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COL. SIMONDS HOME AGAIN

Col. Frank H. Simonds, the war correspondent, whose letters in the Review of Reviews and other periodicals were widely read, is back after another visit to England and France. He says that the present visit has led him to change his opinions on some points. A year ago he was inclined to believe that the war would conclude with a stalemate, that neither side would win a decisive victory and be able to dictate the terms of peace, and that what both parties had become exhausted, negotiations for a settlement would begin. This opinion was based in part upon the conviction that the British people as a whole were not then awake to the full significance of the struggle and would not be awake until it was too late. The masses were depressed in mind and in a degree stupefied by the suddenness and awfulness of the tragedy. But at present conditions are quite different. England is today sad but determined. When the change began, or what particular events caused it, he does not say, and to the question different answers have been given. The feeling, however produced, is now universal that this war will be different in its issues from any preceding war, that the very existence of the British Empire depends upon the fulfillment of the system which has made Britain what it is today. England did not see this in 1914. England did not see this. But England sees it today. The bitterness is not against the Germans. It is against Prussianism, and England is resolved not to be Prussianized. What Prussianism means has been taught by the Lusitania, by Edith Cavell, by Capt. Fryatt, by the submarine, and the lesson cannot be forgotten. The Englishman is fighting not because he delights to be a soldier. The sword has been forced into his hand, and he will not lay it down, though the war go on for years.

CHURCH UNION IN NORTH ONTARIO

On the 14th ult. a meeting composed of about fifteen Methodist and Presbyterian ministers, leaders of their respective churches in North Ontario, was convened for the purpose of making a careful survey of this large district, with a view to provide every portion of it with regular religious services without unavoidable overlapping of ministerial effort or needless duplication of funds available for needy populations. Four other ministers, familiar with the district who were unable to be present, signified in writing their hearty concurrence with the object of the meeting. A considerable time was spent in a careful survey of the ground, and finally a plan was matured which the members believed was entirely feasible and would wisely meet the purpose in view. This plan with useful explanation has been submitted to the Central Committee for the two before-mentioned churches, together with the Congregational Church. This Central Committee was appointed in January to take into consideration matters of this kind which might be submitted to them from time to time, and provide for putting them in effect when agreeable to all the interests concerned. It is judged that by the endorsement of the above plan thirty ministers will be released to find adequate employment in fields at present destitute because of the scarcity of ministers, and approximately \$30,000 will be available to meet new demands.

FROM VARIOUS SOURCES

Remarkable Insurance.—A famous French illusionist, M. A. De Biere, has his thumbs insured for \$12,500. He relies on his thumbs for his cleverest tricks. Padewski's hands are insured for \$500,000. On one occasion when an injury to the first finger of his right hand prevented his fulfilling a professional engagement at Philadelphia he received \$5,000 under the terms of his policy. Kubelik's right hand is insured for \$500,000, on which the premium is said to be \$15,000 a year. Mademoiselle Cavalier's larynx is insured for \$500,000.—The Spectator. A Grain of Wheat.—It has been calculated that one grain of wheat produces fifty grains, and that these fifty grains will each produce fifty grains more, and so on. Working on this basis, a single grain of wheat develops in the following proportion: in the second year 2500 grains, in the third year 125,000 grains, in the sixth year 15,625,000 grains, in the twelfth year 244,140,625,000,000,000 grains.—Common Sense. A Kitchener Story.—At an early stage in the negotiations leading up in 1902, to peace in South Africa, a distinguished officer, and personal friend of Lord Kitchener sent to him a private telegram, asking, "May we sing at church parade, next Sunday, Hymn No. 537, 'Peace, Perfect Peace'?" The reply came back quickly, "No, sing No. 269, 'Christian, Seek Not Yet Release'."

Lincoln's Example.—A British writer in the Daily News says, "If I were a statesman, I should in these days seek the counsel of Abraham Lincoln more than that of any great figure in history. I never take up a book about him, or read any of his sayings or speeches, without feeling not only a

deepened reverence for the man, but a new sense of the illumination he throws upon the issues of these days. There was never a more perfect union of wisdom and firmness revealed on the earth. Failure never weakened his purposes; success never inflated him with vanity or deflected him from his goal. His humility and his humor alike kept him clear of that dangerous breed, who, directly they taste power, begin to posture as Napoleon."

Hall in Saskatchewan.—Last year in the province of Saskatchewan twenty-five insurance companies collected half premiums of \$1,417,853, and paid half losses of \$1,872,408, or about 132 per cent, besides 30 per cent in expenses.

