would have to come out of the pockets of the Canadian people.

"Great Britain is not today in a position to buy from us the things which we grow." It meant that the Canadian people "must fork up the money."

woman's voice from the gallery: The rich?" "Yes. I quite agree with you," answered the speaker.
"Canada must finance both the war

"A silent revolution has taken place in Canada about which our people know very little," he said, in referring to the government's pledges to abolish patronage. "It has been an evil sapping the life of the country. Today it doesn't exist."

An interrupter: "Flavelle is still Millions and millions of dollars had been spent unnecessarily, admitted the speaker, for things which could have been bought very much cheaper. The establishment, tho, of the war pur-chasing commission, which now also bought all the country's supplies, meant that the patronage list had disappeared. "If any person in Toronto," he announced, "discovers that the patronage list exists in your midst I will only be too glad if you will call it to my attention." it to my attention."

Reference to the problem of civil service reform was made by the speaker. He said the matter was to be completely dealt with at the next

session of parliament.
Soldiers Put Out.
Three men in the first gallery who said they were returned soldiers at this point started to interrupt the minister. "The men who drink beer are the men who are fighting," they shout the men who are fighting," they shout the men who are fighting." ed. "Stand by the returned soldiers."
Two policemen ejected them from the

Two policemen ejected them from the meeting.

The fifteen hundred people at the meeting would not stand for the display im moving pictures of a "sparring bout" taken at the front in France in which "Lou" Marsh was the referee. People in the audience shouted: "Very edifying," "Very elevating," and "Cut it out." The film was shut off.

"I believe Great Britain will never

"I believe Great Britain will never win this war until she roots out the liquor traffic," declared Capt. (Rev.) liquor traffic," declared Capt. (Rev.) C. S. Oke, a returned overseas chaplain, the other speaker of the evening. Emphasis had been placed in Britain "on men, money and munitions," but the time had come to place importance on "moral and spiritual things." He thought a month of prayer in Great Britain would be equal in value to 100 new divisions at the front. Canada should rule that not one bushel of wheat should go to Great Britain to be made into whiskey.

war he was sergeant in the pay department of the permanent force and after being promoted to commissioned rank he received the appointment of district paymaster. He held the rank of captain when paymaster for the district and was at the big camp at Camp Hughes in 1915 when nearly 30,000 troops were under canvas. Major Welsby only received his majority about two months ago. He left this city a week ago today.

With the American Army in France, Monday, Feb. 25,—The artillery duel in the American sector northwest of Toul the American sector northwe

the beginning of his career took com-

mand of a beaten, disorganized and

perialistic assassins and cursed min-

ions of William and to the enemy's ad-

best army in Europe.

The Results of 1917

The Thirty-first Annual Report of The Manufacturers Life Insurance Company shows a record of growth unsurpassed by previous achievements.

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WARRANT OUT FOR PRIEST

AMERICANS NEAR TOUL,

With the American Army in France,

*WAR SUMMARY

demoralized French army and by win-

ning a few successes in three months winter to stand on the defensive. They

or destroy this ammunition. The Bol- dreds of the hardest hitting and far-

sheviks are sending large forces to thest shooting ordnance in use, may

the Germans seemingly irreparable. a better field for allied revolutionary

werp and Maubeuge.

At the end of the long session Controller wright advocated application for legislation which would eliminate payment of one mill war tax by cities of 100,000 people, but this was referred to the board of control.

Will Use the Dragnet.

The Dominion police will commence

order to solidify their defence. An to his intended victim that if he dearmy of tramps and ragamuffins, if it begins to win, soon becomes a formidable to remain with her mother, but had able disciplined force. Napoleon begins to win, soon becomes a formid-spilt he had better suffer his despatch to continue on with the snow the where it is playing this week.

