

## Rippling Rhymes

By Walt Mason

WIN TER.

We always fire of winter before it's had its fling, and yearningly begin to extol the charms of spring. We roast the wintry rigors in wild, impassioned terms, and long for bugs and chiggers, and flies and bees and germs. And yet the winter weather is good for mortal man, and we should get together, and boost it while we can. The arctic blast's a hummer, but while it roars and rolls, the pests of spring and summer are dead or in their holes. Hail, storm that swats us critters with many a lusty blift! You give the germs their bitter, and freeze the microbes stiff. Hail, blizzard that is snorting across the icy plain! You send old blood cavorting through every palpit vein. With zest I do my labors, when knee deep in the snows; I go and whip my neighbors, and pull a peeler's nose. The springtime finds me slouchy, too indolent to smile, and I am gruff and grouchy, and full of prunes and bile. But the fronted breezes alight my sideboards blow, I shake off all diseases, and every grouch and woe. I feel as gay and chipper as when I was sixteen, and from the old tin dipper I quaff my gasoline.

## SIDE TALKS

By RUTH CAMERON

### HOW MUCH DO YOU GIVE?

A young man who probably doesn't get over fifteen dollars a week belongs to a sixty-eight-dollar Christmas Club. I don't know how much he spends on Christmas, but I think most of it.

All this is interesting, but not as much so as it would have been if we had had more definite information about each other's incomes.

Which brings me to an idea which came to me while we talked.

Can't we have a symposium on this subject?

Let's All Have a Chat On This Subject

Write me assigned letters telling me what your income is and what you spend for Christmas. Tell me what you spend for wedding presents, what you put aside for charity.

Or if you put aside no definite sum, what do you give to the church?

Don't make the letters long, because we want to print lots of them. You would like to know what the other fellow does, wouldn't you? Well, here's your chance to exchange anonymous confidences and thus find out without awkwardness or embarrassment.

## GOO

By Leona Dalrymple

### SPIDERKIN.

The Wind, blowing South American, was looking for Jack Spider's cousin, the huge bird-eating spider who once had been most bloodthirsty and ferocious and who had since reformed. The Wind, you see, executes all sorts of curious commissions for the fairies and the birds and beasts and bees. And just now he had a message from Jack Spider to his cousin.

The Wind, knowing the big spider's habits, peered into the forks of trees and in between rocks, but couldn't find him anywhere, and blew on.

"Hm!" he whistled. "What's become of my giant spider friend with the furry feet? What's happened to him?"

That minute, just ahead of him, he saw a little boy leading along a strange furry pet upon a string. The Wind blew up alongside and there was that huge, furry spider giant with a thread around his waist.

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## WHAT WE'RE GOING TO DO TO THOSE NEUTRALS WILL BREAK OUR TENDER HEARTS



(By W. A. Rogers, in the New York World.)

## IF HAIR IS TURNING GRAY, USE SAGE TEA

Here's Grandmother's Recipe to Darken and Beautify Faded Hair

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D. A. Nesbitt, B. A., school inspector for Lennox and Addington, died of arterio-sclerosis at his home in Napanee.

The Queen's University Highlanders Battalion has enlisted W. Field, of Smith's Falls, and W. Jowett, of Lyn, who have given sons to the cause.

## News From Terrace Hill.

Mr. E. P. Jones, of Grandview Park, passed away last Saturday night, after a short illness. Mr. Jones was well known in this neighborhood. For some years he took an active interest in school and municipal affairs.

Word has been received from the front that Private Geo. Holmes, son of Mr. Holmes of Kennedy St., has been wounded, although not fatally, we understand. He has been removed to a hospital at Birkenhead, England, and at last accounts was doing well.

Mrs. Cockshutt, of Sydenham St., has been laid up for some time, but is now recovering.

The services in connection with the Week of Prayer on the Hill, were very successful. They were held respectively in St. James, Shenton, Baptist and in Sydenham St. Methodist churches. Special prayers were offered up on behalf of the Empire and addresses characterized by deep earnestness and spirituality were delivered in turn by the Rev. Wm. Smythe, Edw. Sotley, and Jas. Chapman. The attendance was large.

Miss Carner of Grandford, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Morrison, of Sydenham St., returned home last week.

We seem to get our full share of snow, and it was certainly in evidence on Sunday morning. The attendance at the different places of Divine worship was a good deal smaller than usual.

## Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

## DIARIES RECORD SHAME OF HUNS

### Prussian Soldiers' Notes Tell of Pillage Wrought in Belgium

Every day additional evidence falls into the hands of the Allies of brutal and wanton acts of pillage on the part of German soldiers in Belgium. Hundreds of diaries and letters, admitting every description of theft and piracy, have been filed away by the British government, for future action.

In one such diary, a Saxon officer of the 175th Regiment writes: "I visited the little chateau which belongs to the secretary of the King of the Belgians. Our men behaved like vandals. First, they ransacked the cellar, then they burst into the rooms and threw everything upside down. They carried off heaps of useless things for the mere pleasure of marauding."

A soldier of the 65th Landwehr wrote in his pocket book: "They do not behave like soldiers, but like highway robbers, bandits and brigands."

