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### THE WAR

This morning's news from the Italian front is vaguely reassuring, but there is at least this much comfort to be extracted from it by the Allied world, that the main Italian forces, consisting of a million men or more, though beaten and compelled to make a retreat involving immense loss and diminution of prestige, have so far escaped the supreme disaster of envelopment. The Italian higher command evidently believes that danger to have been passed definitely. If that view proves correct it will mean that the Italian forces will remain an army in being, and that the German victory, while it will have saved Austria for some months at least, will unquestionably have greatly heartened the Teutonic combination, will still not have eliminated the Italians as a fighting factor during the next few months of war. Italy will come back if, as is believed, the measure of the German success is now known; but how soon Italian pressure against Austria will again become an Allied asset of importance it is much too soon to say.

As Mr. Frank H. Simonds has pointed out, more than three years of war have been remarkable because of the fact that there has been no envelopment of any army on a great scale, notwithstanding the tremendous numbers in the field and the vast spaces over which the campaigns have swept, forward and back, at times, as when the Germans went almost to Paris and were in turn swept back to the Aisne, or when the Russians were in full flight at the time of the German drive into Poland. On that latter occasion only the Grand Duke's masterly tactics in retreat, marked by a series of well-conceived rear-guard actions, prevented Russia from encountering this early in the war a military disaster of the first magnitude.

Mr. Simonds takes the broad view of the whole situation in reminding us that, serious as the Italian defeat is, and much as it may prolong the conflict, the real centre of gravity is on the western front, and that so long as the British and French are in the saddle there, while back of them are being accumulated the tremendous American reserves in men, in money and in industrial power, the Allied purpose, the Allied determination, and the certainty of eventual Allied success are beyond question.

Let this be added and ever kept in mind. The Italian defeat means a longer war and more work and more sacrifices by the Allies. Canada, therefore, must be ready to do even more than was thought necessary a few weeks or months ago. And our war programme must be accelerated, not done with respect to raising men but likewise in connection with saving and giving and working for victory by our whole population. We must do our share—and a bit more if possible.

### HARBOR PROTECTION

The damage done by the recent storm in and about St. John harbor, which was very extensive, should lead to a reconsideration of the whole case regarding the extension of the breakwater to Partridge Island and the construction of a new short breakwater extending eastward from the island itself. While the government has been unwilling to undertake new projects in construction, or to go on with work which might wait until after the war, it probably would be willing to proceed with breakwaters necessary to protect berths already built at federal expense, or to give adequate protection to a harbor so important in connection with war shipping as is St. John.

The completion of St. John's harbor facilities is in no sense a partisan political question. Even in time of peace this is a national harbor, an essential link in any proper scheme of national transportation. In time of war both national and imperial considerations strongly suggest the advisability of pushing forward certain work which is obviously necessary not alone to provide additional accommodation but to safeguard the harbor facilities which we already possess and which are a national asset.

### WAR AND LUXURIES

"The Canadian consumer, taking him as a whole, has bought more luxuries than ever before. The government has made no effort to stop the waste."

This charge, made by the Toronto Star, is fortified by a list of importations of luxuries into Canada in the years 1914-1917 inclusive. There was a falling off in 1916, because of unsettled conditions, but a great increase in 1916, and still greater in 1917. Here are a few items, comparing 1915 with 1917:

	1915	1917
Perfumery (non-alcohol)	\$ 446,579	\$ 698,901
Precious stones	167,444	1,717,861
Ribbons	1,761,857	1,988,666
Pure (not dressed)	1,928,864	2,288,766
Musical instruments	1,838,518	2,554,029
Motor vehicles and parts	7,000,000	15,800,000

There are many other items in the list. While the great mass of the wage-earners and their families have found the cost of living increasing even more rap-

idly than the scale of wages, there have been many people who have been enabled to make abnormal profits. Reckless spending followed, and the habit spread to many of those who could not afford it, but who do as their neighbors do. Hence the demand for luxuries increased, and the amount of money thus wasted was withheld from useful purposes. The government took no action. It may be assumed that the new government will take a more serious view of its duty and responsibility and put an end to the carnival of reckless expenditure at a time when the need of money for war purposes is so urgent. It is not unreasonable to assume that the production of articles which may be regarded as luxuries will have to be curtailed in order that the whole strength of the nation may be turned to the production of essential things. This can only be done by government action. It was done long since in England, and Canada is no less interested in the task of mobilizing the whole country for war service. Every food pledge card that is circulated among the poor is an argument for action that will bring about something like equality of service and of sacrifice among those who have found the war profitable in a financial sense.

