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FRIDAY MORNING, FEB. 18.

#### Erzerum

Those who took delight in the Grand Duke Nicholas as one of the grand figures of the war will be pleased to expedition against the Turks in that in the city, and its officials are too quarter.

It is necessary to get out a map of nople and the Persian Gulf to understand the situation properly, and the bearing that the seizure of Turkey's Black Sea fort, with 100,000 men and 1000 guns, has upon the military situ- of the board but a plain statement of ation in Mesopotamia and Persia. The Tigris will feel the ripple of the Rusforce until it dies away in India and be all the easier to make improve-Egypt and the wastes of Africa.

war for the allies. Constantinople it is impossible for them to make real It utterly upsets the calculations of before them should be hailed as a Suez Canal, and the recreant Ferdinand must tremble in his shoes at this couragement. first clear token of the retribution kan States. It is impossible for Gerdelivers.

The simple fact of the fall of Erzerum is not the only thing to be considered. It indicates also that Russia is still a great military power, and for any foe. The latest British papers of the Turks as exemplified at Gallipoli, and in the Anzac engagements. They are a match for any modern foe on equal terms, in the view of the military experts. It is these men that the Russians have overcome, aided by the the charge of reactionary tendencies. experience of the Germans in Belgium, where it was sufficiently destand the pounding of modern artillery. Trenches are plainly a better visable changes; and, further, to install protection than the strongest forts. The Turks trusted the huge fortifica- the bureau might convince the board tions of Erzerum, and were deceived as the Belgians were.

The effect of the triumph of the Russians will be most encouraging to all the allied troops on other fronts. It has been the fashion to discount the assistance that Russia might be able to extend. Confidence will be rethe assurance which events in Lonamong the military leaders of all the may rest assured that there is a deep strategy behind all the movements and all the delays that have to be accounted for among the allied armies.

Russia is capable of playing her part. The other allies should prove comes for action. Erzerum means that have expected the theatre to be filled allied movements. We must wait and see as Germany must wait and see what is to be the upshot of it all. The difference is that we can wait with confidence, while Germany can only wait in the terror and hate, to which she so frequently gives expression, for of empire a century ago, and anvone the approaching doom. But we must who can go and fails to do so, must not be impatient and perhaps we may have little regard for the British spirit. learn a lesson from Germany in this respect, and be satisfied that the doom is on its way.

#### Facts for the Board of Educa-

tion. Whatever may be the facts that the at 2.10. bureau of municipal research has set before the public concerning any phase of the public life of the city, one thing is quite certain. All that has been done by the bureau has been done in the public interest, and with the most impersonal aims for the public good. It is, therefore, most ill-advised that any public official should resent the action of the bureau or make the mistake of regarding the work dene by it as of anything but for the benefit of the people of Toronto.

It is not claimed that the bureau is infallible or that mistakes are impossible, but as far as correctness can be assured, the bureau, with Dr. Brittain

at its head, has taken every pains to ecure accuracy. The complaint of the board of education or any one speaking for the board, places the nembers of the board in the awkward position of being on their defence, instead of regarding the bureau as an ally and assistance to the board, capable of making useful suggestions and pointing out methods of improvement.

No one ought to be foolish enough to think that the board of education is beyond improvement, either on account of its present perfection, or, as some think, its utter degeneracy. It is like other public bodies, liable to dry rot, and susceptible of many changes for the better. Obvious defects and incapacities, such as Dr. Brittain has pointed out, are not to be taken as indictments of individuals, unless individuals identify themselves with the weaknesses indicated.

The view that most people take is that the system is wrong in certain respects, and it can be improved by eliminating the weaknesses which Dr. Brittain has brought to light. Any attempted defence of these frailties is so much fuel to the fire, and so much the worse for the board of education and its system. If the board should take the position of refusing to consider improvements, it means that the state of affairs is worse than the municipal bureau reports would suggest. Charles Lamb used to say that anybody might have a tear in his clothes, but a patch was premeditated poverty. There is no reason why the board of education should premeditate its errors.

Tht board of education and all other civic departments which may be given attention by the bureau of municipal research would be much wiser to hear what the bureau and its experts hear the news from Erzerum. Evi- have to say, and consider these things dently the Russian authorities knew in a dispassionate manner, than to what they were about when they sent endeavor to make it appear that any him to the Caucasus, and they made personal reference was intended. The no mistake in selecting him for the buréau has now been too long at work well known for such an idea to gain ary ground. The sooner the board of the whole region between Constanti- education takes up the work of the bureau in a co-operative spirit the better it will be for the board and the citizens.