The news from France shows that Famine Saps Vitality Of Petrograd's Defenders

he found himself at the head of the have been digging deep zones of trenches in their rear; they have been slan wirejess communication signed laying entanglement after entangle- by the people's commission for food. London, Feb. 26 .- An official Rus The Germans, in fact, are forcing ment of barbed wire. Their discoveries was received here today. It urges the belsheviks to fight for their lives, thru their infentive raids here. the Bolsheviks to fight for their lives, thru their infantry raids have revealed population for the "purpose of supplyand even a hare is capable of putting that the enemy is thinly holding his ing with bread the starving north up a spirited life and death struggle, front lines—and, like a tortoise into able commander and, perhaps, the rear positions at the first sound of an alarm. While the enemy does not "The German bourgeoisie," the ap-

enemy, however, is only eight hours' seem disposed to attack the alities, march from Petrograd and he is endeavoring to advance rapidly beyond deavoring to advance rapidly beyond that he will attack them. This action of the whole world, is striving to Pskov to seize a large store of Rus-Pskov to seize a large store of Russian ammunition. The Russians, meanto do something to compel the enemy to fight them at a disadvantage. The
republic by retaking these lands which gress for a sufficient time to remove in France and Italy, comprising nun-lords. they have conquered from the land-

SAFE VOYAGE TO PORT.

sheviks are sending large forces to drive the Germans out of Reval. These and Lorraine, combined with an atarmies comprise the garrisons and tack in the Trentino in an endeavor to advance into the Tyrol. The submarine chaser with a French crew tion of Lenine orders the revolutiontion of Lenine orders the revolutiontion of Lenine orders the revolutionthe anamy to the last
the sparry to the last gasp. It refers to the enemy as imher escort during a terrific bound for Europe. With the engines The Austrian army has never re- disabled by the storm, the crew rigged vance into Russia as monstrous. These celved the sustained hammering that up sails from bed coverings and terms are sufficient to make the front. Conditions, however, are bad the German army has on the western sailed for 39 days.

CONSECRATION POSTPONED.

breach between the Bolsheviks and in Austria and that country furnishes The speech of Von Hertling, Ger- way for an uprising, Austria ought to the dislocating of communication as propaganda. In order to clear the man imperial chancellor, shows that the enemy does not intend at the presthe enemy does not intend at the presthe speech of Von Hertling, Gerway for an uprising, Austria ought to the dislocating of communication as Exchange Telegraph from Petrograd to the dislocating of communication as Exchange Telegraph from Petrograd to the dislocating of the Florizel disaster, the reports that there has been a distance of the Somme, Vimy Ridge, consecration of Rev. Canon White, agreement in the council of the workway for an uprising, Austria ought to the dislocating of communication as Exchange Telegraph from Petrograd to the dislocating of the special to the dislocating of the dislocating of the special to the dislocating of the dislocating of the property of the dislocating of the special to the dislocation as Exchange Telegraph from Petrograd reports that there has been a dislocation of the special to the dislocation as the dislocation of the special to the dislocation as the dislocation of the special to the dislocation as the dislocation as the dislocation of the special to the dislocation as the dis ent time to accept reasonable terms, Austrian army would bid fair to pro- land, previously, fixed for Friday,

Von Hertling Demands Acceptance of Washington Proposals by Allies.

FIGHT FOR CONQUEST

Chancellor Declares Allies Want Parts of Austria and Turkey.

Amsterdam, Feb. 26.—German Chanellor von Hertling said in his reichs-"I must adhere to the existing

methods of dialogue across the channel and ocean.

"Adopting this method, I readily admit that President Wilson's messagof February 11 represents, perhaps, a small step towards a mutual rap-

prochement."

The chancellor then deals with four propositions of the president and virtually accepts none, or accepts it "I do not want to be discourteous,

but when one remembers the earlier atterances of President Wilson, one might think that he is laboring un-der the illusion that there exists in

der the illusion that there exists in Germany an antagon in between an autocratic government and a mass of people without rights.

"Now, he demands that all well defined national aspirations shall be accorded the utmost satisfaction that can be accorded them without introducing new or perpetuating old elements of discord and antagonism that would be lieux in time to break the would be likely in time to break the peace of Europe and consequently of the world. Here, also, I can give assent in principle, and I declare, there-fore, with President Wilson, that a

By a vote of 19 to 1, sataries of \$300 annually were voted to the aldermen to take effect in January, 1919. Only Alderman Hölgson registered an adverse vote and he favored sending the satary problem to the people in the form of a bylaw next January.

