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Monday, Dec. 17th, 1917.

THE SITUATION.

The Bolshevik Government in Russia and the Teutonic allies have signed an armistice agreement and peace negotiations are to commence immediately. The document remains in force until January 14th next, and terms, if reached, will apply to all land, air and naval forces. It would be idle to seek to hide the fact that this development is of serious import because it will release great masses of German troops for the western front. The foe has been moving them there in large numbers during the last few days and now can do so quite generally in view of the fact that the Russians are absolutely out of all fighting for nearly a month. France and England are still determined and undismayed, but United States reinforcements cannot be speeded up too soon.

On the Italian front desperate fighting still continues. The battle is centred between the Piave and Brenta Rivers and the invaders have taken some ground. Berlin also claims the taking of some three thousand prisoners and many guns. The big task now before the Italians is to hold the valley commanded by heights which they at present occupy.

Field Marshal Haig reports the repulse of some foe attacks and the retaking of some lost ground.

General Allenby reports that the British are now clearing the ground around Jerusalem.

LARGE VOTE POLLED IN CITY TODAY

To-day the electors of Brantford cast their ballots in an election involving probably the greatest issue since Confederation—whether or no Canada should stand true to her purpose of winning the war, present a united front to the enemy and continue to send reinforcements to our troops and thus remain an active factor in the war. The gravity of the issue was fully realized by men and women voters alike, and both were astir early this morning. The women, many for the first time, constituted a large number of the voters and little difficulty was experienced by the workers in bringing them out to the polls or in explaining to them the proper manner of marking the potent scraps of paper.

In the business district, the rush to the polls commenced sharply at 9 o'clock, and continued steadily throughout the morning, while in the residential sections, balloting was not so brisk in the morning, but improved at the noon hour and in the early afternoon.

On the street, sentiment was preponderantly in favor of the Union Government candidate, W. F. Cockcroft, but workers for the other candidates were active, and a bitter fight was promised.

From the riding of Brant, the reports state that Col. Harry Cockcroft, the win-the-war supporter of the Union Government, is also favored and is expected to roll up a good majority.

The results of the election in Brantford and Brant as well as those from all parts of the Dominion will be bulletined in front of the Courier to-night. A screen is to be erected on the Temple building, a telegraph wire has been installed in the Courier and as soon as the results are known they will be bulletined and thrown on the screen.

Subscribers desirous of ascertaining the result of the election are requested to telephone number 139 as number 276 will be reserved solely for receiving returns from the various polling subdivisions of the city.

MAILED FIST

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a poll on Ethel street, and although given a ballot paper, she noticed that it was not put in the box. She asked the returning officer why this was not done and he replied that it was challenged and had to be kept separate. The vote was not challenged by anyone in the woman's presence.

NO SECRET NEGOTIATIONS.
Stockholm, Dec. 17.—M. Vorovsky, said to be the representative here of the Bolshevik Government, is quoted by The Tidningen as saying that the story published by The Social Democrat concerning secret negotiations between the Bolshevik and Philipp Scheidemann, the German Majority Socialist leader, and other German Socialists, is untrue. He says it is true that Scheidemann and other Socialists are in Stockholm, but no secret conferences have been held nor are any anticipated. No conferences will be opened, he added, unless the Entente powers agree to enter negotiations for a general peace.

OVER THE TOP AT PASSCHENDAELE

Pte. "Rube" Montgomery Writes Home From "Somewhere in France"

Brantford boys apparently took a prominent part in the capture of Passchendaele Ridge, according to a letter that has been received by his mother from Private "Rube" Montgomery, of the 125th battalion. Private Montgomery relates some exciting experiences, and gives a vivid picture of the fighting at this section of the Western front. Accompanying the letter was a wallet taken from a German officer, shot through the heart by Private Montgomery. The wallet contains a diary, and a pay book of the dead officer with an account of the pay that have been received by him. The bullet from Private Montgomery's rifle penetrated the wallet, which was in the left breast of the tunic, and the bullet hole tinged with blood has been made clear through the wallet and papers inside. It is a mute testimony to the marksmanship of the Canadian soldier. The wallet was sent to Fritz, Chief D. J. Lewis, uncle of Private Montgomery, while the letter which followed, was sent to Mrs. Montgomery.

France, Nov. 14.
Dear Mother,—Just a few lines to let you know that I am well and came through the attack at Ypres fine. I got hit in the left arm, but it is all right; never hurt me; but my officer was wounded right beside me, and another was killed. There were sure horseshoes in my pocket alright. I carried my little officer to the dressing station which we captured from Fritz and he died next morning. He was a man, though only 23 years old, and I thought a lot of him. We certainly did do good work. We took the Passchendaele Ridge, and I went over the top in the first line. I am sure did take a smash at Fritz. I was just going to stick, a lad when my officer yelled to let him go, and I did. He was about 14 years old, but a machine gunner, and they sure did play hell with us, but the ground was strewn with dead Fritzies, and it was an awful sight. I have seen some sights since I have been out here, but that was the worst. I am sending uncle Dan a souvenir of my shooting—a pocket-book with an officer's pay book. I got him in the left side. I also got three German officers' automatic revolvers. They are dandies. Well, mother, how are you all keeping, I hope you are well, and that you are all having a good time. I only wish that this Hell was over, and that I could be there with you.

