Somebody is Always Taking the Joy Out of Life : : : By BRIGGS

JURY BLAMES MOTORIST FOR GIRL'S DEATH

Driver of Car Ran Miss Willcox Down Thru Negligence, is Finding.

"We, the jury, find that Rose Victoria Wilcox came to her death on Feb. 28, the result of a fractured skull resulting from her being struck by a motor car driven by John Warren. From the evidence submitted we believe that the death of Rose Wilcox was caused thru negligence on the part of the said John Warren."

The above verdict was rendered to Coroner C. Ricker by the jury at the inquest at the morgue last night. The inquest was held on the body of Rose Wilcox, who was so badly injured when run down by a motor car at the corner of Palmerston avenue and Bloor street on the evening of Feb. 27, that she died the following morning in the Western Hospital. John Warren, 14 Buchanan street, driver of the motor car, was arrested at the scene of the accident and is being held in custody on a charge of manslaughter. He was present at the inquest, but his counsel, W. H. Hoskins, did not call upon him to testify.

Detective Carter, who investigated the accident, told of taking a statement from Warren at the time of the arrest. Warren, he said, was not under the influence of liquor, but admitted under examination to having had two drinks of whiskey. Warren had said to him that he was driving his car at a speed of from 14 to 16 miles an hour. The examination of the pavement in the vicinity of the accident, the detective swore, showed a skid mark of 18 feet. Here, said the witness, there was a large blood stain and from there on a second skid mark of 25 feet.

Bernard Ryckman, 467 Grace street, a motor car expert, tested the brakes of the motor car driven by Warren. He found the brakes to be in poor condition. The bands of the wheels were broken, and the surfaces badly worn. It was impossible to get the left wheel to grip. Witness tested the stopping of the car with the foot brake at various speeds. Traveling at 15 miles an hour, Ryckman stated, he stopped the car within 36 feet without making a skid mark. At 25 miles an hour he brought the car to a standstill in 40 feet, causing a 49-foot skid mark.

Service Boxing Tournament.

The recent British and American services boxing tournament at Royal Albert Hall, London, motion pictures of which will be shown at Massey Hall all next week, has created a furore in English boxing circles, and served to give the fistic art a tremendous boost thruout the world, the greatest boost the sport has ever had. The tournament brought together for the first time boxing experts from every part of the British Empire, together with champions of all classes from the United States. The exhibitions were held under the patronage of King George, who since the commencement of the war has become an enthusiastic follower of the sport.

Motion pictures were taken of each of these bouts, primarily for showing to the royal family at Sandringham, but the contests proved to be of such excellence that permission was given to show them thruout the British Empire. Canadian followers of boxing watched the progress of the tournament with tremendous interest and a great deal of discussion took place on the relative merits of the various contestants.

Bombardier Wells, the famous British heavyweight, is seen in two contests in the pictures, and he will be as popular with local fans as he proved to be with the large audience at Royal Albert Hall.

There will be two performances of these pictures daily, matinee at 2.30 and evening at 8.15.

White Sulphur Springs, Va.—Sir John and Lady Eaton with Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Williams, arrived at the Greenbrier Hotel yesterday in their private car from Toronto to remain the entire month.

VETERANS

Items of Interest to Returned Soldiers Will Be Printed in This Column if Phoned or Sent In.

The monthly meeting of the Toronto Sapper Association was held in the armories on Monday evening. The president, Capt. C. B. Ferris, D.C.M., was in the chair.

The honorary president, Col. W. R. Lang, G.S.O., in an interesting way reviewed the formation of the engineer units in Toronto.

The nomination of officers to be elected at the annual meeting on the first Monday in April was as follows: Honorary president, Col. W. R. Lang; president, Capt. C. B. Ferris, D.C.M.; vice-president, Sergt.-Major Law, D.C.M.; secretary and treasurer, Lieut. F. S. Rutherford; advisory committee (five to be elected), Lieut. Vietch, Major McGiverin, Lieut. Flett, Major Brown, Major L. L. Anthes, Lieut.-Col. McGiffin, Major Barton, Sergt.-Major McGarnet; executive committee (seven to be elected), Sergt. Reed, Corporal Glover, Sap. Maudsley, Sap. Steele, Sap. Marr, Sergt. Maxted, Lieut. Redman, Sergt. Wissindon, Major H. N. Gzowski, Sap. Cramer, Sap. White.

