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Canada's Heroic Sons.

Canadians have again poured out their lives for the Empire, and if anything can assuage the national grief it is the heroism which irradiated the battlefield.

In the annals of this terrible campaign there is no more glorious page than has been written in Canadian blood at Tiar's River. Remember that these young men were citizen soldiers. Excepting a few of the mounted police, they were recruited from the office, the farm and the workshop. They were new to the real business of war. Yet in the first shock of battle, against a terrific onslaught, they stood their ground like seasoned veterans and fought with a steadfast valor worthy of the noblest traditions of the British army. The story of the little band under Lieut. Carrothers, preferring death to surrender, and fighting till every man had fallen will be an inspiration to young Canadians for generations to come. All honor to those who have so honored their country and thrived with pride every loyal heart in the Dominion! They have given a magnificent testimony to the world of the fibre of the Canadian stock. They have proved that military prowess is inherent in the moral qualities of a people, even although militarism is unknown. Coolness and courage on the field of battle are the expression of character, not of a system.

London has given her quota of brave young life to the cause. Elation over the shining bravery of our sons will be tempered with profound sympathy for the relatives of the dead and wounded. For those who have fallen, a nation's homage will be an enduring monument.

The New Hospital Management.

The Advertiser has been a firm friend of the late management of Victoria Hospital, believing that the best possible results obtainable with the means at its disposal were obtained. During the years of such management London became a center for skilled medical practitioners and surgeons, and Western Ontario looked to it for the best.

Unworthy motives prompted an agitation, and that agitation resulted in not one single change of any kind being proven. Still a change is taking place all along the line. Col. Smith, for whom the superintendency was designed, had a better position, and when persecution had done its work declined to take the post. Mr. Thomas H. Heard was appointed. We believe he is a good, competent business man, conscientious and straightforward. His agitation was directed then towards the lady superintendent. Miss Meiklejohn, for whom that position was designed, declined it in favor of a better position. Miss Mayou, of Philadelphia, was then offered it, and on condition that she was allowed to select her own assistant, accepted, and so the assistant both goes in and goes out with the lady superintendent.

It is intended further to change the matron and put in a graduate of a Philadelphia cooking school. The bookkeeper appointed is Miss Sutherland, a lady quite competent, and the steward is a man of experience.

The Advertiser has only the good of the hospital at heart. Mr. Heard and all under him will have its support, but it cannot approve of the methods by which the changes are effected.

The trustees, as a whole, are not consulted. Miss Meiklejohn was negotiated with, as was Miss Mayou by a section only of the trustees. We have always had faith in Canadian men and women. We believe Canadian doctors and Canadian nurses are as efficient as any in the United States. We believe Canadian women can cook as well as any others, and we desire to protest against the changes being brought about for no reason, changes which drive from their positions competent Canadians to be filled by others from across the border. The new appointees may prove to be competent. They are not likely to be more so than their predecessors. There has been no such uncalculated for heartless proceeding in the municipal life of London in its whole history.

London now has a first-class hospital building, but it will cost more than the old one to run it. There is no reason why any sufferer should pass the London Hospital. He will get there the best medical and surgical skill, and the best of nursing.

Among the resolutions adopted at a meeting of the Ontario Educational Association is the following: "That they (the teachers) approved of the action of the Minister of Education in providing travelling libraries for the newer sections of Ontario." This is one of the methods employed by the Ontario Government to "build up Ontario." The fact that it commends itself to such a non-partisan body as the teachers of this Province should also commend it to the electorate of the Province.

Stuffing the Census Returns.

