GIVE KIEL CANAL OVER TO DENMARK

Proposal of Lord Charles Beresford in the Interests of Peace.

HAS IT HELPED GERMANY?

Some Say It Has Rendered Her Fleet Less Mobile In War.

Leeds, Eng., Sept. 15.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press). — Lord Charles Beresford, in addressing a recent mass meeting for the purpose of stimulating recruiting here, said: "The Kiel Canal must be handed over to Denmark, so it will be useful for the peaceful pursuits of the world."

The remark caused widespread comment, and has become part of the discussion of the probable results of the war, if the allies win.

When the Kiel Canal was opened in 1895, the Emperor of Germany, with representatives of the leading European powers as his guests, said:

"Germany will range the work inaugurated today on the side of those accomplished in the service of peace."

Significant Incident.

It was regarded as significant that upon the enlargement of the canal last June, the occasion was not one of international celebration, although Emperor William attended and led a great fleet of German warships through the canal—which now figures so extensively in the naval operations, as a magnificent refuge for the German fleet.

German strategists insist that the Kiel Canal doubles the power of the German fleet, as it gives another entrance from the North Sea to the Baltic and forces an enemy to scatter its strength in order to bottle up the German warships. Eight enormous sidings have been provided within the enlarged canal, in which ships may pass. These are so great they are said to be capable of sheltering all the ships of the German navy.

Value Discounted.

English strategists assert that the value of the canal has been discounted considerably by the developments of the present war, and declare that it has, if anything, rendered the German fleet more immobile than it might otherwise have been.

It was Lord Beresford's contention that Denmark would never be safe so long as Germany held this important waterway across the Danish peninsula, and he hoped to see the day when it, together with Schleswig-Holstein, would be restored to Denmark.

Enumerating other obligations which he said would fall upon the allies if they defeated Germany, he said, the first duty would be to Belgium, which would have to be amply rewarded for the wrongs it had suffered. He said he would then have "the great Krupp's plant destroyed, and all German forts razed."

ALLIES PROFIT BY CHANGE OF POSITION

Germans Took Forces From Centre and Left To Reinforce Wing.

[Canadian Press.]

Paris, Sept. 26.—3:20 a.m.—Lieut.-Col. Rousset, writing in the Petit Parisien, says:

"The enemy, perceiving the danger to his right wing, as indicated by the communication Friday afternoon has perceptibly reinforced it to the detriment of the centre and left. This explains the violence of the battle which is being waged between the Somme and the heights on the left bank of the Oise, but in doing this the enemy necessarily stripped his front, and we have profited immediately by advancing toward Berry and Moronvilliers.

"The situation of the Germans would become perilous if the line which they hold breaks in the centre, and the position of their forces on the right would be endangered. It is because of this disquieting prospect that they are redoubling their efforts against the heights of the Meuse. We learn that they possess the promontory of Hattonchatel, not probably without difficulty, and that they are marching on St. Mihiel."

Lieut.-Col. Rousset refers to the difficulties of the territory confronting the Germans whose left wing is menaced by the mobile garrison of Toul and declares that even should the Germans succeed in their effort they would not become masters of the French fortified [illegible]. They would have to descend the heights of the Meuse and cross the river under fire, and the forts of the centre which are still intact, would constitute a serious danger to the operations.

"I imagine then," adds the writer, "that this new offensive is a simple demonstration to draw our attention from this side, and if it assumes serious proportions the army will know how to find convenient dispositions to check it."

OFFICIALS PLEASED WITH G. T. P. LINES

[Canadian Press.]

Prince Rupert, B.C., Sept. 26.—The G. T. P. official party have arrived here from the east, this being the first official inspection of the line since it was opened to traffic. All are well pleased with the excellence of the line. President Chamberlin is agreeably impressed with the splendid condition of the track. He says he will be able to offer first-class through service early next year, rather earlier than expected.

A WOMAN'S MESSAGE TO WOMEN.

