Women of London! Hear Issues of Day Presented In True Form At Rally In Auditorium, Tonight

BETWEEN THE ELECTION ACTS

J. W. Plewes, the Borden candidate in Kent, is still enraged. He will be wilder than a soubrette with the hives on December 18.

Still it is hardly fair to speak of the Toronto Star as an old woman. The Star is the bride of Toryism.

And that reminds us of Vice-President Marshall's remark:

"You can't interest a bridegroom in the tariff."

Sir Wilfrid is fighting the battle of democracy. The days of autocracy are numbered, but it dies hard in some people's wills. The end is in sight.

Ontario is expected to save the Borden Government. Ontario will do the same as the rest of the Dominion, making it quite unanimous for Laurier.

I'm as limber as a piece of macaroni,
I always seem to be the thing I ain't;
But when I'm making speeches that are phony,
I look just like a little plaster saint.
(From "Poems of Passion" by a well-known cabinet minister.)

One of the Borden papers in this campaign justifies its course by saying that it "has a soul." If it is not careful its soul will presently escape over the backyard fence like a hunted cat with a tin can tied to its tail.

Oh, bury me deep in the clay, boys,
Pity me if you can,
But write this down when you come to town,
Beware of a cross-eyed man.
(From "Carols of the Winnipeg Convention" by Sir Clifford Sifton.)

The Globe laments that Sir Robert Borden will do no better than split even in his own province of Nova Scotia. The Bluenoses have furnished much of Canada's political brains, and they cannot be buncoed for any length of time.

The blighting curse of Bordenism, with its inactivity, its profiteering, its flagrant abuse of the men overseas under Perley, the favoritism, and the C. N. R. remain with the people of Canada. They have a chance to end it once and for all.

Sir Joseph Flavelle consigned war profits to hades, but they stuck to him in great bales. He will, however, consign his "boys," Sir Thomas White and a few others, to that political limbo where the thirst for office will be quenched forever and forever.

The Borden Government and its host of parasitic profiteers is now practicing that up to date song, "Where do we go from here, boys, where do we go from here?" They realize that on December 17th the united people of Canada will end their origin of incompetence and extravagance.

I lingered with the baron in his walk,
I hovered in his presence day by day,
I listened to his patriotic talk,
For the fascinating baron made it pay.
(From "Post Cured Poems" by the Unionist Publicity Committee.

Cures Colds in France.
LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE tablets remove the cause. E. W. GROVE'S signature on box. 30c. b

TORONTO STOCK EXCHANGE.

[Reported by Edward Cronyn & Co.] Toronto, Dec. 11.

Asked.	Bid.		Asked.	Bid.
Am Cy.. 20	15	SWheat 117		..
Ames, c.. 24½	..	St Ch, p. 57		..
do pfd. 80	..	Stl Can.. 50¼	49½	
Barcel.. 9¾	9	do pfd. 85	84½	
Brazilian 82	..	Tor Ry. ..	60¾	
Burt, c.. 70	..	Tucketts 19	..	
do pfd. 86	..	Tw City. 67	..	
C Bread. 20	19½	Win Ry. 48	..	
C Car... 18½	..	Banks—		
do pfd. 50	..	Com'rce 185	184	
Cement. ..	57	Dom ...202	..	
C S L... 39¼	..	Hamil'n 184	..	
do pfd. 76	..	Imperial.185	..	
CGElec. 101½	..	Merch ..167	..	
C Loco.. 58	..	Nscotia 250	..	
do pfd. 84½	..	Royal ..205	..	
C P R..130¾	130	Stand ..200	..	
C Dairy. 30	..	Union ..38	137	
do pfd. 60	..	Loans, etc.—		
ConLife 375	..	C Land.152	..	
C Smelt. 25	..	C Perm.165	..	
Con Gas. ..	150	C Invest. 74	..	
Cr Nest. 50	..	H Sav. 137	..	
Dome ...700	650	H & E..210	..	
D Steel. 52½	51¾	20% pd ..	196	
Mackay. 74	72½	L Bank. ..	143	
do pfd. 61	60	N Trust.205	200	
M Leaf. ..	91½	T Trust.202	..	
do pfd. ..	92	T Mort..136	..	
Monarch ..	30	Bonds—		
do pfd. 77	..	C Bread.	90	
N S Car. ..	4	M L & P 40	30	
Niple'g. $35	819	Penmans 80	..	
Petrol. 1200	1150	Rio Jan. ..	81	
PPaper.p 81	..	Stl Can.. 89¼	..	
Russell. ..	50	War Loan, 1925... 95¼	..	
do pfd. 70	..	War Loan, 1931... 93¼	..	
Sawyer. 11	..	War Loan, 1937... 92¼	91¾	
do pfd. 48	..			
Spanish. 14	..			
do pfd 50	..			