At present the decision is to evacuate the Canadians from France thru Havre. Great preparations have been made to house and entertain the boys in the new camps where they will remain a week before crossing to England.

The Canadian "Y" plans are not quite complete, for it is a large proposition. Up to date some huts have been taken over from the British "Y", one 240 feet long and beautifully equipped, to which the Canadian "Y" will make additions. A cinema costing $15,000 and seating 1,500, is being built.

Leut. Sumner Graham of the city legal department has returned to the city after serving with the R.A.F. for two years. He enlisted in 1916 and in that year was injured while making a landing. He was again wounded in France in 1918, but not until after he had made 150 flights over the lines.

Brantford, Ont., March 5.—The local G.W.V.A. received official advice as to the payment of the 20 per cent. bonus to pensioners living abroad from England. A bonus of 20 per cent. has been added to ordinary war pensions granted for disablement or death due to war service of disabled men and their children and widows and children of deceased men and with certain exceptions to pensions of parents and other dependents.

Guelph, Ont., March 5.—The local G.W.V.A. have decided to circulate a petition thruout the Dominion, asking the government to pay the war gratuity to deceased soldiers next of kin on the same basis as it is paid to men who have served at the front, and that the pension of deceased soldiers' dependents be not affected by this payment. Delegates were elected to represent this association at the next provincial convention, to be held in Windsor, as follows: A. J. Abbott, T. G. Delamer, A. C. Mackintosh, R. H. Wing, G. A. Pearse, W. S. Wright and J. S. Menish. A committee was appointed to go to Fergus to organize a branch of the G.W.V.A. at that place.

Varied expressions of opinion were heard yesterday at the Red Triangle and other clubs respecting the action of the Canadian generals at Mons and Cambrai. But no opinion differed with respect to the value of the Ross rifle at the front during the first year of the war every man interviewed giving it unreserved criticism.

"The brass hats are never popular anywhere," said one man, "and Currie was no exception. He was military from the word go. But as to having us smashed up at Mons to please a whim of his own—well, I would hesitate to say."

"I think it is easy to jump at conclusions," said another, a veteran of 1914. "As a matter of fact, I think General Currie may have felt inclined for a last-hour dash. It gets into one's veins over there. But we have the bitterest experience at our back when we think of Sir Sam Hughes and the Ross rifle. Perhaps the capture of Mons entailed a loss of 10,000. It may have been the part of a great wide army movement. The casualties due to the damnable ineffective Ross rifle cannot be counted. Will the Ross Rifle Co. prove to our satisfaction and its own honor the cause of that inefficiency?"

"Ah, well," said still another. "Perhaps Currie was trying for his ribbons. But, he'll come out whitewashed. You see, the fact of the capture of Mons was apparent. But the causes behind it may prove a source of interminable discussion. If the general did it off his own bat it will be difficult for him to face the parents of the lost ones when he returns."

"I would hesitate to venture an opinion about the battle of Mons," said Comrade Gustar of West Toronto G. W. V. A. "I have only one opinion of the Ross rifle, and that is shared by hundreds of other. Say, didn't that brigade major land into Sam Hughes!"

General Gunn, G.O.C., stated yesterday afternoon that if necessary the detraining of the men from the Canadian divisions could be changed from Exhibition grounds to North Toronto if the men desired it, without causing any serious inconvenience to the authorities. If, when the men reached Halifax, word was sent on to this district that they wished to march thru the main streets, it could be done, he said.

Many reasons were pointed out by the general, however, against the plan of detraining them at North Toronto, and he was greatly in favor of the plan which is to be adopted, namely, taking them to the Exhibition. If they were to march thru the streets it would be impossible for them to carry their heavy equipment, weighing about 100 pounds, and, therefore, an officer would have to be sent to check their bags on the way up. Then there would be the problem of forming them up and getting them onto the street. Besides this the relatives of the men would want to meet them as soon as they could.

Only three trains bearing 500 men each can be brought in during one day and considerable time will elapse between each arrival. It would be impossible to keep the men who come in on the first train waiting until the last train arrives, and it would be impractical to march half battalions thru the city.

Under the new plan the men will turn in their equipment and will be allowed to meet their friends and proceed to their homes with them in volunteer autos.