If you are troubled with weak, tired feelings, headache, backache, bearing down sensations, bladder weakness, constipation, catarrhal conditions, pain in the sides regularly or irregularly, bloating or unnatural enlargements, sense of falling or misplacement of internal organs, nervousness, desire to cry, palpitation, hot flashes, dark rings under the eyes, or a loss of interest in life, I invite you to write and ask for my simple method of home treatment, with ten days' trial entirely free and postpaid, also references to Canadian ladies who gladly tell how they have regained health, strength and happiness by this method. Write today. Address: Mrs. M. Summers, Box 12, Windsor, Ont.

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Standard remedy for Gleet, Gonorrhoea and Runnings in 48 HOURS. Cures Kidney and Bladder Troubles.

MIDY

LISTOWEL PASTOR COMES TO LONDON

Rev. Dr. F. Louis Barbour Accepts Colborne Street's Call.

CALL IS UNANIMOUS ONE

The New Pastor Is Well and Favorably Known To Many Londoners.

Rev. F. Louis Barbour, Ph.D., of Listowel, has accepted a call to Colborne Street Methodist Church and will come to this city to assume his new charge early in June.

When his name was brought up at a meeting of the quarterly board of the church in connection with extending a call to a new pastor, the members were unanimous in selecting Dr. Barbour. While he has seldom appeared in a pulpit in this city, he is well-known to many Londoners and has always been popular with congregations.

At present he is in England, having left Germany just previous to the declaration of war with Great Britain. He is expected to return to Canada shortly.

CARRANZA TROOPS IN SORRY PLIGHT

General Hill's Forces Practically Surrounded By Conquering Band Loyal To Villa.

[Canadian Press.]

Nogales, Ariz., Sept. 26—The battered remnants of General Benjamin Hill's troops, loyal to Carranza, are reported to be practically surrounded near Santa Barbara, Mex., thirty miles south of here, where Governor Mayortena, of Sonora, commanding troops loyal to Villa, yesterday met and defeated them. Every soldier available to the Carranza Government is being rushed today to aid General Hill, whose forces are in danger of annihilation.

Late last night twenty wounded Yaquis were brought here from Santa Barbara by way of Davisaderos.

It is reported Villa's men took from the Carranzistas more than 100 prisoners and large quantities of arms and ammunition.

LONDON POLICEMEN AT FRONT PROMOTED

Messrs. Oakley, Snell and Barnhill Become Corporals In Artillery Brigade.

Word was received at local military headquarters today that prior to leaving Valcartier camp with the overseas contingent Messrs. James Oakley, William Snell and John Barnhill were given the rank of corporal in the battery brigade.

These three former London policemen left here with the Sixth Field Battery, which was divided up at the camp. Snell has been assigned to the Toronto ammunition corps, while Barnhill and Oakley are with the Hamilton battery.

Letters received from the men state that they received the best of treatment in the camp and that every man who left for the ocean trip is prepared for a fight to the finish.

CAPT. EATON LEAVES ON ACTIVE SERVICE

Will Be in the Thick of the Fray in a Few Weeks.

Capt. Eaton, of the divisional militia headquarters staff, who has been looking after the transportation of the different contingents of volunteers that have entrained in this city for the mobilization camp, will leave tonight with the recruits for the Army Service Corps for Valcartier.

Capt. Eaton is going to embark with the A. S. C., and is going to England to get into the thick of it. It is not known as yet what regiment he will join upon arriving in England.

Sergt.-Major L. Prilker, of the Seventh Regiment, has resigned, and will also accompany the A. S. C. volunteers to Valcartier. He will accompany the contingent across to Britain.

ONTARIO MEDICALS CAN SERVE ABROAD

Eligible For the Red Cross or Similar Service With Troops Anywhere.

[Canadian Press.]

