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- One only 24-inch High Candlestick, regular \$6.00, for \$4.00
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- One only 16-inch High Candlestick, regular \$3.50, for \$2.00
- Two only Large Brass Serving Trays, with handles, regular \$4.50, for \$3.00
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- Three only Large Round Brass Serving Trays, fancy grape design, \$5.50, for \$4.00

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GEN. ARTHUR CURRIE AND RELATIVES ARE SOLID FOR LAURIER

Tories Making False Statements in Effort to Gain Victory.

NEWBURY, Dec. 14.—A most enthusiastic meeting was held here last evening in the interests of the Liberal candidate, Duncan C. Ross. Geo. Innis, president of the Liberal Association of West Middlesex, Mr. Currie, a cousin of Gen. Arthur Currie, and Duncan C. Ross were the speakers, with Stephen Fennell in the chair.

It was plainly shown by the speakers that Borden's Quebec colleagues couldn't make a very stirring appeal to the French-Canadian for recruits, when in 1908, at the time Laurier introduced the navy bill, they had told them they had done enough for Britain. Mr. Currie said Gen. Arthur Currie is a staunch Liberal, and that the Conservatives are trying to ride to victory

on his shoulders by using his name with many false statements. "The Ross rifle is a fine gun but it won't shoot." The meeting broke up with cheers for Ross and Laurier.

The Knox Church Sunday school will hold its Christmas entertainment on Friday, December 21. An excellent program is being prepared, consisting of a patriotic play, a military drill chorus, etc.

WROXETER WOMEN BUSY AT RED CROSS WORK

WROXETER, Dec. 14.—The monthly shipment of the Red Cross Society to headquarters contained the following articles: 44 suits pajamas, 9 flannel shirts, 72 towels, 56 pairs socks.

Peter Milligan has disposed of the draying business to John Gemmill of Howick.

Dr. B. J. and Mrs. Hazelwood of Bowmanville visited the former's father, W. C. Hazelwood, recently.

J. Gilmore and family have moved to Lucknow.

ARRESTED IN RUSSIA.
Petrograd, Dec. 15.—Charles S. Smith of St. Louis, a member of the staff of John P. Stevens, head of the American Railway Commission to Russia, is reported to have been arrested.

CHEW STAG TOBACCO

"Ever-lasting-by Good"

AFFIDAVIT SHOWS POLITICS WORKING IN CONSCRIPT ACT

J. E. Hodgins of Kincardine, a Former Conservative, Is Told His Son Would Have Got Exemption Easily if He Had Kept is D—Mouth Shut.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
KINCARDINE, Dec. 14.—The political pot in North Bruce is more than boiling. John MacAulay, the Independent Liberal, will surely win the riding on Monday next. Col. Hugh Clark's friends are using every means in their power to avert defeat. R. J. Stewart, a local lawyer, and a member of the local military tribunal, is doing his utmost for Col. Clark. The following affidavit from Thomas E. Hodgins, a local merchant, shows that nothing will stand in the way of the machine in its attempt to scare and influence voters:

AFFIDAVIT.
"I, Thomas Edward Hodgins, of the town of Kincardine, in the County of Bruce, produce dealer, do solemnly declare that:
"(1) I reside and carry on business at said town of Kincardine, and up to this election have been a consistent Conservative and always supported Hugh Clark in this riding, but am unable to do so in this election.
"(2) That my son, Edward H. Hodgins, claimed exemption under the military service act. He was examined by a medical board at Wingham and placed in Class D. 3, and on presenting his medical chart to local tribunal, No. 30, of Kincardine, he was granted exemption until the above mentioned class was called up. This exemption is dated November 29, last.
"(3) That nothing further was heard of the matter until today, when R. J. Stewart, one of the members of the said tribunal, and a strong personal friend of Col. Hugh Clark, the Conservative candidate in this riding, came to me and said that Mr. Brown, the military representative here, was appealing against my son's exemption. That if I had kept my 'damned mouth shut' it would have gone through all right and there would have been nothing about it, but that I was talking too much against Union Government and Clarke to which replied that I would go ahead, that my son's health was not right and he was under the doctor's treatment for six months. Stewart said it might turn out all right, but that it was going to cost me a lot in trouble and believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath, and by virtue of the Canada evidence act.—J. E. HODGINS."
Declared before me, at the town of Kincardine, in the county of Bruce, this 13th day of December, A.D. 1917.
"P. A. MALCOMSON, a Commissioner, Etc."

