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To The Mistress-Of The House

DEAR MADAM

Do you ever realise the increased comfort to the entire household-yourself included-that would be secured by the adoption of gas fires?

Have you ever contemplated the amount of labour spent, to say nothing of the time wasted, by your maids in carrying coals, cleaning grates, laying fires, coaxing stubborn fires into a blaze and keeping them going when lighted?

If you adopt gas fires, you will not only lighten the household work immensely, but your rooms will be cleaner, healthier and more comfortable. You can exactly control the heat required at any given time in any given room.

Bedrooms become pleasanter (and safer) resorts in bitter weather. The half hour's dressing for dinner, the undressing at night after leaving a cosy sitting room, can be done in comfort and safety-and at leisure.

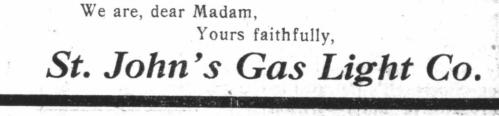
To economise in the gas consumed is easy. When, after dinner, you leave the dining room, out goes the fire, to be lighted in the drawing room, or study or billiard room. And so, throughout the day, the fire "travels from room to room" by the simple turning on and off of taps.

Consider how habitable these gas fires make every room in the house!

Half the dust in your living rooms comes from the coal fire—there is no dust with a gas fire.

No work is entailed-no fire irons, coal seuttles or shovels to trouble about, no smoke, dirt or ashes to cause annoyance-no noisy poking or replenishing to disturb and irritate. That is why the gas fire is ideal for the sick room.

Certainly the gas fire is the housewife's best friendit's only rival the gas cooker!



London Chronicle Correspondent Sizes Up the Recruiting Problem and Feeling Against Conscription.

Contributed to the Army

Ireland and What it Has

The London Daily Chronicle has Ireland, and to her importance as had a staff correspondent in Ire- source of food supply for England. It land on a study of the recruiting must be admitted that as a class Irish situation. In a recent article in farmers are averse to their sons that peper he dealt with the joining the army; but in this respect agitation which has arisen in the Roman Catholic farmer in Mun-London for the extension of con- ster and Leinster is, I am informed, scription to Ireland. He shows in no way different from the Presthat the movement is unsupport- byterian farmer of Ulster. The ed in that country, and that Irish towns of Ireland have yielded proconscription would be disastrous. portionately far more men to the ar Apart from the peculiar political my than the rural areas.

situation in Ireland, it is predom-Stream Not Dried Up. inantly an agricultural country, In the old regular army the number and the withdrawal of a consider- of Irish Roman Catholics greatly exable number of men, in addition ceeded that of the Irish Protestants. to those who have already joined The same was true of the reserve. the army, would diminish the Of the voluntary recruits who have food supplies of the United King- joined in Ireland since the war bedom.

majority, though not a very substan-DUBLIN-By common agreement tial one. Ulster, as was to be ex-Ireland was excluded from the operpected in view of its large urban popation of the Military Service Act. ulation, has furnished nearly half That exclusion was a recognition by the total number of Irish recruits up the cabinet of Ireland's distinctive to date. Ulster's contribution, be it ethos and special position. Most or remembered, includes an appreciable our difficulties with regard to Ireland Nationalist and Catholic element. have arisen from our failure in the, Thanks to Lord Wimborne, recruitpast to distinguish between it and ing was beginning to revive last the predominant partner. To the spring, when the fair promise of the last syllable of recorded time Ireland new movement was blighted by the will be Ireland, and not a mere prova rebellion of Easter week. Since last nce of the United Kingdom. spirit is different from England's, its traditions are different, its religion is different, its heroes are different, its civilization has developed on different lines. It has chafed for centuries under English domination-a rule that was often harsh, never sympathetic. The ameliorative measures of past half century have wrought great and beneficent change in the economic condition of the country. This and the genuine desire of the British democracy that Ireland should e governed according to Irish ideas have done much to efface bitter mem ories. Since 1886 a new spirit of concord on both sides blunted the edge of the old Anglo-Irish animosities. But' the differentia of Ireland remained, and the coalition cabinet visely recognized that it would be wrong to apply conscription to Ireland in the teeth of the hostility the Irish representatives in parliament. English, Welsh and Scottish M.P.'s all but unanimously accepted conscription as, in the last resort. an inevitable necessity. Irish members, warm though they were in support of the war, were equally unanimous in resisting its application to

LONDON PRESS NOT SATISFIED

Writers Think the Navy Should Have Wiped Out German Raiders.

