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How Shall the End Be?

Trembling in the balance these days is the military decision in France and Belgium. There is scarcely a doubt what the result will be, but as we said a few days ago, there is nothing incompatible with a prolongation of the war in a great victory on the present lines. The London Times took this view yesterday, but we regard it as a prudent reflection rather than a definite expectation. The probabilities are all in favor at present of a speedy collapse of the German power. It is doubtful if the present generation will ever realize the extraordinary magnitude of the operations now being carried on in the various theatres of war. Such epochal conflicts as Waterloo and other historic victories are surpassed daily by the vast movements of the millions of men engaged. The whole of humanity is in grips over the principle of liberty or autocratic tyranny.

Speculation is going on over the possible form that the break-up of the central powers' alliance will take Prussia has never been popular among the other score of German states. It is pointed out that Ferdinand of Bulgaria was in Vienna lately and met the kings of Bavaria and Saxony while there with the Emperor Karl. There may be much significance about this, since Bulgaria quit cold on Ferdinand's return to Sofia. Bavalla and Saxony know very well the jig is up, and they and Austria, too, may very well be glad to save their skins at the expense of Prussia, Prussia is unquestionably the bad man of the confederation, and the kaiser probably has not a real friend among them to-

A return to the small and indepen dent states system which existed prior to the Prussian hegemony would probably satisfy the entente alliance, and it would be in line with some of the best international thought of the day. It was in these small states, and not in Prussia, that German genius developed and German art and literature were cherished. A regenerated Germany might be more easily attained thru the individual states than thru a Prussianized and hate-inspired em-

It Was a Proper Vote.

It would have been most unfortunate for the public spirit of Canada and for the reputation of Toronto had not the city council voted the suma comparatively small one-requested by the association interested in the erection of the "Catholic huts" at the front. A few aldermen objected on the ground that the movement was a denominational one, but the same objection might be raised to the Y.M.C.A. or the Salvation Army huts. The fact is, no distinctions are made SUDBURY PROSECUTES or are practicable on the field of battle. There men are either friends or foes, and even foes, once they surrender, are not treated with malig-

A further fact is that a lot of the troops fighting in France are ligious, and it is only lack of knowlmen from home.

Women's Fine Effort.

The Women's Century has issued rank with anything of the sort ever pendent dealer who is selling at 14 published. It celebrates not only the extension of the franchise to the other half of humankind, but the fifth anniversary of the founding of The Women's Century. To have survived the difficulties of the first years cation of the 16 cents a quart. of the war, and to have emerged now with such a handsome volume as it INFLUENZA TIGHTENS really is, is a tribute to the tenacity, the business ability and the talent of the board that has carried on the publication.

Dean have been leaders in the work, treal barracks alone, it is evident and a perusal of the contents of the that the epidemic is a reality. Respecial number, which forms a hand-the spread of the disease among the book of women's public effort in soldiers of this military district are: Canada, will give some idea of the 10 deaths from St. John's, reported extent of the field which they and today; 23 deaths to date from St. John's; 596 cases altogether reported from St. John's; 13 new cases reportadvertising patronage has been most ed from St. John's today; 1 death in liberal, the index alone extending to the Montreal barracks; 150 cases reten columns, and the press work is of date. e finest.

BIGGER SUGAR BEET CROP.

New York, Oct. 2. — The sugar beet crop of the United States for this year 621 tons over that of 1917, but the general condition of the crop on August 1 was below that of the ten-year awarage, the federal food board announced here today. The estimate for 1918 is 6,350,000 tons, compared with 5,980,379 last year. The crop lice, and will continue to be regarded forest, yesterday were withdrawn to ment, was sentenced to Kingston Pen-

A KNOCKING AT THE DOOR



Triumphant Autumn Gales

By William Henry Taylor, Author of "Canadian Seasons," etc.

On the gales of this Autumn triumphant there swells Thrilling notes now vibrating from Victory's Bells, And from centre to surface, the old trembling earth, Feels relief from the pain of a New Era's birth.

Now the old shapes are passing, like spectres they glide. And Destruction's fell besom sweeps tyrants aside; They are weighed in the balance, and headlong they go, To a place long provided by demons below.

