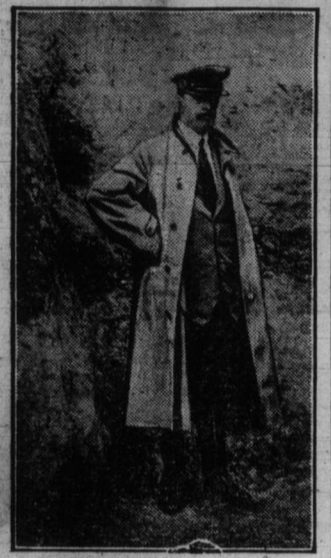


Arnold Bennett Tells

Of Experiences Along
The Allied Battlefront

ARNOLD BENNETT, the well known English author, has just published, through the George H. Doran company, his experiences at the front under the caption "Over There," war scenes on the western front. Mr. Bennett stood with the English and French troops under fire, and has seen these two military machines in action. The illustration shows him in a French communication trench near the very front. This he describes as follows:

"The floor was for the most part quite dry, but at intervals there were muddy pools nearly ankle deep. The top of the trench was about level with the top of my head, and long grasses or chance cereals, bending



ARNOLD BENNETT.

low, continually brushed the face. An officer was uplifted for the rest of the day by finding a four leaf clover at the edge of the trench. Its direction ever ceased to change, generally in curves, but now and then by a sharp corner. We walked what seemed to be an immense distance and then came out to a road, which we were instructed to cross two by two, as, like the whole of the region, it was subject to German artillery. Far down this road we could see the outlying village for which we were bound.

"There is a good deal more trench before we reach the village, which forms a head of a salient in the French line. This village is all knocked to pieces. It is a fearful spectacle. We see a Teddy bear left on what remains of a flight of stairs, a bedstead buried to the knobs in debris, skeletons of birds in a cage hanging under an eave. The entire place is a zone of fire, and it has been tremendously bombarded throughout the war. Nevertheless some houses still stand, and seventeen civilians, seven men and ten women, insist on remaining there. I talked to one fat old woman, who contended that there was no danger. A few minutes later a shell fell within 100 yards of her, and it might just as well have fallen on the top of her coffin to prove finally to her the noble reasonableness of war."

Trying to Excuse Murder.

The German Overseas News Agency is stopping at nothing—not even the manufacture of details—to excuse the murder of Miss Cavell. Here is its latest production:

"The German Government has published photographic reproductions of documents having to do with the execution of Julia Van Warterghem in Antwerp on August 18, 1914, by Belgian soldiers. This proves that the Belgians in their own country considered it a natural thing to shoot women convicted as spies.

"This woman, whose execution was reported last month by the Overseas News Agency, was married. She was convicted by a Belgian court-martial, whose findings were approved by the Belgian War Minister. He signed the report and ordered that it be posted in Antwerp.

"These documents, now in the possession of the German Government, and the fact that the French have court-martialed and shot women spies during the war, show how much weight should be attached to the expressions of indignation in England and France at the execution of the English nurse, Miss Edith Cavell."

Germany's Unemployed.

In the first nine months of the War German trade unions paid no less than a million sterling for the support of the families of members thrown out of employment as a result of the war. This sum was in addition to £250,000 paid in relief of the families of members serving in the army, of whom 1,000,000 were called to the colors on the outbreak of war.

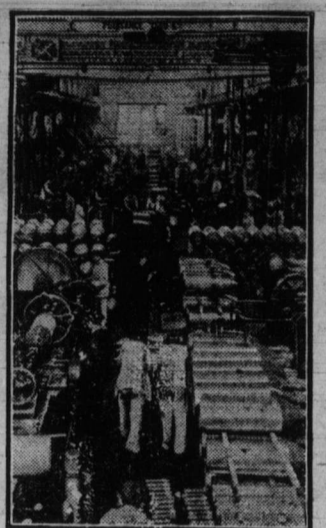
A Pocket Blasting Machine.
An electric blasting machine, so small that it can be carried in the pocket, has been invented. It can fire from three to five blasting caps, and is worked by giving a sharp twist to a handle, which generates the current and fires the shot. The handle is removable so as to make the machine foolproof.