REV. DR. JOEL B. SLOCUM CALLED TO YONKERS

(Norwich, Conn., Bulletin, March 19). By an absolute unanimous vote, the Warburton Avenue Baptist church of Yonkers, N. Y., on Wednesday evening this week, extended an earnest call to Rev. Joel B. Slocum, D. D., pastor of the Central Baptist of this city, to become its minister. Dr. Slocum made the announcement at the mid-week prayer meeting at the church Thursday night and it came as a complete surprise. "The Yonkers church is one of the strongest in the denomination. Its house of worship is an imposing structure and its adjacent parsonage property valued at forty thousand dollars (\$40,000). The late James B. Colgate was one of the founders of his church and his surviving daughter, Miss Mary Colgate, is still an active member. Yonkers is almost a part of New York city. It is a thriving city of 90,000 population, beautifully situated on the left bank of the Hudson overlooking the river and directly opposite the Palisades. It is only a few miles from the city limits of New York and is located on the main line of the New York Central railroad. It also has trolley and subway connections with the metropolis. The Scandinavian Avenue Church, which served by space of the leading men of the Baptist denomination, J. C. P. Ralston, its last orator, was obliged to surrender the pulpit three years ago on account of ill health. His many friends will be glad to know that latest reports from him were favorable towards recovery. Sunday evening, March 25th, a meeting in the interests of Sunday School work will be held in the United Baptist Church. Meeting will be addressed by a lady speaker, a member of the County Sunday School Association.

HAMPTON

March 19. Mrs. Charlie Foster is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Foster. Mr. E. B. Foster and W. O. Noel have bought a pair of steers that are hard to beat. Mr. Charlie Campbell of Parker's Cove spent the week-end with his friend, Harold Chute. Mr. Clarence Foster paid a short visit to his grandfather, Mr. Israel Munroe, returning to St. John's on Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Collins entertained a party of young folks on Saturday evening last. A very enjoyable time was spent, if the parties present all say the same. On Tuesday evening of last week the ladies of Hampton held an ice cream sale at the home of Mrs. A. A. Tompkins. The nice sum of \$9.25 was taken to be used for the Red Cross.

CLARENCE

March 19. Mr. E. M. Webster spent Sunday in Kentville. Manning Jackson is visiting friends in Kings County. Boyd Chute came home from Ottawa on Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Stewart H. Elliott welcomed a son on the 17th inst. Thirteen were received for baptism and church membership at the Conference on Saturday. Miss Irene Jackson entertained the B class from Lawrencetown at her home on Wednesday evening last. Seven cars on the H. & S. W. were placed at the Morse Road siding on Monday week. Six of them were loaded and went forward on Wednesday.

CENTRELEA

March 20. Miss Lola Caldwell has returned from Bridgewater. The Red Cross meets at the home of Mrs. Milledge Rice on Saturday next. The Centrelea Red Cross recently shipped 27 pyjama suits to headquarters at Halifax. Mr. G. W. Lantz of this place has three sons serving King and Country: Orin in France, Gordon in England, and Lennie en route. The little Misses Florence Hicks and Janet Messenger, age 5 years, realized \$10 from the sale of candy and valentines, and passed the amount over to the Red Cross. Who says these little girls are not patriotic?

NORTH WILLIAMSTON

March 20. Service here on April 5th, at 7.30, by Rev. J. S. Boyce. We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Outhit White and family to our community. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Charlton and baby Harold spent the week-end with friends at Greenwood. Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hilsley spent last Friday at Paradise, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Beals. We are pleased to report that Mr. Oliver Delaney is slowly recovering from injuries received by falling on the ice three weeks ago. Mr. Lemuel Schurman and little daughter Ida, of Lily Lake, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. Delaney.

UPPER GRANVILLE

March 19. The second remittance since December was made by the members of the Red Cross Sewing Circle (east end) this week, when \$11.00 was forwarded to Halifax for the French Relief Fund. The usual prelude to spring work is at hand. There is still a touch of winter in the air, but by the time the Monitor we can write "spring begins." The winter of 1917, now a matter of history, will be remembered as ideal for the young and strong, but one of the most severe in years past. An amendment to the Education Act has been introduced in the Local House and among other changes is a clause relating to the retirement of school teachers with an annuity. It will apply to licensed teachers of the different classes who have taught for thirty-five years, or who have attained the age of 60 years after thirty years of teaching service. Provisions are made for various disabilities, and the amendment gives all the details.