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

[Reported by Thomson & McKinnon.] Chicago, Dec. 11.

Corn—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Dec. $1 24½		..	..	..
May 1 19	1 19¾	1 19	1 19¾	
Jan. 1 20¾	1 21¼	1 20¾	1 21¼	
Oats—				
Dec.	72¼	73¾	72¼	73¾
May	70½	71⅜	70½	71⅜

CANADIAN CASUALTIES

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 10.—The following casualties are reported:

INFANTRY.

Killed in Action.

190158 G. H. Clarke, St. Thomas.

Wounded and Missing.

553037 E. E. White, Dresden.

MOUNTED RIFLES.

Killed in Action.

213830 J. Ellis, Windsor.

ARTILLERY.

Wounded.

33869 J. Rawling, London.

RAILWAY TROOPS.

Wounded.

727734 C. Stewart, Milverton.

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RE-EXAMINATION OF ELIGIBLES IS GIVEN SUPPORT

Every Indication Points to New Call for "Unfits" to Go Before Boards.

PRECEDENTS ARE SHOWN

In England and United States Many Men Secured by Second Examination.

That the men exempted on medical grounds will be re-examined seems certain. Positive information has come that there is a suspicion that so large a percentage of unfit young men must be due not to a lack of good health, but to a rather poor medical examination.

This fact is borne out by a proclamation recently issued in the United States that all young men given exemption on account of physical grounds must come up again for re-examination. Thousands of them considered free from military service must go through the whole process once more. In England, physical misfits are examined at frequent intervals, and many are caught in the conscription net.

That the same procedure will be followed in London is certain, and at no distant date. The percentage of men exempted on physical grounds is very large in Canada.

That preparations are also being made here for calling married men from 20 to 34 is certain. The office staff here is said to be preparing lists of eligibles, and the intention of the militia department to call them up is considered absolutely certain.

ANNUAL RALLY OF Y. P. U. SUCCESSFUL AND ENTHUSIASTIC

Presbyterians Complete Convention Last Night.

NEW OFFICERS ELECTED

A. H. Williams, Ivan, Heads Union for This Presbytery for Ensuing Years.

One of the most successful and enthusiastic rallies yet held by the Young People's Union of the Presbytery of London came to an end on Monday night with the conclusion of the evening meeting of the 22nd annual rally, which was in session at the First Presbyterian Church all day.

Despite the cold weather, which interfered to some extent with the attendance, the celebration was one of the most enjoyable in years. One hundred and fifty young people sat down to supper in the church basement. The intermission between the supper and the evening program was devoted to the running off of an interesting film showing the soldiers at the front indulging in aquatic sports.

The evening session was opened by devotional exercises conducted by Rev. J. H. MacKay of New St. James's Church. These were followed with an address by G. W. Hofferd of the Normal School, who spoke on "Training of Teachers for the Sunday School."

