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Mother and Daughter.

In the course of a debate in the House of Com mons a day or two ago there was a note of dissent—the only one so far heard in Parliament—as to the extent to which Canada should participate in the war. Two members from this Province advanced the view that by the first appropriation of \$50,000, 000 Canada had done a sufficient part, that the furthat Great Britain, as proclaimed by the British very much appreciated. From the latest reports it Chancellor of the Exchequer, is well able to finance looks as if the Sultan was preparing to take up his the war, without our further assistance. Much em- praying rug and beat it. phasis was laid by the speakers upon the importance of greater effort in agricultural production, a view which in itself will be cordially endorsed, but will not be readily accepted as a reason for the slackening of Canadian effort in relation to the war. Dealing with the question from the point of view of little more is needed to have him take drastic meafilial relationship, one of the speakers held that a son can only be expected to give assistance to a parent in proportion to his resources and to the need of the parent; and he claimed that Canada had already done her part in this way. The "need" of a parent in any case might not easily be determined. Because she made no demand for help, it ability to meet all requirements; but if at the same time she had, in sight of all, very large obligations of a most pressing character, she might really be in much greater need than she would be willing to ad-In such a case the dutiful son or daughter would hardly enter into a mathematical inquiry to determine what was a proper proportion that he or she should contribute in the way of help. If the burden of the parent appeared to be exceptionally exceed nine thousand. To aid in the capture of the heavy, and particularly if the trouble had arisen city, the Turkish commander secured a fleet of would be, not "how much is our share," but "what all that they possessed or could command would be which started four hundred and sixty-two years ago, pledged to her service. That is the position to-day would shortly come to an end as between the mother country, Great Britain, and the daughter nation, Canada. The mather makes no demand; puts forth no claim. She takes up uncomplainingly, as she has always cone, the burden that is thrown upon her, and will bravely bear it to the end unless crushed by its tremendous weight.
Under such conditions, even with regard to the rethe end unless crushed by its tremendous weight. lationship of mother and daughter, Canada should not hesitate to voluntarily place all her resources at

But the duty of Canada is not to be determined by But the duty of canada is not to use the relationship of mother and daughter. The idea of England having a fight on her hands, in which of England having a fight on her hands, in which States following the Civil War was the greatest in the control of the contro Canada is generously helping her, is an entirely erroneous one. The old mother is not fighting for her interests alone. In the broadest view of the matter she is fighting the battle of freedom for the world's democracy, against a system of military autocracy which, if successful, would be a menace to her fighting is not for herself, but for the great British family, to which Canadians are proud to belong. It is the British family that is attacked, and upon the whole family must fall the district of the state o upon the whole family must fall the duty of defence. Canada is a part of the British Empire. If she has not the full partnership that some enthusiasts deto give her such, but because the genius of man thing that stirred in spring, after the severe New has not yet been able to devise a partnership sys- England winter—in what was the first sign or pulse tem in which all members of the Empire can be sat-isfactorily represented. But while for that reason not enjoying such a formal partnership, Canada is a of this bird. He dug into the swamps, he peered into satisfied and contented member of the family. She the water, he felt with benumbed hands for the radihas had, without cost to herself, the protection cal leaves of the plants under the snow; he inspected of the strong arm of the senior member. The whole the buds on the willows, the catkins on the alders; he family being now attacked by a common enemy, it is went out before daylight of a March morning and the duty of the whole family, without waiting for remained out after dark; he watched the lichens and

those upon whom rests the chief responsibility for brosecuting this war. That, we feel sure, is the spring run and the catkins on the alders will have sentiment of the Canadian people, of every party started a little; and if you look sharply, while passing and class and creed.

"The Lady with the Lamp."

