

The Evening Times and Star

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LET US FACE THE FACTS.

Russia is fighting on the defensive, with Warsaw in danger. The German armies still hold their position in France and Belgium. The progress of the Allies in the Dardanelles is very slow.

MORE REVELATIONS.

Still more irregularities in the carrying out of public works under Conservative control crop up. When will this disgraceful carnival be ended?

MOTHERS' PENSIONS.

The state of New York has adopted the scheme of mothers' pensions. What this means is stated in simple terms by Sherman Montrose Craigier in the American Review of Reviews for July.

CHARGES OF \$800,000 GRAFT ARE PROVEN, HE SAYS

Winnipeg, July 19.—At the close of today's session of the graft inquiry Mr. Wilson, counsel for the Liberals, said he would ask for a finding against certain of the ministers in connection with the case on steel contracts.

AT QUEBEC.

Quebec, the grey old city on the hill. Lies with a golden glory on her head, Dreaming through this hour, so fair, so still.

local child-welfare boards to their mothers. This will not apply, however, in cases where the family has resided less than two years in the county, or if the husband was not a citizen at the time of his death.

"Tell those fellows in St. John we want more of them up here," was the message a St. John soldier at Valcartier gave to a member of the Times writing staff last week.

With half a dozen vacant seats in the House of Commons at Ottawa the slow of talk next session may be somewhat reduced, but the difference will probably not be great enough to startle the country.

The coal miners of Wales, the Remington Arms Company's men at Bridgeport, Conn., and the workers at Krupp's, in Germany, are causing a good deal of uneasiness and trouble in their respective countries by strikes.

The new toy leader in Manitoba has decided to put a prohibition plank in his platform. This will not divert attention from the real issue in Manitoba, which is to get rid of the grafters who have disgraced the province.

Little about the fighting at the Dardanelles is being given out, but what is told reveals a terrific struggle in which the Allies are slowly but surely gaining.

A vigorous recruiting campaign of a week in Montreal more than filled the ranks of the 60th Battalion. The 65th still is short more than 200. Are all appeals to the young manhood of New Brunswick vain? Surely not.

Berlin and Vienna both report a series of victories along the eastern front on July 18. Russia admits the enemy's advance at several points. To the layman, it seems to be drawing near to the critical time in the eastern theatre.

Either the United States or Germany must recede from the position it has taken in respect to submarine warfare, or diplomatic relations must be severed. If it is assumed that neither will back down, then the present diplomatic correspondence is merely a waste of time.

"About August 1" is now said to be the time for the great British advance on the western front. Of course this is mere speculation, for the British plans are not announced in advance. Still the movement of Kitchener's new army to France is believed to be under way.

The law is based on the theory that it is better to help the mother to keep her family together than to allow the home to be broken up and some or all of its members become inmates of institutions or otherwise a burden on the community. The new measure comes into effect July 1, and Mr. Craigier tells in a very interesting way how it will work out. He quotes—

"That plenty of work will be discovered goes without saying, for in the metropolis along about 1,800 widowed mothers and perhaps three times as many children await the ministrations of this new kind of justice. Upwards of thirty dollars a month, on the average, it is estimated, will find its way into these bare little homes, driving away worry and want, and wiping out as if by magic the lines of care and the pucker of hunger from the faces of uncomplaining youngsters. There will be a little money for the rent, and something to pay for 'real meat' at the butchers, and lots of bread and potatoes, 'was the way one eager-eyed little mother put it, as she told the legislative committee last winter of her widowhood struggles.

"No larger sum may be given to any mother, under the law, than would suffice to maintain her minor children in an asylum, where the State pays \$10 a month for the board of an orphaned boy or girl. More than 21,480 children on the average have been supported in the institutions of New York City, at a total outlay of \$2,827,658 a year. Even now a majority of these children must continue to be wards of the municipality for the reason that only about 10 per cent. of them have mothers living. This percentage of little ones had to be committed because of grim poverty, but from now on they may live happily at home. About \$500,000 will be disbursed annually in equal monthly allowances through

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Why should some have it all to bear? Is a question that fits through our mind, While others who ought to be doing their share, Are taking it easy behind. M. G. C. St. John, N. B., June 12, '95.

LIGHTER VEIN.

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CASUALTIES

Ottawa, July 19.—Sergeant Guy Rodrick Turner, Victoria county (N. B.), 3rd field company, Canadian Engineers, is in today's casualty list. He has been wounded. Sergeant Turner was formerly a school principal at St. John (N. B.). Several Nova Scotia men also appear. The 9 p. m. list follows:

SECOND BATTALION. Wounded and Prisoner at Brugge. Howard Sisson, Cordova Mines (Ont.) THIRTEENTH BATTALION. Wounded and Prisoner at Paderborn. Harry Pitt, Montreal. Prisoner at Ghent. Thomas Maxwell, Philadelphia. Prisoner at Meschede. EDGAR McNUTT BOYER, STELLARTON (N. S.) FIFTEENTH BATTALION. Died of Wounds May 21. John James Guther, Sudbury (Ont.) SIXTEENTH BATTALION. Died July 7. Duncan J. Scott, Scotland.

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MORNING WAR NOTES

Secretary of State Lansing said yesterday that if the attempt to torpedo the steamer Orduna carrying American passengers is not brought to the attention of his department by some of the passengers he will issue orders for an investigation in a day or two. The minister of munitions arrived in Cardiff last evening and held a conference with the striking miners. No result was announced.

The Italian cruiser Giuseppe Garibaldi was sunk on Sunday after taking part in a successful attack on Cattaro, Austria. Most of the crew were saved.

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