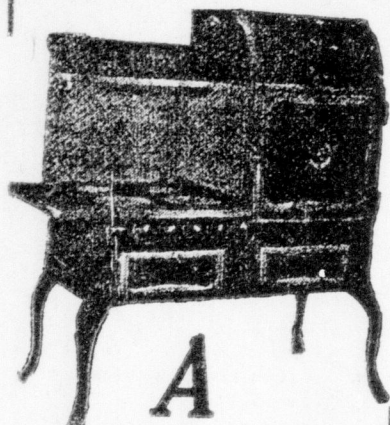


Mother's Christmas Present From "The Family"



A HYDRO Electric Range

What gift for Mother could be more appropriate or handsome—a gift that's as practical as it is handsome? Just picture Mother's joy trying her skill on a brand new Electric Stove—she'll be as pleased as a child with a new toy.

What delicious roast turkey, plum pudding, mince pies and doughnuts she'll bake. Come right in today and pick out the Range you think Mother would like best.

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GUARANTEED PURE CLOVER.
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Have your piano tuned or repaired by one of our expert factory tuners. All work fully guaranteed. City tunings, \$2.00.
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Just look at the size of these Giants! They are coming here soon!
The Giants of Lilliputania

READY TO CLEAN UP VANCOUVER SCANDAL

VICTORIA, B.C., Dec. 3.—Following the determination repeatedly expressed by Premier Brewster and the Liberal candidates, previous to the recent elections, the executive council on Saturday unanimously decided to request his honor the lieutenant-governor, to appoint a judicial commission to investigate all alleged irregularities in connection with the by-election held in Vancouver on February 28 last. This will provide for a thorough probing of all incidents which have been the source of rumors and controversies, arrests and escape during the last months.

QUALITY STORE

NEW RAISINS.
NEW CURRANTS.
NEW PEELS.
PURE SPICES.

Buy your fruit for your Christmas baking at this store.

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FOOD TWICE AS HIGH HERE AS IN ENGLAND, SAYS FORUM SPEAKER

Combines Decide Price That People Have to Pay.

GOVERNMENT SIDESTEPS

Would Make H. C. of L. an Issue at Coming Elections.

"The high cost of living in the Dominion of Canada is largely attributable to the want of social spirit," said J. P. Thomson, speaking in the high cost of living at the People's Forum Sunday. "As a people we are not exercising our powers. Why should the price of bread here be double what it is in old London in normal times? Conditions, while conducive to the interest of a few, are not conducive to the interest of the many. How is it that vegetables here are twice as dear as in England? There is a combine which decides the amount we shall receive for our money. Investigations seem to develop the fact that nobody is responsible."

Up to Government. "If we are asleep, neither the Government nor the municipality will do anything, but if the man in the street is the man to solve the high cost of living why do we pay the Government? Is it not the Government's work to place its finger on the cause? The country should supply its inhabitants with food before beginning an export trade. We have been quick and willing to give our birthright into the keeping of a class alien to us in thought and action. The report issued by the Government suggesting means of reducing the cost of commodities, he claimed, was only a scheme to shift the responsibility back on the municipalities. Elections Issue.

"The high cost of living should be the issue at the next election. It would be a good example to hang a few of the manipulators—I mean practically. Any man connected with the rise in prices should be given the go-by. We need to protect ourselves, and we must boycott to fix prices. 'Australia,' he said, 'consumed over all the wheat grown there and fixed the price on it. It stopped the export of butter and brought the price of that down to the home consumer. The question is a national one, and it can be solved when the right man tackles it in the right spirit,' he concluded. "If the Government moves, where will the funds for the next election come from?" asked J. P. Thomson, and added, "should not the price of other commodities as well as those of food be controlled?"

Ex-Aid. Daily raised an objection to war loans. "Interest should not be paid on them," he said, "it should be paid back to the time without interest. We are paying interest today on debts contracted during the Napoleonic wars."

Santa Still Lives And His Admirers Tell Their Wants

Useful Gifts Requested by Little Ones For This Christmas.

"Business as Usual." Santa Claus tucked his sign up in his toy shop shortly before Christmas in 1914, and he has kept it there ever since. His sphere of activities has changed considerably, and he now commences work ever so much earlier in the year, so that he may reach the boys in France in time, but he remains faithful to the little folks of Canada.

There are those who don't believe in him, but they are only foolish, grown-up people, whose minds are so filled with money-making schemes that there is no room for the jolly saint and his reindeer.