The furnishing and equipping of hospitals by cur Canadian universities and the enrolment of nurses for service at the front instinctively takes the reader back to Florence Nightingale and the Crimean War. A few days ago a statue to Florence Nightingale was land and sea forces of the United States. unveiled in Waterloo Place, London—a somewhat calls the story of the backwoods parent who caught belated tribute to a lady who did much to alleviate the sufferings of the soldiers taking part in that to a yellow cur.

arrived in Constantinople on November 4th, 1854, on to be forgiven for beatin' that dawg. I'll lick you till even of the battle of Inkerman, which was at you can't set down!"-New York Evening Sun. the commencement of a terrible winter campaign In the following spring she was stricken with fever, but refused to leave her post, and remained at Scutari until the British left there in 1856.

Previous to the outbreak of the Crimean War Miss and the practice of nursing. When war broke out County highways to be improved. diately volunteered, and was given supreme hospital work in connection with The system she put into practice and army.

formed part of every army since that time. The great deal to "The Lady with the Lamp." Florer Nightingale died in 1910.

United States Grain Supply.

In the United States fears are being expresse that that country will suffer from a shortage of grain as a result of the large quantities being sent

the rate of 1,000,000 bushels a day until July 1st, when the new crop makes its appearance. If the Dardanelles are opened it will relieve 150,000,000 bushels from Russia and Roumania, while in May or June there will be 75,000,000 bushels available from India, which will also tend to lessen the demand for American wheat. Outside of the United States last year there was a world shortage of 400, 000,000 bushels of wheat, which has had something to do with the heavy demand being made on the supplies held across the line.

The iron cross which the Kaiser conferred upon ther appropriations proposed are uncalled for, and the Sultan of Turkey does not seem to have been

time explaining the sinking of the William P. Frye.

Orders for shells already placed in Canada amount to over \$80,000,000. Two hundred factories in varimined. Because she made no demand for help, it where so industry going. Detween war olders and second line supports a nose through twice or three times that amount, for artizans, non-have large resources, and might bravely declare her stuffs this country is suffering less from the war steaming at an hourly speed of from 10 to 12 knots. In the regularly organized camp pay not one cent. than any other in the world.

The last time Constantinople was besieged was in 1453. On that occasion the city held out for fifty three days, only to fall at last before Mohammed II. With it fell the last remains of the Roman Empire. On that occasion the Turks had an army of severty thousand, while the force opposed to them did no city, the Turkish commander secured a fleet of from no fault of her own, but from her regard for three hundred and twenty vessels, while cannon, the welfare of others, the thought of the children then in an experimental stage, were largely used in he reduction of the walls of the city. can we do in any way to help the old mother?" and as if the Turkish domination of Constantinople,

> Economists are discussing the wastage of war. They point out that while every great writer from the time of Aristotle down to the present day has schown that war is wasteful and destructive, in is pointed out that following the Napoleonic Wars England grew rich at an unprecedented rate, while similar experiences followed the Crimean and the caused this notice to appear in the local newspaper Franco-Prussian War. The Boer War was followed that country's history. The wastage of war is undoubtedly great, but there are savings effected which make good in a large measure the losses caused by the war. In addition, industry and commerce are stimulated at the end of a struggle owing to the efforts being made to make good the los

SPRING'S AWAKENING.

sire, it is not because the motherland is unwilling trying to settle in his own mind what was the first, away by the magic of the night. any call, to assume the burden of defence.

The fight is the Empire's fight. It is our fight. At on the alert for the first frog ("Can you be absolutely such a time, then, let there be no question of proportionate burden as between the various members of the family. The duty of Canada as of every and the trocks; he listened for the birds; he was told by Jerome K. Jy costly.

A good theatrical story was told by Jerome K. Jy costly.

The circumstances being such, it is certain, unless something quite unexpected and now seemingly impossible happens, that croaked in the township?"); he stuck a pin here and the read of the family. The duty of Canada as of every and the trocks; he listened for the birds; he was told by Jerome K. Jy costly.

The circumstances being such, it is certain, unless something quite unexpected and now seemingly impossible happens, that troaked in the township?"); he stuck a pin here and the producer not long ago," he said, "about a play a young friend of mine had sent to him. He remembered it has the control of the first frog that trocks; he listened for the birds; he was told by Jerome K.

