive and most of those surrounding him are in sympathy with American ways. English will be familiar and readily spoken in the palace. Men in high places received their education on this side the line or in England. American, British and French capital is expected to expand Mexican production in copper, silver and oil on a guarantee that it will be given governmental protection. A Diaz policy is expected from the new Mexican administration, which will invite foreign capital to the country for mutual benefit. That Obregon will have things all his way at the outset is not to be expected in a country so long given over to civil war and rebellions and the rule of force. The opposition at first may be purely of a political nature, challenging Obregon as Diaz was challenged most of his rule, as the exploiter of Mexico by the aid of foreign capital and foreign adventurers. Later arms will be resorted to in the usual Mexican fashion. A reaction is bound to set in and then the anti-foreign policies proclaimed and upheld by Carranza until his untimely taking off, will be contrasted with the new line of least resistance adopted by the Obregon party.

Golden Sunshine in California

Dr. Helms' Address on Europe—
Prosecution of Christian Scientists

During the month of November we have had about two hours of rain, and as many of fog. The days have been bright and sunny.

Rev. Helms stood in the room where Edith Cavell was shot. Just before the execution, she was requested to write anything she desired. She wrote but one line: "Patriotism is not all." He touched her cap and dress, and read many of her letters in London, where they are preserved. Upon the same morning, forty-one civilians of the city were brought in to be shot. A company of German soldiers was given quarters in a little carrier pigeon. The soldiers drew lots for the firing party. The order was given to cut all down one side. Yet above the wounded lay was the little case containing the message, telling where the battalion was, and in now in Savannah, wearing a Military Medal.

In Italy, he met the Secretary of the Italian Minister, Orlando. In conversation, pointing to the mountains covered with ice and snow, he said: "I spent two years up there. I saw hundreds of thousands with their hands and feet frozen. The

only food we had was black bread hard as a stone. We had no fire only obtained water by licking the ice. Hundreds of men could be seen with their swollen tongues protruding from their mouths, caused by licking the ice. Twenty-two thousand orphans, whose fathers had been killed in the war, are being fed and supported by an American society in France. He saw a shoe, the upper part of which had been cut away and something placed in it which looked like the bone of the heel. This was a shell, which was connected with a fuse. If you took up or moved the shoe, the shell would explode—a piece of German deviltry. The state of Germany and Austria is terrible to contemplate. People are leaving the churches. Vast numbers of men who were rich before the war are now miserably poor. Gutters are being searched for any scrap of food, many dying from starvation. "It is nobody's world, all is in disorder." It is now revealed that German intrigue caused the assassination of the Czar and his family. When the treaty of Brest-Litovsk was formulated, the effect of which would have handed over twenty millions of Russians and a vast portion of the country to Germany, the Czar refused to sign. From that moment the Germans plotted his death. It is painful to read—as I have read—several accounts of the manner in which the Czar and his family, including his beautiful daughters and young son, were assassinated. They were removed from one place to another, until finally they were kept in a couple of rooms, deprived of everything. Soldiers were stationed at their doors and the common deprivations of life were refused. Finally they were ordered, in the dead of night, to get up and go into a lower room. Soldiers were brought in and the entire family shot. Their bodies were carried away and thrown into the shaft of an abandoned mine and drugs and vitriol thrown upon them to destroy their bodies. This was the end of the great White Czar, the ruler over four hundred and eighty millions, with fifty palaces—the object of worship by the largest country in the world. Among all the crimes committed by Germany, surely none can be greater than the assassination of this entire family. It must be remembered that the Kaiser and Czar were closely connected. We all remember the "Whistle and Nettle correspondence" before the war. There are eleven Christian Scientist churches here. The most costly church in the city is the Christian Science church. The State Attorney, Wooluene, is about prosecuting fathers of families of Christian Scientists for neglecting to have medical advice and attendance upon their children when ill. He declares that many children die because the parents will not call in physicians for treatment. It is not necessary to have physicians, say the Scientists. It is mortal mind that imagines disease exists; the fact is, there is no disease. I cannot see that the authorities can interfere. One may not believe in Mrs. Eddy, or in Christian Science, any more than Mark Twain did, when he wrote his celebrated work against Christian Science; yet, if people entertain the belief, how can the public control family life so as to force the head of the family to call in an allopath? Over eight millions have within a few weeks been stolen from railway cars by masked burglars. Many private houses have also been entered. The police force does not seem to be able to cope with crime. Chicago has been the greatest sufferer. Today is charming—bright and sunny.

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The shipyard workers of the States has developed a new industry which has raised the price of the various crafts to a point where production has kept pace with demand. Admiral Benson's industry has expanded 50 per cent, available to the private shipyard.

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