Utility First. Little Londoners are still faithful to him, as letters which the postmen find in their city mailboxes everyday prove. This year they are real, practical letters, and ask first for warm coats and gloves and scarfs, and all the other pretty and useful winter articles. Toys and games are given second consideration.

What She Wants. One little letter from "Bessie," plentifully sprinkled with kisses, says, "I would like to have a coat and a raincoat and a hat and a pair of kid gloves and I'd like to have some hair ribbons and handkerchiefs, a bottle of perfume and a game of Hunting the Hums or Twinglight Express and a wrist watch. Thanking you and much obliged. Hoping you won't freeze delivering them."

"This war is terrible and people won't ask for so much as I would think so." Yours lovingly, BESSIE, Lenora, Too.

Raincoats are in demand, as another letter also commences with a request for one, "and a hat and white mittens, the buggy and a game of Ups and Downs and a pair of kid gloves and a doll's wig (brown curls) and a table and two straight chairs, nuts and candy, doll's clothes and a new dress. That'll be all, because I know there will be other children as well as myself." With love to your, from LENORA.

A GIFT OF CANDY Is Always Pleasing

PETERS IS SHOWING SOME VERY LOVELY BOXES FILLED WITH HIS CHOICEST CHOCOLATES—PRICES FROM ONE DOLLAR UP.

COME IN AND SEE THEM.
PETERS SHOPS

EIGHT MORE HEROES GIVEN WARM WELCOME ON ARRIVAL SUNDAY

Several Were Wounded in the Fighting at Ypres.

FOUR FROM DISTRICT

London Men Tell of Great Work of the Sixth Battery.

Eight returned soldiers, four of the party Londoners and the remainder from Western Ontario towns, arrived in the city Sunday at noon, via the C. P. R.

The London men in the party were Joseph Stone, 388 Lorne avenue; P. Mepestead, 57 Euclid avenue; Cecil C. Simpson, 140 Rectory street, and W. T. Willett, 754 William street.

The out-of-town soldiers were Hugh McGuire, Goderich; Charles Knack, Preston; C. S. Morgan, Kitchener, and C. Bold, Wallaceburg.

One of the warmest and most enthusiastic receptions yet tendered a returning party was given to the men. Hundreds were gathered at the station long before the arrival of the train, and the greetings on every hand were warm and sincere.

The members of the party were placed in autos, and in charge of members of the Soldiers' Aid Commission, were taken to the Tecumseh House for luncheon.

The 11th Battalion band headed the march.

Party Scattered. The original party from No. 1 District consisted of seventeen men, but the remainder left at points along the line for their homes, except two, who remained for the day in Toronto.

Cecil C. Simpson, 140 Rectory street, enlisted with the 34th Battalion in July, 1915, and was afterwards transferred to the 2nd Division. He was wounded on the third battle of Ypres in June, 1915. He was with a working party, which was bringing up rations, when he sustained shrapnel wounds in both hips.

Joseph Stone, 388 Lorne avenue, was one of the first men to enlist in August, 1914. He signed up with the 6th Field Battery, under Major Wood Leonard, and on arrival in England was transferred to the 4th. He was driver in this battery and passed through Ypres, Giverny and Festubert in June, 1915. He was during the first battle of Ypres, and was wounded in the head by a bullet which was then first used by the Germans, afflicting his eyes, which eventually grew worse until he was finally invalided home on that account.

Widely Known. "The men who went over with the 6th Field Battery under Major Leonard are known far and wide, and later as the 12th and 13th, and the 14th, and the 15th, and the 16th, and the 17th, and the 18th, and the 19th, and the 20th, and the 21st, and the 22nd, and the 23rd, and the 24th, and the 25th, and the 26th, and the 27th, and the 28th, and the 29th, and the 30th, and the 31st, and the 32nd, and the 33rd, and the 34th, and the 35th, and the 36th, and the 37th, and the 38th, and the 39th, and the 40th, and the 41st, and the 42nd, and the 43rd, and the 44th, and the 45th, and the 46th, and the 47th, and the 48th, and the 49th, and the 50th, and the 51st, and the 52nd, and the 53rd, and the 54th, and the 55th, and the 56th, and the 57th, and the 58th, and the 59th, and the 60th, and the 61st, and the 62nd, and the 63rd, and the 64th, and the 65th, and the 66th, and the 67th, and the 68th, and the 69th, and the 70th, and the 71st, and the 72nd, and the 73rd, and the 74th, and the 75th, and 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