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EMI-WEEKLY COURIER-PI City Ch SWORN DAILY CRECULATION 4894 Saturday, December 8th, 1917.

THE SITUATION.

Matters still remain in a critical state on the Italian front. The Austro-German forces continue to make progress in the north. This is the initial step in an enveloping movement, and will lead to serious consequences unless checked.

In Palestine Hebron has been taken by the British. It is some twenty miles from. Jerusalem and the occupation of the place was an essential step before making the final drive on the capital.

It is announced that the British have taken over more of the French front and this in addition to help sent to Italy rendered it absolutely necessary to inaugurate a falling back to a stronger line on the Cambrai front. German losses in this region up to date are estimated at 100.000.

It is reported from Petrograd that Bolsheviki troops are now in contro of the important trans-Siberian railway

ONE WEEK The forthcoming week will witness the closing days of the most mo mentous election contest that Canada has ever seen Upon the verdict, on Monday, De cember .17th, will depend the issue as to whether Canada will back up her brave boys at the front, or abandon them and be the first of the overseas nations to forsake the cause upon the battle front.

This is the plain issue, and any attempt to blink that fact constitutes a self-deceit which may be classed as little short of criminal.

The people cheered the boys as they left the various communities, and promised them that they should have the earnest and the continuous backing of those of us who were left behind

Are the men and the women of this Dominion now going to prove false to that trust?

Are they going to sacrifice the cause of the living and of the brave dead?

Are they going to say that men who have been in the trenches for two and three years must still toil on without reinfor ents. and



One of the many charges preferred against me in connection with the present campaign is that I object to what is called "Conscription of Wealth." Now the word conscription, means to take all of a man and in like manner would mean to take all his possessions, including the house he lives in and all the rest of it.

I am not a man to dodge my duty or any sacrifice which is needed for war purposes, and I have stated time and time again that I believe the State should take all that is necessary in the shape of taxation for war purposes for the proper pay of the soldiers, for the upkeep of their families whose sacrifices have been equally as great as theirs, for pensions, and for all other demands which arise out of the great struggle. Such levies must properly fall upon the shoulders of those of us who cannot go to the firing line, and are able to pay, and in such regard those who have the most must pay the most. It would be a poltroon indeed who would seek to deny or escape such an obligation. The well-to-do in the Motherland are co-operating in this respect, and we cannot afford to fall behind them here in that example. What the state needs it should take and that is the avowed intention of the Union Government, whose endorsation I have the honor to hold, and am the only one of the three candidates in the field in this constituency who has been so endorsed.

Now another attack upon me is that, as member of parliament, I should have taken an active part locally regarding the supply of wood and coal, matters which belong to the domain of the Mayor and aldermen, all of whom would have resented my interference. As a matter of fact the Brantford Trade and Labour Council in October last sent me a resolution passed by them with regard to the fuel situation in general, and I at once took the matter up with the Fuel Controller in Ottawa, and as the ultimate outcome of my efforts I received this letter from the Secretary of the Trade and Labour Council, under date of October 18th, 1917.

W. F. Cockshutt, Esq.,

Dear Sir,-

I thank you for your favour of the 12th instant, enclosing copy of a letter from the Deputy Fuel Controller. which I submitted to this Council last evening.

By resolution I was instructed to tender the hearty appreciation of the Council for your co-operation in pro ducing so satisfactory a result.

THE METHODIST CHURCH FOR UNION GOVERNMENT. The executive committee of the Board of Social Service and Evangeism of the Methodist Church, at a neeting yesterday unanimously decided to urge the members of that enomination to support the Union Government in the approaching lection contest. The following are extracts from

the declaration to be read in all of the churches "The present duty and paramount

responsibility of Canada is to render every possible assistance, make the very highest sacrifice and unite in the most determined purpose to con-tribute its full share to win the war, and thus protect the smaller nations against the menace of an aggressive nilitarism, save democracy German autocracy and despotism. and establish the dominance of the principles of Christ in international elationships

"Methodism has always been an outstanding influence in behalf of national righteousness, democratic nstitutions and equal justice to all the people

'At the polls on December 17th, 1917, every Methodist elector, the women as well as the men, should nscientiously meet personal re-onsibility and both vote and work or the election of the candidates who stand with the Union Government-not for political advantage out to enable Canada to do her full duty to the Empire to herself and to our noble soldiers in the trenches and in training, as well as those who have given their lives, or are suffering to-day through the awful casualties of the war. Duty and a sense of the value of our own free dom compel us to promptly and unhesitatingly stand shoulder to shoulder with the other democracies of the world.

Well spoken and the response should be whole-hearted and un animous

SIC TRANSIT When the departed spirit wings

Far from this earthly static And finds upon arriving at Its final destination, No signs of war, or politics, No need of coal, or thought of ice. We may assume that soul's arrived In paradise.