After all, very little has been asked plain facts. The board should not be British expeditionary force on the afraid to face the facts, whatever they are. Knowing the facts, if real sersian exploit, and it will not lose its vice to the city be intended, it will ments and carry out the forward policy The Turks have received a blow which we cannot imagine it is not the which must be recognized as one of desire and wish of the members of the the most notable achievements of the board to adopt. Without the facts it self appears as a probable objective. progress. Any one who sets the facts the kalser about his attack on the benefactor, and efforts to discredit such a benefactor should have no en-

In any case the board of education that awaits the evil-doers of the Bal- and its friends will make a grave mistake if they butt their heads against many to ignore the shock to her pres- the carefully built wall of facts which tige which the grand duke's victory Dr. Brittain and his assistants have compiled from the not too luminous reports of the board. Chairman Houston, Mr. C. A. B. Brown and other old members of the board must realize that more headway can be made by that with proper equipment is a match accepting assistance from whatever quarter it comes, than by declining to have not ceased praising the gallantry listen to statements which appeal to all who have heard them outside certain charmed circles.

It will be difficult not to listen to the offer of the bureau in the spirit in which it is made without incurring The bureau offers at its own cost to make a confidential study of the acmonstrated that no fortress can with- counting and financial reporting system of the board, and to report adany such changes in system which would be advantages, likewise at the cost of the bureau. This is good business and should be so received.

#### "The Dynasts"

Frank Lascelles is such a consum mate artist that it is a blow to the self-respect Toronto is supposed to newed in the czar's armies, and with possess that the splendid production of "The Dynasts," which has been prodon and Paris give, that co-operation duced at the Royal Alexandra this week in aid of the Red Cross fund, allied nations is a settled policy, we should have such undisguisedly poor patronage.

The performance is a splendid one flawless in all the more important parts, and with such a wealth of beauty, historical interest and sterling humor, that even had it not been of equally capable when their turn the richest patriotic color one might there is a definite plan behind all the for the sake of its artistic interest alone.

There are still a few opportunities to see this wonderful series of pictures of Nelson, Napoleon, Wellington, in the flesh as they lived, with their nearest companions in the great crises

SECOND FIRE VICTIM.

Edward Johnson, watchman of the Merchants' Bank, whose skull was fractured by a fall of bricks at the recent American Club fire, died in St. Michael's Hospital yesterday afternoon

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# **EXCLUDED FROM ARMY**

Prince Roland Devotes Energies to Map-Making for French Service.

KEEPS OUT OF POLITICS

Useless to Pretend to Imperial Sceptre, According to His Philosophy.

PARIS, Feb. 17 .- Prince Roland Bonaparte, the only male descendant of the oldest branch of the house of Bonaparte having male representatives living, and, consequently head of the family accordconsequently head of the family according to the rules of primogeniture, is taking a modest part in the war. Excluding a form active service by the law of 1886, as a member of a family having reigned over France, he was attached in the quality of civilian auxiliary to the geographical section of the army, and has helped direct the making of the forces millions of maps that the field forces have required.

Studied Human Race.

When Prince Roland was excluded from the army just after graduating from Saint Cyr, he turned to the study of the human race under the eminent of the has since

it no mustache under it.

"Be so kind as to be seated," he said to the correspondent, pointing to an arm chair in which Napoleon the First sat when at work in his study. It stood in front of one of Napoleon's desks, on which were piles of scientific books and remains around the first sating a certain reserve on account of his delicate position as member of a proportion of the scientific books and Prince George, the brother of the King of the said to the war and its different complications, the prince is obliged to maintain a certain reserve on account of his delicate position as member of a proposition as father-in-law of prince George, the brother of the King of the said to the war and its different complications, the prince is obliged to maintain a certain reserve on account of his delicate position as father-in-law of prince George, the brother of the King of the said to the war and its different complications, the prince is obliged to maintain a certain reserve on account of his delicate position as member of a prince is obliged to maintain a certain reserve on account of his delicate position as member of a prince is obliged to maintain a certain reserve on account of his delicate position as member of a prince is obliged to maintain a certain reserve on account of his delicate position as member of a prince is obliged to maintain a certain reserve on account of his delicate position as member of a prince is obliged to maintain a certain reserve on account of his delicate position as member of a prince is obliged to maintain a certain reserve on account of his delicate position as member of a prince is obliged to maintain a certain reserve on account of his delicate position as member of a prince is obliged to maintain a certain reserve on account of his delicate position as member of a prince is obliged to maintain a certain reserve on account of his delicate position as member of a proposition and a prince is obliged to maintain a certain reserve on account of his delicate position and a prince is oblige which were piles of scientific books and documents, among them a copy of his latest publication, issued since the war began, freating of 948 groups of ferns, among which are 35 new species and 24 hitherto unknown forms of old species. These latest discoveries bring the prince's collection of ferns alone up to about 351,000 different verieties; his botanical collection altogether comprises between 900,000 and 1,000,000 specimens.

