

General Smith Dorrien

Heads Campaign Against

London's Unclean Stage

GENERAL SMITH-DORRIEN, who lately started a crusade against what he asserts are objectionable features in London theatrical performances, read a letter which he received from a Canadian at a meeting a few days ago. "It is a simple fact," asserted the writer, "that such plays could not be shown in Canada. If shown they would be hissed off. You have at the back of you all the bet-



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ter feeling of Canada. A great many Canadians are going home with the idea of Britain as a hotbed of iniquity. It is practically all they have seen of it. Our boys at home would never dream of accosting women. Here, unfortunately, the followers of the camps have taught them disrespect for womanhood. I have heard ladies from Canada say if they had known the conditions here they would never have allowed a son or brother to come." It ought to be noted that many responsible people consider the worst thing against most current theatrical performances is their utter banality.

Priests Fight for France.

When the history of the great war is written, one of the finest chapters will be dedicated to the heroism of "France's soldier priests." Serving as private or military chaplains to the troops, they have shed fresh lustre on the glory of France.

When the war broke out, France needed men to place against the strong and numerous German forces, and as the French regular troops and reserves were not sufficient to cope with the invading Teutonic hordes, the French War Office had to call for volunteers. The Archbishop of Paris endorsed the appeal of the War Office and urged the young priests who could be spared from their clerical duties in the different parishes throughout France to join the forces.

Thousands offered their services as army chaplains, others joined the rank and file of the army, and to-day there are more than 20,000 priests on the battlefield, either fighting or giving the last rites of the Catholic Church to the dying in hospitals or on the field of honor. Many have sacrificed their lives for their country, others have been taken prisoners, and are now doing their benevolent work in the prison camps in Germany.

Many heroic deeds on the battlefields have been reported, and many a wounded French and German soldier has been carried on the back of a "soldier priest" to places of safety.

Held Up War Office.

The story is told in London of a large contractor, who, when the war began, offered to build huts for no payment beyond the cost price, but subsequently, when he was in possession of the work, and the orders given him were consequently increased, he represented to the War Office that he ought to be paid a commission, naming 5 per cent., with 1 1/2 per cent. to cover standing charges. The awkwardness of the position was pointed out to him, and that it involved other contractors who had followed his first patriotic example, and were performing the work on payment of out-of-pocket expenses only.

It was suggested to him that, under the circumstances, he could, with greater propriety, work for some definite fee, the reasonableness of which was not disputed; but he persisted in his demand, with the result that, under the necessity in which the military authorities found themselves of avoiding the delay which would otherwise have been caused, it was decided after considerable controversy to pay him the commission stipulated on all work additional to that originally undertaken free of charge.

The total expenditure for which this contractor became responsible is stated to have been \$16,000,000.

Esad Pasha Declared War.

A report on the death sentence passed by a court-martial in Constantinople on Esad Pasha, former provisional President of Albania, has been received in Amsterdam, according to a despatch to Reuters. The commanding general at Constantinople says in the report that Esad Pasha was proved at his trial to have conspired with bands against the Turkish Empire and to have declared war on Turkey. By doing so, the report says, and by his hostile attitude he rendered service to Turkey's enemies. The sentence of death was confirmed by the Sultan.

FACTORY REORGANIZATION.

Steps Being Taken to Increase Ontario's Output of Munitions.

One of the outstanding problems that the industrial leaders of Canada will have to face in the immediate future is the reorganization of our factories so that the supply of munitions to the men who have gone to the front will be adequate for the need. Great Britain is now reaching the point when they will be able to exert her maximum power against the enemy, and to maintain the pressure necessary to insure for the Allies the successful conclusion of the war the supply of munitions must be increased. Daily the splendid armies that Great Britain and her colonies, France, and the other allies have gathered together are moving forward they continue the great offensive movement which has brought so much encouragement of late, and men are readily stepping out to fill the places of those who have fallen. Ammunition is being used on a colossal scale, and the brave men at the front must be sustained in their work.

