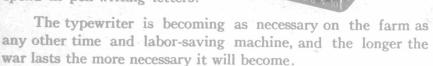
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Gen. Sir W. H. Mackennon has been appointed Director of the Military Draft in the Dominions and Great Britain. He was formerly commander of the Canadian Light Horse troops.

Architect Electus D. Litchfield has been given the job of building a whole town practically overnight, to house the thousands of workers who are to build ships near Camden, N. J. for the defeat of Germany. The town is to be wellbuilt and beautiful, and will be known as "Yorkship", after the New York ship-building Corporation. At present over 3,500 workmen are on the job.

The famous "hunger stone" in the River Elbe, near Tetschen, which, according to popular belief in Germany, predicts a famine when seen, is now visible for the first time since the beginning of the war. The stone lies in the bed of the river and has never been visible save at exceptionally low tide. On the stone is chiseled in old German: "When ye see me ye will weep.

A despatch from Cape Town says that the circulation of Prince Lichnowsky's memorandum in regard to the war has solidified South Africa against Germany.

Lord Shaughnessy, President of the C. P. R., will open the Exhibition at Toronto in place of Lord Reading, who may come at a later date.

The British Women's Party, with Mrs. Pankhurst at its head, have outlined their platform, which includes the following aims especially for women: Equal pay for equal work. Equal marriage laws, including equal conditions of divorce; equality of parental rights, the interest of the child in every case to be supreme. Age of consent to be raised. Equal opportunity of employment. Equality of rights and responsibilities in regard to the social and political service of the nation.-Other clauses deal with maternity, state recognition of the mother's rights, education, housing, etc.

Mrs. Gladstone was ever on the alert to save her husband worry and fatigue. Everyone who has held any kind of public office knows the pain incurred in shaking hands with hundreds of people. Mr. Gladstone used to stiffen his hand and to place his thumb against the palm so that people could not grasp it; but, even so, when his wife thought he had gone through enough fatigue of the kind, standing close behind him, she would thrust her hand forward in place of his, and no one noticed the exchange.'

The centenary of the death of Jane Austen has brought forth an abundance of anecdotes relating to her and her work. "Everyman" tells this of "Northanger Abbey," her first book, written when she was a mere girl, but not published until after her death:

"Northanger Abbey", was bought in 1803 by a Bath bookseller for the sum of £10. But he repented of his bargain, and kept the manuscript for thirteen years, although the anonymous writer had asked for its publication and had offered to send another copy if the original had been lost. At last, Miss Austen's brother, Henry, undertook to try to recover the book. He found the purchaser very willing to receive back his money; when the bargain was concluded, and the money paid, but not till then, the negotiator had the satisfaction of informing him that the work which he had esteemed so lightly was by the author of "Pride and Prejudice."

The story—possibly apochryphal—is told of a well-known novelist, that one day a lady wished to consult him about some thefts

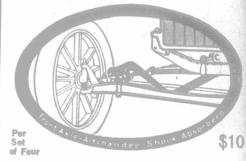
"My detective powers", he is reported to have replied, "are at your service."
"Well," said the lady, "frequent and mysterious thefts have been occurring at my house for a long time. Thus, there disappeared last week a motor horn, a broom, a box of golf balls, a left riding boot, a dictionary, and a half-dozen tin

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