Toronto, Sept. 25.—A great deal of discussion is taking place in both professional and lay circles over the position of Ontario medical men wishing to serve at the front. A medical authority in Toronto today made the following statement:

"Any medical officer in the Canadian militia is at liberty to practice as a medical officer with Canadian troops in any part of the Empire. As regards civil qualifications, Canadian medical men volunteering for Red Cross or similar service not strictly military are allowed to practice anywhere in Great Britain, if they hold a Canadian license, which can be registered in Great Britain."

Funeral of David L. Ashwell.

The funeral of David L. Ashwell, who died unexpectedly after a short illness, Friday morning, will take place from the family residence, 506 Piccadilly street, Sunday afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock, to Mount Pleasant Cemetery. Services will be held at 2 o'clock.

FOURTEEN LEAVE ON A. S. C. DUTY

An Additional Quota Entrains This Evening For Valcartier.

MANY ARE TURNED DOWN

Band and City Officials Will Be Present For a Send-Off.

Another batch of volunteers for the Sixteenth Army Service Corps will be sent to the "front" tonight. Fourteen men will entrain on the C. P. R. Limited overnight express, leaving the city at 5:20 this afternoon for the mobilization camp at Valcartier.

The men are wanted to fill up vacancies in the A. S. C. so that the unit will be up to full strength when it is ready to take the field. Recruiting for the corps had been ordered at all recruiting centres and London's share was placed at fourteen men.

Many Are Refused.

As in all cases when volunteers were called for, the supply exceeded the demand, many eager citizens and residents of the surrounding district offering for service. Capt. Eaton, of the divisional headquarters staff, received numerous applications from good men whom he was forced to turn down and send away disappointed because the department at Ottawa had only called for comparatively few.

The volunteers who will leave tonight were sworn in this morning and served with uniforms. They were ordered to hold themselves in readiness for departure at a moment's notice. The order to leave came later, and the time was immediately fixed for the late afternoon train that will land the men in Valcartier at an early hour tomorrow. Dispatches from military headquarters at Ottawa give instructions that no time be lost in sending the men to the mobilization camp.

To Be Given Send-Off.

It is likely that the volunteers will be escorted to the station by the Seventh Regiment band, and that several city officials will accompany them, as well as a detail of guards from the Seventh.

The men in the party were as follows:

Capt. F. B. Eaton, of divisional headquarters.
Sergt.-Major L. Prikler.
Sergt. Ruddick.
Allen Wright.
Charles W. Cook.
John W. Parish.
Harry Olney.
Roy McLeod.
Percy Vankoughnett.
Francis Jordan.
Thomas Hill.
George W. Barrett.
Neil McIntosh.
Wilfred Dowle.
John Weston.

SIR JAMES WHITNEY'S FUNERAL ON TRESDAY

The Service Will Be Conducted in St. James's Cathedral.

[Canadian Press.]

Toronto, Sept. 26.—The funeral of Sir James Whitney will be held on Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock from St. James' Cathedral. After the service, which will be conducted by Right Rev. Bishop Sweeny, of Toronto, assisted by Provost Macklem, of Trinity College, and Canon Plumptree, the body will be placed on a special train and conveyed to Morrisburg, Ont., where interment will be made in the family plot.

The remains will lie in state in the assembly hall at the Parliament Buildings from 12 o'clock (noon) Monday until 6 p.m., and from 8 p.m. until 10 p.m., from which place they will be removed Tuesday morning to the cathedral.

The Ottawa Government will be represented by Hon. Frank Cochrane, while His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught, governor-general, will be represented by Sir Henry M. Pellatt.

SIR RICHARD McBRIDE.

[Canadian Press.]

Victoria, B.C., Sept. 26.—Sir Richard McBride said on hearing of Sir James Whitney's death:

"His rugged honesty appealed to the people, and, without any distinguished political qualities as we understand them, he won the confidence of the great majority of people. His administration was clean, and I look forward to the traditions of his policy being carried forward by his successors. Few men in his position have been so thoroughly trusted by his people, or more worthy of the confidence reposed in them."