The Imperial Munitions Board is engaged to-day in studying the practicability of utilizing women in munition plants. A start has already been made in several plants around Montreal with most gratifying results, and with the view of demonstrating what can be accomplished in this direction a number of munition manufacturers recently went to Montreal as the guests of the Imperial Munitions Board to see for themselves.

At one plant visited some 200 women are engaged in various operations on the heaviest shell now being made in Canada, and after a month's experience have shown that they can readily be adapted to this class of work. Care has been taken in the classification of the women for the different operations with the result that the large plant is running without friction and the output is already going up. Special conditions naturally obtain in a munition plant under war conditions, and to meet these conditions the female force is in charge of a young lady who has done social service work for many years and is therefore familiar with the problems which daily present themselves. Her testimony was that the women readily lend themselves to the impulse that calls for their services at this time, one part of the factory vies with another to make the best record, discipline is easily maintained, and there is general contentment throughout the plant.

So much for the heavy work. At another plant there are over 600 women and girls engaged upon lighter and more intricate work. Here where the operations are more delicate and intricate the more sensitive touch of the women makes them admittedly superior to men, and their reliability from day to day is leading to good results.

It was declared by several members of the party that women could easily be utilized in munition work if an adequate supply was forthcoming. Time would have to be spent in organization and in making the factory suitable for them to work in, as well as the training that would make them efficient not only in the handling of any particular machine or operation but in making themselves familiar with shop conditions so that they would know the proper thing to do under all circumstances.

The phase of the whole question that the Munitions Board is seeking to impress upon the people of Ontario is that Canada has undertaken to raise an army of 500,000 men; we have contracted as well to supply a certain quantity of munitions. The Empire needs the soldiers, the soldiers need the munitions, and the economic organization at home must be kept as nearly normal as possible, with every element of self interest subordinated to the object for which the Allies are fighting—the maintenance of civilization throughout the world. These ends can only be secured by co-operation in every section—every home in the country, and that is the task which all will be called upon to take up.

Ontario's Latest Gift.

Ontario has again come to the front in a practical way. The Government has announced that it will give \$1,000,000 out of the amount collected from the war tax this year to the Canadian Patriotic Fund, to assist that organization in providing assistance for the dependents of men who have left their work and their homes here in order to fight the Empire's battles against the menace of German aggression. To maintain payments to dependents of soldiers for the coming year the people of Ontario will be asked to contribute \$6,000,000. Representations were made to the Government by the officers of the Ontario Branch of the Canadian Patriotic Fund, with the result that a grant of \$1,000,000 will be made, to be used in the Province for assisting the wives, children, and other dependents of soldiers who have gone to the front. In taking this action the Government is in a most satisfactory way rendering to the people some tangible service from the war tax.

Commission From Australia.

According to a report received by the Department of Trade and Commerce from Canadian Trade Commissioner Ross at Melbourne, the Commonwealth Government has appointed a commission to visit Canada and the United States to investigate and report upon methods of manufacture and production and the conditions of employment on this continent. The commission will consist of six representative manufacturers of Australia, together with six representatives of the workers. It will spend about four months in Canada and the United States, and the industries to be specially investigated are iron, engineering, and allied trades, timber, building materials, leather, textiles, paper, and trades in the preparation of foodstuffs.

Too often bad motives are attached to good acts.

1,000 Invalided Soldiers at Halifax.

HALIFAX, Oct. 9.—Over a thousand invalided soldiers for points in Quebec, Ontario, and the West, disembarked in Halifax and are speeding toward Quebec, many of them are to receive their discharges and where different trains will be made up to convey them to their homes. Halifax might be called the port of wounded, hundreds of men leaving the gigantic steamer that kept them only four nights at sea.

