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"We are fighting for a worthy purpose, and we shall not lay down our arms until that purpose has been fully achieved."—H. M. The King.

TO THE PEOPLE OF THE EMPIRE—Every fighting unit we can send to the front means one step nearer peace.

THAT HABEAS CORPUS BUSINESS.

Those judges of the Supreme Court of the Province of Alberta who have declared that the resolution passed by Parliament abolishing the exemption formerly granted to unmarried men of 20 to 23 years of age is illegal and cannot stand against the process of Habeas Corpus are not to be commended for their patriotism no matter what may be said of their astuteness. The trouble they have created cannot but hinder the operation of the Military Service Act and the reinforcement of our Canadian troops at the front which is so largely dependent upon the successful working of that act.

It is admitted that many of the local tribunals established throughout Canada under that act were shamefully slack in their performance of their duty. As a result exemptions were granted which, in the spirit of the act and the mind of the men who passed it, never intended should be granted and the act itself failed to produce the men required. To overcome this the Government under the authority of the Military Service Act and preceding legislation enacted by Parliament framed an Order in Council abolishing for unmarried men of 20 to 23 years the exemption privilege. This Order in Council was submitted to Parliament and approved by formal resolution.

But because it was done by a resolution instead of embodying the purport of the resolution in a regularly drawn statute, Alberta lawyers who are invoking Habeas Corpus in the interests of service evaders, took advantage of a technicality to declare the resolution would not stand in law and three of four judges of the Alberta Supreme Court sustained the point.

The result will be that if by any chance the Government can be induced to delay the enforcement of the Parliamentary resolution it will only be until Parliament can be summoned in emergency session to enact a statute. And when that statute has been enacted the young men who have taken refuge behind a technicality will naturally be sought out and brought into khaki. The action of the Alberta Court cannot do more than cause a temporary delay although that delay, at the present time will be serious enough.

Altogether it looks like a senseless and unpatriotic proceeding.

A MATTER OF ROADS.

Much has been said and written in newspapers supporting the Veniot administration as to the fine condition of the roads throughout the province. It is admitted that, prior to the recent heavy rains some of the roads were in better shape than formerly, but this is not so with all of them. In many cases the government claims to have done permanent roadwork where, as a matter of fact, no work of the sort was attempted, the most that was done in some cases being ordinary roadwork formerly paid for out of ordinary revenue, but under the Veniot economists, now charged to permanent account. In other cases it is alleged no work was done but the charges remain.

Numerous instances of this sort can be cited but one will suffice. There is a much travelled road in Restigouche County in the Parish of Dalhousie, on which the government claimed to have spent money on permanent work, but where ordinary work was not even done last year. In the Legislature, during the past session, Hon. B. Frank Smith asked some questions in regard to the roads in Dalhousie Parish, the answers to which, coupled with the facts of the case may throw some light upon Veniot methods. The questions and answers taken from the official records are as follows:

Q. 1—"In what section of the Parish of Dalhousie did Henry McIntyre expend \$640.50 under the head of Permanent Roads?"

A.—"In what section did John Nolan expend \$108.88 in the same Parish under the head of Permanent Roads?"

Answer to No. 1—"Henry McIntyre expended \$73.88 on permanent repairs on trunk road between Campbellton and Blair Mountain road \$297.68 from Mile 1 to Mile 5; \$143.00 from Mile 6 to end of section and \$109.92 from Campbellton to Mile 1.

Answer to No. 2—"John Nolan expended \$73.88 on permanent repairs on the trunk road on the hill near the West boundary of the Town of Dalhousie and the hill at Point LaNin \$35.00 on the trunk road along Red River Bar and Portage."

The answers to these questions were supplied from Mr. Veniot's department and should be correct, yet it is common knowledge in Campbellton that no permanent work was done on that section of road last year and even ordinary repairs were not made. It might be in order now for Mr. Veniot to tell the public what was done with the money.

THE GERMAN DRIVE.