Comrade A. Kenneth Coulter was last night elected president of the Originals Club for the ensuing year, and Lieut.-General Arthur Currie, a full member, was elected honorary president, while Lieut.-Col. A. E. Kirkpatrick and Major N. P. Kelley were elected honorary vice-presidents. Harry Radermacher will be the new 1st vice-president; J. D. Procter, secretary, and J. A. Duncan, treasurer. Others elected to office were: Comrades E. Rushton and H. Page, 2nd. and 3rd. vice-presidents; Marshal F. Belcher; executive council, R. Air G. Leith, A. W. Porter, W. Chalkley and J. Free; auditors, Comrades J. Larkins, W. Chalkley and G. Leith; entertainment committee, Geo. Wallis, A. Elliott and A. J. Bushell; visiting committee, R. Air, J. Leahy, G. Davidson, A. W. Porter and W. Price.

The club will open a central office in town very shortly, and will inaugurate a season of much promise.

Fifty-three soldiers belonging to the Siberian expeditionary force arrived from Vancouver at the Union Station at 4.10 p.m. yesterday. These men did not leave Canada, having been held in Vancouver as details. They were not allowed the usual 14 days' leave, but were immediately taken on the strength of the Exhibition camp.

THE FIRE RECORD.

Spontaneous combustion caused fire which did $1,200 damage to a building in the rear of 240 West Bloor street at 9 o'clock last evening. The two-storey building was damaged to the extent of $200, and some antique furniture valued at $1,000 was damaged. The building is owned and occupied by E. B. Lumbers.

Fire of unknown origin did $1,200 damage to the two-storey dwelling of John McFarlane at 12 Sherwood avenue last night.

Defective wire started a $100 fire in an apartment house owned by Mrs. Bicker at 1424 West Dundas street last night.

At the Allen.

William Faversham, the eminent English dramatic actor, is scoring a tremendous hit at the Allen this week in a film adaptation of the famous Drury Lane melodrama, "The Silver King." The production is a most notable one. Next week the management will present Marguerite Clark in "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch." Critics declare this to be the best of the Clark pictures for a long time, and the many admirers of this diminutive star are in for a treat. Another Canadian scenic will be on the program. The initial release this week has brought forth much favorable comment and the offering next week is even better.

FATHER BURKE PREACHES OPENING LENTEN SERMON

St. Peter's Church of the Paulists' parish, corner Bloor and Markham streets, was all too small to accommodate the congregation which overflowed into the vestibule and vestry, at the opening Lenten devotions last night. On Ash Wednesday the Catholic Church reminds her members that life is transient, and that they are mortal, when she places ashes on the forehead of the thousands who present themselves at her altars, while the officiating priest repeats the warning words: "Remember, man, thou art but dust, and unto dust thou shalt return."

In keeping with this spirit was the sermon of Rev. Father John E. Burke of Newman Hall, who, as the speaker of the evening, inaugurated a course of sermons which he will deliver on the Wednesdays thruout the season of Lent.

"We know not when or how death will come," said the speaker. "But, in whatever manner, it is a fact that it comes suddenly. How many times in my own experience," said Father Burke, "have I received words that someone whom I had attended half an hour before, and who I had expected would live, perhaps, until next morning, was dead. Death comes suddenly, and we should be prepared for it; for, while we know not the day nor the hour, the fact remains that we must face it. As we live, so shall we die. The man who has been upright and just shall receive the reward of the good, but death to the unjust is a very horrible thing."

Urging that preparation should not be left until death stares one in the face, the speaker said that it was not when the body was racked with pain and the intellect dulled by sickness that preparation for the awful journey should be begun.

"I have seen the deathbed of sinners, and, on the other hand, I have seen the deathbed of those who have lived close to the good. I urge you not to put off your conversion," pleaded the speaker. "For when the time comes for the Lord to place the laurel on our brows, it is by living faithfully in accord with the precepts of the church that we will be found fully prepared to receive it."

At the close of the sermon, benediction of the Blessed Sacrament was given by Rev. Father Noonan.