PARADISE

March 19. Pastor Corbett is holding special services in the United Baptist Church. Mrs. Horace Bishop of Bridgetown visited last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Bishop. Miss Florence Fitz of Winthrop, Mass., is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Bishop. The closing meeting for the year of the Literary Club was held on Monday evening, March 19th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Longley. There was a large attendance. It was a Canadian night. The following program was rendered: Piano Duet—Mrs. C. R. Longley and Miss Bessie Darling. Paper, "Canadian Literature"—Mrs. L. A. Corbett. Piano Solo—Miss Louise Longley. Vocal Solo—J. Carey Phinney. Address, "The Progress of Prohibition in Canada"—H. A. Longley. Vocal Solo—H. A. Mason. Address, "Has Canada Done Her Full Duty in the War?"—Rev. J. H. Ball. Vocal Solo—Ewart G. Morse. National Anthem.

GRANVILLE CENTRE

March 19. Miss Gladys Eaton is visiting relatives in Topsham. Miss Marion Best of Tapperville spent last week visiting relatives here. Mrs. W. A. Gilliam is spending a paradise last week on account of the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Munro. Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Withers entertained their friends on Monday and Friday evenings of last week. Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Troop also entertained on Monday evening. Mrs. Hattie Crawford's little girl, Grace, had been operated on for adenoids and is getting better.

DOUGLASSVILLE

March 19. Our teacher, Miss Warden, is at school at 10 o'clock. Mr. George Douglas, who has been seriously ill, is able to sit up at the time of writing. Mrs. Hattie Crawford's little girl, Grace, had been operated on for adenoids and is getting better. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Green and family have returned to Middleton, after stopping the winter at Mrs. Green's sister's, Mrs. Charles Ullman's.

MT. HANLEY

March 19. Preaching service at 7.30; Sunday School at 10 o'clock. Mr. Green has purchased a very fine pair of oxen from a party in the valley. Mr. Howe Spinney, from Greenwood, was the guest of Mr. Lockart Hines a few days ago. Mrs. John C. Balser, the oldest resident of this place, if she lives, will be 90 years old on Thursday, March 22. Mr. D. Jarvis, from Lunenburg Co., was in this place buying a pair of oxen. He was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Green for a few days.

BEAR RIVER

March 20. Miss Ruth E. Read entertained a number of her young lady friends at a Shamrock birthday party on Saturday evening, 17th inst. We regret to report, but little improvement in the condition of Mrs. R. J. Anthony, who suffered a shock of paralysis some two weeks ago. We are pleased to note Rev. L. H. Crandall was able to occupy his pulpit last Sunday, after the injuries sustained by falling on the ice two weeks ago. The friends of Fred W. Fleet will regret to learn that there is not that looked for improvement in his health, which has been falling for some months. The steamer Bear River sailed this week for St. John with a full cargo of turnips for the Boston market, part of which she loaded at Clementsport and Deep Brook. Mrs. A. B. Marshall entertained at afternoon tea on Saturday week, in honor of her friend, Mrs. Frank Dargie of Annapolis Royal, who has been spending the week in Bear River. Clarke Bros. Ltd. are having their saw-mill installed here, work at the yard will soon begin. This firm has contracted to build a number of large scows for outside parties, work on which has been started. Miss Annie B. Chute was the winner of the chest of silver at the recent voting contest of Dr. Herman, in Oak-sone Hall, to settle the question of who was the most popular young lady in town. The Boy Scout Association is getting started and the lads are very enthusiastic. This worthy cause deserves the warm support of every citizen who has any interest in boy life. The boys purpose holding a supper next Tuesday evening to assist in raising funds for equipment, and they hope for a generous support.

OBITUARY

MRS. JOHN H. FRITZ. At Port George, Sunday morning, February 18th, 1917, Mrs. John H. Fritz passed away at the early age of 41 years. Mrs. Fritz had undergone an operation the Wednesday before for appendicitis. Blood poisoning set in and despite all that kind friends and medical help could do, she passed away to the great beyond. Mrs. Fritz was a staunch Methodist in religion, having joined the church when a child at Port George. The burial took place Wednesday, Feb. 21st, from the house and church. Rev. Boyce preached from the chosen text, Job 13:15, John 14:2. The hymns sang at the church were very impressive: "Sometime We'll Understand," "Nearer My God to Thee," "Remembered Be," and "Farewell, My Dear Friends," chosen by deceased. The I. O. G. T. Lodge, of which she was a member, followed the remains to the grave, where they sweetly sang "In the Sweet Bye and Bye." One sister to Mrs. Fritz had had and daughter, Zedena, an aged mother, one sister and three brothers, and a host of friends.

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