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Frederick
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"Angry Heart"
RAY TRIO
Singing and Talking
GRIFFIN
Star Songs
THE KING
"Ten Peals"
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"The Adventurer"

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UPPER CANADA COLLEGE OLD BOYS IN DOMINION PARLIAMENT
Names from left to right are: F. H. Keefer, J. A. M. Armstrong, G. W. Allan, Dr. Charles Sheard, F. F. Pardee, W. Smith and Edmund J. Bristol.

ALONG ITALIAN BATTLE LINE

Enemy's Foot hold on West Bank of Piave no Serious Menace

By Courier Leased Wire
Italian army headquarters in Northern Italy, Tuesday, Dec. 25. (By the Associated Press)—General commanding an army corps on the Piave front took the correspondent along the line occupied by his corps to-day and pointed out the Austro-German nest on the bank of the river, which is the only foothold he has succeeded in maintaining.

The main purpose of the Italian commander was to carry a holiday greeting to his men in the first trenches, but incidentally this visit to the extreme front gave an opportunity for the general to explain the lay of the land and why the enemy was finding himself unable to advance.

As the party moved forward, it was noted that the defences had been highly organized so that any sudden rush of the enemy would meet tremendous resistance. The defences comprise a string of trenches fortified for defense with masses of tangled wire and constructions after the Chevaux de Frise order, with numerous sharp projections.

Entering the first line trenches the general led the way. The ground in front was covered with low bushes and scrubby vines running down to the water's edge. Behind this ran a high earthen embankment originally erected as a dyke, but now serving the enemy as a refuge against petty shell fire.

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REWARD FOR ARREST.

An order-in-Council, passed on December 24, provides for the payment of a reward of \$10 to any member of the civil police or any peace officer who arrests and delivers into military custody a man who is absent without leave from the military forces of Canada through failure to comply with the Military Service Act. The order-in-Council also provides for the payment of expenses incurred in effecting the arrest and while the deserter is in civil custody.

Courier Daily: Pattern Service

Valuable Suggestions for the Handy Home-maker — Order any Pattern Through The Courier. State size.

LADY'S SHIRTWAIST.

By Anabel Worthington.



If you select this shirtwaist, No. 8300 for your fall blouse to go with your suit you may rest assured that you will be right up to the minute, for it has the latest style of collar to distinguish it. The model is gathered at the shoulders, the back, which extends over in yoke effect. If you prefer to look very dainty and business like, you probably will choose the long sleeves, which are gathered five straight cuffs, but if you want just a knee-length waist the shorter length will answer the purpose. The narrow shawl collar with a slight roll at the neck sets wonderfully well, and is unusually becoming.

The lady's shirtwaist pattern No. 8300 is cut in five sizes—36 to 44 inches bust measure. The 36 inch size requires two yards 26 inch, with 3/4 yard 27 inch contrasting goods.

To obtain this pattern send 15 cents to the office of this publication.



OFFICERS OF THE 3RD BATTALION IN FRANCE
Group of 3rd Battalion (Toronto regt) officers taken at Hallcourt before they went up the salient, Oct. 20 1917. This photo is taken after a rugby football match in which the left half of the battalion beat the right half of the battalion 22 to 3. Some of these officers have since paid the supreme sacrifice.

SIDE TALKS

By RUTH WATSON CAMERON
THE OTHER FELLOW MOVEMENT.

Have you heard of "The Other Fellow Movement" yet?

Of course you have heard of the Conservation movement. I doubt if there is anyone in the country who has not. When I went the other day through a remote country district, I saw a conversation card in almost every window. And equally of course so you are trying to do your bit, trying to help the nation and her allies (and incidentally conserve your own resources) by saving whatever you can in your own household.

But the Other Fellow's Movement asks you to go one step farther. Being the Keeper of Your Brother's Goods.

It wants you in the words of its instigator "to look about you for opportunities to save that which belongs to your neighbor and which stranger you have not even seen."

Perhaps you do not at once realize how you can do this.

Well here is an instance. I was stopping in a hotel not long ago. We left the lights burning when we came down to dinner, and found them so when we came back. Said the Lady-who-always-knows somehow, "Oh isn't that too bad. We should have been more careful." Our companion was a young girl. "You should

worry," said she, "I guess they can stand it. They charge enough."

Wasted Electricity or Wasted Linen Is Wasted Labor.

That is true, they charge enough to cover those losses. But that is the nation's loss. That wasted electricity was a unit in the vast unnecessary wastage all over the nation. Infinitesimally small, yes, but no longer small when you multiply it by millions.

Paucets left open are another similar wastage, also needlessly lavish use of linen, also careless wear and tear of hotel or public property.

Having articles sent out on approval from shops when you know in your heart of hearts that you are not likely to keep them, is a tremendous wastage, first of delivery service, second of merchandise (since it has to take away from the freshness of the goods) third of capital, since it keeps that much capital tied up. (Infinitesimal in the individual case enormous in the aggregate).

Try To Think Nationally Instead of Individually

Fire loss is a national loss. Suppose it is covered by insurance. That protects you, but it doesn't bring back the lost.

The whole idea of the movement is to think in larger terms than those of self. Think of all our wealth, all our resources, all our moral courage as one vast reservoir. If you waste any of it, your own or your brother's, you are making this reservoir a little less. And thereby you are hindering the coming of that which we all want more than anything else in the world—an honorable, a righteous and a lasting peace.

SCOTLAND

The Congregational Sunday School held their Annual Xmas Tree on Monday night and was well attended.

The Baptists' Sunday School held theirs on Wednesday night.

Mrs. W. M. Smith gave a dinner on Xmas to the family.

Miss Flossie Mitchner of Bookton, is home for the holidays.

