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THE CRY OF THE CHILDREN

At the meeting of the Associated Charities yesterday several cases were reported where husbands have either deserted their wives and children or are neglecting to provide for their children. One of these cases is peculiarly brutal. A man whose wife died several years ago has during the last year done very little towards the support of his three children, the eldest of whom is ten years old. In the last three months things have gone from bad to worse. Brought to book by the secretary of the Children's Aid Society, the man some weeks ago returned to the city and pledged himself to work and provide for the children. He has not done so, though he is strong and well, and able to do hard work. For two days there has been no fuel in the house, and this morning the children were forced to go out to get the food and warmth denied them by their own father. Their case will now be taken up by the Children's Aid Society and whether the father reforms forthwith or the children have to be taken from him they will no longer be neglected.

The citizens generally have no knowledge of the conditions under which some children are being reared in this city, without proper food, clothing or schooling, as a result of parental neglect or worse. There could be no more fitting time for a display of kindly interest than at this Christmas season; and yet a Christmas basket will only give a day's delight—it will not change the conditions under which children live. Systematic and well-directed community work must be undertaken and carried on throughout the year.

THE PEOPLE MUST DO IT

The Times quoted yesterday an article from the New York Times, in which that journal pointed out the utter folly of a peace not founded on the complete defeat of Germany. The same journal goes further and points out that the only satisfactory peace would be one made with the German people and not with the war-lords. The article reveals a clear perception of the goal of the Allies in this war, which must be attained before the world can be assured of a lasting peace. The New York Times has no hesitation in speaking its mind, which is also the mind of the great majority of the people of the republic. We quote:

"This guarantee (of permanent peace) cannot be given by any treaty signed by a representative of the present German rule, for its notion of treaties is purely a matter of expediency. It is not a promise to give up their ambitions and remove the cause of militarism from Europe, for no nation in its senses would trust its word. But the German people can be negotiated with, if the German people put themselves in a position to be negotiated with. It is for that the Allies are fighting. It is not a dream; what is necessary to its accomplishment is, in the first place, that the German people should learn that Germany cannot win the war. Once they have learned that, every new defeat, nay, every new drawn battle with great loss of precious German lives, will be an address to them by the Allies urging them to assert themselves. Once they have learned that, such an attack as that on the Somme, even though it be 'titled in blood and mud,' as the Germans now exultantly say, will be a step toward the only peace worth having, the permanent peace of Europe. Though no German army should ever be driven from a land it now holds, each such battle—once the German people thoroughly understand the fact the Allies are trying to drive home, the fact that Germany cannot win—will be a victory for the thing the allies are fighting for. This is the true disaster of Roumania—not that the Roumanian army were defeated, but that their defeat interrupted the lesson the German people were unmistakably beginning, though incredulous, to learn. When Roumania, too, is disarmed, when the deadlock extends through Europe, that lesson will be renewed and pounded laboriously home through months and perhaps years, until the German people learn it, and the guarantee of the peace of Europe is given, not by the Hohenzollern, but by the German people."

In a recruiting speech in Belleville last week Mr. N. W. Rowell said that Canada has done magnificently, but her final position would be judged not by what she has already done, but by what she would now do to back up the efforts of her sons who had fallen in the fight. Lieut.-Col. Scobell, of the 238th Battalion, brought out the interesting fact that each year 100,000 men in Canada become of age, and that, therefore since the beginning of the war 200,000 young men in Canada have become of age. Canada's available fighting manhood, therefore, he said, has not been so seriously reduced as one might think, and there are still many to draw from.

The town of Summerside suffers for the second time in ten years from a disastrous fire. The fire of 1906 swept the residential portion, and that of yesterday the business houses suffered. The calamity is the greater because of the season at which it came, and the people of the province generally will sympathize deeply with the citizens of Summerside. It is a very enterprising town, and only the weather will interfere with the prompt rebuilding of the area traversed by the flames.

The Associated Boards of Trade of Ontario have declared in favor of the daylight saving plan, and of federal legislation to make it nation-wide. St. John was well satisfied with last summer's experiment in daylight saving.

The physicians of the city do well to urge a more complete registration of births. In the matter of getting accurate vital statistics New Brunswick is far behind most progressive communities.

We must wait until Tuesday of next week for the comment of Premier Lloyd George on the German peace proposals. The premier is still resting by order of his physician.

The splendid concert band of the 211th Battalion captivated the great audience at the Imperial last night. The battalion will bear with it overseas the hearty good wishes of the people of St. John.

The government of Austria has resigned after a brief term in office. Government re-organization is the fashion. Is Canada's turn coming? It ought to have come a long time ago.

The conditions are reversed on the western front this winter. The German soldiers have less comfortable quarters than those of the British and French armies.

Britain will vote another £400,000,000 for war purposes. The chancellor of the exchequer, Mr. Bonar Law, moved it today, and it goes without saying that parliament will pass the bill.