Up to last evening the desperate German attack against the French and Americans has been far from successful and must have been decidedly disappointing to the Teuton war chiefs. Yesterday the Germans were not able to resume the general attack against the French which was valiantly broken by the latter on Monday. On the other hand the French and Americans have recaptured St. Agnan and La Chapelle—Monthon and have advanced to heights dominating the valley of the Marne in the region of Bourdonnerie and Cloemillon. Between the Marne and the City of Rheims the Franco-Italian troops repulsed several enemy attempts to conserve their positions. Various other German local attacks failed.

The only progress the Germans were able to make yesterday has been to the east of Rheims, in the Prunay sector, where in spite of terrible losses the enemy compelled the French to retire behind the River Vesle. The French are entrenched at Prunay behind the Vesle, two miles back of their original line. The greatest advance made by the enemy in the present thrust has been three and three-quarter miles, which was northeast of Chailion in Rodemot Wood. The French battle position is intact. At one and three-quarter miles south of the Marne, the Americans did excellent work in checking the rush and assisted the French to recapture those important points and advance to dominating heights.

Berlin announces that General Von Boehm was in command of the Germans which crossed the Marne on Monday. Berlin claims the capture of 13,000 prisoners.

The German offensive was launched on a scale at least equal to that of March 21, when so many initial gains were made, but the result this time has been far different and the enemy has suffered so heavily and is facing such an inferno of fire, as one of the Teuton officers expressed it, that they have faltered in a desperate effort to collect themselves and bring up more men and guns to face the unexpected situation. The Allied leaders are extremely confident, and while the storm centre has by no means passed, it is felt that the Hun will fall a long way short of even getting within army long range bombardment of the capital of the French republic. Indeed it appeared last night that the Crown Prince's army will have all it can attend to in the next few days in holding its own from the well directed Allied counter-attacks.

THE FINANCIAL RECORD.

The Dominion Government has issued its statement of revenue and expenditure for the first three months of the fiscal year 1918-19 and while the time covered is not sufficiently long to make its results a notable indication of what the year will show yet, so far as it goes, the statement is satisfactory. There was a decrease of more than \$2,000,000 in customs taxes, which may represent but a temporary condition, but the whole revenue, compared with the same period of last year shows a good gain and there has been a decrease in the expenditure. The figures of revenue are as follows:

	1917.	1918.
Customs taxes	\$43,969,438	\$41,591,236
Excise taxes	6,886,302	6,195,987
Post office	4,750,000	4,800,000
Works and railways	5,888,580	6,508,050
Miscellaneous	3,127,967	7,575,349
Total	\$63,322,589	\$67,070,724

The receipts from the post office, from public works and railways and from miscellaneous sources all show slight gains indicative of increasing or sustained general business activity.

The record of the expenditures is also one to create satisfaction. It gives the amount of the outlays on the ordinary administrative services, on public works, railways and canals, and on the war as follows:

	1917.	1918.
Administrative services	\$10,335,961	\$17,598,336
Works and railways	2,078,804	1,856,916
War	\$12,414,765	\$19,454,242
Total	\$24,829,530	\$38,919,494

There is thus shown a surplus of \$38,228,000 up to the end of June of the present year, compared with one of \$30,270,000 to the same date in 1917. The war expenditures, it will be noted, have been smaller this year than last; but this is not to be regarded as indicating any great lessening of the yearly cost, though it is understood that certain charges in Great Britain are being curtailed. This month's return may show an increase in war as in the general expenditures, the latter being

heavy in July on account of the payment of subsidies to the provinces. A fair beginning has been made on the year.

THAT AGREEMENT.