Mr. Morley of Toronto, preached in the Congregational church last Sunday.

SPREAD DEATH BY WHOLESALE

Plot to Poison Red Cross Bandages is Unearthed

DRESSINGS INFECTED

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 25.—A plot to poison Red Cross bandages and spread wholesale death among the soldiers of America and her allies has been exposed and frustrated here.

Revelations of the conspiracy were made to-day when it became known the Department of Justice agents were hunting the perpetrators of the deed.

Three thousand four hundred surgical dressings, rolled by patriotic women in Toledo, were infected with a mysterious greenish poison while in transit between Toledo and Cleveland. Immediately every one of the 3,400 bandages was burned. They were destroyed secretly in the rear of the Red Cross warehouse here.

Every effort was made to keep the matter secret, and it was successful until to-day. Officials of the lake division of the Red Cross refused to discuss the poisoned bandages, but the authoritative information was obtained that the bandages had been destroyed, and that Government agents, aided by only slender clues, were trying to solve the mystery.

The poisoned bandages were part of the periodical shipments received at the local headquarters of the lake division from Red Cross headquarters in other cities in the division, which comprises Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky.

The box of bandages arrived here from the Toledo chapter last week and were taken to the warehouse. While women were examining the huge quantity of surgical dressings as to specifications a dark greenish substance was noticed on one of them. Investigation showed that all of the bandages in the box had been treated with poison.

Good Night Stories

By IMP PUTOFF.

Once there was a little girl named Susan who was always putting off until to-morrow the things her mamma said she ought to do to-day. "Better fix that hole in the fence so Tito won't run away," warned her mamma one day as she kissed Susan and went downtown.

"I will, after a while," Tito's asleep, so he won't run away now," Susan said to herself. So she took her playthings out under the tree and was just dressing her doll when a little neighbor girl came to ask her to go with her on an errand.

"There's a hole in the fence, but I guess Tito'll sleep until we get back," whispered Susan, and away they went.

Tito soon awakened and trotted out in search of his little mistress. She was nowhere around. Her doll trunk was open, so Tito helped himself to the pretty doll clothes. Then he yanked Susan's beautiful doll around the head by its golden curls until he discovered the hole in the fence. Down went the doll and away went Tito right through the hole up the road in search of a stray cat to chase.

When Susan returned her dolly, clothes were scattered all over the yard. The beautiful wax doll was lying on the walk with her face upturned to the hot sun and her pretty wax cheeks had melted until her nose was flat. Her lovely blue eyes had fallen back into her head and her golden hair was all matted with dirt, and Tito—was gone.

That was the most terrible of all. Tito was gone!

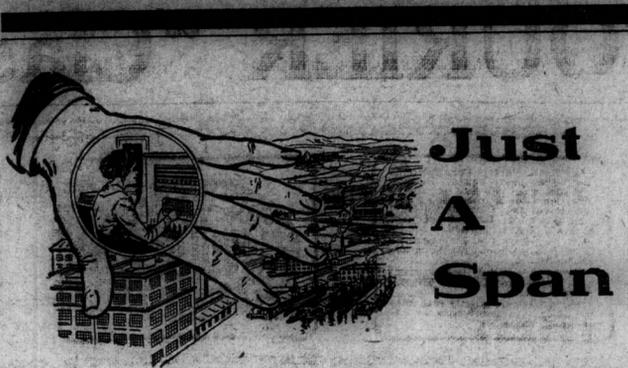
Susan sat down on the steps and began to cry.

chance to whisper "wait awhile." And when you've turned a deaf ear to him several times he'll take the hint and not bother you any more." Just then Tito turned the head in the rear. His lovely white fur was filled with burrs, and his pretty blue bow was dragging in the dust. He knew he had disobeyed by running away, and he sneaked up to Susan expecting to be scolded.

But Susan was so happy to see him safe and sound that she forgot all about Squeedee, and when she turned around he was nowhere in sight.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

SEPARATE SCHOOL.
At the nominations for the Separate School Board held in St. Basil's School at noon yesterday, five trustees, whose terms of office



Just A Span!

Suppose an out-of-town customer who sees a chance to make a quick sale, calls you on the telephone to arrange shipment of the goods.

And suppose your line is busy, and through the delay, he loses the sale!

The result will be dissatisfaction and possibly loss of further patronage; and the returns from this one order might have covered twice over your year's outlay for adequate telephone equipment!

With a Private Branch Exchange service in your business it is just a span from your private office, Mr. Manager, to your most remote customer. Without such equipment, the resultant delays may make it too far for you to connect with his "hurry-up" order!

For quick communication between departments in your store or factory and for keeping all branches of your business in immediate touch with near-by or far-away customers, the Private Branch Exchange System is the thing! It need not cost more than your business justifies.



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DIARIES for 1918

The new Pocket Office Diaries are now on Sale, Also the

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had expired, were re-elected by Morgison, Thos. E. Convery and acclamation, in the persons of Jas. James-Gillen, for Wards 1, 2, 3, 4 try O'Connor, Louis Sevigny, John and 5 respectively.



CHRISTMAS THIS YEAR SEES BRITISH IN POSSESSION OF CHRIST'S BIRTHPLACE. Cementing their hold in Palestine the British forces that captured Jerusalem have established guards at Bethlehem, the birthplace of Christ. The British forces have taken measures to safeguard all the shrines in Jerusalem and all the Holy places nearby. This photo shows the church of the Nativity, built where Jesus was born in Bethlehem, in the foreground. In the background is the market place that has been an open square as far back as history and tradition reach. The church in the background is flanked by three monasteries, two of which can be seen. According to Jerome, who lived here shortly after its construction, this church was undoubtedly built upon the site of the Bethlehem Kahn or Inn, where Christ was born.