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The Man In The Street

German retirement on the western front may have been voluntary, but Field Marshal Haig supplied the reasons for the voluntary retreat.

The Telephone company believes not only that talk is cheap, but that it is too cheap—at the present night rates.

The Standard is not yet reconciled to the fact that a union government party must include some Liberals.

There would be no trouble in getting that 100,000 if the military authorities took the men who are claiming exemption instead of those registering for active service.

Advocates of the change in highway regulations cannot see why an argument is necessary to prove that the right side of the road on which to drive is the right side.

Morning paper includes automobiles among "animals using the highways." Does this give S. P. C. A. jurisdiction over much abused Fords?

Dr. Muck quits his job as conductor of the symphony orchestra, because he believes the Star Spangled Banner has no place in a musical programme. Did they try him on the Hyman of Hater?

The scalps of a few profiteers would make a valuable addition to the war trophy exhibition which is to be held here next week.

Granting that handsome is as handsome does, we venture to predict that the new German chancellor will win no beauty prize on either count.

Amended reports of Kerevsky's speech indicate that he does not want to drop the war load; he merely wants a chance to spit on his hands before taking a fresh grip.

The world is not seriously concerned about the question whether it is military or accidental explosions at Kiel—so long as the net result is dead Germans.

The local concern which is importing coal at a cost of ten dollars per ton, might be able to give the common council coal committee some pointers.

Who Laughs Last

It was Halloween and some young chaps returning from a dance in the early hours of the morning decided to have some fun with a well known citizen. Calling from the phone in the house of one of the store of the merchant that a householder living opposite his store was speaking and that he had to complain of the noise made by a lot of cats in the store of the aforesaid merchant. The latter, after apologizing for the disturbance, hurriedly dressed and made his way to the store, only to find everything quiet, and a glance across the street reminded him of the fact that there are no dwellings in that neighborhood. He may have been sleeping when he was called out of bed, but he was quite wide awake then and a conversation with central informed him of the telephone number from which the call had come. The next morning the wires burned at his head the young man's father of the incident and threatened action unless apologies were received. Negotiations still are in progress.

A Bit Too Frank

Talking of apologies—we owe one to the food controller who, in a recent issue was described, through a typographical error, as the "fool controller." We would hate to be so unpleasantly truthful.

One More Reason

"Why," asked the housekeeper, "do you charge thirty cents a pound for mutton meat? You can't say that the high cost of living affects them?" The butcher looked worried. "No, ma'am, No'm," he stammered. Then his face brightened. "But the cost of bullets is something fierce this year."

A West India Product

The little chap had been interested in the West India boats and the stories his mother had told him of what they brought to this port. Just to test his memory she asked him to repeat what she had told him.

"What do the boats bring for us to eat?" she asked.

"Sugar, an' oranges an' coconuts an'—"

"He managed to remember."

"And what else?" asked his mother, adding, as a reminder of molasses, "Something brown and sweet."

"Colored folks" was his best guess.

A New Combination

Jocular comparisons with Mutt and Jeff have been common when visitors to the military headquarters commented on the difference in height and general build of the chief of staff and the former officer commanding. The appointment of a new general officer commanding has done away with this standing joke. While the chief of staff stands six feet one inch in height, the new commanding officer tops him by two inches. As a title for the new combination, "The Heavenly Twins" has been suggested.

In the Neck

Would-be-Councillor Harding, of Rousesay parish, comes from a district called "The Neck"—that's where he got his votes.

NOT YET SEPARATE MILITARY DISTRICT

Major-General Benson, general officer commanding military district No. 6, and Major A. N. Jones, staff officer of the district, who have been in the city in connection with the forming of New Brunswick into a separate military district, will leave tonight for Halifax.

There has been nothing definite done in the matter, but several changes have been talked of but as yet the military officials here are not in the position to divulge these. It was learned that it will be a few weeks yet before New Brunswick will be known as military district No. 7.

HALF IN CLASS A

Twenty-six men were examined this morning by the standing medical board. Thirteen were put in Class A, one in Class B, five in Class C, one in Class D and six in Class E.

ST. JOHN OFFICER IN HIGH POSITION

Lieut. Col. G. G. Corbet, M.D., Actg. Assistant Director of Medical Services, Fifth Division

Lieutenant-Colonel G. G. Corbet, M.D., of this city is now filling the important office of assistant director of medical services for the fifth division of the C. E. F. He has been acting in this capacity for the last two months, during the absence of Colonel Drummond, who is engaged in inspection work in France. He is the recipient of a promotion for Colonel Drummond which would afford the opportunity for making Doctor Corbet's appointment permanent.