A few were under escort and eleven poor fellows were manacled. They had given not their life but what to them was infinitely greater, their reason. One of these soldiers had lucid moments and would talk brightly and rationally and then would come over him a spell during which his facial contortions and evident suffering were such as would bring tears to the fact of the most callous hearted and add bitterness to the deserved curses of the Kaiser and his ilk.

Deposited Colors in Westminster.

LONDON, Oct. 9.—The Ontario County battalion on Saturday deposited their colors in the Westminster Abbey. The battalion was accompanied by the brass and bugle bands and headquarters staff.

Cheques Are Stolen.

KINGSTON, Oct. 9.—The local police have been notified of the theft of 25 military cheques from Petawawa Camp. Local banks and merchants have been warned to be on their guard. The police have the numbers of all the missing cheques.

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BULGARS WEAKENING.

British Pressure on Eastern Balkan Line is Having Its Effect.

LONDON, Oct. 9.—While the Entente forces holding the centre of the Macedonian front remain inert, both flanks continue vigorously on the aggressive.

Reports indicate a weakening of the Bulgarian resistance to the British pressure on the eastern end of the line, beyond the Struma. Here the Bulgarians have evacuated the town of Nevoljen, which has been occupied by the British, and are reported on the retreat. The British forces have withstood numerous Bulgarian counter-attacks, and the consolidation of all the ground gained is now reported.

The British official report reads: "On the Struma front the enemy showed no activity. Our troops have now consolidated all the ground gained. The total number of prisoners captured in the recent operations now amounts to three officers and 339 men.

"Our artillery commenced a bombardment of Nevoljen, but after a short time the enemy was seen evacuating the town, and it was occupied by us without loss."

The Berlin War Office report concedes that successes have been achieved by the British forces. The statement says the Bulgarians have evacuated remote villages on the east bank of the river.

To Repair Eastern France.

PARIS, Oct. 9.—The Chamber of Deputies adopted a resolution calling on all the French people to make good the damage caused by the war in the invaded departments of eastern France. The decision was unanimous.

The Sure Tip.

"How did you get that new suit?"
"Had a sure tip on a horse race."
"I never knew one of those sure tips to pan out."
"Neither did I. So I didn't play it. Put the money into this suit instead."

Investigation Proves

that various disease germs have their breeding-place in the waste products of the body. Don't, then, let your bowels clog and throw these harmful germs back on the blood. Take no chances with serious illness. Keep your bowels free, and the bile regulated with

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Was Law-abiding.

A German Jew was arrested in Boston not long ago, says Everybody's, and when he was taken to the police station his condition was found to be so unclear that he was ordered to take a bath. "Vot! Go in the vater?" he asked. "Yes, take a bath. Ycu need it. How long is it since you had a bath, anyway?" With his hand aligned upward and outward he answered, "I never was arrested before!"

A Soft Answer.

"What did you do when Jimmy called you a liar?" said the teacher to one of his class.
"I remembered what you said about a 'soft answer turneth away wrath,' replied the boy.
"Good lad! What soft answer did you make?" inquired the teacher.
"I hit him with a gone-bad tomato!"

T. F. Matthews, of the Matthews, Blackwell Company, and A. H. Stratton, formerly director of the Peterboro Examiner, purchased the Peterboro Review at a liquidator's sale.

The Modest Bridegroom.

From a story told in Little Rock it would appear that a certain young man of that town was terrified by the conventionalities that appeared to him to be necessary in the case of his marriage to a girl of that town.

