

THE COURIER

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The Situation.

The withdrawal of British troops from Sulva and Anzac, on the Gallipoli Peninsula, has been effected with a skill which has earned the praise of the critics. Just what the move portends no one knows, as a veil of secrecy remains over the object in view. Without doubt the Dardanelles operations have proved to be an unfortunate piece of business, and yet the fact still not lost sight of that they were asked for by Russia in order to create a division which would keep the Turks busy. The Australians and New Zealanders have suffered very heavily in the operations which have hitherto taken place at the points named, and won underlying fame for themselves in this regard. The Old Country forces have also suffered severely, and the toll has perhaps been proportionately heavier in this quarter than anywhere else. That the efforts have all been wasted, will not perhaps be the future conclusion of history. At any rate, it is cause for congratulation that evacuation has not been attended by any of the disastrous results so freely predicted if such a move should be made.

Lloyd George, in characteristically direct fashion, spoke out in plain terms with regard to the initial trainments of John Bull in the matter of munitions, and he was also very emphatic in calling upon organized labor to lessen the stringency of certain rules, if the conflict is to be prosecuted as it should. There can be no doubt as to the response.

King Constantine has won out in the Greek elections, but it is a hollow victory, in view of the surrounding circumstances, and in view of the fact that M. Venizelos, the idol of the people, declined to take part in the contest.

A cablegram over the Courier's leased wire to-day contains the important statement that several Russian transports, loaded with troops, have arrived off the Bulgarian coast.

A Fine Record.

A great many complimentary things were said of Mayor Spence at the farewell luncheon which he gave last evening and the beauty of it is that they were well deserved and had been thoroughly well earned. It is not too much to say that he will by common consent, rank as one of the very best Chief Magistrates this city has ever had and this popular tribute is all the more notable when it is remembered that no other Mayor has been through so severe a testing time. A weak man at the helm of the Municipal ship during the period under review might very easily have landed on some rocks; Mr. Spence, by his skilful handling, did not even let the craft scrape bottom. The outstanding features of course have been:

1. The strenuous times arising out of the war period and the successful coping with resultant conditions when at the inception of hostilities, many factories closed their doors.
2. The fight for the acquirement of the Street Railway.
3. The struggle with the Gas Company in bringing them to time with reference to the supply of the sulphuretted article.

In all of these matters, Mr. Spence had to face very heavy demands upon his time and fighting ability and he most unquestionably made good. In addition he has throughout his term, attended to the other multifarious duties of the office, with unceasing vigilance and has never spared himself in any instance. It was therefore only fitting that in laying aside the Mayor's armor he should from supporter and opponent alike, receive a just meed of praise—a meed which Brantfordites generally will unreservedly endorse.

Another thing which should not be lost sight of, is that the Mayor, and he took occasion to bear testimony to the fact, has had the support of two most excellent councils. Their sessions have been characterized by business-like procedure and the work of the various standing committees has been marked by as much care as the members would have devoted to their own interests.

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The Railway Matter.

A more direct and vivid contrast it would be impossible to imagine than was afforded by the trip taken yesterday on the Municipal Line between Paris and Galt and the comparison afforded with the new Lake Erie and Northern line by which the Grand Valley is now paralleled between the points named. Railway Commissioner Hartman and others express the view that for \$21,000 or so the Municipal road could be made a lively competitor of the L. E. and N. In the opinion of the Courier it would be just as sensible to talk of spending \$21,000 on the old Old City Hall and making it equal the new public building.

As a matter of fact the line was largely junk when it was acquired and it is that yet. If it is retained the question which the citizens will have to face is the expenditure of a large sum of money on the chance of successfully competing with the Lake Erie and Northern for what? A retention of part of the business between Paris and Galt, which in its entirety has from the very first, proved a losing proposition, and with competition, will be even more so. There has been some talk against "abandoning" even part of a Municipal enterprise. How much the part of a road which runs into another county can be called "Municipal" is seen on our streets, because we have removed the source of temptation—the accursed bar.

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Military Wrist Watches

Nothing is more suitable for the Soldier Boys this year for a Christmas Gift.

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Every Watch we sell is Fully Guaranteed and will be exchanged if faulty in any way.