If y costly. of the family. The duty of Canada, as of every and he stuck a pin there, and still he could friend of mine had sent to him. He remembered it. petus, and that the demand for banking accommodaother member of the British Empire, is not to bear not satisfy himself. Nor can any one. Life oppears merely a specified share of the burden, but to let to start in several things simultaneously. Of a warm, it. Later on it was produced, and after the show I the whole world know that all we have and hold all our resources of men and money, all that we can all our resources of men and money, all that we can at any sacrifice provide, stands ready at the call of least in the stands of the sundant and the sundant and the stands of the stan along some sheltered nook or grassy slope wh re the cut that out." sunshine lies warm on the bare ground, you will probably see a grasshopper or two. The grass hat in out under the snow, and why should not the grasshopper?-John Burroughs, "Signs and Seasons."

ARMED NEUTRALITY.

Congress in its dying moments gave President Wilson the power to enforce neutrality by use of the calls the story of the backwoods parent who caught

"Buddie," said the old man, flourishing a hickory "The Lady with the Lamp," as she was known, switch before the culprit's eyes, "if you don't pray

GOOD ROADS PROGRESS.

New York State spent \$19,500,000 on 1,167 miles of improved highways during 1914. There are 6,315 miles of good roads either completed or under contract in Nightingale had made a study of hospital methods the State. There are still 5,671 miles of State and

THE TOWN-PLANNING MOVEMENT. Mr. Adams has given St. John more convincing evimethods used by her have been universally dence of the value of the town-planning movement. Following his visit, knowledge and conviction should perly equipped hospitals, nurses and quetors have be translated into action.-St. John Telegraph.

CULTIVATING TOWN LOTS.

On the occasion of the weight public meeting held in the council chamber to discuss certain matters of public import. His Worship, Mayor Beal, suggested a scheme for the cultivation of vacant lots for the purpose of relieving the distress and want in evidence on all sides as a result of conditions caused by the war. The suggestion was an excellent one and, while cestities on precisely the same scale as are the Britannian was taken at the weather it for he handle

90,000,000 bushels for seed, leaving a surplus of committee will furnish it in deserving cases. The ne- which, it might be added, is some years back. cessary land is to be obtained from the public-spirit-Up to the first of February 210,000,000 bushels had ed citizens, who are willing to co-operate in this philbeen exported, leaving about 140,000,000, or 40,000. anthropic work, and that there will be found many have failen down. But if so, London was within 000 more than the average annual export for the who are willing to do this there can be no question, striking distance, the men must have had ample past five years. This leaves sufficient for export at seeing that they stand to lose nothing, but rather to funds out of the high rates of pay, and it is well

THE CANADIAN OIL BUBBLE.

Recent quotations for Calgary, Canada, oil securithe Dingman well. The land offices in that territory were rushed beyond all precedent, hundreds waiting on line practically all night in some cases in order to file claims, and the rapid appearance of countless oil securities resulted in the opening up of a new oil that every essential of life is supplied to the privates and r.on-commissioned officers in its forces. This

praying rug and beat it.

The following comparisons of quotations tell the story of the collapse: Monarch Oil, \$9.50 high, now \$55.

It looks as if the commander of the Prinz Eitel and the German Government would have a hard time explaining the sinking of the William P Frye cents; Federal, 50 cents high, now four cents; Segur cents; Federal, 50 cents high, now four cents; Segur Oil, \$2 high, now two cents.—Wall Street Journal.

FUEL OIL BUNKERING.

The method of supplying vessels, especially battleships, with fuel oil at sea, is remarkably simple when bers of the contingent seems absurd on the face of compared with that required for coaling, according to it. As before stated, the men of the Canadian conto over \$80,000,000. Two hundred factories in various parts of the country are engaged in filling these the Oll City Derrick. A tanker is run up to within
orders, which have done much towards keeping the about 600 feet of the vessel needing oil, a tow line is
by any is \$1.10 per day; from that it is graded up wheels of industry going. Between war orders and attached, and a second line supports a hose through twice or three times that amount, for artizans, non-An automatic tension furnishes the necessary elastic when away from the base on duty, a liberal allow ance is made for maintenance. Ten commissaria

> tanker to the vessel taking on the fuel nearly 700 barrels per hour.