Great Alpinist.

"Yes, I suppose I am really the head of the house of Bonaparte," he replied to the correspondent's question, "but it doesn't matter much, since empires and emperors have very little interest for me; and there has been a wonderful advantage in not being an emperor, nor even a pretender. I have gotten out of life a wonderful lot of fun and profit that I would never have known had I been an emperor. I have climbed the Alps 250 times. Nanoleon did it and the limit and as lather-in-law of Greece.

Prodigious Note Writer.

"When a nation goes to war," he said, however, "it should wage war to the limit and when the adversary resorts to methods not countenanced by usage or by the common rules of humanity, he should be paid in kind. I have no criticism to make on the policy adopted by the United States; it has occurred to me, however, that President Wilson is a prodigious note-writer."

Prince Roland Bonaparte is president of the Geographical Society and a member of the Geog

been an emperor. I have climbed the Alps 250 times; Napoleon did it but once, and then it was neither for plea-sure nor scientific research, but with I have climbed the

The prince lives on the Avenue d'Iena, na modern spacious mansion big enough o be called e palace, but resembling more the quarters of an important public institution or a well ordered commercial enterprise. There is an air of business all about the place. In addition to the million and more of natural history specimens, ail cataloged and de-

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#### A Line o' Cheer Each Day o' the Year

By John Kendrick Bangs.

TOMORROW.

TROOPSHIP METAGAMA

HAS REACHED ENGLAND

Among Sixteen Hundred

Soldiers on Board.

OTTAWA, Feb. 17 .- It is officially

announced thru the chief press cen-

sor's office that the troopship Meta-

ficers, 718 men.

ficers, 273 men,

1593 men.

INSURANCE AGAINST

Taken Out in Britain.

nore than one million one hu housand policies were written.

these twenty-two per cent. cover damages which may be sustained from bombardment or attacks by aircraft.

BIG TEMPERANCE DAY.

The Citizens' Committee of One Hun-

25,000 temperance enthusiasts, it is

said, will take advantage of the spe-cial rates to come to Toronto.

AIR RAIDS IS HEAVY

(Copyright, 1916). TOMORROW is not yet, but sad or gay
When it does come may
hang upon today.
Wherefore today I'm using all my wit
To give a glad complexion un-

scribed in voluminous publications, there is a library of 200,000 scientific works which the prince puts to considerable use, judging from the volumes lying about the floor, on the chairs and on the desk of his own study, which adjoins a chamber where he sleeps in the bed Napeleon occupied at Eiba. There the prince receives with about the same hospitality as that of a congenial country gentleman, who doesn't see dozens of gentleman, who doesn't see dozens of callers every day and is really glad you

millions of maps that the field forces have required.

"I should have been glad to fight for France in the field," he said to a representative of the Associated Press; "and I would have served disinterestedly," he added; "I have no imperial ambitions and no other desire than serve as I can the cause of my country and the interests of science."

Physically, Prince Roland recalls but feebby his famous uncle, "The Little Corporai"; he is six feet tall and is built in proportion; what is characteristically Boneparte about him is his untiring energy, his Corsican complexion and a nose that would look like Napoleon's had it no mustache under it.

"Be so kind as to be seated," he said

been entitled to. Lucien Bonaparte, his grandfather, was excluded with his family by Napoleon from the imperial succession, because of divergencies of matrimonial views. During the hundred to this family by Napoleon from the imperial succession, because of divergencies of matrimonial views. During the hundred to his family matrimonial views. During the hundred days Lucien was restored to his family rights in recognition for the services he rendered Napoleon. Napoleon III., however, modified the decision of Napoleon I., and tho he descended from a junior branch of the Bonaparie family, classed Lucien's descendants among the "Civil the responsibility of a forthcoming that tary campaign on his mind.