The Minister of Trade and Commerce and the Minister of Agriculture, in their speeches on the budget, produced evidence to show that the census of 1891 had been inflated. The Hon. Mr. Fisher enumerated a number of instances in the Province of Quebec, where large families were counted in the census of 1891, who had not resided for years previous in the localities in which they were numbered. One instance was cited of a family, consisting of father and mother and eighteen children, the mother being 30 years of age. The discrepancies were not confined to Quebec. Five localities were selected at random in this Province, with results as follows: In Belleville the census of 1891 was found to be correctly taken. In Goderich there were 63 in a population of about 3,000 who should not have been counted. In the town of Clinton, with a population of about 2,500, there were 33 names which should not have been counted. In Cornwall town and township, there appeared 150 names which were twice on the lists, for either the town or the township. Over 3 per cent had been added to the list for Port Dover. The stuffing of the lists seems to have been general, as the examples taken haphazardly show. In the Province of Nova Scotia, the census in several localities gave a decrease in the total population and a large increase in the school population. Were the parents fewer and the families larger?

There is a notable difference in the methods adopted of taking the census. In 1861, the names were taken, but no addresses, so that the matter of investigating is very difficult. The chief source of inquiry regarding any irregularities is the evidence given by responsible persons living in the particular localities. In the census of 1901, not only the names, but in the case of cities the street and number, were given, and in rural localities the concession and lot number, so that any inquiry that might be found necessary afterwards is a comparatively easy matter.

No one pretends to question the statement that the past five years of Liberal rule have been years of prosperity. When the facts are fully revealed there is little doubt but that we have had a corresponding increase in our population. The census of 1891 evidently gives but very little clue to the situation of a decade ago.

Fruit in the Northwest.

The annual report of the Western Horticultural Society shows that at the last exhibition in Winnipeg there were 47 exhibits of standard apples, 8 of hybrids and 18 of crabs, besides a large number of seedling and other plums. It has been demonstrated that apples and plums can be grown in Manitoba, though requiring more care than in Ontario. But it may be that as the country is settled up and tree shelter is generally provided for orchards, the Northwest will find it much easier to produce fruit. Students of our early history will remember when it was thought that fruit could not be grown in Northern Ontario, and when it was even held by United States horticulturists that peach growing could not be profitably undertaken much north of Rochester, N. Y. Now we have several magnificent peach districts in this Province, and no finer plums are grown anywhere than in the Owen Sound region of Georgian Bay, while splendid crops of strawberries and raspberries are raised in the valley of the Beaver River, Grey county. So the Northwest may yet produce fruit that will surprise the world. It now yields much excellent wild fruit.

Burst of Confidence.

[Somerville Journal.]

Ned—Why don't you play golf, old man?
To—To tell the truth, I haven't the right kind of legs.

A Chunk of Wisdom.

[Toronto Star.]

It is a risky thing to try to get wealth without giving mankind some service for it.

Mary's Troubles.

Mary, Mary, quite contrary, how does your garden grow?
Are the flowers coming up, my dear, each one in its proper row?
Do the daffodils just as daffy as they usually are in spring?
Do the modest violets smell as sweet, are the lilacs blossoming?

"Oh, dear, oh me! I thought they were, but now I'm all at sea,
For the pretty girls that grow there, too, have handicapped poor me!
The bonnets they wore on Easter Day were trimmed with such great care
That real flowers can never hope to equal the ones they wear!"

Oh! Mistress Mary, do not weep, though luck seems hard, you know
The styles will change in the future, sure, and you'll win out, I trow.
And the roses of silk and the velvet pretents, if nothing untoward prevents,
Will look in one short year from now, about like thirty cents!

A Few Points.

[Philadelphia Record.]

A soft answer turneth away wrath, but soft coal stirs up anger.

In an illustrated lecture much depends upon the point of view.

In this world about one man in every million gets more than he expects.

The bark of the dogwood tree isn't in it with the bite of the sassafras.

Some fellows propose out of curiosity, just to see what the girl will say.

If we are to believe the tombstone inscriptions, all the great and good men are dead.

The egotist contents himself with thinking that people who don't like him have had taste.

A man is apt to think his own child

aren't the best because he doesn't know any better.
When David killed Goliath with a stone he must have been glad he didn't live in a glass house.