But if the wayward spirit takes An opposite direction, To find itself eventually In quite another section Where heated arguments hold sway On everything from bonds to babies That soul, it's fairly safe to say's In hades.

-W. H. W



DAISY FROST Ths funeral of Daisy, the only

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Frost, 148 Alice street, took place Thursday afternoon to Mt. Hope Cemetery, the Rev. Mr. Light conducting impressive services at the ouse and grave. The floral tri-utes were: Pillow, father and butes were: nother; wreath, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Clark; sprays, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Elsden and Margaret, Mrs. Cockan, Mr. Henwood, Mrs. Edwards, Mrs.



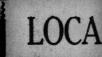
wrong with my Tea? The woman on the left bought some "cheap" tea. You can see she's not

pleased. She's sorry now she tried to save a few cents by buying the 'cheap" tea.

How different with the woman on the right. The fragrance of her tea tells her how good it is. She paid a few cents more for Red Rose Tea than the other woman paid for her "cheap" tea-and besides Red Rose will prove more economical in the end !

Because of the rich flavor and vigorous strength of the Assam teas of which Red Rose chiefly consists, it will make 250 cups to the pound, or about a fifth of a cent a cup. So cheap that the very poorest can afford it, so good that the rich can find nothing better.





NUPTIAL NOTES. Thursday afterno E. Bowyer, pastor of Baptist Church, united Miss Laurine Riley an Whitiaker at the home 176 Sheridan street.

VICTORY LOAN TOTAL The Dominion execu

tee, which had charge Loan, has been advised subscribers of over 71 total subscription of o 000. Until practically all tions have been receiv ter will not be in a po a final allotment. In however, he has decid full all subscriptions of to and including one

WATER COMMISSION

Revision of the wag gineers and firemen vaterworks pumping made at a meeting sioners held in the City day afternoon. which the men arranged and an incl granted. A number were passed and other ness transacted. All sioners were present.

A BAPTISM.

An interesting event

in the Wellington St

Church last Sunday,

it being the baptism Amelia Nye, grandda

street. The parents, James H. Nye, whose

Detroit, were in the

The mother was one members of what is known as Bible Class

ceremony was perfor

pastor, Rev. Dr. Geo.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

Salisbury Lodge, 1

elected officers for 19

Past president. C. P.

dent, Henry King; Geo. W. Crook; ch

secretary, A. J. Stev

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Miller, C. H. Lavell

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band to get a

B. H. Benning

physician. J

while Mr. Caleb

the organ

of the church's oldes Mrs. Tanner, of 124

hanged to them?

Are they going by their votes to let them know that they have been deserted and betrayed? Are they going to sacrifice kinsfolk and honor and all that makes a self-respecting life worth the liv-

ing? If the Union Government is thrown down, that is just what the

verdict will mean, and nothing less than that.

Recently the people of all of the Provinces, with the exception of renegade and treasonous Quebec, gave freely of their means to help the Victory Loan. By their thousands they did what they could to help provide the money for the overseas forces and their dependents, and to help keep the industrial wheels moving and provide money for supplies for the Allies.

Is there one of them who wants to undo all that and to jeopardize their own patriotic investment and the national credit?

Yet that is just what will happen if a Quebec dominated government attains office. Quebec says that we have already

done too much, and that a halt, must be called. Quebec takes the view that the

Military Service Act must be at once. suspended, and that the boys must be left stranded in the trenches. Queber has not only most signally third of his income has already given in Laurier. General Hospital is such as to give land's neutrality.

And If the Union Government is defeated, this is just what will oc

Can any loval man, or woman afford to take the chance?

Can any loyal man or woman jusexamination of his career, and those tify their own consciences if, by their who attempt to villify him are not ballot, they betray a solemn obligaonly engaged in contemptible busi-ness, but are also due to learn the ly. tion to our men and brand Canada

as a traitor to the cause? lesson that under the rules of British fair play abuse and false-In the name of Heaven surely not, and if not, the only safe course to pursue is to yote for those who are bood do not constitute argument.

supporting the "Win-the-War" Ad-

Just one more week of hustle and

I may say that already it has made a substantial difference to the consumers in the city. A week ago soft coal was selling at \$10.00 a ton cash. To-day stove coal is being sold at \$9.00. The fixing of a price will make any tendency to hold coal for zero weather unprofitable."

It was a matter of gratification to me that my efforts had been thus appreciated.

> Sincerely, W. F. COCKSHUTT.