DEATHS AND FUNERALS

BURIED AT WOODLAND.

The funeral of Mr. L. Newton, held from the family residence, 54 St. George street, on Thursday afternoon, to Woodland Cemetery, was very largely attended. Many beautiful floral offerings were received.

Besides his wife, Mr. Newton is survived by two sons, Ora, at home, and Stanley, of Pittsburg; also three brothers and four sisters. Dr. Newton, of Toledo; W. K., of Ingersoll; Warner, of Woodstock; Mrs. J. Prouse, of Ingersoll; Mrs. Wm. Chambers, of Salford; Mrs. W. G. Dutton, of Simcoe; and Mrs. T. B. Newton, of Orrillia.

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LOCAL NEWS

FLAGS AT HALF-MAST.—Flags flew at half-mast in the city today out of respect for the memory of Sir James Whitney.

BANK CLEARINGS. — Local bank clearings for the week are 71,508,769, as against $1,648,492 for the corresponding week a year ago.

LONDONER JOINS VANCOUVER REGIMENT.—Major Montague Moore, son of William Moore, West London, has gone to the front with the Vancouver Highlanders.

RALLY DAY IN S. S.—Next Sunday will be Rally Ray in connection with the First Methodist Sunday School. Rev. Dr. Flanders and Sir Adam Beck will deliver patriotic addresses.

LITTLE HOPE OF RECOVERY.—T. C. Burns, of the firm of Coates, Burns & Wanless, was reported to show no improvement last night, and little hope is held out for his recovery.

FIREMEN RESCUE HORSE. — A drayman's horse at noon today became mired in a cess-pool at the corner of Oak and Trafalgar streets. The assistance of No. 2 fire company was required to rescue the animal.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED.—The engagement is announced of Miss Elma Kerns Lindsay, 297 Russell Hill road, Toronto, to Dr. Wilbert Torrance McBroom, also of that city, but formerly of London. The wedding will take place early in October.

SOLDIERS GET PAY.—This is payday at the Armories, and men of the Seventh Regiment doing guard duty are being paid in hard Canadian cash. There are about 50 men of the regiment engaged in permanent guard duty at the Coves, the Armories and Wolseley Barracks.

LONDON'S GREAT MARKET. — It was estimated that nearly 1,000 wagons with farm produce, were on the market square this morning. Before 1 o'clock in the afternoon the square was almost deserted. Apples and vegetables were the main offerings of the farmers. The market was one of the largest of the year.

DODGED THE FINE.—Warrants were issued at police headquarters today for the arrest of some foreigners who were recently convicted of running a blind pig and fined $100 and costs. They have since decamped without paying up, and the police are now making an effort to apprehend them in the United States.

WATER AT LAST.—Ridout street, south of Grand avenue, will be watered for the balance of the season. No water was put on the street during the hot summer months, when the dust was several inches thick, because deep sewers were being installed. It is the intention of the city to pave the street next year.

ALUMNI CLINIC POSTPONED. — The annual clinic of the Alumni of the Western Medical College, which was to have been held the middle of October, has been cancelled by the executive committee, believing that the anxiety incidental to war conditions might detract from the enthusiasm necessary to the success of the meeting.

DETERMINED TO ENLIST.—Roy McLeod, of the night editorial staff of The Advertiser, left today with the A.S.C. detachment for Valcartier. He first volunteered with the Highlanders, but because he lacked an inch or two of the required height he was rejected. At the next opportunity he enlisted and will soon be at the front.

FURTHER CONTRIBUTIONS. — The following subscriptions have been received on September 24 and 25: C. A. Bowman $50, A. N. Udy $15, Commercial Travellers' Association $500, Col. A. M. Smith $300, Line, McDonald & Co. $200, F. J. Waud $5, Chas. F. Benson $25, Francis Barnard $5, S. A. Thompson $5, C. W. Nicholls $50, P. C. McNaughton $25, Mrs. Tackaberry $10.