"Pretending to the imperial sceptre is useless anyway," declared the prince, "since the Bonapartist doctrine is the "Family." Sedan having canceled this imperial decree, Roland Bonaparte has prince imperial, since been recognized as Prince Imperial, since been recognized as Prince Imperial, since been recognized as Prince Imperial, the same as Prince Victor, the pretender, who descends from the younger branch, that of Jerome, who was King of West-

#### LIEUT HERTZBERG NOT A GER-MAN-CANADIAN.

In The World of Feb. 14, an Ottawa despatch was published to the effect that Lieut. C. Hertzberg had been danger usly wounded; this was followed by a reference to "other Ger-man-Canadians," thus giving the impresion that Lieut. Hertzberg was a German-Canadian. Lieut. Hertzberg is a son of J. L. Hertzberg, divisional engineer of the C.P.R., who is a Nor wegian and whose family have lived n Norway for generations. His wife Lieut. C. Hertzberg's mother—is a Canadian. In addition to the one who has been wounded, Mr. Hertzberg has two other sons at the front, both fight. ing for the empire.

#### C. N. R. RAISES GRAIN EMBARGO.

CALGARY, Feb. 17.-The Capadian Northern Railway has raised the conlarge on grain shipments to Port Arments consigned to Canadian Northern elevators at Port Arthur.

## BULGAR LOSSES LARGE RUSSIA GREATLY FEARED

King is Openly Blamed for Sell- Grey Explains Why Britain Had ing Country to the Germans

ROME, Feb. 17.-A neutral diploma tist who recently returned from Bulgaria says the Bulgarian losses so far amount to 150,000; hence the army is now reduced to about 180,000 men. This now reduced to about 180,000 men. This is absolutely insufficient to aid the Germans in an attack on Saloniki.

The soldiers, who are on short rations, as the Germans requisitioned all available supplies of wheat, are disheartened and tired of the war.

They fear Russian reprisals in the near future. The king is openly blamed for selling the country to the Germans, and is becoming very unpopular. His journey to Germany and Austria was taken because he feared it would be impossible to avert a revolution unless the Austro-Germans took the precaution of organizing timely measures. These the king personally urged in Berlin and Vienna.

#### YOUNG MARRIED MEN MUST ANSWER CALL

British War Office Considering Measures to Bring Them Into Line.

LONDON, Feb. 17.-Young married men who have not enlisted are soon to eceive the attention of the war office, which is considering the question of bringing pressure to bear upon them to induce them to join the army. All single men who attested under the Earl of Derby's plan have been called up, and the Compulsory Military Service Act enrols all other bachelors of military age who have not been ex-

Married men who attested under the Derby plan will not be called to arms. Most of them are between 30 and 40 years. There are large numbers of married men below 30 years old who have not answered the appeal to take up arms, and the authorities are searching for a method to bring them

#### THREE YOUTHS FACE **CHARGES OF FRAUD**

Montague D. Pike, Ralph Gates and Archie Gall Plead Not Guilty, Get Remand.

Three youths, Montague D. Pike Artillerymen From Toronto Raiph Gates and Archie Gall, came up before Col. Denison in the police court yesterday on numerous charges of

Complainants against Pike and Gates were George W. Matthews, goods to the value of 52 cents and \$9.48 cash; Frank McMaster, goods to the value of 50 cents and \$9.50 cash; George H. gama, which sailed from Canada on Feb. 5, has arrived safely in England. She had on board the following Gates was charged separately with

Gates was charged separately with citaining goods and cash from F. W. Smith, and Gall with obtaining goods 8th Field Artillery Brigade, 31 ofo the value of \$1.50 and \$3.50 cash. Counsel for the prisoners pleaded ot guilty end asked for a remand till 9th Field Artillery Brigade, 24 of-Ambulance workshop, 1 officer, 20

Sanitary Section, 1 officer, 25 men Fort Garry Horse (reinforcement) for cavalry depot. 1 officer, 50 men. Army Service Corps reinforcements. 4 officers, 40 men. Flight Lieutenants (naval), 14 of-LIFE TERM IN PRISON Details, 3 officers, 17 men. Total troops aboard, 79 officers,

> Samuel Announced to Commons That Death Sentence Had Been Commuted.