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Comparison

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opened for business. Asked by a Courier man what the Lake Erie and Northern wished to achieve by the proposed purchase Mr. Todd said:

"When the Grand Valley first came into Galt on South Water Street, we gave up our franchise to them on an agreement that for five years they should come in free of charge. After that interest was to be paid on the investment on a wheeledge basis. We are anxious to get into Paris for freight business, and I am sure we could secure both things by an appeal to the Railway Commission."

On the return journey the Grand Valley car ran quite smoothly on the excellent line in Galt until the Grand Valley rails were struck and then the swaying and the lessened speed both again became most perceptible. If citizens in bulk could take the trip it would without any doubt prove a most effective eye opener to them.

LOCAL OPTION NOTES

The ballot is your weapon. Use it. Canada's bar rooms cannot live without Canada's boys. Which are you for?

A vote for local option is a vote for Brantford. A vote for Brantford is a vote for Local Option.

Don't be a slacker. Help fight the common enemy.

Men and cities cannot keep up with the procession these days, if they are tied up to the liquor traffic.

The liquor traffic has been repudiated by the organ of the hotel trade in Canada. Everybody's doing it.

Colonel Logie, officer commanding military district No. 2, is reported in the Hamilton Spectator for September 9, as saying: "I personally, would close every bar for I regard them as a curse and a menace to the community, as well as to the soldiers."

Thomas Patterson, ex-mayor of Galt, a Local Option city, says "While our armories are filled with soldiers, not a single intoxicated man is to be seen on our streets, because we have removed the source of temptation—the accursed bar."

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To the Man

who is looking for style, distinctive, smartness, beauty in fabric and pattern and WHO CARES at all times the sense of enjoyment he is actually feeling himself.

We suggest his interviewing our new line of Classy Woolen Suitings, which we assure you are just as right as a right can be.

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Terrace Hill

We are glad to hear that Mr. Piper of Sydenham street who was seriously injured down town, is now improving rapidly.

The recruiting meeting held last week at Grandview school was not largely attended. However, the hall has been doing its full share for the Empire, especially in the line of supplying recruits.

The annual Christmas tree of St. James' church will be held on Wednesday evening next in the Parish Hall. It will be preceded by a free tea

for the children of the Sunday school at 6.30. This parish can report 35 men enlisted from among the congregation which is a very good showing. They have been suitably remembered by the congregation at the Christmas season.

Shenstone Memorial Sunday school will give a Christmas Cantata on Wednesday evening and the Sydenham St. Sunday school will hold their annual

Christmas tree and entertainment on Thursday evening.

Miss Evelyn Riley is now able to be out again after her recent accident.

Why Discriminate?

Why discriminate against the soldiers? The local optionists took advantage of their absence in the trenches to bring on the present by-law vote.—Adv.



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LOCAL

DECEMBER 21ST

To-day is the shortest day of the year. From now on the per daylight will lengthen, although appreciable difference will be for some time.

FIRST WORK OUT.

The intermediate O. B. A. held its first workout on the gymnasium last evening. Some material turned out and in Snow will quickly get them in.

WILL REMAIN OPEN.

Owing to the holiday this week next, the Union barber shops, are always closed on Wednesday. Terminals will remain open, being done for the convenience usual Christmas rush.

COLBORNE ST. LEAGUE

The Colborne St. Epworth held their regular meeting last evening. The literary committee charge and papers were given and work of Mr. and Mrs. Struthers and Chester Silts.

GOOD MEETING.

Under Captain Shultis last evening the 38th D. R. C. orderly and B. Companies met, for the of organization and recruiting 125th Battalion. With the of the physically unfit men, stated their intention of signing

SOLDIERS' CONCERT.

Another of those pleasant will be held in the Soldiers' rooms this evening. The talent will as usual entertain the soldier boys who appreciate these things so much. Five reels of pictures will also be part of the programme.

STREET RY. EARNINGS

Comparison of street rail turns for week ending December 1915:

Monday	1915	\$309.28
Tuesday	1914	168.32
Wednesday	1915	160.75
Thursday	1915	168.93
Friday	1915	195.41
Saturday	1915	232.78

Increase, \$363.83.

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