RALLY DAY.—The Hamilton Road Presbyterians will observe Rally Day on Sunday, as appointed by the General Assembly of the church. Special services will be held morning, afternoon and evening. In the afternoon at the Sunday school and Bible class rally, the program prepared by the committee in Toronto will be used, and addresses given by visiting speakers.

TEACHERS GIVE $25.—A donation of $25 was granted to the Red Cross Society, and the teachers expressed their willingness to help that society in any way at the regular monthly meeting of the Woman Teachers' Guild, held in Alexandria School on September 21. The social committee served afternoon tea, and a pleasant informal time was spent before the business meeting was held.

RED CROSS STAMPS.—The local Red Cross Society is very much pleased with the number of Red Cross stamps sold yesterday and today to London citizens. They were placed on sale at all the local book stores Friday morning, and a goodly number disposed of. The cash realized from the sale will be used for general Red Cross work. The stamps will continue to be on sale for some time.

WHARNCLIFFE BRIDGE.—Answering complaints today as to the manner in which the work of putting down the concrete floor on the Wharncliffe road bridge is progressing City Engineer Ashplant said: "As a matter of economy we completed half of the bridge and withdrew the mixing machine to other jobs until the work we have done is set. We can then use the same false work to concrete the balance of the bridge. The bridge will be ready for pedestrians about the middle of October."

MANY LIQUOR CASES.—As the result of a campaign conducted by License Inspector Alfred R. Galpin and his aids, the following liquor men have been summoned to appear before Police Magistrate J. C. Judd: E. B. Smith, George McGee, E. Walper, A. F. Hockin, Robert McIntyre and Thomas Hill. License Inspector Galpin stated today that the men have all been summoned for alleged breaches of the liquor license act.

IN THE HIGH COURT.—Only two cases came before Mr. Justice Lennox in the weekly high court this morning. In the case of McDonald and Grant, application was made under the purchasers' and vendors' act, the point being whether the surviving executrix has power in this case, to convey and make good a title, the lands in question being in the city of London. As the application involves the construction of a will, this motion stands. A motion for its construction was moved to be brought on concurrently, so that all interests may be cleared up. J. B. McKillop acted for the vendor, and T. G. Meredith, K.C., for the purchaser. Application was made against the John Cottam estate for the maintenance of an infant. An order was made for the payment of the required sum. A. H. M. Graydon acted for the estate.

DEDICATION AT EMMANUEL CHURCH.—Dedication and reopening services will be held at Emmanuel Church, London Township, tomorrow. The church, which has been newly decorated at a cost of $700, will be rededicated and formally opened by Rt. Rev. David Williams, Bishop of Huron. Gifts by the following will be dedicated: Mr. and Mrs. T. Wesley Shoebottom, holy table; Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Shoebottom, font and cover; Mr. and Mrs. James H. Shoebottom, re-table; George Geoghegan, dish for holy table; Ladies' Aid Society, chancel carpet, decorations, alms basin, collection plate, glass vases, vestry furniture, and sanctuary kneeling stools; A. Y. P. A., book rests, credence shelf, hangings for holy table, pulpit and prayer desk and hymn board. Bishop Williams will preach the morning sermon. In the evening the rector, Rev. H. B. Ashby, will conduct special harvest thanksgiving services. St. George's Church Choir, Thorndale, will assist at both services.

HAD A DELUSION.—An inmate of the Hospital for the Insane found by the police attempting to purchase an imaginary house in the northern section of the city was taken into custody late this afternoon and turned over to the authorities of the East End institution.

KRUPPS WORKING DAY AND NIGHT

Scotswoman Tells of Feverish Labor in Factory' Gun and Ammunition Departments.

Edinburgh, Sept. 26.—3:55 p.m. — A Scotswoman, who has returned here from Germany, where she has been staying with friends at Essen, relates that work is going on at the Krupp gun factory feverishly day and night. The gun and ammunition departments alone are being operated, but these keep 46,000 men constantly employed.