More Than One Million Policies LONDON, Feb. 17.—The case of a woman spy who was recently sentenced to death, but whose sentence was commuted to penal servitude for life was announced in the house of commons today by Herbert L. Samuel the secretary of state for home affairs. LONDON, Feb. 17.—Announcement was made officially today that during the first four months of operation of the government's air raid insurance plan more than one million one hundred The woman was found guilty in a criminal court, the home secretary stated. An appeal was dismissed, but the sentence was commuted. Her ac-tivities were discovered six days after her carrival in Great Britain, and her correspondence was interrupted in the interval between this time and her dred will make its prohibition petition presentation a big affair. On March 8 it has been decided the petition will be put before the government, and

She was not a British subject. This is the first time since the be-ginning of the war, it was stated, that a woman has been given so severe : prison sentence in England for espi onage.

## FOE WOULD CONSUME FOOD SENT TO POLANT

Deferred Giving Its Consent.

#### CURT REPLY TO QUERY

Statement That Allies Dissuaded Belgium From Accepting Terms Untrue.

LONDON, Feb. 17.-Great Britain as not refused to allow food to reac Poland, according to a statement made by Sir Edward Grey, British foreign ecretary, in reply to a question in he house of commons today.

The foreign minister added that the The foreign minister added that the entente allied governments had been approached with a request to permit food to be sent to Poland under neutral control, but that the allies had replied they could not consider the question until the various "methods of spoliation" adopted by the central powers had ceased. To do otherwise, he said, would be merely to supply food to the Germans.

Under the guise of a question to Sir

Under the guise of a question to Sir Edward Grey, L. Ginnell, Nationalist member of parliament for the north division of West Meath, made the allegation that pressure had been used by the entente allies to dissuade the Belgian Government from accepting from Germany an offer to re-es the integrity of Belgium, to restore her independence and fully to compensate for her damages sustained.

This brought a blunt answer from the foreign secretary, who said:
"The statement made in question is entrely untrue."

Sir Edward added that he believed the statement of an offer being made to Belgium was also untrue.

#### **CHARGED WITH SELLING** A SOLDIER SOME DRUGS

Earl Phoenix Remanded of Plea of Not Guilty in Police Court Yesterday.

Charged with illegally selling drugs to Horace Fisher, Earl Phoenix pleaded not guilty in the police court yesterday, and was remanded till Feb. 28. Fisher admitted that he had recently been discharged from his battalion because he had become addicted to the "ccke" habit. He had first contracted his appetite for the drug while in training last September, and stated that he had received his supplies from some of his comrades. He testified to having bought a small package of what he termed "heroin" from Phoenix, Tuesday night in a Queen street poolroom, day night in a Queen street pool It had cost him a dollar.

SEE.NIAGARA FALLS IN WINTER -ICE BRIDGE NOW IN FULL FORMATION.

\$2.25 Niagara Falls, Ont., and Return; \$2.70 Buffalo and Return From Toronto, Saturday, Feb. 19th. The Toronto Boarling Club is run-

ning an excursion to Niagara Falls and Buffalo. Saturday, Feb. 19th., leaving Toronto 8.10 a.m. via Grand Trunk Railway. Do not miss this opportunity of visiting Niagara in winter. It has been well said that those who have viewed Niagara only in summer have but half seen it.

Return fare to Niagara Falls, Ont.
\$2.25, and Buffalo \$2.70. Tickets are

valid returning on all regular trains up to and including Monday, Feb. 21st. Secure tickets at City Office, northwest-corner King and Yor.ge Streets, or Union Station ticket office. ed7

#### ARREST THREE SISTERS ON CHARGES OF THEFT

Myrtle, Emily and Elsie Sain Alleged to Have Stolen Goods From House.

Myrtle, Emily and Elsie Sain, three charge of theft by Acting Detective Carter. Myrtle, 95 Gould street, and Elsie, 104 Gould street, are alleged to have visited Emily at the house of William Fountain, 152 Walmer road, on Jan 27 where she is employed as on Jan. 27, where she is employed as a domestic, and to have stolen a dia-mond-studded wrist watch valued at \$200, and a gold necklace worth \$75. Fmily is charged with the theft of quantity of valuable china. The jewelry was recovered in a pawnship and some of the china in Myrtle's room. The sisters will appear in the woman's court today.



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