LONDON, Nov. 3.-Some morning newspapers commenting upon the attempt by ten German torpedo boat destroyers to raid the British transport service in the English Channel Thursday night, point out, that it was a bold and daring stroke, express some dissatisfaction that eight of the raiders escaped, but declare that the activity of the German destroyers will not be allowed to impede the operations of the British transport across the channel. The Times' naval expert says:

"The boldness and daring of the stroke must be acknowledged and it is to be wished that they had been made to pay more heavily for their audacity. The fact that such a raid could be made seems to point to the necessity for the extended use of nines."

"The Daily Mail comments: "Gergan the Roman Catholics are in the mans seem to have scored on points and we cannot profess to be satisfied with the results."

The Chronicle declares: "Our efforts to destroy the base at Zeebrugge evidently have not been completely successful. With regard to the Germans' channel raid it may be observed that they failed to obtain any real success. Provision cannot be made for every eventuality in war. We may be sure the German destroyer's activity will not be allowed

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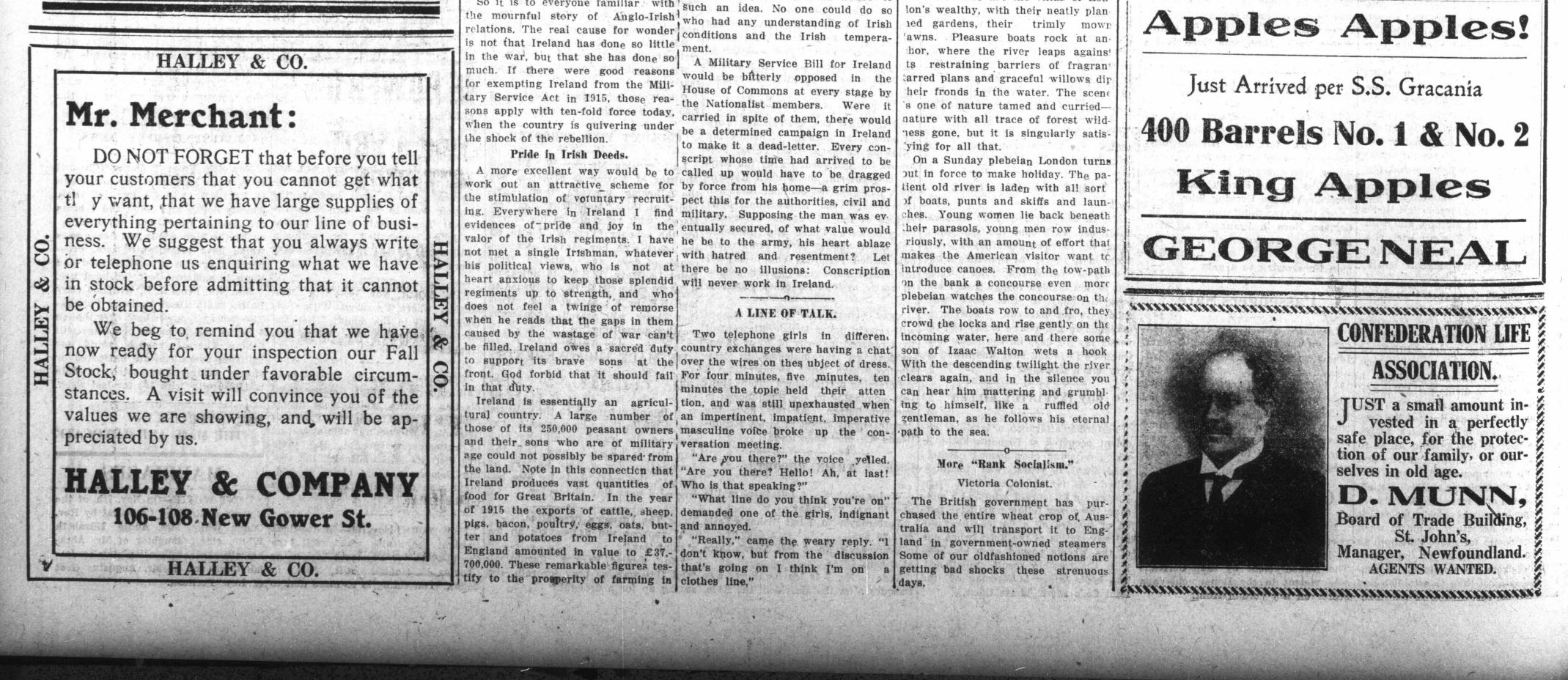
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Ireland. Mischievous Partnership.