### JAPAN AND THE WAR

Of the possible entry of Japanese armies into the field the Bangor Commercial says:

"The French newspapers are devoting considerable space to a discussion of the likelihood of Japan sending troops to engage in the war on the side of the Allies and appear to regard such a move as a very likely possibility. In such event they regard Palestine, Mesopotamia and Macedonia as the most likely fields for such action, pointing out that the participation of a strong Japanese force in any of these theatres would speedily result in the rout of the opposing forces. It is also suggested that in case Japanese troops in large numbers were introduced into Macedonia it would be possible to withdraw the several hundred thousand soldiers the Allies now have practically idle around Saloniki for use elsewhere. It might be that the Allies would not care to withdraw their troops from Macedonia but would welcome Japanese assistance in that theatre as making more certain the success of the offensive that will assuredly be launched in the spring against Bulgaria."

Of course there is the problem of transportation to be reckoned with, and more important still, that of keeping the armies supplied in the field. It may be that these are too great to make it possible for Japan to throw the strength of her splendid armies into the balance against the Central Powers. Certainly if Russia fails to do her part it would be of immense advantage to the other Allies to be able to count on substantial aid from Japan and China.

The Times' special cable today is fraught with much of interest to Canadians as it gives intimate news of Friday's fighting in which the Dominion troops did so well. The story of that lieutenant's exploits is a noteworthy one, marred unfortunately by the regulations that prohibit the giving of his name.

The Canadian Courier publishes a picture of Hon. F. B. Carroll with these lines below it: "Does F. B. Carroll, the new Minister of Public Works, look like a man who would hitch up with a Conservative majority for anything less than national than winning the war?" You know the answer.

The community in general and particularly that portion in which his activities were chiefly centred mourns the death of Mr. Leonard T. Nase. He filled a large place in the business life of the North End and was held in general high esteem.

The death of Charles S. Humbert removes a man of kindly manner who was greatly interested in philanthropic work and in a quiet way had done much good for others.

The free night schools mean a lot to ambitious ones who have been deprived of education in youth. They should win every encouragement.

Election day will be Monday, Dec. 17, a little more than six weeks from today.

### MORE COAL FOR THE ATLANTIC STATES

Washington, Nov. 1.—Immediate relief from the coal shortage in the east was promised last night by the fuel administration, which will issue an order today notifying the arrangement under which shipments to northwest have been given preference over all other movements. Priority orders will be suspended in several mining districts, particularly in Pennsylvania, to release both bituminous and anthracite coal for munitions plants and domestic consumers in the larger cities along the Atlantic seaboard.

## APPLES, ORANGES, FIGS AND PRUNES

Are the Four Fruits Used in Making "Fruit-a-lives"

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### LIGHTER VEIN.

Humor on the drill ground—Sergeant, small and fierce—"Old yer 'ead up, Private Rod. There ain't no three-penny bits lying about." Tall young recruit from northern parts—"Must I always look oop-sea-er-er-er?" Sergeant, very loud, very fierce—"Yes, always." Private Rod, pathetically and in almost a whisper, eyes to heaven—"Then good-by sergeant, I shall never see thee no more."

It was a baseball game in the middle of the street—against the law. There was a rush, a scramble and the policeman had captured a small boy who looked much the worse for wear. "Now," said the policeman, who wasn't at all a bad sort, "which shall it be—a licking or a summons?" "Gimme the licking, ossifer," came the fearful response. "One more won't make much difference. I was the empire!"—Buffalo Commercial.

After President Poincaré had reviewed the United States forces American officers formed a circle about him. He addressed them briefly, speaking in French. "What did he say?" was the question asked of one non-commissioned officer who stood near the party during the speech, when he rejoined his command. "I don't know, exactly," was the reply. "But I think he said to give 'em hell." "That's the stuff!" yelled a number of privates in chorus and the word ran all up and down the long khaki lines amid another outburst of cheering.