Elsewhere in this issue, Mr. W. F The fact cannot be too forcibly brought home that in this election Cockshutt, in an address to the eleccontest it is a UNION Government tors, states his position very concise-

ly with regard to what is termed which is asking for the support of Brant next Tuesday. It hardly height and the number of the air-"the conscription of wealth." His the electors. There are thousands of Liberals the schedule, never fear. attitude is presented in clear-cut who have signified their intention to and unmistakable terms, and it is just what he has previously enun- support the administration.

clated, although a mendacious at- In so doing let the fact not be tempt has been made in certain forgotten that it has been a hard quarters to pretend otherwise. Mr. wrench for them to break away Cockshutt, to the extent of one- from their former leader, Sir Wilthird of his income has already given frid Laurier.

CLEARLY PUT.

In connection with another under to let former Liberals have port- most capable superintendent, has a

worthy attack upon himself, Mr. folios, Cockshutt turns the tables most The splendid staff of assistants and +*--There is much credit both ways governors are very assiduous in the your list of prayer meetings for next and the adherents of neither former attention they devote to the affairs week into the hands of Rev. Dr. neatly upon his traducers, / As a matter of fact, no man in side should in any way seek to taunt of the institution.

public life has less to fear from an the other. Let each remember that both have

given up much, and act the part of help that boy so long at the front purpo to come home. decency and forbearance according-

CHRIOPRACTOR SENTENCED The United States is rushing sup-plies and money to stricken Halifax. Dres eighbors reserved us as their mer chiropressor was to day san Our neighbors regard us as their mer, chiropractor, was to-day sen-

The women voters have a serious close allies. Are true Canadians related by an observe to attempt of all sorts, description and prices going to live up selves by voting against the "win-ing to perform an illegal operation on display at J. W. Burgess, 44 test and they are going to live up selves by voting against the "win-ing to perform an illegal operation on display at J. W. Burgess, 44 the wai?" Government. The women voters have a serious close allies. Are true Canadians tenced by Mr. Justice Kelly to four

to Toronto.

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Miss Bryan, Mr. and Mrs Bank and family, Mr. and Mrs. Guenther and family, Freddie John-Mrs. son, Mrs. Argent and family, Mr. and Mrs. Matthews, the men on the roughers of the Motor Trucks, SAFETY FIRST Mrs. Newton and family, Mrs. W. J. Hawthorne and Mrs. Leonard Isaac, Playmate Dowrie, classmates and This is preached and taught for protection by all large corporations employing men in operative work. CHAS. STROWGER. Life Insurance Companies agree to pro-An old Brantfordite was laid rest yesterday afternoon, in the per-son of the late Charles Strowger, the funeral taking place from the fam-ily residence, 229 Darling street, to tect your relatives when you die. Accident Insurance Companies protect you from dangers of travel or daily occupation. Farringdon cemetery. The services were conducted by Capt. the Rev. C. E. Jeakins, and were attended by a large number of relatives and You can be a Safety First and Life Insurance Company in one on a moderate scale by large number of relatives and friends. The pall bearers were Messrs. William, Fred and Clive. Strowger, William and Roy Sloan laying aside a few dollars every pay day. The money is as much yours as though in your own pocket, with this difference: the nd J L. Howard. Bank takes care of it and makes it earn interest BATTLE IN SWISS AIR. for you. Geneva, Switzerland, Dec. 7-The irst aerial battle between Allied THE MERCHANTS BANK OF CANADA and German airmen over Swiss torritory, occurred around Basle, to-Brantford, Corner George & Dalhousie Sts.; Mt. Pleasant, NOTES AND COMMENTS. It appears that the Germans, day. hard pressed by their opponents entered Switzerland on purpose Sam Hughes is only going to address five meetings on his visit to The fight tock place at a seems enough, but he will negotiate planes is not known. The encoun ter lasted twenty minutes. Sever bombs were dropped on Swiss terri-By-the-bye after his last speech at night it is his purpose to motor back tory, but only material damage re-sulted. Eventually the airmen sped towards Alsace, still fighting, Swiss soldiers bombarded both par-ties with shells from anti-aircraft The report of Dr. Helen Macguns. The residents of Basle and the neighboring territory are indig-Murchy with regard to the result of her inspection of the Brantford nant over the violation of Switzer NEIGHBORHOOD PRAYER MEET-INGS.

Will the block leaders and those directly-interested be sure to get Martin or put them in the tabernacle boxes not later than Sunday A vote for Cockshutt is a vote to Do not use the report cards for this

FURS FOR GIFTS.

A beautiful fur set, or a Hudson



This book has another title, "Those Who Wait and Wonder." It deals with the homestaying end of the war. It is intensely interesting and one that many have been waiting for. It is what thousands need to read.

(By the editor of Toronto Star, November 20th.)

G. C. LAWRENCE, Manager.

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