A resolution that those present endeavor to catch the spirit of leadership in the congregations along the lines of preaching in the school and in boys' and girls' work, was passed unanimously

1918 Officers.

The election of officers was held and the following chosen for the ensuing year:

President—A. H. Williams of Ivan.
First Vice-President—D. E. Carrol of Cowal.
Second Vice-President—Miss Russenholt of St. Thomas.
Secretary—Miss M. Kelso.
Treasurer—C. A. Brown of Crumlin.
Executive Committee—Rev. W. J. Knox, Rev. B. MacKay of Dorchester, and Miss M. Martin of St. Thomas.

Short addresses were delivered by Rev. L. H. Currie of Grimsby, representing the Hamilton Presbytery; Rev. Dr. Aitken, representing the Huron Presbytery, and Rev. W. H. Burgess, representing the Chatham Presbytery. Each speaker told of the work being done in the presbyteries of Ontario, and expressed appreciation for the manner in which the work had been carried on throughout the province.

The address of the evening was delivered by Rev. C. S. Oke, recently returned from the front. Solos were sung by Misses Hays and Campbell.

SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR SOLDIERS' KIDDIES TREE SLOWING UP

Only $532.10 So Far Secured for This Object.

CITY MUST BE GENEROUS

3,000 to 4,000 Children Have To Be Provided For Under Veterans' Plan.

Contingencies which have arisen since the Great War Veterans' Association of London started its fund to provide a Christmas tree and entertainment for every soldiers' child in the city, have caused a slowing up in the subscriptions. The total to date is only $532.10, and it was hoped that it would be at least five times that amount by this time. Between 3,000 and 4,000 children have to be provided for, and the purse strings of London will have to be opened wide to insure the proper entertainment for all of them.

Subscriptions are being taken at The Advertiser as well as by the soldiers themselves.

The latest subscription list is as follows:

Mr. McMahen, $10; G. S. Brown, $10; W. R. Meredith, $10; A. B. Greer, $10; G. Ingram, $10; A. M. Smart, $10; D. G. M., $10; S. Screaton, $10; S. F. Lawrason, $5; J. F. Brown, $5; W. E. Jenkins, $5; J. S. Meredith, $5; C. S. Bugler, $2; E. Mitchell, $2; J. H. Brown, $1; Sergt. Bullen, $1; W. F. Hungerford, $1; J. M. Slater, $1; H. B. Elliott, $1; E. H. Johnston, $1; Dr. Pingel, $1; T. H. W. Ganell, $1; H. B. Knott, $1; B. Anderson, $1; Billy Wallace, 50c; Gordon Heard, 50c; J. L. Scott, 25c; a friend, 25c; Knechtel & Co., slippers; Mrs. Pugh, 50c; Mrs. Woodly, 50c; a friend, $1.75; M. P. McDonagh, 50c; Keene Bros., $10.50, goods; Ontario Furniture Co., $5, goods.

A British Article That Fits the Case in Canada.

AN ARMY OF HARPIES

THE MEN WHO ARE PROLONGING THE WAR BY CORRUPTION.

[By A. G. HALES, in John Bull, London, England.]

In the days of the Spartans, men who made a profit out of their own kinsmen in time of war were offal-eaters. No name, no phrase we can coin today will better fit, or more aptly describe similar men of our own nationality who even at this hour are fattening upon the British public, whilst the foe stands in arms against us.

Offal-eaters they are—unclean, degenerate—who make a profit out of the necessities of the dependents of the gallant men who are fighting by land and sea for this nation's rights. Nay, more; some of these pariahs make a profit out of the warriors themselves—can any name in our vocabulary be base enough to fit these shameless ones who prey upon the needs of the soldiers?

They are like lice nesting in a lion's mane, and we must rid the land of them. A little time ago I wrote, with all the force at my command, on this subject, and pointed out that, in all probability, some of these "offal-eaters" would use a portion of their plunder to purchase titles, by subscribing to party funds in exchange for "honors."