"No discipline," writes a lieutenant of the 77th reserve infantry; "the pioneers are not much good; as for the artillery, they are a band of robbers."

Custom Klein, of the 1st Landsturm Company, describes how his regiment entered a Belgian town: "The battalion marched into the town in close ranks, to break into the first houses to plunder—I beg pardon, to requisition—wine and other things as well. Like a company that had been disbanded, everyone went where he pleased. The officers went on in front, and set us a good example. This day filled me with a disgust which I could not describe." These acts are justified in Germany on the plea that "it is war." A system of terrorizing the enemy is a military necessity. Such notions have been taught by the German cabinet, by its professors, by the universities of Berlin, Munich, Halle and Bonn, for one hundred years.

It is a fixed policy on the part of the German nation, carried daily into effect, to stamp under an annihilate Belgium by every means at hand. Starvation is the sharpest scourge with which they have smitten the Belgian people for two years and more, confiscating their food supplies, and leaving them utterly destitute. Three slices of bread per day and a bowl of soup, supplied by the Relief Committee, is all that stands between them and naked famine. Even these scant rations must be discontinued unless still more generous support is forthcoming at once. Send your contribution to the nearest Relief Committee, or direct to the Belgian Relief Fund, 59 St. Peter St., Montreal.

Authorities Decide to Stamp Out Palmists and Crystal-Gazers

London, Jan. 6.—(Associated Press).—Palmists, crystal-gazers and clairvoyants who have been reaping a rich harvest in these days of national stress are to be stamped out as a result of the campaign inaugurated by the authorities in London and many other cities of England.

The extensive business done by these fortune tellers is being revealed almost daily in the police courts. An amazing number of people have been willing to pay from \$2.50 to \$5 for glimpses into the future. Wives and sweethearts of soldiers at the front have been the most willing victims. They have sought out these prophets for a possible clue to their loved ones. The business has thrived in London and the big industrial like Manchester and Birmingham where the poorer classes have been making much money working on munitions.

The most widely known crystal gazer in London's fashionable quarter was fined \$300 the other day. There was practically no defense; all that was urged on the defendant's behalf was that she gratified a craze and that society women formed a large proportion of her patrons.

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## OUR DAILY PATTERN SERVICE

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## LADY'S ONE PIECE NIGHTGOWN.

By Anabel Worthington.

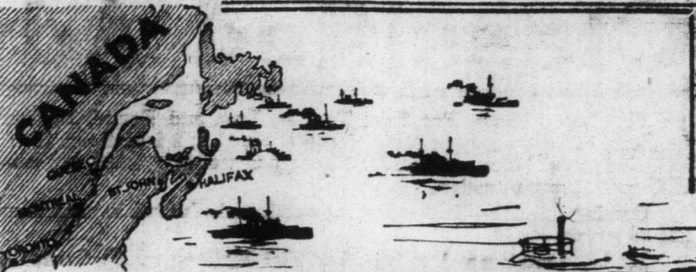
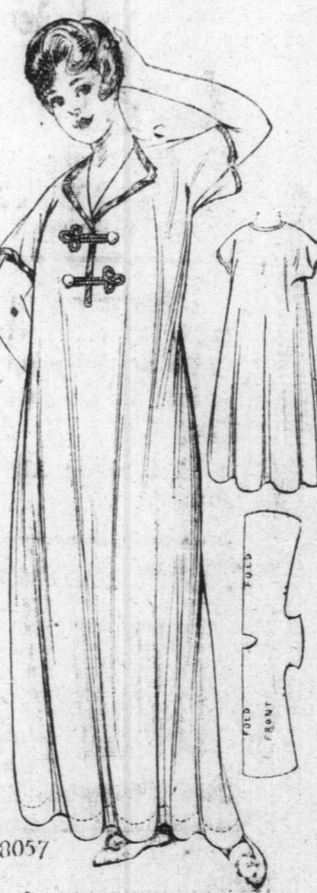
Women who have begun their sewing for the winter's needs will include undergarments for the family, to be assured of the best results as to "fit"—it is a most important feature in a nightgown or other undergarment.

The gown in the illustration, No. 8057, is certainly everything that a nightgown can be expected to be. Its first advantage is that it is cut in one piece with the widest part to the front, and you will notice that it is slashed almost to the waist line in front for conveniently slipping off over the head. The neck fronts are rolled back and bound with ribbon; the fastening is with silk cord frogs arranged on alternate sides with buttons as pictured. Ribbon finishes the short sleeve also.

English long cloth makes a very substantial undergarment, so does albatross—now so much used for cold weather gowns of a character such as is the one pictured. White flannel with a soft fleecy nap is another popular fabric and a very reasonably priced one, too. Albatross may be effectively embroidered and for this reason as well as because it launders easily and well is voted a success for a dainty nightgown.

The pattern of gown No. 8057 cuts in sizes 38, 40 and 44 bust. To make in size 36 requires 3 1/2 yards 45 inch material and 2 1/2 yards ribbon.

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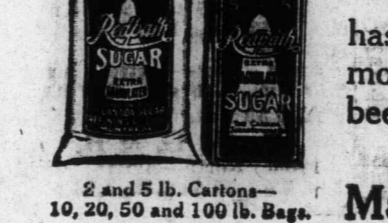
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