This woman relates also that foreign spies have beene numerous and that one day 14 Russians, dressed as women were shot. She says that food is abundant in Essen, and some of it is even cheaper than before the war.

CAMP IS ENLARGED FOR NEXT CONTINGENT

Call For the Second Canadian Forie Expected To Be Received Shortly.

It is rumored in local military circles today that the second Canadian expeditionary contingent will be under way in short time. As far as can be learned from dispatches from military headquarters at Ottawa have made no provision as yet for the recruiting of a second contingent.

It is stated, however, that concentration of rural and civic regiments will be begun within a short time, and in anticipation of this many regiments have already started recruiting again.

The statement is borne out by the fact that Londoners who have recently returned from the mobilization camp at Valcartier state that preparations are under way to increase the size of the camp so that more troops can be accomodated.

NEAR DROWNING WHEN TOT FALLS IN RIVER

The 3-year-old daughter of Percy J. Aldridge, Chelsea Green, wandered away from her home, which is near the river, about 10:30 this morning, and, falling down the bank into the water, which was deep at this point, was sinking for the third time when discovered by her parents, who were looking for her. The fire department and Dr. Jepson were summoned. The latter arrived first, and when the department arrived the little girl was nearly recovered. The resuscitator was not used.

GERMAN EX-SOLDIER WILL NOT GO BACK

There is one native-born German, at least, in Ontario who is not in sympathy with Germany in its struggle for supremacy. He is Rudolf Reck, and at present he is working on an Essex farm.

Mr. Reck stated to an Advertiser solicitor that he foresaw that Germany would plunge itself into war, and on that account he pulled up stakes and left for Canada. If German residents were to freely express their opinions on the trend of the war as do Canadians, they would be shot, he emphatically declares. Despotism is putting Germany "in wrong" with her own people. The average German does not want to fight but is forced into it through the compulsory system in vogue in the military department of

MEXICO UNSAFE AND IN STATE OF ANARCHY

[Canadian Press.]

New York, Sept. 26.—Before sailing for Glasgow, on his way to Petrograd aboard the Olympic today, Alexandre De Stalegsky, Russian minister to Mexico, spoke freely of conditions in that country as he said he had found them.

"Mexico is without a Government and practically in a state of anarchy," he said. "With the exception of the State of Yucatan, where some semblance of order is still maintained, it is unsafe for a person to travel in Mexico. The bands of brigands that rob, burn and pillage as they please without interference from the authorities are the cause of all the trouble. There is no interference from the national authorities, simply because there is no government worth mentioning.

"The United States should not withdraw its troops from Vera Cruz. From what I was able to observe there is no prospect that a stable government may be established in Mexico. Carranza is an able political chief, but he cannot compare with Villa as a leader of men. I am frank to state that conditions in Mexico today are not one-half as good as they were during the regime of Madero."

DR. CAMPBELL RECEIVES HIGH LODGE HONOR

Oddfellows Present Him With Past Grand Sire's Jewel.

Dr. Cl. T. Campbell, who is attending the sessions of the Soverign Grand Lodge of Oddfellows, meeting in Atlantic City, has been signally honored with four other men by receiving a handsome decoration as a past grand sire. These jewels of the order, indicative of one of the lodge's highest honors, cost $118, wholesale.

In the Spotlight

All of us enjoy the moving pictures very much. We do not, however, enjoy the human sardine ordeal that one must go through before breaking into these palaces of entertainment. Standing in a line for twenty minutes or half an hour reminds one too much of being loaded into cars with slatted sides. We expect to see a man with a herder's staff count off so many of us and say, "Here, Bill, shove this bunch through." And when they get you inside, they frequently keep you on your feet. It is not good for the animals to recline. Furthermore, there is not room. So they rope you off and make you stay behind the rope until one of the cars ahead has been emptied. Then there is a clattering of hoofs down the aisles, and another herd is let in at the main entrance.