How Fashion Repeats Itself.

[Chicago News.]

It is said that the ladies of Egypt stained their cheeks with alcohol 1,000 years ago. It is now used as a nose tint by some men in this country.

Cynical.

[Washington Star.]

"I never went back on a friend," said one politician.
"I never found it necessary to do so," said the other. "As soon as I was not in a position to favor him, my friend always went back on me."

Ping-Pong.

[Clifton Bingham, in The Sketch.]
The shades of night were falling fast. As through a London suburb passed A youth who bore a worried look,
And muttered, as his voice he took "Ping-Pong."

His brow was sad, his eye annoyed, Flashed like a globe of celluloid; And like a wooden racket rang, The accents from his weary tongue, "Ping-Pong."

In happy homes he saw a blight, For "household fires" were out of sight, For where the glacial globules shone They'd quite forgot to put coals on— "Ping-Pong."

"Try not to serve," the old man said, "Dark lows a failure on your head; The chiffronier is yawning wide," But still his weary voice replied "Ping-Pong."

"Oh, stay," the maiden said, "and rest, While for the ball we go make quest!" A glare lit up his frenzied eye, "There's plenty more left" was his sigh— "Ping-Pong."

"Beware the volley mad and rash, Beware the awful, cunning 'smash.' This was the policeman's last good-night, A voice replied through the lamplight, "Ping-Pong."

At break of day as on his beat, A constable in Oxford street Muttered for six o'clock a pray, A voice rang on the silent air, "Ping-Pong."

A traveler, prostrate on the ground, Somewhere in Camden Town was found, Still clinging to a racket fast, And wildly muttering to the last "Ping-Pong."

There in the morning, cold and gray, Brainless, yet beautiful, he lay, And fell a voice on him from far, "Good Lord, what aces some folks are!" "Ping-Pong."

Faint Heart.

[Puck.]

Ethel—What did you say to papa last night?
Ferdie—N-Nothing. I was so scared I didn't open my mouth.
Ethel—Oh! That accounts for it. He said you impressed him very favorably.

In Large Lots.

[Puck.]

The Hostess—There's one thing that can be said for Mrs. Talkington—she never retails scandal.
The Caller—No?
The Hostess—No; wholesale exclusively!

A Complete Monopoly.

[Washington Star.]

No more the childish jingle wins Our souls from musings sad; The meat trust owns the little lamb That gentle Mary had.

A Side Thrust.

[Puck.]

First Office Boy—Do boss told me I should save at least half what I earned.
Second Office Boy—Wot did you tell him?
First Office Boy—Told him dat would be at least four time me salary.

Woman's Inhumanity to Women.

[Puck.]

Blanche Gay—So you were at the church?
Madge Cutting—I suppose the bride looked charming?
Madge Cutting—I suppose so—to the groom.

"I Told You So."

[Puck.]

"If I gave you a nickel you'd spend it for beer."
"Yes, sir," 'twouldn't cost you much to have the satisfaction of saying 'I told you so!'"

Too Great a Sacrifice.

[Montreal Star.]

Impassioned Lover—Tell me, my angel, what to do to prove my love.
Oh, that I might, like some knight of old, battle for you, suffer for you, die for you!
Sweet Girl—I wish you would give up smoking.

Impassioned Lover—Oh, come now, that's asking too much.

MILES MAY QUIT ANY DAY.

Pittsburgh, April 7.—A Washington special to the Dispatch says the exit of Gen. Miles may be expected any day, as Roosevelt has determined to get rid of him before he develops another controversy like the St. Charles case.

FIRST WOMAN TELEGRAPHER.
Niles, Mich., April 7.—Mrs. Ella Abraham, who claims she was the first woman telegrapher in the United States, is dying here, aged 35 years. Her husband was a pioneer train dispatcher, and he taught the art to his wife.