CELEBRATED IN PARIS.
By Courier Leased Wire
Paris, Dec. 17.—A deum was celebrated yesterday morning in the Cathedral of Notre Dame in honor of the liberation of Jerusalem from the hands of the Turks.

KILLED BY TRAIN
By Courier Leased Wire
London, Dec. 17.—Charles Prigg, 45 years of age, married, a C. P. R. brakeman, was killed at Tillamook this morning by falling beneath the wheels of his train.

For election returns to-night, call Automatic or Bell Phones 139.

Jump from Bed in Morning and Drink Hot Water

Tells why everyone should drink hot water each morning before breakfast.

Why is man and woman, half the time, feeling nervous, despondent, worried; some days headachy, dull and unstrung; some days really incapacitated by illness. If we all would practice inside-bathing; what a gratifying change would take place. Instead of thousands of half-sick, anemic-looking souls with stony, muddy constitutions we should see crowds of happy, healthy, rosy-cheeked people everywhere. The reason is that the human system does not rid itself each day of all the waste which it accumulates under our present mode of living. For every ounce of food and drink taken into the system nearly an ounce of waste material must be carried out, else it ferments and forms ptomaine-like poisons which are absorbed into the blood.

Just as necessary as it is to clean the ashes from the furnace each day, before the fire will burn bright and hot, so we must each morning clear the inside organs of the previous day's accumulation of indigestible waste and body toxins. Men and women, whether sick or well, are advised to drink each morning, before breakfast, a glass of real hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it, as a harmless means of washing out of the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels the indigestible material, waste, sour bile and toxins; thus cleansing, sweetening and purifying the entire alimentary canal, before putting more food into the stomach.

Millions of people who had their turn at constipation, bilious attacks, acid stomach, nervous days and sleepless nights, have become real cranks about the morning inside-bath. A quarter pound of limestone phosphate will not cost much at the drug store, but is sufficient to demonstrate to anyone its cleansing, sweetening and freshening effect upon the system.

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THIS STORE IS SPARKLING IN HOLIDAY ATTIRE AND FILLED TO OVERFLOWING WITH DEPENDABLE QUALITY MERCHANDISE AT VERY MODERATE PRICES. BRING YOUR GIFT LIST HERE IT WILL PAY YOU WELL.

Men's Dept. Men's Christmas Gifts He's Sure to Like

Yes, we have such in our Men's Furnishing Section, just to the right of the entrance. If he is a soldier we have khaki goods also. We can fix him up, too, for Men's Handkerchiefs, of pure Irish linen, hemstitched border. At each 40c, 25c and 20c Gift Neckwear for men. One of the largest displays in the city, in the newest patterns and colors, open ends, Special at \$1.00, 75c and 50c Men's Black and Khaki English Cashmere Sox, seamless. Excellent value 75c, 65c 50c Men's Silk Mufflers, knit ted, pretty shades. Very special price \$1.50 Paisley Silk Mufflers, fringed, choice patterns, at \$3.50 Men's Armllets and Hose supporters, dainty shades of silk elastic, ribbon-trimmed. For the set 50c Single 50c, 35c 25c and Military Hair Brush Sets, very special at \$1.69 \$1.25 and

Our second floor is a veritable fairy land of tops dolls, and games; none but the freshest and newest toys are here. Toys for girls and boys, and you will find our prices the very lowest in Brantford.



Trains on Tracks
With extra good engines at \$1.95, \$2.25, \$3.25, \$3.95 and Builder Toys and Tinker Toys, 25c, 50c and 75c

Thousands of Dolls
Immense stock of real unbreakable ones; the prices start at 15c, 25c, 35c, 75c up to \$7.50

Come HERE For Childrens Toys

Drums
Skin Drums and Tin Drums in a great variety; each 10c, 25c, 75c, \$4.50 up to Boys' Favorite Tool Sets, 50c, 75c, and \$1.00 Stuffed animals, horses, donkeys, elephants, rabbits, pigs, etc.