DESIGNERS OF GARMENTS GET HELPFUL IDEAS

Progress in Toronto along the lines, both of commerce and art, was evidenced last night when the Designers' Club of nearly fifty members met at dinner at the King Edward, and afterwards heard an interesting address in keeping with their work from Dr. Currelly of the Royal Ontario Museum. For the most part the members of the club are engaged in the work of turning out designs for various kinds of ready-made garments. The president of the club is Miss C. Story, editor of Ready-To-Wear Magazine.

Dr. Currelly spoke on "Design," which he said was of a twofold character—formative and decorative—the first being much more difficult to achieve than the latter. This was illustrated by the statement that it was much more difficult to conceive a beautiful room than to decorate it. A school of design, such as was to be found in many countries, should be in keeping with the needs of its locale. Proportion, one of the essentials of a perfect design, might be acquired, but it was better if a person was born with the gift. Association with the beautiful, and with things that harmonize was of great help in developing the faculty which was of such service in the work.

Canadian people had gifts in the needed direction, when they got a chance, was the encouraging statement of Doctor Currelly, whose association with the many curious and beautiful things of the museum, makes his opinion of value.

WELL-KNOWN AMATEUR SCIENTIST PASSES AWAY

Charles H. Armstrong, whose death was announced yesterday at the age of 80, was well-known in astronomical and scientific circles as a devoted amateur. He was at one time curator of the Royal Canadian Institute and was an authority on aquatic flora and fauna and on mushrooms and entomology. He lived for some time in British Guiana, but returned, the climate failing to agree with his health. He was for many years a member of the Theosophical Society. The funeral will take place at two o'clock tomorrow from Hopkins' Mortuary, 520 Yonge street.

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It does not contain poison in any form, or narcotics that only relieve pain, but the different roots and herbs that regulate the system. It stimulates the stomach, liver and kidneys into healthy action, helps digestion, and keeps the bowels regular, expels all gas from the system and takes away the bad feeling around the heart, and fearful feeling from the head, depressed spirits and melancholy simply vanish, and a cheerful spirit takes their place. B'Well is a blessing to those who feel life is a burden to them, that are downhearted and unhappy from disease. B'Well carries the poison out of the system through the natural channels of health, and as the poison is carried out of the system, nature restores herself and a cheerful spirit follows, as there is nothing like good health to make a person cheerful and happy. Many people treated for epileptic fits have been restored to health by its use. Don't ask me if it cures this, that and the other disease. It is different from the most of medicines advertised as cure-alls, and I am not advertising this remedy as such, but simply advertising it as a medicine that has and will regulate the system, carry the poison out of the blood, and common-sense must surely tell you the result. Men and women who have been nervous wrecks, with hollow cheek and sunken brow, have become plump, healthy and cheerful from its use, and I can only say what it has done for others it will surely do for you. Young men and women whose faces were covered with pimples, and a sickening sight to look at, are now free from them from its use. Men, women and children who had eating ulcers and running sores have been healed, and what it has done for them it is likely to do for you. Terrible, itchy, scaly skin diseases have disappeared from its use and the sufferer made happy and healthy.

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Hanover, Aug., 1916.
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I am enclosing $6.00 for six packages.
Yours truly.

Montreal, Jan. 23rd, 1916.
Dear Sir,—Will you kindly send me another bottle of your "B'Well"? I dare say you will remember me sending for a bottle on the 23rd of December. My boy, 13, passed a lot of stomach worms, some of them two inches, and some a little more. The third day, after taking it, he passed thirty-seven. No wonder the poor boy had such an appetite. I assure you I am very thankful I got your medicine, and am sending for another bottle for my boy of 11 years. I enclose $1.25 for same, and 22 stamps for postage.
Yours truly.

Ravenne, Ont., Feb. 12, '16.
Dear Sir,—Enclosed please find $1.25 for a package of "B'Well." I have used one package, and found it the best medicine I ever tried. I have been bothered with stomach trouble for years, and I am now about all right.
Thanking you for your medicine, I remain.
Yours truly.