The recommendation of the board of control that bonuses of \$50 be granted married employes grawing less than \$1200 a year was referred back for further consideration.

At the end of the long service of \$300 to the fallen, the agon-its of the people will fall on the heads of those who insistently of the structure.

SERIOUS ET CODE.

THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

The continued advance of the Australians and Germans air Russia, the shooting of red guardsmen, and the speech shows that this war has not arisen out of a misunder what help want, and what the Bolshevik to fight back. So opposition is developing along the Petrograd road at Pskov. This town has already changed hands several times as the Bolsheviks engage the successive German and what the Bolsheviks engage the successive German armae and want the allies also know, and, more over both sides are aware that the major advance guards. Resistance is also developing to the German advance for the proposition of guards and the feed of the proposition of the proposition of the proposition of the propo

dependent protectorate to annex new portions of territory to the British Empire and to increase and round off the British possessions, especially in

MORE SHIPS NEEDED.

London, Feb. 26.—George Nickoll Barnes, Labor member of parliament and member of the war carinet, made an urgent appeal in the house of commons this evening to the shipworkers to put their backs into their

Ships must be built in larger numbers still if it was desired to come able commander and, perhaps, the right man may come to the top. The enemy, however, is only eight hours' in alarm. While the enemy down. the United States was failing Great Britain as far as shipbuilding

FRANCIS TO QUIT PETROGRAD. Washington, Feb. 26 .- The state department was advised by Amdassador Francis today that yesterday the Ger- soldiers were killed and nine badi; man army was only eight hours' march from Petrograd, and that he was preparing to leave the Russian capital with his staff

To Stop Wheat Trading. Paris, Feb. 26.—The chamber of deputies today was engaged in discussion of a bill regulating the distribution of cereals. The first article of it is announced officially, rendered negative and the control of the cont the bill was adopted. This provides cessary Sunday the sending of addi-

MAY NOT DEFEND PETROGRAD.

London, Feb. 26 .- A despatch to the



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WATER NEARING **TOP OF DYKES**

Brantford Has Men on Watch to Check the First Showing.

SERIOUS FLOODS IN PORT STANLEY

Water Flooded Streets of Village to Depth of Over Six Feet in

Special to The Toronto World. St. Thomas, Feb. 26.—The most seri-

ous flood in Port Stanley for the past 19 years occurred at an early hour this morning when the waters from Kettle Creek arose and flooded the streets feet in places. The people had to again be rescued from their houses in boats and owing to the ice jam at ler General for Nine Months Shows Surplus. of the village to a depth of over six from the creek, the water still con-tinues high and still greater damage may be caused before the water subsides, it is estimated that damage to property amounts to \$25,000. Great efforts are being made to save the tugs and boats in the harbor by secur-

After the downpour of last evening net revenue for the nine months amounts to \$6,794,671, while the additional forms of the second seco the residents in the valley of Kettle tional figures are found in the special bank overdraft account, which stands at \$1,000,000; \$1,050,000 accrued on the roomed in their homes until an early hour this morning. Many of these houses were flooded to the second storey and the inmates were compelled at \$1,000,000; \$1,000,000 accrued on the scale of treasury bills and \$300,000 as the proceeds of debenture sales. Durling the three months in which the amusement tax has been in operation to stay in their uncomfortable posi-tions until the water receded about \$61,362 from this taxation. o'clock. The city firemen and police were down in the flooded district all night, but owing to scarcity of boats,

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days—Druggists re-fund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles. First application gives relief. 50c.

THREE AMERICANS DIE OF GAS. With the American Armies France, Feb. 26.—Three Americal 'gassed" in two formidable gas at-

tacks made by the Germans on the American positions in the Total sector early this morning with projectors.

TROOPS SENT TO COUNTY CLARE. for the suspension of all private trad-ing in wheat, corn, buckwheat, rye the police. County Clare has been declared a special area under the Defence of the Realm Act.

HOSTILE ARTILLERY ACTIVE.

men's and soldiers, delegates regarding bood of Flesquieres and northeast of Vulcan Shipyards at Vegesack, on the or to entertain the propositions of the duce satisfactory results in Austriaallies for a lasting settlement. It is Hungary for the allies.