Shoo-Fly Rockers
95c to \$2.95

Dolls Buggies RUBBER TIRES
Our assortment is very complete in these beautiful carriages; wicker top and cab top. They come in greens, tans, and white. Prices 50c, \$1.25, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$2.75 to \$13.00

Dolls' Pianos
Each 29c, 49c, 75c, \$1.25 \$3.95 \$1.75 to

MECCANO
The World's Mechanical Wonder for Boys

Every Meccano outfit is a box of treasures, with which any boy can make these beautiful models without study. The prices run

"The Original Mechanical Toy"

\$1 to \$9 and up

Less Money Asked for FURS To-morrow

Red Fox Set, large animal stole and muff to match, fine silky fur; regular price \$65.00. On sale, at \$49.00 per set

Black Lynx Set, large cape stole and barrel muff, with shirred ends. This is No. A1 quality. Very special, per set \$76.50

Natural Lynx Set at \$49. Natural Lynx Set, large cape stole, barrel muff, with shirred ends. A beautiful set at \$49.00

Mink Marmot Set \$16.50

In pretty dark shade of Marmot, pillow muff and stole; regular price \$21.00; sale price, per set \$16.50

IN WAISTLAND—\$5.00 BLOUSES \$3.50
Attractive pre-holiday selling of new gift Waists, in silk crepe de chine, in shades of flesh, rose and maize; made in the latest style, with large sailor collar and long sleeves. Each waist boxed separately if you wish; \$5.00 value; on sale at \$3.50

DARK SUIT BLOUSES AT \$3.50
Attractive new Blouses for afternoon wear, in crepe de chine, silks, georgette crepes, and shadow lace over nylon, in all the new dark tones to go with your suit coat. Very special at \$3.50

SILK TAFFETA PETTICOATS, NEWEST TWO TONE PATTERNS, \$4.98
Some have tucked flounces, trimmed with narrow bias frills. All sizes. Unusual value.

\$2 KNITTING BAGS \$1.50
New Art Cretonne Knitting Bags, assorted colors, in large size, with loop handles; regular \$2.00 value; on sale \$1.50

Everybody Wants Christmas Gloves

Just arrived, Silk Gloves, all the wanted shades; heavy braid silk points. Special at \$1.50, \$1.25 and \$1.00

A line of double silk gloves, very suitable for winter wear; all sizes, \$1.50 Special \$1.00

Kid Gloves, very fine quality, in colors brown, black, and grey, suede with fancy stitching. Special at \$1.75

A splendid line of white kid gloves, which is always acceptable as a Christmas gift; all sizes. Priced \$2 and \$1.75

Dainty NECKWEAR Now in Vogue—Neatly Boxed

An Extensive Display of Delightful Novelties. STOCKS

Filet and Shadow-Lace stocks and jabots, an attractive display from which even the most particular woman may select satisfactorily. The prices range \$1, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50 to \$8.50

Satin Broadcloth, wool crepe, georgette crepe and lace collars, in Tuxedo, shawl and long revers, in great variety. Prices, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$2.75 to \$4.50

How About a Coat for Xmas Shopping

Secure it to-morrow, for prices are greatly to your advantage.

\$24.75 FOR \$35.00 COATS

\$19.75 FOR \$27.50 COATS

\$15.95 FOR \$21.00 COATS

These stunning New York Coats are made in Velours, Pom Poms and Broadcloths, in full lengths, each an example of some of the handsome designs of the season. Some are nicely trimmed, novelty pockets and circular belts. Colors are navy, black, brown, green, taupe and Burgundy. See them tomorrow sure.

EXTRA—\$16.00 COATS \$12.50

12 only, Coats, in navy, brown, black, green and tweeds. Several samples among these. Good style coats, with large collars, pockets, belts, buckle trimmed. These are values regularly up to \$16.00; On sale for \$12.50

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LOCAL

PUBLIC LIBRARY.
"Bird's Christmas" appropriate Christmas subject of the story in the Library to-morrow.

LAST SESSION OF
The 1917 City Council its final meeting of the up business to-morrow.

COUNTY COUNCIL.
The final meeting County Council will Wednesday of this Court House.

FORGERY CHARGE
Cecil March, 164 was arrested at half past 11 p.m. on Friday night by the Police for passing a forged check, which was cashed by Sam Saturday, March, at the Magistrate for a day morning.

FOR TRIAL.
William Snider, street, the postman rested on Friday night guilty in the Police day morning to stealing money from come up in the Police Wednesday at on the members will be a Rev. G. A. Woodside.

TRAVELLERS MET.
A brief business meeting of the Brant Club, was held in the on Saturday evening and the constitution considered. A luncheon next Saturday at on the members will be a Rev. G. A. Woodside.

STORE BURGLIED
Gaining admittance down in the rear of a premises of W. D. furnisher, Market street hours of half past seven on night last part of clothing a quantity of clothing. The culprit has not been traced.

DELIVERED COAL
To alleviate the city occasioned three shortage, the coal delivery in receipt of the ment of the coal as the result of the during the week of from the Fuel Commission, Ottawa, made Sunday. The available apportioned out as whose need for the fuel and care was taken, shipping would ensue.

A pair of up-to-date glasses improve face mother's look will help the Easily arranged us to-day.

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