This is not the only case that has come to the notice of Mr. MacAulay's supporters.

Two farmers consulted Mr. Malcomson, stating that they had been threatened with a charge of selling liquor, and that their only way out of being prosecuted was to see R. J. Stewart. As far as is known, they did not consult him. There is a big family vote, and it was hoped to influence these votes by the "scare route." The farmers are not afraid of prosecution, and are ready to put up a fight if any intimidation is attempted.

Col. Clark has stood by lost ground, and John MacAulay at the present moment looks like a sure winner.

HEAR DR. MERRISON AT MASS MEETING IN CITY HALL TONIGHT

Ladies Especially Invited to Hear Issues Discussed.

NEW MARKET OPEN TODAY

Committee to Appoint a Market Clerk Very Shortly.

SARNIA, Dec. 14.—A meeting in the interests of Dr. J. G. Merrison will be held in the city hall here on Saturday evening at 8 o'clock. It was not known until today whether the hall could be secured for Saturday. The meeting will be addressed by Dr. Merrison, Wallace Tressler and John Cowan, K. C. All ladies are especially invited to attend.

WILL OPEN TODAY.

SARNIA, Dec. 14.—The new market building will be open to the public on Saturday morning. The interior work having been completed and counters placed. The doors will be thrown open for producers and buyers. Several applications have been made for the position of market clerk. The market and printing committee will select one as soon as possible.

CAME IN LATE.

SARNIA, Dec. 14.—Pte. H. S. Crawford and A. A. Land arrived home last night, but on account of no official notification having been received until 11:30 p.m. the Soldiers' Aid Commission was unable to welcome the boys. However, Thos. Grace was on hand with his car and took Pte. Crawford to his home on Christina street. Pte. Land had to walk home through the heavy snow on the Plank road. The Soldiers' Aid Commission regrets this very much.

ELECTORS RESENTED INSULTS OF PLEWES

HIGHGATE, Dec. 14.—J. W. Plewes got an answer to some of his campaign advertising here tonight. A crowd which filled the hall to capacity refused to let him speak until he had explained such arguments as, "A vote for Laurier is a vote for the Kaiser." Mr. Plewes couldn't explain to the satisfaction of the audience, and finally gave up all efforts to make a speech.

Mrs. Gordon Wright of London also essayed to speak for the Union Government. She got a trifle better hearing than Mr. Plewes.

The voters of this district are solidly behind Archie McCall, and the only question now is how big his majority will be on Monday.

U. S. SCHOONER DRIVEN ASHORE; A TOTAL LOSS

AN ATLANTIC PORT, Dec. 14.—The Nova Scotia schooner Vanita (45 tons) was driven ashore on an island at the entrance to the harbor during a gale today, and probably will be a total loss. The crew landed safely.

FIRST CONTINGENT KEPT IN TRENCHES AS VOTE-CATCHERS

Were Ready to Come Home When Election Appeared.

PETITIONS WERE REFUSED

Corp. Wright Says Boys Overseas Do Not Want Conscription.

Why did the Borden Government reject the earnest petitions of some thousands of London and Western Ontario soldiers' relatives and friends asking that the remnants of the first Canadian expeditionary force, who had been braving death in the front-line trenches for three years, be allowed home on furlough to rest and visit their relatives? They were told that military exigencies would not allow such a step. The truth is that this earnest prayer of the mothers and wives and sisters "the boys of the first" was denied solely for political exigencies.

Corp. Fred L. Wright, Acton, who for months has been battling for his life in a hospital in England, so writes to Miss Annie Stalker, Acton.

His letter was published in the Acton Free Press.

Denounces Government.
It is a stirring denunciation of the Borden Government. It exposes to what length that Government will go to gain a political advantage. It shows that the Borden Government is willing to sacrifice the very blood of Canada's soldiers who have already bled for their country to get a political advantage.

"I expected to have had leave to go to Canada all summer," writes Corp. Wright, "but he says he has been wondering if he could pick up enough strength to write. They were ready to send us home the week heads at Ottawa stopped us. They said that they could not let us home for here we will conscription was in force, as they could not spare us from the front. This is only a blind and all 'commy'." says the corporal, "because there are now only a few left of the first contingent."