That article in John Bull was taken cognizance of in high places; the Lords made it the subject of a two-hours' debate, and nearly every speaker admitted the truth of my contentions. But the Lords did nothing. I warn the Peers that the people of Great Britain do not mean to allow this matter to rest. It shall not be shelved. If noble lords will not make a real and determined effort to keep their order and their house clean, the people will clean it for them. It is not enough for the Upper Chamber to know and admit that "honors" are prostituted; it is their duty to the nation to stop prostitution, and stop it now. John Bull is the voice articulate of millions of sane, sound men and women of all kinds and conditions; and those people say in tones unmistakable that the plundering of the public purse has to cease, and that no stolen money shall buy admission to the ranks of peerage.

Lord Curzon's Admissions.

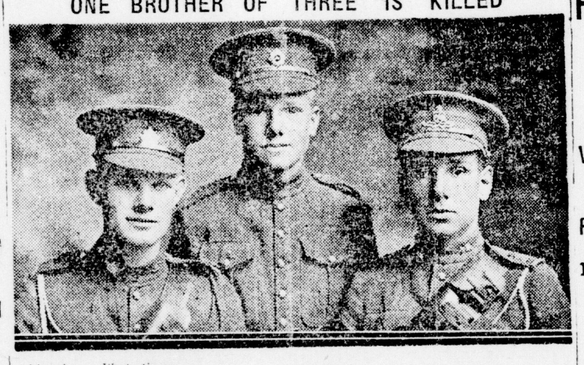
On the floor of the House of Lords, Lord Curzon is reported to have admitted that "party whips" accept money in return for titles, and he had the supreme impudence to defend the rotten system. It was an admission which, in my judgment, placed these party whips on a par with a common "fence," or receiver of stolen goods. If the noble lord has been correctly reported, his arguments do as little credit to his mentality as to his political morality. Had Lord Curzon been the champion of a crusade started to obliterate the peerage, he could have uttered nothing more damning to his order than his defence of a system which, to my mind, is devoid of common decency and bankrupt in morality. His noble colleague, Lord Salisbury, walked on higher ground and spoke like a true-born English gentleman—not mincing matters, or cloaking the foulness below the surface. If Lord Curzon's statements are to be accepted as the standard of political morality, then the sooner the whole existing state of affairs politic is swept away in an indignant burst of national feeling the better for the welfare of the Empire—for, according to his reported line of logic, the House of Commons can be corrupted by money and the House of Lords be made the dumping ground for the rich but unsavory. I knew that this thing stank to heaven, but I did not think that any noble lord would so far demean himself as to profess to enjoy the stench.

There has recently been talk amongst our public men of putting an end to the putrid practice of robbery within the law that has been flagrantly in evidence here ever since war was declared; but nothing worth while has been done. Vast sums of money have been, and are being, drawn as "commissions" for doing nothing. Millions have been paid out of the public purse during the past three years on grounds that no person in private business would entertain for a moment. I would give names and amounts, but in almost every case brought to my notice the information has been tendered under the seal of confidence. But that which a private individual cannot do, a public official could easily achieve if backed by a government that really meant to stop this awful drain on the public purse. Many big men stand suspect; they have books and banking accounts that can, and should, be examined.

PROLONGING THE WAR.