Perhaps the patrons enjoy it. They seem to, at any rate. They are willing to stand in the lobbies, on the sidewalk, or even out to the car tracks if necessary. When they get inside, and there are no seats they stand along the back and watch the wonderful emotions expressed in the legs or feet of the film actors. You don't know whether you are seeing an exhibition of latest styles in footwear. If someone gets kicked in the shins you think it is a dramatic situation. If the street railway company was guilty of such crowding, someone would demand that its franchise be cancelled.

But the people of this city are in the grip of the movie mania. The managements cannot accommodate them all. But the managements should realize that when a theatre is overcrowded every night it should be enlarged. The expenditure would speedily be paid for, because there are hundreds who will not be driven and herded and stalled and roped like cattle. And moving pictures will not fall away in patronage. The indications are that they will increase in prestige and interest.

Many moons have passed since London was visited by one of the famous touring bands, such as Sousa's or Dan Godfrey's. For several seasons there was a feast of them, followed by a famine. There would be large patronage for a competent organization some time this winter.

An old city editor in this city used to have muscular rheumatism or some other kind of rheumatism. Perhaps it was city editor's rheumatism. But anyway he used to sit at his desk in the morning with one finger encased in a hollowed lemon. That finger used to bother him terribly and he was sensitive about it. If you smiled at the oddity of it, he would growl. Sometimes he would curse in good, honest oaths. We were his worst cub reporter, what with personal lapses and a natural cussedness the most cursable cub reporter who ever dodged an assignment to play pool or cribbage at the central fire station or to give our views on real city editing in an upholstered backroom. There are still cub reporters who dodge assignments, but when he died there was not another city editor left like that one. The lemon on his finger made him immortal and he wrote very good poetry as well.

All this by way of introduction to a quotation of one of his orders that stuck. It was, in a word, "try to get the public's viewpoint and the public will get yours." That is what we want to do in this column. If you have been in New York, Chicago or any other theatrical centre and have seen an attraction that is heading this way, we would appreciate your opinion of it. If it is good, do not be afraid to speak well of it. If it is poor, the same thing applies. The only thing asked is the name of the writer as a guarantee of good faith and not for publication unless desired. We are prepared to rely on the opinion of our readers.

In this way the theatre-going public in this city might be very well served. Almost every attraction that comes to London has been seen by some Londoner before it appears in the city. A candid criticism, either appreciative or adverse, will be welcomed. But we must know from whom the opinion comes. Otherwise, you know what might happen.

It is time that the theatre-goers took a hand in the matter. Just now it is left almost entirely to the press agent. It may be allright to speak of Tom Marks as a "distinguished comedian." But it does not strike one's sense of values quite as it should. It takes the best adjective right out of the pack and leaves nothing better for Willie Collier, if perchance he should ever get this way. Tom Marks gives good measure with his company, but he doesn't level up to the "distinguished" mark. Call him "New Ontario's" popular star or "Port Arthur's favorite" but don't try and make him illustrious. Because we know he isn't, and when you try to tell us he is, you think we are ready to swallow anything you give us, and you are suggesting that we have provincial ideas.

For if you put "slush" in your advance notices, some day it will be read for "slush" when it really isn't. Why not label it "this is slush" with a subheading, "but there is some information in it." Then the people could blow away the Broadway's agency chaff and take a good guess once in a while.

The average advance notices come to the local manager in a sheaf of manifold. There are scores of notices written at the start of the season. Back on Broadway they call them by a somewhat undignified but expressive name. The local manager proceeds to develop his literary ability and in certain blank spaces writes in the name of his theatre. Then this is sent to the newspaper that will print it. Some newspapers "trim it" and put in lots of "said to bes" and "claims." Others print every line that is sent in.