TYPHOID TOOK THEM ALL.
Mason, Mich., April 7.—The burial of Mrs. James Chase, of Eden, Saturday afternoon, is the closing chapter of a sad tragedy wherein almost an entire family have died from typhoid fever within five weeks. A daughter was the first to succumb, a grand-daughter died two weeks later and then the parents were stricken with the dreaded disease, and followed each other to the grave within a short time. One son is left to bear the terrible affliction of losing father, mother, sister and niece in rapid succession.

"Nerves." Have you any "nerves" about you? Are they shaky sometimes? Hutch Tablets will steady them. 10 for 10 cents.

Working people cannot afford to be sick. It pays them to keep in condition. Hutch Tablets will keep them so. 10 for 10 cents.

A beautiful complexion comes from a healthy stomach. 10 for 10 cents.

A GOOD NAME IS TO BE PRIZED.—There have been imitations of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, which may have been injurious to its good name, but if it is the same as the original, it is worthless. So it has been with Electric Oil; no imitation can maintain itself against the genuine article.

GRAND TRUNK CARS DITCHED

At Millets, Seven Miles From Lansing.

One Passenger Killed and Five Ditched
A Kingston Woman Burned to Death.

Lansing, Mich., April 6.—While Grand Trunk passenger train No. 6 was passing through Millets, a tank station, seven miles west of here, early today, the rear coach and the Pullman sleepers were thrown off the track. One person was killed and five were injured.

The Dead: Abbe Burnstein, Chicago, injured; C. Minnehan, Providence, R. I., compound fracture of skull, fractured leg; Rev. M. J. Ozshoski, Chicago, a Jesuit priest, two bad scalp wounds; J. Gordon, Rochester, N. Y., badly bruised; Frank Thomas, Mount Clemens, Michigan, badly bruised; J. L. Ziegler, Detroit, brakeman, bruised.

The wreck occurred at a switch on which a freight train was standing. The first seven cars of No. 6 crossed the switch safely, but as the last coach was passing over the switch points the trucks caught in such a way as to throw it and the Pullman car following off the track and over onto the engine of the freight train. The two cars and the engine were thrown into the ditch. The engineer and fireman, the slight engine were examined, finding the engine as the two cars crashed into it, and they had narrow escapes. The passenger train was running at high speed at the time the accident occurred. The injured were taken into Detroit, where all were reported as doing well.

DOUBLE TRAGEDY.
Kingston, N. Y., April 5.—Mrs. Clara Hinchings was killed to death at her home at Port Even Friday night. Alfred S. Rodman, one of the party that tried to rescue Mrs. Hinchings, dropped dead when he saw her body.

MOTHER AND CHILDREN PERISH.
St. Louis, April 7.—Mrs. Wm. W. Ward, 32 years old, and her baby girl Mabel, and a son Miles, aged 5 years, were fatally burned by the explosion of a kerosene lamp, from which the mother was pouring oil into a stove at her home. Mr. Ward, who is an invalid, severely injured, was killed by the accident that he, too, is in a dangerous condition.

DIED FROM SHOCK.
Toronto, Ont., April 6.—Albert Easley, mill hand at Newtonbrook, sat down on the edge of a horse trough, in front of the Rosedale Hotel, on Saturday, and overbalancing, fell into the water and some passers-by noticed his feet above the trough and rescued him. The man was unconscious, but was restored through the aid of doctors and being taken to his home, when he collapsed and died in a few moments. Death was due to shock. He leaves a wife and family.

CRUSHED TO DEATH.
Winnipeg, Man., April 6.—R. J. Swanson, a pioneer of Fernie, was accidentally killed at Elko, B. C., by being crushed between two logs. Deceased was born in St. Marys, Ont., and came west in the early seventies.

KILLED AT BUFFALO.
Buffalo, N. Y., April 7.—David Egger, employed by the American Express Company for the past eighteen years, was killed on Saturday in the train passing through Buffalo. His head was severed from his body. Egger was about 50 years of age. At one time he played as center fielder on the Buffalo team in the years when the "Big Four" brought fame to the team representing this city.