The corruption in high places is prolonging the war; and every day the war is prolonged men are being maimed and killed. We give a man to the gallows for assisting at a single murder; **what shall be done to the men who, by their greed of personal gain, create obstacles that compel our armies to fight, and to render themselves accessories before the fact in the matter of unnecessary butchery? I know it is an awful assertion to place before the public, but it is my belief that this war would have been won, and well won, by the end of the third year, if it had not been for the great army of harpies who have been enriching themselves out of the carnage.** Yet we must go on until Germany is absolutely and utterly crushed; until her militarism is a thing of the past; until a permanent peace is assured—and it can never be assured until Germany is rendered powerless for evil. I believe she will be crushed. British democracy will not consent to a peace that does not bring retribution and justice in its wake. I do not consider that day distant; but that is no reason why we should allow our own stable to become unutterably foul. It is foul, now, almost beyond belief, and the men who should punish with an iron hand—careless alike of wealth, rank or social status—seem to stand ever ready to whitewash those of the culprits who have made for themselves a golden shield. Think of it—a shield made out of the pickings and stealings from our own people! I confess I can see no way out of the tangled maze of corruption unless the masses bestir themselves. The masses need a great Tribune—a man of granite, who will smite—and smite to the bone. I am not concerned so much about Germany now—I think she is nearly done with. It is the aftermath. Are we to come out clean; or are we to carry this foul fungus, that has grown in the lap of war, into the days of peace? If so, God help us! For the nation's sacrifices will be vain. We want a stern reckoning—a grim payment of our claim against those of our blood who have been vampires. They say they will appeal to the law and the law will uphold them because they have kept just within the law. But law does not always represent justice—and it is justice, not law, that must be our guiding star—the stern uncompromising justice embodied in the Ten Commandments. One of the ten says, unequivocally, "Thou shalt not steal." It does not say anything about pardon because you steal within the law. And if I have read the British character aright, the people as a whole are no longer going to be satisfied with nicely adjusted legal quibbles. The question they are going to ask is, "Did you give value, in money or in kind, for the thousands you filched from the public purse?" A plain question, easily answered by all honest men—but, in its straightforward simplicity, a fiercely fatal question for all homemade rascals to reply to. They may let meat, wheat and potatoes alone for a while now, but they are after your coal this winter—watch it!

ONE BROTHER OF THREE IS KILLED



Advertiser Illustrations

From left to right—Pte. Alfred Rawling, Pte. Harry Rawling, C. A. S. C., and Gunner Jack Rawling, died of wounds December 2, France, sons of Mrs. J. Vale, 128 Langarth street.

Mrs. Vale recently received word that her young son, Gunner Jack Rawling, died of wounds in France December 2, the same day he received them. This is the first casualty among the three sons of Mrs. Vale, who all enlisted a year ago last March.

Gunner Rawling died just two days before his 20th birthday. His brother, Alfred, enlisted with the C. M. R. in Hamilton. He was wounded three months ago but is back in France at the present time.

Pte. Harry Rawling, the third son, is with the C. A. S. C. in this city.

PRICE DIFFERENCE IN OLEO CAUSING SOME QUESTIONS

Butter Substitute Is Much Cheaper Across Line.

Why should there be a difference of 13 cents a pound in the price of oleomargarine in Canada and the United States? This is the latest worrisome question to come before the consumer. The price of "oleo" in Canada has been announced at 35 cents a pound, while one grade can be bought in Detroit for 22 cents a pound. It is only the extra fancy stuff that can bring the high price of 35 cents across the border.

Here are the prices quoted in Detroit at the present time:

Uncolored oleomargarine, good grades, sell in 30-pound lots, 30 and 31 cents. Nut oleo sells 29 cents. Cheaper grades of animal product, wholesale, 22 and 24 cents. Retail prices are one to three cents higher on cheaper grades, with a one-cent advance on good grades. Fair quality oleo is offered at 25, 26 and 28 cents, wholesale. These are: Hammond, Standish & Co.'s prices, and are reliable. The Parker Webb Company quotes 24, 27 and 31 cents, wholesale, and in its retail department, 25, 28 and 32 cents. It offers extra fancy proprietary product at 34 cents, wholesale, and 35 cents, retail.

15 NEGROES HANGED OVER HOUSTON RIOT

San Antonio, Texas, Dec. 11.—Thirteen negroes were hanged at Fort Sam Houston at 7:15 this morning for complicity in the riot at Houston August 23.

Dr. Morin's Syrup of Hypophosphites.
A real nerve and tissue food. Regular $1.50 bottles for 79c at
Taylor 6 Cut-Rate Drug Stores.

FORMER LONDONER "MISSING" SINCE NOV. 10TH LAST

William Little, Who Dropped Commission, in Lists.

PTE. DELANEY WOUNDED

Reported in Hospital at Rouen With Gunshot Wound in Left Arm.