"I will not vote for a Government that has kept us from seeing our friends who are so kind to us, after living through nearly three years of fighting," declared the writer. He added: "They have no principle when they use that dodge to gain a political end."

"I have my own views on conscription," he says, "and if it comes to a vote I will vote against it. I am not a politician. I am a soldier. Who said the boys at the front wanted conscription?" asks the corporal. "They have no right to find out differently when it comes to a vote, I'm thinking."

The mothers and wives, who numbered among the thousands who signed the petition asking that their kin be allowed to come home in the above true answer to their petition. The letter is not a political one. It is lengthy, and the above reference only concludes a long story on war conditions.

Union Government supporters are telling these mothers and wives that when they vote on Monday they will decide whether or not their kin are coming home for a rest. Corp. Wright, and who knows but what his mother was one of the petitioners, told quite plainly that he was kept away, just to enable the Borden Government to make this city as a vote-getter.

GALT JUNIORS WITHDRAW; INTERMEDIATES ENTERED

GALT, Dec. 14.—Unable to secure suitable grouping, the Galt hockey club has withdrawn its entry in the junior series of the O.H.A., and Secretary G. L. McFarland today entered an intermediate team. There is a lot of new material in the city available for a fast intermediate sextet, including Vince of Paris, Davis of London, Gordon of Ingersoll, and all of those of Toronto University. The city league will be run to develop junior players for next year.

ROYAL BANK AUTHORIZES \$50,000 FOR HALIFAX

MONTREAL, Dec. 14.—The Royal Bank of Canada has authorized the payment of \$50,000 to the Halifax relief fund.

OTTAWA REFUSES TO GIVE FIGURES OF APPEALS FROM QUE. EXEMPTIONS

But More Than 80 Per Cent of Eligibles in Canada Have Had Claims Granted.

MAKES JOKE OF THE ACT

Estimate That 25,000 Would Be All Required for Present Significant.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
OTTAWA, Dec. 14.—The Military Service Council at Ottawa today refused to give the figures of exemptions or military appeals to The Advertiser. No reason for this refusal was given, and the secrecy is significant at a time when the country is clamoring to know the truth about the Government's attitude toward Quebec exemptions.

The Military Council agreed to give out the figures for all Canada, however, and these official returns are herewith given:

All classes disposed of..... 258,206
Claims granted 225,324
Claims refused 42,882

This would indicate an exemption of more than 80 per cent for the whole country which is far below the estimate. Premier Borden has stated that the whole 100,000 should come from the first class, but according to the Military Council less than half the required number has been secured.

To be subtracted from this number may be the farmers who have been conscripted but have been promised exemption. It is possible that if the whole exemption promised were carried through almost half of those now regarded as soldiers and subject to the first call would be lost.

It is significant, then, that General McEwen stated at Dundas that only 25,000 men would be required for the present. The apparent solution is that 25,000 was all the Government could secure with conscription since it started to use the act as a political football.

JAZZ BAND CONCERT AT WINTER GARDEN TONIGHT

A novel treat is in store for those who attend the Winter Garden tonight, when a Jazz Band will play all the latest jazz music. The management has engaged a splendid band for the night only. A concert will be given from 8 to 9:30. This special treat provided for the patrons of the popular Winter Garden by the wide-awake management will no doubt be much appreciated.

SERVICE TO THE NATION DEMANDS GOOD HEALTH

War is bringing home to every man, woman and child the fact that service to the nation is not a matter alone for the soldier and sailor and munition worker.

There is work, necessary work, for everyone to do, in the way of thrift and production and to do this work, health is the first essential. Even the most willing will find progress is slow if the health is bad.

Probably the most common complaint among those doing unaccustomed tasks is backache. Work may cause a tired feeling that will easily pass off but this backache that almost always comes on up is an indication of a condition of the system that needs treatment. The kidneys are giving evidence of their weakness and the sufferer should be thankful for the timely warning given by this pain.