(St. John Globe.)
 Reports of the Legislative Assembly are quoted by Fred R. Taylor to refute the statement of Hon. John Morrissey that he never saw and never signed the agreement between the city and the Street Railway. These reports show Hon. Mr. Morrissey as introducing into the Legislature and supporting with a speech a bill to give effect to the agreement. It is now up to Hon. Mr. Morrissey to explain his letters to Mr. Hatheway denying knowledge of the document bearing his signature. The fact that a bill based on the agreement was introduced into the Legislature, but failed of passage, makes all the more mysterious the disclaimer of knowledge of the agreement by ex-Mayor Prink and Mayor Hayes, who were members of the City Council at the time. As the bill was withdrawn because of the strenuous opposition of Messrs. Baxter, Wilson and other St. John government supporters, who are said to have threatened to resign if the government persisted in its determination to pass the bill, the argument against its future passage and for restoration to the St. John assessment bill of the taxation provisions affecting the railway company, is made much stronger. Discussion of the agreement by Mr. Hatheway has directed attention to the fact that the government and the company prepared an agreement which infringed civic rights. That agreement has not yet been made law. It is now for the city to make its voice heard as to the secret negotiations affecting its interests, as well as to its attitude toward the terms of the agreement.

A BIT OF VERSE.

FRANCE
 Not only is the land dyed red with blood,
 But every, with reflected light from fires,
 That burn within thy patriots' hearts aflame,
 With love and sacrifice for thy fair
 For home and friends and that dear liberty,
 Beloved, O France, by all who die for thee.

We fancy e'en thy babies (their spirits freed)
 Too soon, by brutish minds their death decreed.)
 Smiled in those cruel faces, proud to win
 Their flight, companioned by those hero-souls
 Released by death to hover over thee,
 To keep, O France, their watch and ward o'er thee.

Even thy maids, of innocence bereft,
 Burdened by cares their souls loathed to assume.
 They shall so deeply grieve and brood o'er thee
 As to impress the children some may bear
 With love for thee, so quenchless, so profound.
 That they, O France, shall live to heal thy wound!

Young orators are numbered with thy dead
 Ere yet their eloquence won fame abroad;
 Thy singers' lips are silenced by death's seal.
 Thy artists' fingers frozen by his chill;
 But, by their very loss inspired will be
 Others, O France, to praise and honor thee.

Nurses and doctors, clergymen and teachers,
 Who healed and trained your ailing bodies, minds,
 Have made for thee the last great sacrifice.
 Have yielded up their lives, nor grudge the price
 They paid for freedom's sake, whose flag unfurled
 By thee, O France from tyrants saves a world.

Thy fathers, too, oh well may ye be proud
 Of younger ones who left their infant brood
 An heritage to thee, and all who feel
 How bravely ye endured the iron heel:
 The older gave the hope of their old age;
 And they, O France, shall grace thy glorious page.

Last we would praise, dear land, thy noble mothers
 Who gave the core of their strong hearts for others;
 Great Thespians, smiling as they cheer-
 ed them on
 Flesh of their flesh, to war's destroying zone,
 Fit mates for Bernhardt, actress most divine!
 The whole world, France, shall honor thee and France,
 The living and the dead!

—Marie Casilda.

A BIT OF FUN.

"Money" Draws The Line.
 I've beamed when you hollered, "Oh, Girl!"
 I've hopped when you bellowed, "Oh, say!"
 I've fallen for "Dearie" and "Missus."
 And everything else till today.
 But there's one thing that's got to be different.
 From now till the Great War is done
 Unless you're prepared for a riot,
 You've got to quit calling me "Hun!"

SYMPATHY.

A humane society had secured a downtown show window and filled it with attractive pictures of wild animals in their native haunts. A placard in the middle exhibit read:

"We were skinned to provide the

Little Benny's Note Book

BY LEE PAPE.

