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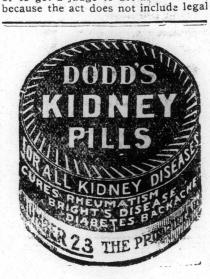
RENTALS CUT IN TWO When the query was put to Mr. Crothers regarding the cost of living he replied, "On the whole there has been a slight decrease in the cost of living in Canada since war broke out, and you will find that chiefly in the item of rentals. There are many places in the Dominion where rentals have been cut in two, while in the price of foodstuffs there has been practically no change, or rather very little change in the prices which pre-vail to-day with those prior to the outbreak of the war."

The war has also had the effect of essening unemployment in Canada, for according to Mr. Crothers the sitn. ation to-day is not so acute as it was last year. One reason for this he attributed to the fact that so many men were working in the harvest fields while all the mechanics in Canand would be so throughout the coming winter. "The numbers of those making shells will be increased in the strengthers and regulates your stomach so you can eat your fadeclared, "while the large contracts sometimes—they are slow but not swarded in the Dominion for the supplying of our own forces will also sure. "Pape's give employment to a great many. Unemployment may exist, however, in the building line, but I think the difficulty is going to be largely confined to common laborers. The him fined to common laborers. The big problem is to find employment during

he winter season for these." With a slow shake of the head, Mr. Crothers remarked: "I am not prepared to say what steps the Dominion government will be able to take in think that the provinces should all get together and work out some systematic scneme. The men will have to be kept during winter, and they would rather have some work to do as a return for

the money spent on them. Conversation then turned to the events at the recent Vancouver conference of the T. and L. congress and the minister mentioned that the point which struck him most was the very against the men's contentions. cent, of the awards have been

received a wire from Judge Coats-worth of Toronto, who was chairman of the conciliation board at New Glasgow, N.S., which sat to settle the differences between the Nova Scotia Steel Company and its employees. The 2,000 workers accepted my suggestion regarding the appointment of the board, though at the first the employers refused, However, the board sat and the chairman wired to say that they had reached a unanimous decision, the award which they had made being accepted by both parties. The success of these boards very largely depends on the man who is chairman, and it is always my endeavor to get a judge to act as chairman,



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Joffre and Hindenburg.

In the October Scribner, Captain X gives the following description loffre:-"The striking thing in his much weaker protest made against character is just this admirable the Industrial Disputes act than had balance, typically French. His moral been the case at previous conven- and intellectual qualities, his brains tions since the act was passed. "They and his character are in perfect equilitook a vote on the act and it resulted brium; and he is above all, and to the in two to one against its repeal," he full extent of the words, what our "Personally I regard the act seventeenth century called a "grand as a very good one. The administra- bonnete homme." He is quite withou tion of it has revealed some defects ambition, utterly disinterested, and which I am proposing to remedy, and without any desire for popularity or when we get the new bill through it self-advertisement. His one dream, will be the best piece of legislation in when he has beaten Germany and the world. The act is most advan- given back to France her former frontageous to the laboring people, and since I was placed in charge of the labor department there have been in the Pyrenees and end his days in only two awards which were wholly peace. Among the German generals who have been pitted against him, "All the others were in who'e or in part favorable to them. Ninety per with him. Joffre won the victory of ob- the Marne. Apart from their partial I have successes at the outset, the German generals, who have fought in France have secured not one single victory. Only one German general has to his credit certain really big successes Marshal von Hindenburg has more than once terribly beaten the Rus-

But if Hindenburg is compared to Joffre an impartial judgment must give the French general the palm. The Russian army, when it opposed the German army, is in many important respects in a condition of unquestionable inferiority. It has at its disposal only a very rudimentary system of railways, and the railway is a capital importance in modern warfare. Its supply of ammunition has also, up to the present time, been utterly inadequate; and owing to this double superiority, Hindenburg has been able securely and rapidly to concentrate his army corps against the Russians, and then to break through heir lines by crushing them under a rain of shells. These considerations should never be left out of account in estimating his military merit. Hindenburg, if I may use a French phrase, has always "played on velvet," whereas Joffre has had to deal at every point with an army much bet-ter organized and infinitely better prepared than the French army. The fact proportionately enhances the praise to which he is entitled."

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