Prof. Mulveney answers Telephone Calls

Hello! Is that Prof. Mulveney's. Parkdale 4830?
Yes, lady.
Is Prof. Mulveney there?
Yes, Prof. Mulveney is speaking.
Have you a worm remedy for children?
Yes.
Could you tell me, if I brought my little girl down, if she had worms?
No, lady, I cannot tell you by looking at children if they have worms.
You can't?
No, madam.
Couldn't you tell me if I told you all the symptoms?
No, madam. My remedy called Mother's Friend expels worms, is an excellent Tonic and Builder, good for the Nerves, and is an excellent medicine for Regulating the Bowels; it brings away all filth and small Intestinal Worms, is perfectly harmless and can be given to the smallest infant without fear of doing harm. A lady who is living on Shaw street got a bottle of this medicine for her baby two years old. She said she had no peace with this child night or day for four months; the doctor was calling regularly and did not help the child in the least. The little one took a bad spell and was choking; the mother opened its mouth and pulled out a stomach worm that was strangling the child. She rushed over to me and brought the child, also the worm, which measured eight inches long, with her. She purchased a bottle of Mother's Friend, and the second dose brought away 17 more. She was horrified at the sight, and brought the worms to me, which I have here in a bottle in my office, and many others from other happy mothers. So if you think it a good investment to try Mother's Friend, it is $1.00 per bottle, and 6c for postage in the city, and 20c extra for postage outside Toronto. Now, you understand, it is not necessary to waste car fare bringing your children here, as I do not practise medicine, and have only the one remedy for sick children, which expels worms if they are there. It is an excellent medicine for children, and has cured many little ones of St. Vitus' Dance and Convulsions, also Fits. Call or send to 211 Ossington avenue, formerly Dundas street. 'Phone Park. 4830. Mother's Friend in powder form; each package makes twice as much medicine, for $1.00; no danger of breaking and no cost for sending. Just send $1.00.

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THOMAS GRIMES.
Dinsmore, Sask, Can.

Allandale, R. R. No. 1,
Jan. 20th, 1916.
Dear Sir,—Would you kindly send me one package of "B'Well," as I have used it, and it has done me the world of good, and am feeling a lot better since I have taken it.
Enclosed you will find the price of one package. Please oblige me by sending it as soon as you can.
Yours truly.

Staples, April, 1916.
Prof. Mulveney:
Dear Sir,—I received the package of B'Well you mailed me March 20, and it is all right. Please send me $6.00 worth as soon as convenient.
Sincerely yours.

Waterford, Nov. 16, 1917.
Dear Sir,—You will find enclosed $1.00 for two packages of your "worm destroyer." I have used your medicine, and it did me so much good at the time I want some more.
Yours respectfully.

165 Perth Ave., Toronto,
May 9, 1916.
Dear Sir,—Enclosed you will find one dollar and twenty-five cents for more of your "B'Well" powders. It is doing so much for my sons, we wish to try it a little longer.
Hoping to receive it at your earliest convenience, I am, yours truly.

Hamilton, April 19th, 1916.
Dear Sir,—Enclosed please find $1.25, for which send me another package of "B'Well" powders. They are just fine, and do all you claim for them. Kindly send as soon as possible.
Yours truly.

Hanover, May 2nd, 1917.
Dear Sir,—Please find enclosed $1.25 for "B'Well." As two of my neighbors have got it lately, and think it is so good, I thought I would try it. Please send it soon.
Yours truly.

Fenelon Falls, June, 1916.
Prof. Mulveney:
Dear Sir,—Please send me one dollar's worth of your Mother's Friend Worm Medicine. I have given my children some before, and would not be without it now for a good deal, as I have a little girl that took fits before I gave her your medicine. Now she is as healthy as any child could be. Am obliged for your good help.
Yours truly.

Pickering, Oct. 2nd, 1916.
Dear Sir,—I am sending for some more of your "B'Well" medicine. It is the best that I have ever got yet. I have been doctoring for over six years.
Please send it as soon as you can.
Yours truly.

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ORATORIO SOCIETY CONCERT BIG SUCCESS

That Eugene Isaye is as great a conductor as he is a violinist, was amply demonstrated in Massey Hall last night, when he conducted the famous Cincinnati Orchestra in conjunction with the concert given by the Toronto Oratorio Society, which was led by Dr. Edward Broome. Seldom, too has the music hall seen such a large and representative audience as that which filled the building last night.

Most of the members, tho not new to music lovers, provoked the same amount of enthusiasm and inspiration as ever, and Monsieur Isaye's control over his instrument, for an orchestra is an instrument despite its diversity of parts, was to say the least marvelous.