"A LITTLE NONSENSE NOW AND THEN"

***************** They probably regard him as a submarine since he has comforts, etc., and lavish supplies, over abundant in been in the trenches.

do you know, between a fort and a fortress? Mr. Henpeck:-I should imagine a fortress, my love,

It was in a small southwestern town that the town council, which we infer is becoming unduly delicate,

ould be harder to silence !- London Opinion.

when a tax on dogs was imposed: "Tax on each dog-male, one dollar; vice versa, three dollars."-Harper's Magazine.

The door bell rang and the mother, who was not yet dressed, sent her little girl to entertain the visitor The little girl sought to engage her in conversation. "How is your little boy?" she asked.

'Why," replied the lady, "I haven't any little boy." 'No little boy?" "Well-how is your little girl?" "But I have no little girl either." "Well," persisted the child, nonplussed," what are

It was a beautiful evening and Ole, who had screw-Thoreau, as revealed in his journal, was for years, ed up courage to take Mary for a ride, was carried

> "Mary," he asked, "will you marry me?" "Yes, Ole," she answered softly.

Ole lapsed into silence that at last became painful "Ole," she said desperately, "why don't you say

"Ay tank," Ole replied, "they bane too much said

GYPSY SONG How can we stay in the town

Now that the Winter is done? Somewhere a willow lets down Her flowing hair in the sun. Somewhere a Road is turning. And Dawn's camp fire is burning-And oh, my heart is yearning To go, my golden one

Give me your hand and run Out to the Road that we know, Scatter the dew in the sun, And our hearts will sing as we go mewhere the leaves are making A tent that is ours for the taking-Somewhere, when stars are waking, Our own camp fire shall glow.'

When, on the Steeps of Sleep, Our tent of stars shall glow, Let us send through stillness deep This song to the hearts below, Somewhere a Road is leading To something some heart is r ewhere a Road is leading, If you will only go!"

-Glenn Ward Dresbach, in N. Y. Times.

THE SOLDIERS CLOTHING.

In the United States fears are being expressed that that country will suffer from a shortage of grain as a result of the large quantities being sent to Europe. Last year the United States had a wheat crop of \$91,000,000 bushels, while the carry-over from by the town council, board of trade and Associated why not? What has our Militia Department been dothe previous year was 76,000,000 bushels, making a Charities. The utilization of the vacant lots is not ing? Surely the Canadian troops would not have total available supply of 967,000,000. The per capita consumption of wheat in the neighboring Republic all. It is understood, says the Advertiser, that in without warm clothing, with all England for a marconsumption, and an additional cannot afford to have it plowed and to buy seed, the

> There is just the possibility that the Canadian benefit by having their lots cultivated.—Lindsay Post known that leave was generally easier to obtain at Salisbury Plain than was absolutely necessary. the men were careless of their own well-being in the matter of substantial and warm clothing, sure ties reveal the extent of the collapse of one of the wildest booms ever witnessed. Seldom has there heen more frenzied speculation than was seen in the Calgary district during last summer, following the discovery of a year, the second of the calgary district during last summer, following the discovery of a year, the second of the matter of substantial and warm clothing, surely by the officers were not so negligent of their duties as not to see that these men were supplied. One leave the collapse of the duties are not to see that these men were supplied. One leave the collapse of the duties are not to see that these men were supplied. One leave the collapse of the duties are not to see that these men were supplied. One leave the collapse of the duties are not to see that these men were supplied. One leave the collapse of the duties are not to see that these men were supplied. One leave the collapse of the duties are not to see that these men were supplied. One leave the collapse of the duties are not to see that these men were supplied. One leave the collapse of the duties are not to see that these men were supplied. One leave the collapse of the duties are not to see that these men were supplied. One leave the collapse of the duties are not to see that these men were supplied. One leave the collapse of the duties are not to see that these men were supplied. One leave the collapse of the duties are not to see that these men were supplied. One leave the collapse of the collapse o covery of a very light quality of oil in one well, called when the troops are in the battle line away from