Ma gave me a 2 dollar bill to go a errand yesterday, and I stopped to talk to some of the fellows on the way, talking about where you can get the biggest ice cream cones and whether we wood rather be shot by a bullet or stabbed by a bayonet, and different things, and after that I stopped to watch a man pasting a poster up on a fence, wisseling between his teeth while he did it as if it was such a cinch for him to do that he could do it and wissel at the same time, and after that I stopped to watch a sparrow hopping around as if it could fly, any it could, wich it proved wen I tried to pick it up, and by the time I got to the grocery store I forgot wat the errand was, and I went inside and started to look all around, drinking, Maybe if I see wat it is maybe I'll remember wat it was. Wich just then the grocer man sed, Well, sunny, are you thinking of buying out the store?
 I forget wat she told me she wanted, I sed.
 Well I see you have a 2 dollar bill to get it with and I'll be glad to give you all the aid in my power, sed the grocer man.
 None of these things remind me of it, I sed. And I kepp on looking around, and the grocer man sed, Was it butter, was it tea?
 I dont think so, I sed, and he sed, Was it coffee, sugar, sumthing in cans?
 I dont think so I sed. And he kepp on mentioning different things and I kepp on not thinking so and looking around, and all of a sudden I sed, O, I remember.
 Clever lad, sed the grocer man.
 She wanted me to go to the drug store, I sed. And I started to walk out agen, the grocer man calling after me, You dum little shrimp, if you had twice as much brains you wood be half witted. Properly mad for a insult, and I kepp on walking out and went to the drug store.

women with fashionable furs."

A man paused before the window and his harassed expression for a moment gave place to one of sympathy. "I know just how you feel old tops," he muttered. "So was I."

Quilly.
 "Waiter!—hic—bring me a dish of prunes."
 "Stewed, sir?"
 "Now, thash none of yer bizness."

GRIM MURDER MYSTERY IN FALL RIVER

Torso and Other Portions of Girl's Body Found in Mt. Hope Bay.

POLICE HAVE LITTLE CLUE TO WORK UPON

The River Is Being Dragged For Upper Part of the Body.

Fall River, Mass., July 16.—The finding of the terribly butchered portions of a young woman's body in Taunton River and Mount Hope Bay and the failure thus far to identify the victim has convinced local authorities that complete mystery surrounds one of the most cold-blooded murders in the criminal annals of this state.

The finding of the lower part of the torso of the Atwater Coal Company's dock in Mount Hope Bay, while regarded as a step of progress towards the solution of the crime, does not warrant the police in expressing any confidence as to the outcome.

The finding of burned particles of clothing in the woods on the "Hill lands" is not considered by the police to be of such great importance, as there are scores of instances where parties buried clothing has been found in isolated places.

The police have absolutely no clue to work on. What they want is the identification of the remains, and this end they are exerting every effort. The names of missing girls left with the police have been looked up and thus far all have been accounted for. This end they are exerting every effort. The names of missing girls left with the police have been looked up and thus far all have been accounted for.

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J. E. LONG TO LEAVE THE C. G. RAILROAD

Moncton, July 16.—J. E. Long, safety engineer, who has been in charge of the "Safety First" department of the C. G. R. has resigned his position to accept another with the Delaware and Hudson railway. He will be stationed at Albany under P. F. Gutelius, formerly general manager of the C. G. R. Mr. Long is the gentleman who was mainly instrumental in starting the C. G. R. employees' magazine and he has been an important factor in the beautifying of the station grounds. Mr. Long will leave here on August 1.

Shell Shocked Nerves

Shattered nerves are the source of greatest suffering to many a returned soldier. The doctor can give something to relieve physical pain, but when the nervous system breaks down and you are sleepless, nervous and mentally worried, real cure only comes when the exhausted nerve cells are nourished back to health and vigor by such restorative, upbuilding treatment as Dr. Chase's Nerve Food.

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Alkali In Shampoos Bad for Washing Hair

Don't use prepared shampoos or anything else, that contains too much alkali, for this is very injurious, as it dries the scalp and makes the hair brittle.

The best thing to use is just plain mulsified coconut oil, for this is pure and entirely greaseless. It's very cheap, and beats anything else all to pieces. You can get this at any drug store, and a few ounces will last the whole family for months.

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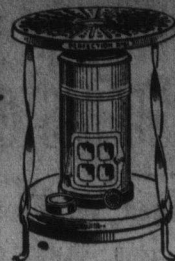
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