The fifth division includes more than 30,000 troops at present, the position is a most important one, entailing heavy responsibility, and the fact that Doctor Corbet has been selected to fill this office is a high tribute to his ability.

Soon after war was declared Doctor Corbet offered his services, and went overseas with the C.A.M.C. After a period of arduous service at the front, he returned, with the rank of major, and organized the overseas field ambulance corps, and he was recruited and trained he again crossed in command, with the rank of lieutenant-colonel.

While he is occupying his present post, Major Stewart Skinner, M.D., is acting lieutenant-colonel of the 16th field ambulance.

REVOLVER SHOTS FIRED BY POLICE

Patrolman Simson of Fairville, Arrests Two Soldiers and They Break Away

Considerable excitement was caused this morning in Fairville about 8 o'clock when two men in khaki escaped from Policeman Simson at noon. They were reported still at large.

It appears the men were out the road early this morning and asked admittance at Mr. Duncanson's house and were refused. The men then opened fire with stones and broke several windows.

Mr. Duncanson telephoned to Policeman Simson, who in plain clothes, met the trio coming into Fairville. They were placed under arrest but escaped, one man going out the road again while the other made down Station street and hid among the railroad cars. The policeman fired a shot or two to bring him out but the soldier remained concealed.

It is said one of the men at least was noticed to wear spurs. In his flight one man dropped and broke a bottle of liquor on the sidewalk.

LOCAL NEWS

MARRIAGES AND BIRTHS
Four marriages and fifteen babies, nine boys and six girls, were reported to the registrar during the week.

WAS ANOTHER.
Arthur Bowen of St. David street wishes it known that it was not he who was in liquor case in the police court this week.

NAVIGATION SCHOOL, HERE.
An Ottawa despatch says that the appointment of A. P. Owen, master mariner, as instructor in the navigation school at St. John, N. B., instead of Captain Rufus C. Cole, is gazetted.

PRESENTATION TO SOLDIER.
A very pleasant time was spent on Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edmon J. Totten, 16 Summer street, when relatives and friends gathered in honor of Private Totten of the 8th Field Ambulance. Games and music were enjoyed and refreshments were served. John McElhiney presented a wrist watch to Private Totten. The soldier is to leave soon with a draft and his friends took this opportunity to bid him God-speed and a safe return home.

NOVEMBER RASPBERRIES.
The Times has received its annual contribution of November raspberries. They were picked this morning in the garden of Mrs. Sarah Senior, Manawagong, and the raspberries were large and ripe and of good flavor, and there were also green ones and blossoms on the bushes from which they were picked. The plants, though small, were deep purple and fully ripe. The raspberries were of unusually large size and had not yet been frosted by frost. Mrs. Senior will send a small box of plants to an officer in France, as a reminder of St. John and its capabilities as a fruit growing centre.

MADILL-JOHNSTON.
A pretty wedding was solemnized on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Johnston, Golden Grove, when their daughter, Margaret Elizabeth, was united in marriage to William Blake Madill of French Village. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. N. Somers. The bride was becomingly dressed in white with bridal veil and orange blossoms and carried a bouquet of pink and white roses. She entered the parlor with her father as the wedding march was played by her sister Gladys. Following the ceremony a dainty luncheon was served. The dining room was prettily decorated with cut glass and silver, including a remembrance from her Sunday school class. Mr. and Mrs. Madill will reside at French Village.

THE POLICE COURT.
The case of Robert Orr, charged with striking Mrs. Cosman on the head with a hammer and injuring her severely, was brought up before Magistrate Ritchie in the police court this morning and the prisoner remained until Wednesday, as the woman still is in hospital. Wednesday, Orr says Mrs. Cosman called him an insulting name and that he, being quick-tempered, chased her. In the chase she had tripped and fallen on her head. The matter will be threshed out fully on Wednesday.

A man was found lying drunk in Gilbert's Lane last night by Policemen Donahue and Duffy. He was brought before the magistrate and after a hearing sent below.

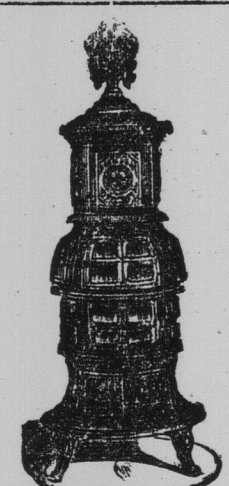
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