Squirrel Swims the Thames.
When fishing near the island below Maledurham lock recently, an angler watched a squirrel swim across the Thames to an island. While going across it held its brush out of the water to keep it dry.

French Munition Works

Have Become the Best
Equipped in the World

THE French are not only fighting hard, but they are supplying their fighters with the munitions of war. The tremendous amount of ammunition that is being used makes it exceedingly difficult to create a supply that will equal the demand. The illustration shows one of the



THE CREUSOT WORKS.

French munition factories running at high pressure and turning out shells for the monster guns that have to be kept fed in order that France may continue the fearful battle upon her frontiers. The French artillery is by far the finest among the fighting forces of Europe.

Serums Free of Charge.

An important announcement has been made by the Provincial Secretary's Department that will mean much to the sick and afflicted in Ontario. Hon. W. J. Hanna, Provincial Secretary, has instructed Dr. J. W. S. McCullough, Secretary of the Provincial Board of Health, to provide free of charge to municipalities and hospitals anti-toxin serum. For some time the Department has been supplying anti-typhoid serum without charge, but this will be extended to all others manufactured here, which include vaccine, diphtheria, smallpox and spinal-meningitis. The Department has been engaged in this work for some time, with the result that the price of diphtheria anti-toxin was reduced to one-quarter of its former price. It will mean now that poor families will be able to have the benefit of anti-toxin treatment where it is desirable. The results achieved in hospitals from the use of anti-toxin present a strong argument in favor of this move on the part of the Government. The free distribution will commence in a few weeks, and the necessary funds to carry on the work will be voted by the Legislature next session.

Baby Corpses on Doors.

"I have seen baby corpses nailed at barn doors in the country, and other still worse things," writes Mons. Paul Rochat, a French Jesuit and former teacher at Harbord Collegiate Institute, Toronto, in a letter to the boys of that school. Mr. Rochat has been wounded, but is now back in the firing line. He strongly urges the doctrine of preparedness. "If more even had been prepared at the outbreak of the war things which I have seen myself would not have been," he adds. "There would have been men enough to keep women and poor innocent babies from being tortured and killed."

"It is your duty to start immediately to train, though you may be very young, and the best way is to enlist in the Cadet Company of your school. To be prepared will be the best way to prevent the return of the atrocities we are witnessing now and which may happen in our beautiful land of Canada."

Risks Life to Recover End of Cable.

Hugh Gregg, an operator of the British Government at the Fanning Island Cable Station in the mid-Pacific, dived at the risk of his life into the shark-infested waters and recovered the lost end of the cable soon after the German cruiser Nürnberg completed its work of destroying the station, according to R. M. Fitt, manager for British interests on the island.

"After cutting the cable," Fitt said, "the Nürnberg towed the sea end off shore and dropped it in deep water. Gregg devised a glass-bottom boat, and, after cruising around for several days, located the lost end in forty feet of water frequented by sharks. Gregg dived repeatedly until he succeeded in attaching a line to it."

No Gold on Railways.

The railway companies have given instructions to their staff at stations, receiving offices, etc., to pay all gold received from the public into the banks instead of returning it to circulation.

Lighting Savings.
It is estimated that London will save £30,000 per annum by the present lighting restrictions.

Grenades Instead of Diamonds.
Grenades are being made at the De Beers diamond mines at Kimberley at cost price for the troops.

GERMAN WINTER GARB.

Troops and Guns Will Be Dressed in Invisible White.

The London Post's Petrograd correspondent gives a detailed account of the preparations the Germans are making for the winter campaign in Russia.

Several new ideas have been evolved. Light metal buildings ready to be put together and provided with steam heaters are destined to afford temporary warmth even in trenches. Supplies of sleeping sacks are being procured.

Provision is also being made for the delivery of enormous quantities of spirits, and strict orders are being issued that soldiers must rub themselves all over with it daily. Von Hindenburg is said to have issued an order signifying that any commander who loses a single man from frost deserves to be shot.

Among the most curious preparations is the gathering of calico, linen, and hosiery—indeed, any light materials white in color.