Britain is issuing a call for another million men. That is part of the answer to Germany. Now what about Canada's share?

Greece still presents a knotty problem for the Allies to solve. The Greeks are paying dearly for their toleration of a pro-German king.

Reserve companies for the Fighting 25th should appeal to St. John young men who desire to enlist.

Germany admits about four million casualties since the war began. Which means that they exceed four millions.

MILITARY CROSS FOR A HALIFAX HERO

Captain Gordon Lee Wiswell Given Distinction by the King

The King has invested Captain Wiswell with the Military Cross. Captain Gordon Lee Wiswell, R. A. M. C., is a son of A. B. Wiswell of Halifax and a graduate in medicine of Dalhousie university. He went overseas in October, 1915, and soon after his arrival in England was sent to the front where he repeatedly distinguished himself. He was mentioned in the despatches some time ago and recommended for the military cross. After a year's arduous service at the front he was transferred to England and is now connected with the Canadian convalescent home in Uxbridge.

FROM OFFICE WORK IN ENGLAND TO FRONT

London, Dec. 14.—The man power board is busily examining every man employed in Canadian military office work in England. Any found fit for the front will be at once replaced by other men or if none such are available by girls. A great many young men who thought they were settled in comfortable quarters for the winter will thus get a rude jolt.

Captain—What's he charged with, Casey? Officer—I don't know the regular name for it, captain, but I caught him a-filth in the park. Captain—Ah, that's impersonating an officer.—Judge.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING.

(From the Hartford Courant.)
The call for early Christmas shopping has already appeared. It comes from the Consumers' League of New York City, and has the following form:

"Buy before the rush comes.
Buy before the crush comes.
Buy before the slush comes.
Buy your presents now!"

"Whether they're for surly husbands or for curly little tots or grandpas—
Oh, buy your presents now!"

This may not be eminent verse, but it carries a lot of good sense. The men and women who do their Christmas shopping early not only have first choice, but get a bad job off their minds.

LIGHTER VEIN.

An Urgent Case.
Violently the loving wife shook her husband's shoulder.
"Wake up, George," she said, "The doctor has just sent your sleeping draught."

Where The Danger Lay.
Crews—Good heavens, how it rains. I feel awfully anxious about my wife. She's gone out without an umbrella.
Drew—Oh, she'll be all right. She'll take shelter in some shop.
Crews—Exactly. That's what makes me so anxious.

Success.
Friend—Did you ever have an acceptance from an editor?
Youthful writer—Yes, one; an editor accepted my apology once for sending him a poem.

It Was Possible.
Edith—You haven't seen my engagement ring, have you?
Marie—I don't know. Who is the man?—Boston Transcript.

Gracious Insult.
"Are you sure Miss Richly is not in?" he questioned.
"Do you doubt her word, sir?" replied the maid.

It Certainly Does!
"Telephones are great time-savers, aren't they?"
"Well, that depends upon who calls you up."

Stretching a Point.
Hokus—Pneumic has his fortune in overalls, and now he talks about his family tree.
Pokus—Maybe he means his rubber plant.

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Percy Bowness, photograph studio, undertaking rooms and residence, occupied by himself; store by J. Tarr, butcher, total loss \$800.

John McInnes, tin shop and tools, \$1,600.

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ACID STOMACHS ARE DANGEROUS

Nine-Tenths of All Stomach Troubles Due to Acidity Says New York Physician.

A well-known New York physician who has made a special study of stomach and intestinal diseases recently made the startling statement that nearly all intestinal trouble as well as many diseases of the vital organs, are directly traceable to excessive stomach acidity commonly termed sour stomach or heartburn which not only irritates and inflames the delicate lining of the stomach but may often cause gastritis and dangerous stomach ulcers.

Neglect he says—usually leads to a chronic super-acidity, the commonest taken for indigestion and is the principal cause for the indigestible swallowing of the various so-called patent digestive aids which bring only temporary and false relief.

In an acid condition of the stomach no artificial digestants whatever should be employed as these are likely to merely pass the sour, burning acid on into the intestines, causing serious trouble there. Instead he recommends the use of some simple, harmless and inexpensive antacid such as a teaspoonful of bisulphated magnesia, taken with a little hot or cold water right after meals or whenever distress is felt.

This simple remedy in just a few seconds from its entering the stomach neutralizes or sweetens all its sour acid contents. Dissolve the dangerous acidity and there will be no need for medicine as all symptoms of indigestion will promptly cease. Sufferers from acidity, sour stomach or indigestion should get a few ounces of the pure bisulphated magnesia from their druggist and give this treatment a trial. In view, however, of the many varieties of magnesia used for various purposes, stomach sufferers should be careful to get it only in the bisulphated form (either powder or tablets) and in a sealed package to insure its purity.

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