The following comparisons of quotations tell the the money nor the ability to supply himself with the necessities of life, not to speak of gathering to him self a good many things that do not come under this heading. Sir George Perley's appeal for money for mem-

By this method it is possible to transport from the men get on "tick," and which may or may not, according to circumstances, be taken off their pay at a later date. Even if men assigned a liberal proportion of their pay to their families, they would still ************ have a sum more than sufficient to provide them with every necessity and all the luxuries that a camp is capable of producing

No one begrudges the Canadian troops either a home or abroad all the necessities and as many of the luxuries of life as we are able to pass on to them. Tommy Atkins now refers to King George as G. V. directed energy in connection with the duplication of At the same time, there is unquestionably much mismany instances, have engendered a regrettable wastefulness among the men. At Valcartier enough Mrs. Henpeck:-Is there any difference, Theodore, underclothing and other raiment was left behind to provide the poor of a large city for an entire winter .- Toronto Saturday Night.

LOOKS LIKE REBATES.

Krupp subscriptions to war loans look suspiciously like rebates.-Wall Street Journal.

***************** The Day's Best Editorial

, \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$ THE GOLD RESERVE.

phorus and the Dardanelles. If so, the imports of Rus- hours. There is, perhaps, something in this conte sian wheat will be on an unprecedented scare, and be-fore they begin to fall off the exports of wheat from sociation," though it has been disputed. In the Mas India will begin. As we state elsewhere, the monsoon sachusetts Industrial Accident Board reports, i of last summer in India was exceptionally favorable. which the official figures are given, there is scarced Consequently, the wheat crops everywhere in the great more than one-twentieth more accidents on Monda Peninsula look most promising, and there is throughout the Empire a confident belief that the shipments out the Empire a confident belief that the simplicials average in the number of accurse, shows a noteworthy recourse, also be large shipments of seeds, cotton, rice, and so on. If, then, Russia is enabled to export free and so on. If, then, Russia is enabled to export free bally Oklahoman. ly, we may calculate with very considerable certainty that from now until the end of the summer tha imports of foodstuffs of every kind will be on a quite unparalleled scale. Of course, our purchases in the Germany has been worked by a generation of such in-United States and in Argentina will continue vast fernal teaching as has produced this war. likewise, while the war operations will be exceeding-

The circumstances being such, it is certain, unless attempted against any modern state in modern war something quite unexpected and now seemingly imin the first place, the United States has quite as much gold as it has any real occasion for; and, in the second place, it is contrary to the interest of all trades in the United States to throw the English market into disorder. We apprehend, therefore, that, apart from everything else, the great banks in the United States recognize that it would be sound policy on their part to prevent such withdrawals of gold from the Bank of England as might make money inconveniently dear in London.

Apart, however, from American assistance-and will be recollected that there is a distinct agreement between the London and the New York markets that f either should be threatened with disorder representatives of both will meet and agree to some measure prevent disturbance—we have the statement of the Chancellor of the Exchequer on Monday last that there is a distinct understanding between the Bank of England, the Bank of France, and the Imperial Bank of Russia that if, in consequence of the War, there should be a serious drain from London, the two other creat banks will come to its assistance. We have then, full and reasonable assurance that there will be no such rise in rates as will bring about another serious hitch in trade. Over and above all this, it is to be recollected that no gold is being taken by India or Egypt, and that the gold raised in South Africa is being credited at once to the Bank of England. We see no danger, then, that there will be any such depletion of the gold reserve as will give occasion for anxiety.-London Statist.

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INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS

The enactment of laws in various States on wor men's compensation for injuries has aroused increase interest in the statistics and physical and psychic conditions of industrial accidents. The total num ber of these accidents is appalling.

The lowest estimate places the fatal accidents adult workers in the United States at 35,000 a y with an additional 1,250,000 non-fatal accidents. earthquake in a foreign country that kills half this number of persons and maims one-fiftieth of those injured in our United States industries is spoken of as catastrophic.