Austrian army would bid lair to proland, previously, had to Friday,
line evacuation of redogram and that
the retirement of Leon Trotzky, Bolshevik foreign minister, is imminent.

YORK COUNTY SUBURBS

BLAMES THE WOMEN FOR **EXISTING HIGH PRICES**

Says Conservative Associations Are Composed of Wives and Daughters of Wealthy Men.

Earlscourt Citizens' Committee Will Ask for Protection at Avenue Road and St. Clair Avenue.

WARRANT OUT FOR PRIEST
at the front. Canada should rule that
offers Britain to be made first whiskey.

Alleged Defaulters,

MAJOR IS ARRESTED

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Mine Centre, Ont., Peb. 26.—Major in the Mary Bording of the Centre of the Winning at the Second to the Winning at the Second to the Winning at the Second to the Winning at the Winning at the Second to the Winning at the Winning at the Second to the Washing Moral of the Second to the Washing Moral of the Washing Mor upon the government and to demand re-quection of food prices in all directions, and to see that, wherever possible, the producer brings his stuff direct to the housekeeper.

"This subject is very important at the present time, and I would be glad if you could spread the good influence your as-sociation must possess to surrounding points."

Special Constables Escort

Strike-Breakers to Work Special constables escorted strike-breakers to work at the Canada Cycle and Motor Company, Limited, yesterday, to prevent trouble. The strike is likely to continue for some time, as the men feel that they cannot accept a lower rate of waces.

Crip Follows the Snew LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE taken in time will Prevent Grip. GROVE'S signature on box, 30c.

BRITISH COLUMBIA HAS SMALL SURPLUS

Victoria, Feb. 26.—The second session of the British Columbia Parliament resumed its business today. . John Hart, minister of fin tabled the report of the comptroller-general, containing a complete state-ment of revenue and expenditure for the months of April and December. the months of April and December. The total revenue for the nine months of the larger tugs are being manned with steam up in order to save them if they should go out with the ice

In connection with the net expendi-ture changeable to income the figures boil down to \$5,544,889, and the balance is accounted for as follows: \$708,472 has been placed to the credit of the sinking fund account and \$381,-210 has similarly been spent on the redemption of debentures under the Loan Act of 1887. Of the sum of \$1,350,887 expended on capital ac-count \$1,250,000 was on account of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway

A DESPERATE SUICIDE.

Regina, Feb. 26.-Word reached the provincial police today of the desperate suicide of a wealthy young farmer named Louis P. Varley, at Landis, Sask. He first set fire to a straw stack and then cut his throat with a jacknife. His folks live at Stuart, la HOPKINS WINS GOLF MEDAL.

St. Augustine, Fla., Feb. 26.-L. J Hopkins, of Chicago, won the gold medal today in the second day's play of the qualifying rounds in the annual golf tournment here. Hopkins' card for 36 holes totaled 169. Big German Ship Launched

Amsterdam, Feb. 26 - The largest German cergo steamer affoat, the

ERECTION OF SHELTER IS AGAIN DISCUSSED

EIGHT ARE INITIATED.

HOME LEAGUE GATHERINGS. Last night the Salvation Army, West Toronto, held their armual home league gathering. Mrs. Commissioner Richards presided. The secretarry's report was received and found to be a very favorable one. Parcels amounting to about \$300 have been sent overseas since Carlstmas by the league, and at the present time they are preparing socks for the boys overseas.

USE DYNAMITE AT HUMBER.

EARLSCOURT W.C.T.U.

The Earlscourt Branch, W.C.T.U., of which Mrs. David Dougan is vice-president, is taking an active interest in patriotic work, and parlor socials at the residences of various members are frequently held in this connection. The members will hold their next social at the home of Mrs. Brown, a member of the committee. There are about 25 members at present on the rell of the branch.

FELL FROM SCAFFOLD.

Special to The Toronto World. Kingston, Feb. 26. John Hanen, employed by the Kingston Shipbuild-Company, fell thirty feet off a scaffold and was badly injured;



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