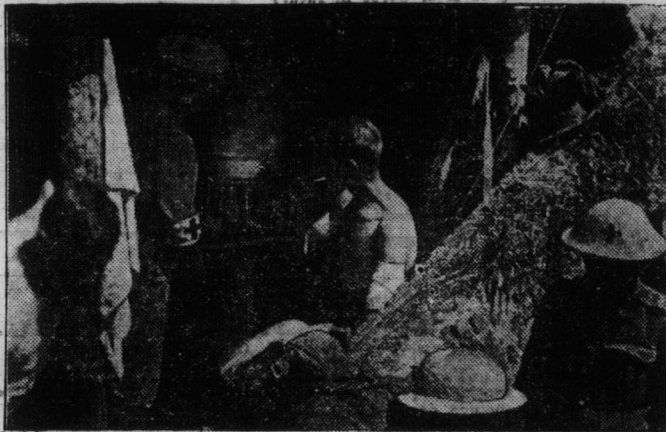
The youth sent a letter to a large clothing concern in New York to ask: "What is the proper dress for a groom?"

Now, it seems that the clerk who opened the mail referred this inquiry to the lively department, and that the head thereof dictated a brief reply:

Bottle-green coat, fawn-colored trousers, with top boots, silk hat cockade. We can quote you prices as follows: "In a short time came this plaintive letter from the young man in Little Rock:

"I always knew it was expensive to get married, but can't you suggest something a little less elaborate?"

G. W. Palmer, a prominent Thurlow township resident had his neck broken when a motor car overturned near Madooc, but he may recover.



Dressing Station, Firing Line—Official Film, "Battle of the Somme."

An urgent call for help again goes forth from the Motherland's mighty life-saving agency—the British Red Cross. The Empire is called upon to give greatly, give lovingly, give quickly, that the sick, wounded and suffering on all the battle fronts may not languish and perish in their hours of deepest need.

Here is a great work in which all can share. The Joint War Committee of the British Red Cross Society and Order of St. John is the only institution which carries voluntary aid to the sick and wounded of the British forces on land and sea in every region of the war. Thousands of our brave and best are saved through this splendid work. YOUR gift may save a life. Isn't it worth doing? It is. GIVE!

Make "Our Day" Your
Red Cross Gift Day
Give on October 19th

Ontario's princely gift in 1915 of \$1,514,000 rang, a clarion mercy call, throughout the Empire. The British Red Cross were grateful beyond measure, and their appeal through Lord Lansdowne, President, now comes to us as to friends who sympathize and help. The need is greater to-day than a year ago—it is ever growing. Will Ontario do less than she did last year? No! GIVE—give a day's pay, give all you can, GIVE!

Premier Hearst Has Seen the Work

"My visit to England and France has aroused deeper appreciation than ever of the splendid work of the Red Cross. It deserves every support, and I trust the people of Ontario will respond with their usual generosity to the British Red Cross Appeal for October 19th."

HON. W. H. HEARST,
Prime Minister of Ontario.

He gives twice who gives quickly.
Your help is needed NOW!

The Motherland's only direct appeal to us for help in this great war is her great Red Cross mercy work. Ontario's response must and will be quick and generous. Give through the Treasurer of your Local Committee—or, send your subscription to the Clerk of your municipality—or, make it payable to Hon. T. W. McGarry, Treasurer British Red Cross Fund for Ontario, Parliament Buildings, Toronto.

Don't Let Your Stricken Defenders
Call in Vain, but

Give and heal!

The Sick and Wounded
Call For Your Help
Give on October 19th

Your gift will go entirely to the British Red Cross, where, again, through much voluntary work, the working expenses are cut down to only 2 1/2% of the total revenue. Thus, if you give \$10, actually \$9.77 1/2 goes to the healing and saving of some stricken hero. The expenses of the Ontario Committee, advertising, printing, etc., are being met entirely by the Provincial Government.

Mr. N. W. Rowell, K.C., Brings a Red Cross Message

"I bring a message of cheer to those who have relatives at the front and who fear they may be wounded. I believe everything human skill can do, that human care and sympathy can provide, is being done and provided each day and each night throughout the year by the Army Medical Corps and the Red Cross. It is a perfect marvel of efficiency."

MR. N. W. ROWELL, K.C.,
Leader of the Opposition.



Wounded in the Trenches—Official Film, "Battle of the Somme."