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The Situation.

The centering of public attention upon the Balkans has been apt to divert public attention from the fact of how well the Russians continue to do in the Eastern theatre. They have gained a sweeping success in Galicia, and are holding their own very well indeed at other points. The Kaiserian dream of reaching even Petrograd has had to be abandoned in the same way as getting to Paris and Calais. It may be said that the enemy is now pretty well held at all former points, and for this reason a tremendous drive in the Constantinople direction may be anticipated. Very little has come through from that quarter, but developments upon a large scale may soon be expected.

Elsewhere in this issue there is the story of how London has become darkened these days, but the fact of another Zeppelin raid shows that in such a large area as that of the largest city in the world, projectiles can be dropped haphazard anywhere, and do a great deal of mischief. The absence of illuminations is probably quite a safeguard with regard to important public buildings.

The New License Regulation

This war has brought about changes in a great many directions, among others in the matter of action regarding intoxicants. In Russia the sale and manufacture of vodka (a powerful drink distilled from rye) was abolished by one stroke of the Imperial pen. In Great Britain many restrictions have been introduced, including the abolition of treating, and now in Ontario it has been decided to cut down the selling hours at night from 11 to 8 p.m.

In endorsement of this change Premier Hearst emphasizes the fact that it is dictated by need for greater economy and thrift upon the part of the people, and the necessity for fitness on the part of soldiers and citizens alike. Under all the circumstances careful consideration is likely to lead to the conclusion that a wise step has been taken. Some, of course, will think that it goes too far, and others not far enough, but during the existence of hostilities there must be all-round curtailment with regard to more than one established custom.

Lord Rosebery and the War.

An interesting ceremony was held lately in Glasgow Trades House, at which Lord Rosebery was admitted an honorary member of the Incorporation of Weavers, a philanthropic guildry dating back 400 years. In the course of his speech, Lord Rosebery said that as in the ancient fable, there was now the tramp of men not only from England, Scotland and Ireland, but from other places all over the world in every region and in every clime where the Union Jack waved. That was the unexpected result of the outbreak of that conspiracy that was meant to break up the British empire, consolidating it in a way that the most ardent imperialist could never have hoped for. At the present moment the newspapers were occupied with various topics relating to the war, and from the abundance of the material he would select three points which appeared to him to be pre-eminently worthy of notice. The first was thrift, which was not a new topic for a Scottish audience. He must say it was very delightful for him to see a British government and a British parliament advocating the cause of thrift, because for many years past they had employed all the opportunities of expenditure with such advantage and profusion that they had brought peace expenditure up to £200,000,000 a year, without, so far as he was aware, a single voice being raised in government or in Parliament, of remonstrance, or for economy. He hoped now that from this time onwards they would have not merely the preaching, but the practice of thrift in their public departments and in their House of Commons, so that at least they would reap the benefit in the calamity of war in which they were engaged. The

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matter did not strike him as one which ought to fill to the extent it did the columns of the press. They had established without great effort, a national government in which they put unbounded confidence, positively because it was a collection of the most able men and negatively because there was no other government to take its place. They knew also the disadvantages of swapping horses when crossing the stream, and their only course then, as it seemed to him, as patriotic citizens, was to put illimitable confidence in the government. Could they not trust Lord Kitchener to say to the country exactly the moment at which, if it ever occurred, he thought compulsory service should be imposed. Why then, the wrangling about it in the newspapers? Those who argued could not know half so much as the government, and if they did not trust in the government and Lord Kitchener, they were representing indeed a lost cause. He believed if Lord Kitchener found the moment ripe and found the need imperative, he would not scruple to ask the country to give him the powers requisite to carry compulsory service into effect. Until that time, Lord Rosebery said, he himself would hold his own judgment, more especially, and that was a point to which he attached some importance, as he had seen no mention in the newspapers as to any method by which compulsory service could be carried into effect. His other point was this: what they required, if they were to carry the war through to a successful conclusion, was unity. Of course, their attitude was eagerly watched by all the nations, and without unity victory would not be possible. It was a disheartening thing, worse than any defeat in battle, to see huge strikes proceeding in the very stress of the war. Surely now that the last of these ebullitions was over, could they now resolve to proceed with unity, men and masters. In that particular instance, could they not resolve to proceed with unity in fighting that tremendous war? As in advising thrift, the example of unity must come from the highest.

East Orange, N.J., will have a "Kramer Day" on Oct. 30th. Frank Kramer has won the bicycle championship fifteen times. Attacked by two men named in his divorce case, C. F. O'Neill, of Yorkers, fired out of a window and was arrested for having revolver.

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CABINET NOT DECIDED ON CONSCRIPTION

Prolonged Discussion Yesterday—Pressed Hard for a Decision.

By Special Wire to the Courier. London, Oct. 14.—No decision on the question of conscription was reached at the cabinet council yesterday, according to The Daily News. There was a prolonged discussion and the conscriptionists ministers pressed hard for a decision, but failed to carry their point.