But the pen is a feather, the voice is a sigh, And for four weary years we have seen victims lie 'Neath the heel of the THING that has dared to profane All the Works and the Name of the God who mark'd Cain

Yet our prayers and our faith may have strengthen'd the hands Of the Heroes of Action, in those glorious bands, Whilst the Great God of Battles guides them from on High.

Do we dare to assert that the finger of God Is now using our soldiers as His mighty rod? Yes, the Tables of Stone given Moses of yore Will be borne in the ark by our men evermore.

In this Autumn of Glory forget not the spell, When defeat and despair rang a funefal knell; For the world sacrificed of its heart's blood the best, On the Altar of Freedom, where sleeping they rest.

'Midst the throng of the heroes who hurl back the foe, It's bad form to compare, when each warrior's blow, Is for One and for All, and for children unborn, So all races of men may salute the New Morn.

At this turn of the tide there's a jubilant chord In the bulletins flashing bright sparks from the sword, Of fair laurelled France, and of Belgium brave, And their chivalrous Allies, now smiting to save. The Toronto World, October 3, 1918

A DAIRY COMPANY

Sudbury, Oct. 2. - A unique prosecution has been launched in the local police court by the chief concharging the Amalgamated Dairies of Sudbury with a contra-vention of the Canada Food Board Catholics. They are all equally fight- regulations in charging 16 cents a ing for our liberties, civil and re- quart for milk, alleging that the concern is purchasing a large portion of its milk from farmers and others at edge that would make distinctions in 9 cents, and taking a spread of 7 cents the help to be rendered the fighting a quart, whereas the food board regulations permit a spread of only 5

Evidence that milk was for sale in wholesale quantities at 8 cents, cents and 10 cents a quart, in the disa special number which may take trict, and the testimony of an indecents a quart and claims to be making a fair profit, was submitted by the

prosecution.

An adjournment was granted by the court to allow the Amalgamated Dairies to submit a financial statement of their transactions in justifi-

GRIP ON MONTREAL

Montreal, Oct. 2. - With a total of 24 deaths from Spanish influenza and Mrs. MacIver and Mrs. Morgan 746 cases from St. John's and Mon-

the city from military medical author-levening, when Lieut.-General Sir lites. Many munition shops have suf-Richard Turner, V.C., will preside fered serious inconvenience and delay by the inroads of the disease Canadian officers, representing every

STILL ALIEN ENEMIES.

Ottawa, Oct. 2. - Citizens of Bulgaria residing in Canada will still be regarded as allen enemies by both man lines near St. Quentin, northwest the Dominion police and the city po- of Rheims and west of the Argonne

SERBO-GRECIAN TERMS OF PEACE FOR BULGARS

Washington, Oct. 2.-Serbia and Greece today announced their peace demands on Bulgaria. They are: 1. Reparation for all damages

occupied territory. 2. Abandonment of all plans for omination of the Balkans. 3. Guarantees that Greeks living on

Bulgarian territory shall not be exterminated. A Paris cable says: "The only wish of the Serbians is to return to their homes and resume life under norma and democratic conditions. not wish for additions to our territory by conquest, but desire to be left in peace," said Dr. M. R. Vensitch,

BULGARIAN SOCIALISTS SUPPORT ARMISTICE

Serbian minister to France, today.

Paris, Oct. 2 .- The unified Socialis deputies of the Bulgarian parliament have issued a declaration supporting energetically the proposition for an armistice and peace, says a Sofia despatch. They insist on a reasonable ending of the war by Bulgaria, and condemn anarchy of any description. The deputies recommend that the army remain united, and they invite the nation to support the work of peace and defend the constitutional guarantees of the country.

TO OBSERVE ARRIVAL.

Ottawa, Oct. 2.-Canadian military arrangements properly to commemorate Oct. 14 next, the fourth anniversary of the arrival of the first Canadian contingent in England on that date in 1914. The functions will indate. | clude a commemoration service in the Warnings have been sent out into afternoon, collowed by a dinner in the department of activity in the Canadian overseas forces.

WITHDRAWAL ADMITTED.

Berlin, Oct. 2. - Parts of the Gercondition, as given by the board's statement, was 88.6, whereas the average is 91.

The crop like, and will continue to be regarded to kingston rengerical itentiary for 10 years. Williams for statement issued today by the German otherwise.

IDA AT THE POLICE INQUISITION

BY IDA L. WEBSTER.