Apart from collections of domestic linens throughout Germany, the whole region held by the Germans in Russia has been systematically pillaged of such material. The object is to cover uniforms, trenches, and supply carts to make them invisible amid the snow.

The Germans have invented special tripod arrangements carrying a vast expanse of white material under which they hope to bivouac unseen by aeroplanes, and another device is intended to allow the line advancing to attack to creep up invisibly.

ground during the Russian winter freezes for a depth of three to six feet, trench digging becomes practically impossible under ordinary circumstances of war. The Germans therefore organized special boring commands, whose duty is to creep forward in the night, make a succession of borings with special instruments and insert explosives. When these are fired the soldiers will be easily able to shovel the debris away and make places which will afford their protection.

Similarly borings containing explosives are to take the place of wire entanglements in winter.

A despatch to the London Chronicle from Petrograd says a terrible game of seesaw is being played in the neighborhood of Czartorysk. The Austro-Germans actually occupied the town and a small section of the left bank of the Sty, but twenty-four hours later they were forced back. West and north-west of Czartorysk is rising ground, and from these heights the enemy artillery made untenable the position of the Russians in the town lying on low ground near the river. But the right bank of the Sty is high, and the Russian artillery posted there drove the enemy out.

In the opinion of Petrograd the German offensive was taken to impress the Roumanians.

The Real Agent of Peace.

And more than ever towers the gigantic figure of Lord Kitchener, whom a small section of the London press was seeking to make a scapegoat. He was with the King of Italy at the front recently. He was also in Paris meeting the splendid Joffre and the other fighting men. The great machinery of an international Council of war is beginning to grind. Cause and effect can be seen. Few who read the news that 20,000,000 bushels of wheat had been commandeered in Canada attached the importance to it which it deserved. The wheat is destined first for Italian ports. What does it mean? Simply one step taken by Kitchener for providing food for the great Balkan army of the Entente allies.

In this way effect can be traced back to cause in many happenings. The great international staff is working smoothly—a thing which has sprung into being for the welding of constantly growing resources, whether it be shoes or food or guns or the rifles for Russia's new army of six million men, and bringing them to bear in behalf of a lasting peace.

Lord Kitchener, the embodiment of peace, is the greatest tourist in the cause of peace the world has ever produced.—New York Herald.

A Remarkable Request.

The Minister of Militia has received many remarkable letters, but the most amusing and astonishing product of the daily mail bag yet received came to hand recently. It was a letter from a woman, asking that her husband and lawyer both be sent to the front and placed on the front line of fighting men. The ardent wish was expressed that they might both be shot. The letter also contained the declaration that the writer proposed to take a trip to Ottawa to express to the Minister of Militia why her request should be granted.

Champion Boy Gardener.

John Sinclair, an English boy of fourteen years of age, has been awarded the first prize for cultivating the best vegetable garden at Fort William, Ontario, Canada. The area of the garden was thirty square feet, and there were 100 boys in the competition.

Balfour as a Farmer.

Mr. Balfour is one of the cleverest farmers of the day. An adjustable feeding-trough for young animals in use at Whittingehame is Mr. Balfour's own invention, and a rabbit-trap which captures the animals mercifully is another of his inventions.

More Economy.

Dry your potato-parings in the oven and use them for lighting the fire is the latest counsel of war-time economy.

Bulgaria's Loss.

It was estimated that Bulgaria lost 100,000 men in the last war. No other Balkan kingdom suffered in like degree.

A Railway Nursery



THE weary little traveller arriving in the big city of Montreal after a journey across the country, accompanied by its mother, finds a real haven of rest in the comfortable nursery provided by the Canadian Pacific. It is glad to lay its tired head on the soft pillow in the little cot or be given a bath by the genial attendant, who gladly lends a helping hand in the care of the little ones to relieve the tired mother of her charge for a short while. Everything is provided for the comfort of the tiny tots. There are bath and cots and other little home comforts, which, needless to say, are thoroughly appreciated. It is here that the little ones receive a refreshing wash and brush up, and if they are tired out can take their midday nap while waiting for a connecting train or the arrival of the train to take them down to the boat. The introduction of the creche has proved a great boon to travellers with families, the welfare and comfort of the travelling public always at heart. The accompanying picture represents the children's nursery at Windsor Street Station, Montreal, and while it has never before been brought into prominence it plays a very important part in the every day life of the Canadian metropolis.