A greater proportion of accidents occur on Monda than on any other day of the week. Accidents ar said to be due often to fatigue. As, after the day of rest on Sunday, workmen should be less fatigue than on other days, some other factor must be sough to explain this feature of the statistics. It has besuggested that the "blue Monday" accidents are rely due to the fact that workmen take more Before spring operations come to an end it is to be hoped that there will be an opening of the Bos-liable to accidents during the following twenty-form

WHAT WE ARE MENACED WITH.

There is no mistaking the mood into which modern people can suffer, something far wors fare.-London Telegraph.

"THE REQUISITES OF SUCCESS."

Judge Gary has ventured on the diffic defining for young men the "requisites of success mirable, it is unhappily true that it does not illuminate the pathway of life in any novel or effective ma

TALK ABOUT "TROUBLE!"

The Kaiser thinks he has trouble; but he doesn't know one end of it. He never tried to run a country newspaper, or umpire a close game of baseball, or act as private secretary to a popular prima donna. -From the Philadelphia Record.

There were sixty-nine private bankers in the State of New York on December 24, 1914, holding deposits of \$9.882.211, and resources of \$10,462,092.

I KNOW YOUR VOICE.

I know your voice. I hear it in the wind; I hear it in the silence of the night. Its echoes sweetly vibrate on my mind, Though never do I comprehend it quite. I list unto its soft and gentle tones In meadow brooks and in each gurgling rill.

It cries to me from out the very stones. And everywhere its accents haunt me still. It conjures up the scenes of childhood days.

When pure of heart I wandered in the wood And listened to the linnet trill its lays Of happiness and peace. Then life seemed good. And God was close at hand, and I could hear That still, small voice which prompted me to All that my inner soul had long held dear, And purest love was its affinity.

-Charles L. H. Wagner, in Boston Transcript.

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In the Month of Februar Net Gain of Four

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a Single Exception All the Bra Month Were in Province of C Two Branches in Quebec W

War Times

Exclusive Leased Wire to Journa New York, March 12.-The volume t the opening was comparativel; generally showed gains on Thursday emed to be scarce. There was ion houses but buying d Quiet accumulation hat source.

seemed to be in progress. Motor issues were relatively strong ive than other parts of the list. ferred opened up 1% at 76%, the y opening at 3214, and second pf Willys Overland at the end of a fe 110%, a gain of 1% and new high

New York, March 12.—The exciti test diverted attention from the ge ing the first half hour, but quiet standard issues went on and the was strong. It looked as if when their attention from the side show they would find that prices had

General Motors common and prominute at the same price, that being ere transactions in the former i 9712, while the other remained stati ne of the curiosities of the movem cialties that a common stock paying vanced beyond the pfd, stock of th on which a 7 per cent. rate has bee tained. It is of course to be remem Motors in each of the past two proximately 39 per cent, on its co at it is doing even better in the Missouri Pacific was somewhat he to 10% compared with 11% at Thurs

providing for them. New York, March 12.— A declin veloped in the afternoon, and the were withdrawn so as to permit c

the new interests were elected to th

day attention has been centered on

quirements of the company and the

The Street was more or less app that after such an advance as those a reaction of large proportions wa even if prevailing prices were not trinsic values of the stocks.

was stated that in February output of cars wa 2,977, exceeding Southern Pacific sold off easily, to 831/2 on sales of 100 shares. The to be due to disappointing exposition

There was a continuance of press and the stock sold down to 14414, m support, which did not impress the t The fact that the Delaware and decided to close down its mines accentuated the unfavorable condit

TORONTO ELECTRIC LIGHT HAS REDUCED

Toronto, Ont., March 12-The chief ductions made by the Toronto Elepany in its rates is the free installar ngsten lamps of 60 watts. Thes ed by the company in place of the which is the 16 candle-power light. the company claims, use about the power. Many consumers use the 6 ugh it may be that the large hous more benefit from the plan than the

The installation of these is to the ompany's service exclusively, althous lighting may be in the house.

The new rates given on inquiry hight were as follows: Six-room hous five cent; second, three cents; all ex

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> A Prominent Kingstonian writes:--

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