The third week of the police inves igation finds the assault and battery charges in the same class which the first day placed them. That is, there is absolutely no doubt but what they happened, but there is not a man on the force who is guilty of the offence, and we feel safe in saying that every officer has been called to the witness stand, and in some few cases they have been there two or three times. Considering that the "joke" has become such a lasting one, is it not now almost time to call it off and get busy with the people who are really and truly to blame for the whole thing? Individual policemen are not guilty of the dastardly work or actions which were perpetrated on the nights of the riot, but the police commissioners are, and they are the ones who should be giving evidence.

How on earth any same person can blame the men on the beat for the system itself is more than we can understand. They certainly had nothing whatever to do with the making of the rules and the regulations, in fact, we might go farther and say that they would have been severely censured had they had the audacity to make any comments upon it; that is, in the presence of their chief, or for that matter any other member of the commission.

Citizens were hit, and hit hard in charges in the same class which the

Citizens were hit, and hit hard in Citizens were hit, and hit hard in numbers of cases, and what is more they were whacked by police officers, but at the same time the policemen were being struck by various citizens; so that from a perfectly human stand-point it was six of one and half a mean that they were performing their duty, in an official way, because they were not, but if they did not have officers to tell them what to do, very naturally they were going to take matters into their own hands and defend themselves.

fend themselves, if they killed one-half the population in the attempt. So far it has not been possible for the officers in authority to say that any man was at any particular point the officers in authority to say that any particular point of the reason was at any particular point of the work."

I loathe doing flousework, so fail doing the entire slege. Does not that prove most conclusively that the system is all wrong? If there was any systematic way of "carrying on" on the Toronto police force, it would be merely matter of minutes before every officer would be accounted for, and in a city as large as this one, it is simply what the ordinary citizen would expect whould be most possible.

Dozens and dozens of policemen have been called who were supposed to have been stationed at the points where people were battered, but not one of them will admit of having hit any particular complainant, nor will they tell who did. Once again we say that this line of conduct is most natural, because you know, as well as you know that you are alive, that any sarring the entire doing flousework, so de, and paying her hand.

"I call it mighty good in you to let Mr. Heckett run around with Mollie when pou are away. She was in the when you are away. She was in the didn't do when you are away. She was in the when you are away. She was in the winder stand as penny to save my soul. But I love other day and she said she had a won derful time all the week. I scolded her, but she said you knew all about it, that Brian had told you."

"Certainly I did!" Ruth answered, with her while she, Ruth, was away. "Cretainly I did!" Bern and confermed her, but she said you knew all about it, that Brian had told you."

"Certainly I did!" Buth answered being with her while she, Ruth, was away. "Why shouldn't he?" she added, rather enjoying Brian's embarrassment. He independently that this line of conduct is most natural, because you know, as well as you know that you are alive, that any time she when the said as the points when Brian had confered being with her while she, Ruth as well as when you are alive, that in grant was her only answer. "Oth for the man had seen Mollie to tell her he had confered being with her while she, R

that this line of conduct is most natural, because you know, as well as you know that you are alive, that any man who would deliberately "snitch" on another is the worst sort of reptile in the world. Knowing this, surely a commissioners might show a the commissioners might show a slight sign of reason, and spare not only the members of the force, but also the citizens.

And speaking of the citizens, they are given almost as much consideration by one or two members of the commission as murderers would get in a night court. Apparently Col. Denison does not think that it is worth his valuable time to even extend them the ordinary every-day courtesy which one man is supposed to use toward another. Several reporters gave evidence yesterday, and they were treated in a most disgusting manner, in fact, in one case the person in the box was ridiculed be-Denison does not think that it is sworth his valuable time to even extend them the ordinary every-day courtesy which one man is supposed to use toward another. Several reporters gave evidence yesterday, and they were treated in a most disgusting manner, in fact, in one case the person in the box was indiculed beyond words. That sort of thing many be fearfully witty and clever, but it is also most unnecessary, and probably the surest method known to is also most unnecessary, and probably the surest method known to modern science of getting oneself dis-

With the passing of every hour in the police investigation it becomes more apparent that the police com-missioners should not have been permitted to sit on this case. They are the people who are guilty of whatever charges are being made, and surely it is not their place to judge their own mistakes. If the authorities at Ottawa and those in the parliament buildings here are not sufficiently interested in the welfare of the citizens Toronto to want to see them get a fair deal, then indeed is it high time for a change in governments, or at least in government officials.