## If You Want Evidence

That Hemorrhoids, or Piles, Can be Completely Cured Read These Letters—Both Are Sworn Statements.

Toronto, Ont., Oct. 30.—Next to personal experience the sworn statements of reliable people is the strongest evidence obtainable. If you have any doubt that Dr. Chase's Ointment will positively and completely cure piles, these letters should convince you. Mr. Samuel Parker, fruit grower, Grimsby, Ont., has made the following declaration before Mr. W. W. Kidd, Notary Public of the same place: "I do solemnly declare that I was troubled with bleeding piles and was advised to go to the hospital to have an operation performed. My wife said 'No, get a box of Dr. Chase's Ointment. I did so and have used it according to directions when living in Manitoba and obtained a complete cure. I have never been troubled with piles since. I am now seventy years of age and want to recommend Dr. Chase's Ointment to all sufferers from piles. My wife has used it for itching skin and obtained complete cure."

Mr. Donald M. Campbell, Campbell's Mountain, N. S., writes: "I have used Dr. Chase's Ointment with great success for hemorrhoids or piles of fifteen years. I have also used Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, and three boxes of Dr. Chase's Ointment gave me a complete cure. I have also used Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, and three boxes of Dr. Chase's Ointment gave me a complete cure. I have also used Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, and three boxes of Dr. Chase's Ointment gave me a complete cure."

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**TRIED TO SMUGGLE RUBBER TO NORWAY**  
New York, Oct. 31.—A verdict of guilty of violating American laws by attempting to smuggle dental rubber to Norway on a Norwegian ship was brought in today by a federal jury which tried Joseph Newman, a New York importer and exporter; William Henn, one of his employees, and Sven Durlitz, a Swede. Oscar Newman, brother of Joseph, was acquitted. United States Judge Ervin deferred sentence to enable the men to prepare appeal papers. They are out on bail.  
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## BOYS LIABLE TO TERM IN PENITENTIARY

In the police court yesterday afternoon two men, one charged with drinking liquor in a public street and also with supplying liquor to a soldier, and the other with drinking liquor in a public street, were fined \$30 each. They were allowed to go on the payment of the fine. In the juvenile court yesterday afternoon nine boys were before the magistrate, charged with breaking and destroying a house, the property of Samuel Naves, situated at the corner of Sheriff and Brook streets. The boys were between thirteen and sixteen years of age. It appears that the house in question has been unoccupied for a considerable length of time and that a short time ago the nine boys who were in court went to the house on several nights and destroyed and ruined a considerable portion of the building, tearing out the window frames, pulling down and carrying away the doors and tearing and ripping many of the boards from the walls. It was estimated in the court that the damage done would amount to at least \$150. Mr. Naves, however, was very leniently disposed to the boys and told the magistrate that he did not wish to have them prosecuted in case that they should make restitution, but he desired that they should keep away from the property in the future.

The magistrate gave the boys a very severe lecture and told them that they were all liable to two years in the penitentiary. Some of the boys were going to school and some of them were working and the remainder did nothing at all for a living. The magistrate advised them that they had better find some employment.

His honor allowed the boys to go on their promising to turn over a new leaf.

## EAT LESS MEAT IF BACK HURTS

Take a Glass of Salts to Flush Kidneys if Bladder Bothers You

Eating meat regularly eventually causes kidney trouble in some form or other, says a well-known authority, because the uric acid in meat excites the kidneys, they become overworked, get sluggish, clog up and cause all sorts of distress, particularly backache and misery in the kidney region; rheumatic twinges, severe headaches, acid stomach, constipation, torpid liver, sleeplessness, bladder and urinary irritation. The moment your back hurts or kidneys aren't acting right, or if bladder bothers you, get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any good pharmacy; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to flush clogged kidneys and stimulate them to normal activity; also to neutralize the acids in the urine so it no longer irritates, thus ending bladder disorders. Jad Salts cannot injure anyone; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink which millions of men and women take now and then to keep the kidneys and urinary organs clean, thus avoiding serious kidney disease.