Oddly enough the clamor for applying the Military Service Act to Ireland comes from people who have always been relentless enemies of the Irish national cause. Do these blind, envenomed partisans realize that Ireland had been hostile to us in this war, our difficulties would have been greatly intensified? Instead of hos-

tility we have had from her precious help. In his evidence before Hardinge Commission last May, Mr. Birrell, the ex-chief secretary, said: "150,000 Irish volunteer soldiers are

to fight on the side of Great Britain. To me it is marvelous. So it is to everyone familiar, with

to impede our transport operations. pril recruiting in Dublin has almosu "This new development does not come to a standstill. It has been threaten any serious change in paralyzed, too, in other areas. But, situation in the channel." says taking the country as a whole, it has Daily News. "Whatever damage th by no means ceased. Every month's enemy can do by methods like th shows an inflow record of will be only casual and they involve e:en. The stream has not dried up great risk to the raiders. That eight hough its volume needs to be subof the enemy's ten vessels got away stantially increased if the glorious may seem disappointing but it is Irish Divisions, the 10th, the 16th and really a measure of the absoluteness the 36th, are to keep up to strength. of Britain's supremacy on the To suppose that this can be done by that anything short of annihilation imposing conscription is an idea of the enemy should appear worthy of Bedlam. Such a proposal disappointment."

ould never be carried into effert, but the mere attempt would arouse in Ireland a fierce, implacable spirit that would poison the relations be-The Thames River ween the two countries for CONTRACTOR After conversation with all sorts

and conditions of men, I have only Perhaps no river on earth save the ound two who favor conscription for liber has so much of history hallow Ireland. Of these, one, who had lost ng its murky waters as this hardtwo sons in the war, frankly stated vorking English river that flows past that what influenced his judgment ondon town. The Thames has seen was the feeling that other Irish famnost of England's story in the telling ilies ought also to bear part of the acted out a stone's throw from its heavy burden of the war. The other)anks. The most attractive stretch of the

thought conscription risky, but possible. For the rest, everybody with whom I have spoken is utterly opposed to the idea-Unionists and Na-

tionalists, mugwumps and detached

s an inland stream, a river of the ntellectuals. ountryside, beautiful enough between Conscription Impossible. reen fields and hedges, but with "To impose conscription on Irenothing to show that this is the

land," said one, "would be the climax mighty Thames. Below Richmond of English folly since the rebellion." park it plunges into the grim cit "It would provoke a storm in every like a clean-living countryman; it has parish," said another. "It would kill picked up a variety of things before the constitutional movement," was emerges from metropolitai existence the view of a third. An Independent Below London it becomes the great Nationalist expressed the opinion idal estuary, overburdened with te

that Ulster's threatened resistance to thousand ships. home rule would be as nothing com-In the reach between these limits pared to the storm that would be owever, it is a soul-satisfying stream created by the resistance of all Irets banks are green and smoothl fighting as Irish soldiers know how land by conscription. People here are ropped, it flows with an even, silen aghast that any responsible person notion that suggests a river asleep should give serious countenance to

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