Word has been received in this city that William Little, third son of the late Rev. James Little, for many years of Birr, and of Mrs. Little, who removed a year ago from London to Guelph, has been wounded and missing since November 10. He had been at the front just a year to the day, going to France with the 5th Battalion. He went overseas with the rank of lieutenant with the 152nd Battalion, but dropped his commission in order to get to the front.

Previous to going overseas, he had been prominent in business and financial circles in Southern Saskatchewan, and was for a length of time manager of the Weyburn Security Savings Bank in Weyburn, where he made his home. He was a graduate of the London Collegiate Institute, and with his family is widely known in this city and district. His wife is remaining in their home in Weyburn during the absence of her husband on overseas service. The mother, Mrs. Little, is making her home now with another son, Rev. George S. Little of Guelph. Further news in regard to Lieut. Little is anxiously awaited, not only by relatives, but by hosts of friends both in Ontario and the west.

Pte. Gerald James Delaney has been wounded the second time since going overseas from this city with the 70th Battalion. A telegram to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Delaney, 558 Central avenue, today notified them that he is in a hospital at Rouen with a gunshot wound in the left arm. Last September he received a gunshot wound in the head. Previous to enlisting he was employed in one of the Taylor drug stores here.

A CORRECTION.

In Gray's, Limited, announcement of Monday, one of the department items under the heading, "Handkerchiefs for Men," had the wrong price. "Initialed Linen Handkerchiefs, 6 in box," were quoted at $1, whereas it should have been "Men's Initialed Linen Handkerchiefs, 6 in box, $1.50." 51u

WOMEN WHO ARE TO SPEAK HERE WELL QUALIFIED

Work for Patriotic Endeavors Has Familiarized Them With Conditions as They Are.

BIG RALLY THIS EVENING

All Phases of Election Campaign To Be Discussed at Auditorium.

Mrs. Rose Henderson of Toronto, who addresses the mass meeting for women this evening in the Y.M.C.A. Auditorium on the issues of the day and of this election, is a speaker of exceptional breadth of knowledge, brilliancy and power. She made a profound impression when she addressed the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada recently held in Ottawa, where she took her audience by storm.

Mrs. Henderson has been closely associated since the outbreak of war with work on behalf of soldiers' wives and families, and is thoroughly familiar with all phases of the treatment accorded them. She has made an exhaustive research of industrial problems as they affect women, and is especially competent to speak along these lines.

With addresses also by Mrs. Prenter of Toronto, Mrs. (Capt.) Hallam of London, and George S. Gibbons, Labor-Liberal candidate, a program of much interest is expected. It will doubtless be necessary for those desiring seats to be very early at the auditorium.

Mrs. Prenter will deal especially with a subject which affects the homemakers, namely, the reason for the high cost of living, resulting from profiteering. She arrived in town this afternoon from St. Marys, where she addressed an enthusiastic meeting last night.

Since the outbreak of war, Mrs. Prenter has been a most active patriotic worker in Toronto, through the Red Cross and other organizations.

Probably no speaker at the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada held recently in Ottawa, made a more profound impression than Mrs. Henderson, who spoke for more than an hour, holding the closest attention of her audience. Like Mrs. Prenter she has devoted herself untiringly to patriotic work during the war.

Mrs. Hallam, who will make her first appearance on a political platform in London, is the wife of a gallant officer who was killed in action, the late Capt. Hallam. Owing to this fact, special interest attaches to what she will have to say. A short address will also be given by the Labor-Liberal candidate, George S. Gibbons.

Members of the executive of the Women's Liberal Association and other Liberal women of the city are invited to take seats on the platform.

MORE THAN 500 PERMITS GIVEN MEN OF CLASS 1

Local Deputy Registrar Under M. S. A. Kept Busy by New Regulations.

JANUARY 3 LIMIT PUT ON

Eligibles in Category "A" Must Return to Canada by That Time.

More than 500 permits to men in class one in this military district, who wish to go to the States, have been granted since the proclamation was issued. Applications for 52 were received by Deputy Registrar W. E. Wismer today.