And when this farce is over it will be most interesting to sit back and watch while the various persons who were hurt get busy with their law-suits. It should be most interesting reading when the commissioners are called to account for their share in the "doings." Besides that, it should show the people of Toronto just how very incompetent the present police system is, and how badly in need we are of a thoro shaking up, not only in the police department, but in the

GERMANS AIM TO HOLD KRIEMHILD SYSTEM

Paris, Oct. 2. - The developments in the situation on the American front northwest of Verdun tends to confirm the opinion that it is the en-emy's apparent intention to hold on to the Kriemhild-Steelung system of trenches running from Brieulles to the Bois de Cunel, thence south to Gesnes, then south along the ridges in the vicinity of Exermont, crossing the Aire River, one kilometre north of Apremont. The American line broadly conforms to this, developing a situation similar to that after St. Mihiel, with a broad outpost zone.

There is continuous artillery acti-vity along this sector and the American air forces are working without cessation. Last evening American pur suit planes engaged eight Fokkers and it is believed that one of the enemy's machines crashed

INFLUENZA DECREASING IN THE POLISH CAMP

Niagara Camp, Oct. 2. - The fight against the Spanish influenza in the Polish camp is progressing favorably, and today the number of cases in hospital was down to 146, the lowest in a couple of weeks. There were only even admissions yesterday, and the discharges numbered 22. There have been 14 deaths so far.

Joseph Henry Williams, a conscientious objector, who was in the 2nd Battalion, 2nd Central Ontario Regi-

THE WIFE

By JANE PHELPS

Kenyon Roberts and His Wife Call Upon Ruth and Brian.

leaving Ruth and Mrs. Roberts to get acquainted. Ruth told her how she had wished they would call. Told it so nalvely that Mrs. Roberts wondered how she could be so charmingly girlish and yet be a business woman.

"I just knew they would be nice!" Ruth exclaimed enthusiastically when they had left. She would have been surprised and pleased could she have heard Mrs. Roberts say to her husband: "She is perfectly lovely, Kenyon! I am sure we shall be the best of friends."

Equally interesting were the remarks of the two men:

marks of the two men: "Rather an interesting chap," Brian had said when Ruth questioned him. "A likable man if he could forget himself," Kenyon Roberts had said of

seif," Kenyon Roberts had said of Brian.

It was fortunate for Ruth that she formed Mrs. Roberts' acquaintance just at this time. It kept her from thinking too constantly of Mollie King, as almost immediately she and Clara Roberts planned to spend considerable time together. They would play bridge twice a week, once in Ruth's apartment, and once in that of Mrs. Roberts.

"We will make a rarebit or some little thing," Mrs. Roberts had flushed a bit as she spoke, "Kenyon is trying very hard to work himself up, and we continued:

still owed their party call for the dinner to which they had been invited.

"I am so glad to see you!" Mrs. Curtis said, insisting that Ruth lay off her wraps. "We'll have a game of bridge or something."

They talked a while before playing, then sat down at the table.

"By the way," Mrs. Curtis said, during one of the times when she was dummy, "I think you are the most generous woman I ever have seen."

Ruth caught Mr. Curtis' annoyed expression, but his wife, oblivious, continued:

tle thing," Mrs. Roberts had flushed a bit as she spoke, "Kenyon is trying very hard to work himself up, and we have to be most economical," she had

explained.

"So do we!" Ruth had rejoined. "But I loathe doing housework, so I am doing something I love to do, and pay-

A grunt was her only answer.
"She is wild over our apartments. I

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"I wouldn't be as generous with Mr.

plied:
"If I did I am afraid I shouldn't 'fess

"She is wild over our apartments. I promised to help her rearrange hers. She has awfully nice things, most of them wedding presents, she told me, but she hasn't an idea how to make the most of them."

"You ought to know; that's all you do fussing about in people's houses."

"If I did I am afraid I shouldn't 'ress up, as Hackett has done. I wouldn't good progress between the Vesle River and the Aisne Canal. The French troops have captured five or six villages, and their advance at some points has reached a depth of from five to six kilometres.

A Line of Cheer Each Day of the Year By John Kendrick Bangs.

BLIND CYNICS.

BIG SAVING IN FLOUR.

Ottawa, Oct. 2. - It is announced that conservation measures and vol-

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