OTHER CASUALTIES.
The little son of F. Peters, Aymer, while playing in the barn, fell and broke his arm between the wrist and elbow.

Sam Smith, of Aymer, had the two fingers of his right hand taken off while at work in Wooster's planing mill. His hand came in contact with the saw as he was sawing a board.

James Haddock, about 17 years old, and another boy attempted to jump on the slow-going freight at Napanee. Hartwick missed his footing and fell underneath the wheels, his right leg being completely crushed off.

George F. Armstrong, a brakeman on the Algoma Central Railway, while coupling cars on a work train, was instantly killed by being crushed between two cars at the Canada Sho. His home was in Pembroke, Ont.

SPECIAL NOTICES

Diseases of the Kidneys.
Dr. Albert Wesley Kahle, Specialist in Diseases of the Kidneys, No. 120 Delaware avenue, Buffalo, N. Y. will furnish literature free regarding his treatment of Bright's Disease, Cystitis and Diabetes, upon application either in person or writing to the above address.

Notice—Mattress and Feather Bed Cleaning Factory.—New goods; brass and iron bedsteads, from \$4 each; mattresses spring beds, goose-feather pillows and feather and down cushions, from 35c up; upholstering and repairing; corner cozier cushions, at Hunt & Sons, 535 Richmond street. Telephone 997.

Cheap Excursions to California.
For the meeting of the Independent Order of Foresters, at Los Angeles, April 23, cheap round trip rates will be in effect via the Chicago, Union Pacific and Northwestern Lines. Rate from Toronto \$62, and proportionately low rates from other points in Canada. Three through trains daily from Chicago, with Pullmans, tourist sleepers and free reclining chairs. Select the best route, affording finest scenery and quickest time. Choose your returning. Full information and special folder of this excursion can be obtained from B. H. Bennett, general agent, 2 East King street, Toronto, Ont. 41bu xtz

Camel teams are now being used for the carriage and distribution of mining machinery on the north Coalbridge gold fields, Western Australia.

AS THE OIL RUBS IN, THE PAIN RUBS OUT.—Applied to the seat of a pain in any part of the body, the oil absorbs the scorching heat under brisk friction, and the patient obtains almost instant relief. The results of the use of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil have surprised many who were unacquainted with its qualities, and once known it will not be rejected. Try it.

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Telegraphic Briefs.

During March 7,500 new settlers reached Winnipeg.

Ex-Senator Ogilvie's body will be cremated at his own desire.

The Vancouver Gas Company has announced a 25 per cent reduction in its price of gas.

The first boats of the season arrived at Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Friday, and the Assiniboine River, south of the Portage plains, had to find shelter in a schoolhouse.

The estate left by the late J. Ryan, contractor, Toronto, will approximate half a million dollars. The whole of it, by the will, reverts to the widow and five children. One of the sons, John Ryan, is a member of one of the British regiments in South Africa.

The American line steamer Philadelphia, which left Southampton on Saturday for New York, had on board twenty Sikh, who recently arrived in England from Bombay. They are in charge of a British officer and are going to Kansas City and Texas to purchase mules for the British army.

Louis Busch, charged at Detroit with smuggling \$12,000 worth of diamonds from Canada into the United States, was found guilty and committed to await sentence. When arrested he searched 681 diamonds, in three packages, were found concealed in his socks. Busch claimed that the stones belonged to Louis Rosenberg, of New York, and that he was going to Cleveland to sell them, his passing through Canada being merely an incident of the trip. Busch is supposed to have received the gems from Max Hurwich, who landed from an Atlantic steamer at Montreal.

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Thomas Brown sued the city of Hamilton for \$10,000 damages for the loss of an eye on the night of the Laurier demonstration, a year ago last November. The jury gave him a verdict of \$700.

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