Every man in class one must have a permit before he can cross the border into the United States. Many men have gone to the border without first obtaining a permit and have as a result been forced to remain there same days or return here to secure the necessary document.

Deputy Registrar Wismer wishes to make it plain to all men in class one under the military service act the procedure necessary in order to secure a permit. A man making application for a permit must send in his notice of disposition of his claim as made by the tribunal which heard his case. Each man received a sheet signed by the members of the tribunal and this sheet must accompany the application for permit, otherwise the request will not be considered.

In addition to this, a letter of reference from a prominent businessman, bank manager or a clergyman in the town where the applicant resides must accompany the application for permit.

These precautions are necessary in order to guard against permits being issued to men who may not as yet have either claimed exemption or reported for service.

To the present but few permits have been refused, although the failure of applicants to send in the required information has occasioned delay in their getting the permit.

Permits for category A men will not be issued for a time any longer than January 3, the time when the first draft call will be made. Men in categories below A may be allowed a longer period of time out of the country. Although this point has not yet been definitely decided.

Married men between 20 and 34 are advised if going to the United States alone, to take along the marriage certificate as proof of marriage.

CANADA

The silver clarion call shrilled thro' our homeland,
"Awake! my sons! the horrent brood's awing!"
And quick they sprang—from East to far Pacific,
Four hundred thousand soldiers of their King!

From bench and workshop, office, farm and woodland,
From sea to sea they gathered to the call;
And not one whit less brave the homeland's daughters
Gave up, at honor's bid, their men, their all!

Oh! happy land! that hath so splendid broodlings!
Oh! golden land! brave child of sire so brave!
Right worthy scion of that glorious empire
That, by God's grace, still rules the restless wave!

So we rejoice with pride and upraised voices—
With quiv-ring lips our warriors' praise we sing;
And from full hearts we pray in constant chorus—
God save our boys—God bring them home.
God bless our gallant King!
—A. E. Welch.

FARMERS' BANK GHOST STALKS BORDEN TRAIL

Another of His Chickens Coming Home to Roost With Vengeance.

PUT IT UP TO CLARKE

North Bruce Depositors Urged to Have Him Announce His Position at Once.

Another of Borden's chickens is coming home to roost!

Sir Robert's promise on the floor of the house that the Dominion of Canada was in duty bound to reimburse the unfortunate investors in the Farmers' Bank is the newest one to wing its way home. The Farmers' Bank relief committee is organizing all over the province and elsewhere to "put it up" to Borden and his followers what they will do.

The following letter speaks for itself. It is written by I. E. Weldon, of Lindsay, solicitor for the relief committee to one of the unfortunate depositors in Allenford in the North Riding of Bruce, Hon. Col. Hugh Clarke's home riding. It follows:

Lindsay, Ont., Dec. 7, 1917.

Dear Sir,—Now that Sir Robert Borden has officially selected his candidates in Ontario, and that Colonel Hugh Clarke, ex-M.P., is in the field as a supporter of the Unionist Government, we should make a determined effort to impress upon him the claims of the Farmers' Bank depositors, and should ascertain his stand in the event of a Unionist Government being returned. A strong deputation, therefore, should be organized at Allenford to wait upon Colonel Hugh Clarke at the earliest possible moment.

We should not forget that Sir Robert Borden stated in the House of Commons that the Government of Canada was in duty bound to reimburse these unfortunate depositors. A committee is taking this matter up with all the branches of the defunct bank and it will endeavor to line up every member of Parliament. Allenford, therefore, should get busy without a moment's delay.

As Colonel Clarke holds one of the honorary secretaryships, an important position in the Government, I would urge upon you on behalf of the committee that there be not a moment's delay in organizing a deputation to wait upon Colonel Clarke and have him announce the position to the Government in the matter.

Yours truly,
I. E. WELDON,
Solicitor for Farmers' Bank Depositors Relief Committee.

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POET-HUMORIST PLEASINGLY HEARD AT CLUB'S BANQUET

Edgar A. Guest Addresses Noon Luncheon.