There is little doubt, the Daily News says, that Lord Kitchener's sympathies now are definitely on the side of conscription. The Times asserts, however, that the war secretary has declined to assume the responsibility of deciding what course shall be followed. He is reported to maintain that he entered the cabinet as a soldier, not as a politician and therefore, does not regard himself as responsible for choosing the method of raising men.

Lord Kitchener has represented to his colleagues that recruiting lately has fallen off seriously and that men must be found somehow, but that he is unfamiliar with social and industrial conditions in the country and that it is for him to state his requirements and for the country to fill them. Hence, the Times declares, the real responsibility now rests upon the cabinet. It is generally supposed that Lord Derby, when appointed director of recruiting, was given six weeks in which to show whether or not his voluntary recruiting campaign would be a success. Apparently efforts of Labor leaders to induce men to enter the army are not meeting the success expected and the likelihood of some form of compulsion is becoming stronger.

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HOPE TO RAISE FIVE THOUSAND

Meeting of Red Cross Committee Placed Amount as Objective.

A meeting of the Red Cross Committee took place yesterday afternoon at the Free Library. Present Rev. Mr. Woodside, (Chairman), Mrs. Laing, Mrs. Lloyd Harris, Mrs. R. H. Reville, Mrs. P. Buck, Mrs. W. Livingston, Mrs. Geo. Watt, Messrs. H. H. Powell, W. G. Raymond, T. H. Preston, F. D. Reville.

It was reported that negotiations had taken place with the Brant Recruiting League to make the meeting on the night of October 21st a joint affair. In this regard it was pointed out that the Red Cross Society did not want additional speakers, but that either Sir George Foster or Hon. Mr. Graham would be asked to emphasize the claims of that society during their remarks. The agreement was confirmed.

It was decided to fix upon the sum of \$5,000 as the objective of the Association and to close the campaign on Oct. 23rd. That date (Saturday) will be a tag day and the souvenirs will be a small flag, with a red cross on it and the words "Trafalgar Day."

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NEWS NOTES

Rather than return to her husband Mrs. J. Krynach of Eckley, Pa., went to jail for ten days.

Alva Willoughby, at a sheriff's sale at Macon, Mo., bought a gold mine for \$2.50; the company's capital had been \$10,000.

John King and Wm. Young were sentenced to lifelong sobriety for theft at Frederick, Md., failing which they go to jail.

Anton Cwitichun, arrested at Brooklyn for jilting a girl, was freed by her rival raising bail to get him out to their wedding.

In contest for prizes offered by Mrs. C. Ledyard Blair, at Peapack-Gladstone, N.J., 1,500,000 flies have been killed so far.

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Centring at Munroe, Wisconsin, will celebrate a "Cheese Day" in the interests of dairying. To economize it is proposed to shut off the supply of new novels in New York public libraries.

Mrs. Nellie L. Mc Clung Will Deliver an Address in WELLINGTON ST. METHODIST CHURCH On October 19, at 8 p.m. Under the Auspices of the BRANT COUNTY ALLIANCE SUBJECT: "Prohibition in the Canadian West" Rev. G. A. Woodside will act as Chairman. Collection to defray expenses.

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LOCAL

LITTLE WORLD'S SEER After drill yesterday some of the soldiers staffed a game on the park of armories. Some nice art was put up for the edification of numerous spectators who watch the proceedings.

FIVE DAYS MARCH The Niagara Camp breaks Monday, the men march different billeting centres in the province. It is expected that will reach here after marching, so it all depends on the order the battalions leave when it arrives here. It is several days for the camp to reach this afternoon.

FINAL THIS AFTERNOON The final game in the tournament at the Heather B. Dr. Eckel and B. A. Cas will practically bring the season to a close, as far as the province is concerned, because it is necessary to give the grass recovers before the first and at a meeting of the directors held last night, it was decided to close the season on Saturday. The prizes will take place on at eight o'clock at the club all members and others are invited.

LOCAL WOMEN'S COUNCIL The executive of the local Council of Women met in the music rooms to arrange for the meeting. The interests of the work between Red Cross Social Service. The delegates will represent the local branch National Council of Women annual meeting held during of October 20-27 in Victoria, Toronto, are as follows: Mrs. M. J. Stone, the president; Mrs. Mrs. S. W. Secord, Mrs. Mrs. W. C. Tilley, Mrs. J. and Mrs. W. S. Brewster, Misses of Aberdeen and others. They will be present and the agenda of interesting subjects for Besides a reception at the entertainments will be given Women's Art association and Women's Canadian Club Toronto. The Toronto local Women, Mrs. Huestic, preparing making all arrangements.

SAW MOTOR FIRE TRUCK Yesterday Mayor Spence Minshall, Mellen, Gress and Chief Lewis went to Queen City's service. They saw over four different makes and saw several of them Mayor Spence himself took one of them and examined the motor fire truck speed limit through Parkdale Toronto Fire Department courteous and generous in out their trucks.

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