ONE DANGER OF AMMONIA.

This Substance May Bring About the End of the World.

The continuous decay of vegetation generates ammonia. As many scientists have said, there is more ammonia in the atmosphere now than there was 10,000 years ago, and considerable more than there was one million years ago. Fresh supplies are added year after year, so that in a future day there will be an exceedingly great quantity of it.

Now, ammonia has a combustible property. If the atmosphere should get laden with it a universal conflagration would be inevitable. The outbreak of a volcano or a flash of lightning would be sufficient to cause the circumambient air to ignite—all space would become a mass of raging flame which would boil the rivers and seas, converting them into hot vapors, which would devour all living creatures, all forms of vegetable life, would bake the earth and perhaps burn it to cinders.

The earth could be converted into smoke within a second. It could be hurled out of its course and made to come into dreadful collision with another planet, or, thrown dangerously near the sun, it would be drawn by the wonderful solar attraction into the fiery bosom of that bright monarch of the universe.

The horror of such a catastrophe appears unspeakably great—something from which the startled imagination recoils and staggers. And yet, after due reflection, we must admit that the prospect is sublime rather than horrible. Anticipation of an intolerable pain is worse than the pain itself. A human being is capable of pain up to a certain degree only, as also of pleasure up to a correspondingly high degree, and no more. Nay, one person is capable of more suffering and more enjoyment than another, and it is altogether a fallacious notion that there is as much agony when a fly is crushed "as when a giant dies."

How often, after long and dismal anticipation of a tragic event, we have found at the last that the anticipation of a tragic event outran the reality. This is caused not only by the quickness and resourcefulness of mind, but also by the circumstance that we cannot bear more than a certain measure of pain and affliction.

Then, too, it must be remembered that as every extreme causes its opposite, as a white heat gives a sensation of cold, as frost can burn like fire, as laughter can end in tears and tears in laughter, as wisdom sometimes subsides into folly, and the jester will utter the sayings of a sage, so excess of pain may end in a sort of thrilling pleasure, and this may account for the sudden ecstasies of martyrs under torture.

The passing of earth, then, would not cause so much human pain as is generally believed. It would probably be nothing more than the sudden awakening into a new world from an outgrown condition of being.

Point of View.

"He owes a lot of mouses."
"I poor fellow!"
"Why?"
"Debt is so harassing."
"That isn't the way he looks at it."
"No?"
"No. He is always thinking what a good time he had spending it."

A Paris scientist rises to insist that the appendix is a highly useful feature of the human equipment. Possibly the scientist is a surgeon and bases the assertion upon his own experience.

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Plain English.

A Frenchman staying in an American town called at the postoffice and inquired whether there were any letters for him. "I didn't hear the name," said the clerk. "My name is Paul Lorendeau. Don't you know how for understood English?" "How do you spell it?" asked the clerk. "That is not your business!" said monsieur. "Just give me my mails!" "I can't give you your mail if I do not know how you spell the name." "I don't know how to spell him, and I don't care if you don't give to me my mails, but I tell you one thing, you better go straight off and sell dis postoffice and buy some schoolhouse!" said the Frenchman.

Pain Is a Hint to the Wise.
One thing that should be regarded seriously is pain in any form in any part of the body. If there is a dull headache frequently, find out what causes it. Pain in the knee, the arch of the foot or at any point should be taken seriously. Pain means something wrong. It may be brave to bear it, but it is not wise. Remember that pain felt in one part of the body may be the result of something wrong in another part. See a wise doctor about it.

Looked the Part.
There is one Brookfield story that I have always liked very much. I have not seen in print. Brookfield was once stopped in the Strand by an angry person, who said: "I am told that in the Green Room Club the other night you spoke of me as a scoundrel. Is that true?" "Well," replied Brookfield, "I don't know who you are, but you certainly look it."—London Sketch.

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