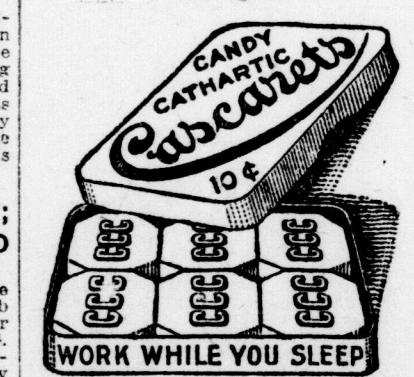
The quickest and surest relief from backache is a treatment with Gin Pills. Gin Pills are the tested specific for the healing of the kidneys. Anyone who wishes to perform his or her full duty to the Nation in these strenuous times will find relief from backache in Gin Pills.

Sold by all dealers—50c. a box, or 6 boxes for \$2.50. Money back if you are not satisfied. Free sample on request to National-Drug & Chemical Co. of Canada, Limited, Toronto, or to the U.S. Address, Na-Dru-Co Inc., 202 Main St. Buffalo, N.Y.

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Don't Stay Constipated. With Breath Bad, Stomach Sour, or a Cold.

Enjoy Life! Live Your Liver and Bowels Tonight and Feel Fine.



Tonight surely! Remove the liver and bowels poison which is keeping your head dizzy, your tongue coated, breath offensive and stomach sour. Don't stay bilious, sick, headachy, constipated and full of cold. Why don't you get a box of Cascarabs from the drug store now? Eat one or two tonight and enjoy the nicest, gentlest liver and bowel cleansing you ever experienced. You will wake up feeling fit and fine. Cascarabs never gripe or bother you all the next day like calomel, salts and pills. They act gently, but thoroughly. Mothers should give cross, sick, bilious or feverish children a harmless Cascarab any time. They are harmless and children love them.

LAURIER MAJORITY 36 IN NEXT HOUSE OVER ALL PARTIES

Even Break in Ontario With Borden.

WILL CARRY MARITIME

Lineup Will Be: Laurier, 135; Borden, 60, and Others 39.

[By Canadian Press.]

OTTAWA, Dec. 14.—A statement as to Liberal prospects Monday (election day), attributed to Ontario headquarters of the Liberal rally, given out here tonight, claims that 135 straight Laurier supporters will be elected. The Liberals, in making their calculations, divide the candidates into three groups—Bordenites, Laurierites and Independents—the latter including Liberal-Unionists, non-party, and Labor. The estimate follows:

Laurier seats—Maritime Provinces 15, Quebec 60, Ontario 33, the west 21; total 132.

Borden seats—Maritime Provinces 10, Quebec 5, Ontario 33, the west 12; total 60.

Liberal-Unionists, Labor, etc.—Maritime Provinces 2, Quebec 0, Ontario 16, the west 20; total 38.

According to this calculation the Liberals claim a majority in the next House of Commons of 36 over all others.

SOLOMON GOSNELL INSTANTLY KILLED NEAR RIDGETOWN

Editor of Highgate Monitor Hit by M. C. R. Freight.

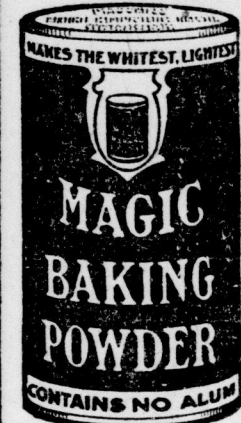
RIDGETOWN, Dec. 14.—Solomon Gosnell, editor and proprietor of the Highgate Monitor, was instantly killed at 6 o'clock tonight at the townline crossing between Howard and Aldboro Townships, when a westbound Michigan Central freight crashed into the cutter in which he was driving home. Owing to the severity of the weather he was heavily muffled, and it is supposed failed to hear the train approaching. He had for some time past been getting the type for his paper handled in the Plandeaer office here, and had been in town all afternoon getting ready for tomorrow's issue. He was 40 years old, and besides his wife is survived by two sons and one daughter. Coroner Marr will conduct an inquest into the fatality.

INCREASE IN COAL PRICES NOT APPLICABLE HERE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Decision

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of Fuel Administrator Garfield to permit an increase of \$1.35 a ton over the domestic price scale on export and for- eign bunker coal will permit American producers to keep at home profits which heretofore have been collected by foreign dealers. Dr. Garfield's announcement made yesterday, applies to all countries with the exception of Canada and Mexico.

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Your troubled, unsettled mind, your inability to concentrate, or your fatigue from ordinary work simply shows that the drain on your strength is greater than your system is supplying and you need the powerful, nourishing force in

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