The theatre gets an enormous amount of space for nothing out of the average newspaper. The theatre pays a good rate for display advertising, but its advance notices, given under the heading of theatrical "news" are received in exchange for passes. With the daily column of advance notices and the Saturday display of illustrations, the theatre's bill would run into thousands of dollars a year if space rates were charged. But the theatre, unlike the big advertiser, gets an enormous amount of free space because the newspaper manager believes that he has to be in the good graces of the theatre. Some day it will be on a direct business basis. The theatre will pay for every line it gets. That material will appear as advertising. And the newspaper will pay for any admissions it receives.

"The Spendthrift," which has been on the road for several years, is announced as coming from the Hudson Theatre. The cast has changed several times. The prices range from $1 down. The play has some good qualities or it would not still be running. The cast is an unknown quantity in this city. It plays here twice today. It played St. Thomas last night.

FORT WORTH NEXT.

Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 26.—1915 convention of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America will be held in Fort Worth, Texas, according to a decision reached by the delegates in session here.

A Health Message To The World

The Discovery of "Fruit-a-tives" Has Brought Health and Happiness to Thousands of People All Over the Dominion.

FRUIT JUICE CURES MANY SERIOUS DISEASES

"Fruit-a-tives" Is the Only Medicine Made From Fruit Juices—It Is Pleasant to Take and Acts Gently on the Whole System.

FRUIT Juice consists of 91 per cent water and 9 per cent solid material. This solid material consists of about 8 parts sugary substance and one part of an intensely bitter substance, which is the medicinal or curative principal of fruit. In order to get the full benefit of fruit in the ordinary way, one would have to eat huge quantities of fresh fruit. By the discovered process of making "Fruit-a-tives," the bitter material in fruit juice is made to grow or increase and thus a stronger fruit juice is created. Then, this stronger fruit extract is mixed with valuable tonics and antiseptics and made into tablets. Thus, we have concentrated and intensified fruit juices, and the practical use of Fruit as a medicine is brought within reach of all.

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AGE LIMIT KEEPS JANITOR FROM FRONT

Caretaker of Armories Cannot Take Place By Son's Side in War.

Devotion for the empire and a longing to be with his son who is in the thick of it, predominated all else in A. W. Nanfan, janitor of the armories here. He is 49 years of age and the age limit set for volunteers for the Canadian expeditionary forces is 45 years. In consequence, although as robust as he was ten years ago, he is barred from the ranks.

Mr. Nanfan has a son with the R. C. R. which left with the Canadian contingent. He sought through every channel to obtain a place in the regiment, "so that I can fight alongside of Alf," as he put it. He had volunteered three times, but in every instance his age had been an insurmountable barrier.

Mr. Nanfan has served with the Duke of Connaught in Egypt. He has seen active service in the Soudan. He has matched swords with men white, black and red, and won several medals for bravery and markmanship.

He was in South Africa in 1902. He was about to join the engineering corps here but when he found that it was not going to the front, he refused. "Nothing but active service for me," he said. And this at 49 years of age.

25TH ANNIVERSARY OF WEDDING

Happy Occasion for President Mitchell and Mrs. Mitchell.

President E. C. Mitchell, of the board of trade, and Mrs. Mitchell celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary at their home, 116 Mill street, last night. The family, consisting of four boys and two girls, together with a few intimate friends, passed a pleasant evening. Those invited to the home did not know until after they arrived that it was Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell's twenty-fifth wedding anniversary.

"There is nothing like friends in the world," said Mr. Mitchell, as he reviewed many interesting pleasantries in his twenty-five years of wedded life. The couple were the recipients of many flowers and favors.

PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Easton, of Vancouver, are guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. Martin, 638 Queen's avenue. Miss Easton was formerly Miss Cockburn, of this city.

Mrs. William F. Ellsworth, Colonial apartments, is visiting friends in Tulsa, Okla., and Chicago, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Patterson, of Pottersburg, returned home this morning from a two months' visit in the Canadian West.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Hueston, of this city, are spending a vacation in New York.

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