Edgar A. Guest of the Detroit Free Press was the guest of honor at a joint luncheon of the Canadian and Rotary Clubs on Monday, and gave a recital of his poems. The large gathering was delighted with him, and he has won a place in Londoners' hearts for all time to come.

Mr. Guest explained that he had been anxious for a long time to come to Canada, just to show his interest in Canada and her gallant sons, who had done such wonderful things. He was pro-Ally to the core. His poems were of a high order, gems all of them. He made a great hit with his poem on the "Princess Pats," a bit of verse that is of an exceptionally high order.

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HALIFAX LOOTER

parts of Canada and from cities in the United States in making further progress toward bringing back more normal conditions. The refusal to admit curiosity-seekers to the city already has resulted in a noticeable lessening of the congestion which was threatening a serious impediment to the care of the injured, the feeding and housing of the homeless and the reconstruction of the devastated district.

Repairing Buildings.

Hundreds of men were busy today about the less badly damaged buildings. The chief task here was to replace broken windows and doors and to repair roofs torn open by pieces of flying wreckage in the explosion last Thursday. The supply of window glass sent here from other cities proved particularly useful and a party of skilled glaziers from Boston assisted in replacing the thousands of shattered panes.

For all concerned last night was the most restful since the explosion. The sinking of the munitions steamer Picton yesterday, with the subsequent official assurance that there were no more explosive-laden vessels in the harbor, drove away fears of further possible disaster and permitted resident and relief workers to sleep in peace.

SEEK PARENTS FOR ORPHANS.

New York, Dec. 11.—The Canadian Club of this city is making plans to induce New York men and women to adopt children who lost their parents in the Halifax disaster, it was announced today by the president, Thos. D. Neelands. A number of prominent people here have approved of the plan, Dr. Neelands said. The club also plans to co-operate in any movement for the prominent care of orphans who cannot be brought here.

ALBANY SENDS SUPPLIES.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 11.—A special train carrying lumber and other building materials, blankets and clothing, will leave here tonight for Halifax.

Frederick P. Gutelius, vice-president and general manager of the Delaware and Hudson Railroad, and former head of the Canadian railways, will accompany the train, which has been donated by his corporation.

LATE GEORGE COPP CAME FROM WOODSTOCK

GUELPH, Dec. 10.—George Copp, perhaps the oldest printer in Ontario, died at the general hospital here today. He was 75 years of age, and was born and learned the trade of a printer at Woodstock. He came to Guelph when a young man and was employed continuously in the Mercury office for a period of 52 years. He leaves two sons, Albert and Cecil, of Toronto.

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RULES OF HEALTH FOR DYSPEPTICS

DIETING UNNECESSARY

There are two ways by which people who suffer from indigestion, dyspepsia, sour stomach, flatulence, etc., can overcome the trouble. First, as practically all cases of the above are directly or indirectly traceable to acidity and fermentation, they can eliminate from their diet all foods which ferment and form acid, such as all starches and sugar and foods containing them, thus prohibiting bread, potatoes, fruits and most meats. About the only safe foods are gluten breads, spinach and small quantities of white meat of chicken or turkey. This diet is almost a starvation one, but it is sometimes quite effective. The second way, which appeals especially to those who like to eat hearty meals of good foods, is to eat whatever is reasonably digestible, neutralize the acid and stop fermentation by the use of a good antacid such as bisurated magnesia; a teaspoonful of which in a little water immediately after eating or whenever pain is felt, instantly neutralizes the acid, stops the fermentation and permits the stomach to do its work without pain or hindrance. Owing to its simplicity, convenience and effectiveness this latter plan is now being adopted, instead of the old-fashioned, expensive, weakening starvation process. In this connection it is interesting to note that since the widespread use of bisurated magnesia was established, many druggists have arranged to supply it in 5-grain tablets, 2 or 3 of which are equivalent to a teaspoonful of the powder form and are much more convenient to carry.

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