The symphony in D Minor by Franck seemed a veritable revelation of beauty, color and tone, and that it is one of the most monumental and inspiring works of the French composer was easily displayed by the applause which continued long after the music ceased. Its movements follow each other in quick succession, and the listener seems to feel himself swept away, as the music rushed from lento to a perfect whirlwind of wailing violins and droning basses.

The first concerted number by both the choir and orchestra was "The Revenge," by Sir C. Villiers Stanford, a ballad of the fleet of Drake, Howard and Sir Richard Grenville. How the little pinnace commanded by Sir Richard Grenville, attacked the galleons of old Spain, and after sinking many was herself mortally wounded and went down without her commander, who had been killed earlier in the action, is told with a bold, heroic tone. One can imagine the "Long Live the Queen" by the crew as their ship makes its last plunge.

"Exile," a composition by M. Ysaye, for the orchestra without the basses, mirrors the sufferings of a soul, the grief, the distress, finally works up to a very culmination of anguish, and every particle of color that remains within the violins, violas was brought out to the fullest.

Two choruses by the choir unaccompanied, which were well received, were "O Brightness of the Immortal Father's Face," by Mark Andrews, and "Who Rides for the King," by Reginald Somerville. While the "Challenge of Thor" from King Olaf, by Sir Edward Elgar, for the chorus and orchestra, seemed to thunder to the outermost depths of the hall, and Thor, the king of war seemed to walk with terrible strides before the audience.

The closing number "Marche Heroique," by Saint Saens, is a rapidly moving piece, with innumerable staccatos, trumpet calls, and pictures of a hard pressed army. The selection was written in memory of the terrible siege of Paris, during the war of 1870. France's suffering and indomitable soul still struggling to emerge from the darkness which surrounds it are the primary tone pictures brought to the surface by the master's hand.

CITY HOUSING COMMITTEE

Altho the executive of the Toronto Housing Committee held a meeting yesterday, the members were disposed to be communicative. Some developments may be expected when the board meets as the civic representatives will be present.

C. H. Mitchell, who with Ald. Sykes and Hiltz, did not favor turning over the management company's properties to a real estate company, refused to state what had transpired at the meeting.

"I cannot say about the meeting," he said, "except that we are all working constructively for the benefit of the Toronto Housing Company."

CIVIC SALARY INCREASES.

Heads of civic departments met yesterday afternoon and considered the matter of increases in the salaries of civic employes. It is understood that all who received increases last year will not be entitled to them this year. Whether employes who received war bonuses are entitled to more money has not been made known.

CLIMBED OFF SHED INTO ARMS OF POLICE

Chased thru backyards and over fences for over a block yesterday morning, during which time a shot was fired from a revolver, Roy Sheppard, aged 17 years, of Robinson street, was caught on the roof of a shed and placed under arrest on a charge of burglary. Sheppard is known to the police under an alias as Smith. He is alleged to have committed fifteen burglaries during the past year, three of these having taken place recently.

It is alleged that Sheppard was seen by Constable Wilson leaving a house occupied by George Blackhall, at 180 Roxton road. While entering the house, Sheppard cut his foot, and when he was leaving the premises blood was running from a cut in his leg. The blood left marks on the snow, and the policeman was able to trace Sheppard to his home on Robinson street. Sheppard was successful, however, in keeping clear of the police. A gold brooch and $50 in money was stolen from the Blackhall home. Two other houses were entered on the same street and cameras, jewelry and other articles taken.

Residents on Tyndall and Gwynne avenues telephoned the detective office yesterday morning complaining that their houses had been entered. Sheppard was suspected, and a close watch of his home was kept. Sheppard passed along the street, and, seeing Dawn and Bain, started to run. The police followed closely, and when Sheppard saw that he was cornered he climbed to the top of a shed. Dawn went to the lane and Bain stayed in the yard. One of the officers fired a shot from his revolver in the air, and Sheppard gave himself up and came down off the shed.

NAVIGATION IS OPENED.

Breaking all records for navigation out of the port of Toronto, the steamer Macassa left yesterday afternoon for Hamilton with a mixed cargo of package freight. She will leave Hamilton tomorrow at nine o'clock and will return to Toronto at 11.15. The Macassa is under the command of G. W. Corson, and on arrival tomorrow, the silk hat will be presented to him by the harbor master as the first captain to arrive in port.

The opening of navigation for last year was March 30, and the same date for 1917.