

NOTES AND COMMENTS

Those who attributed the constant rains to the heavy cannonading some four thousand miles away, must find their arguments badly shattered during the present drought. The gun-firing is much heavier than ever before, yet rain, which would be most welcome, does not fall.

If any of the members of our Council doubt the wisdom of the re-establishment of the drinking fountain, we would suggest that they spend an hour any of these hot days at the corner of John and Sydenham Streets. They will find that it is largely used by men, women, and children, and, most important of all, horses that would otherwise go without a cool, refreshing, necessary drink. If horses could talk, they would express their appreciation. Boys should remember, however, that this drinking fountain is not intended for them to splash about in.

Diplomatic relations between Italy and Germany are very much strained at present. These two countries have occupied the unique and unheard of position of both being active participants of this great war, and yet have not been at war with one another. But a breach in the near future seems inevitable. In the spring of 1915, Prince Von Buelow, then German Ambassador to Italy, secured an agreement with the Italian Government, under which Germany and Italy pledged themselves to respect the properties and lives of their respective subjects. According to charges and protests now made by Italy, who has respected the agreement absolutely, Germany has proved as fickle with them as with all other nations with whom agreements were in existence. Doubtless this understanding was merely another "scrap of paper." The Italian public are unwilling to be longer imposed upon, and are clamoring that the agreement be cancelled.

Some weeks ago we read what might be termed a sermonette editorial in the Canadian Pictorial on the advantages of keeping cool and keeping one's temper. It made such a deep impression on us that we have not been able to forget it, and we herewith reproduce it, in the hope that it may prove of benefit to our readers. Those who have been in the habit of letting their tempers get the best of them will, we are sure, make no effort to refute the arguments advanced. Here it is:

"Unless you are tired of life, learn to control your temper."

"Have you ever given a thought as to why so many men die between the ages of fifty and fifty-five?"

"You haven't? Well, do you want to live out your own allotted span of three score years and ten? You do? Then avoid, as very plagues, three things—grief, worry, and anger. The latter particularly, and for this reason:

"Time cures grief, and wisdom cures worry—you get wise as to the utter futility of it—but there's no time cure for anger, and it's only the wisest of men—and very few there are of them—who are wise enough to make a point of never getting angry."

"Anger, or rage, uses up the vital forces at an appalling rate. That exhausted feeling which comes over you after you have been thoroughly angry should tell you that you have drawn on the day's supply of vitality, and that you have, in very truth, 'taken it out of yourself.'"

"There's another effect, too. A morning rage unfits you for work. None will deny that it is a common experience. But you have got to work, nevertheless, and you are obliged to summon your precious reserve of vital power that you may do what you have to do."

"Mark that word 'precious.' Your reserve vitality is precious, because it is that which carries you through illness and enables you to fight off disease. A wise commander keeps his reserve for emergencies, and you are the commander of your own reserve of vital force."

"Anger is an emotion, and all emo-

tions should be subservient to the will. Keep the rising anger down by the power of your will. Admitted, there are many things that cause anger—justifiable anger. Yet, now that you know the scientific truth that anger is a killer of men, and that every time you get into a blazing rage you are pegging back the tale of your years, is it worth while to get angry?"

"And what, after all, does anger accomplish? You fire your verbal shots at the one who has angered you, but the recoil action on yourself hurts you more than your shots hurt him. German devilry may make you angry, but it doesn't affect the Huns. The old gentleman who got terribly angry about the use of poison gas had a fit, and died. Anger always penalizes its users."

"So, finally, unless you are tired of life and don't mind dying prematurely, 'ware anger in all its shapes and forms, from the spasm of annoyance to the full-blown, black-in-the-face rage."

"Spare yourself, and save yourself. Keep perfectly cool and calm, and let your words cut, if some defaulter needs a rebuke. And as a last thought, remember that a man in a rage is either amusing or repulsive."

ADDITIONAL LOCALS

Miss Emma Manson, St. Catharines, is the guest of Mrs. G. M. Standing.

W. Peckham, of St. Thomas, spent Sunday in town.

Mrs. C. H. Kivell and son Glenn left on Saturday for Sioux City, where they will join Mr. Kivell.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith, of Sarnia, have been spending a few days in town with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Trim.

London is suffering from a shortage of water, and wells outside the city are being developed to help out the supply.

Saturday was St. Swithin's Day. Had it rained as it did on that day a year ago, we could have expected rain for forty successive days thereafter.

To stop your hair from falling use the Rexall "93" Hair Tonic, which all Rexall Drug Stores fully guarantee—50c and \$1.00 bottles. — J. E. Richards & Co.

The Citizens' Band gave their second open-air concert at the Park last Friday evening. These enjoyable concerts will likely be of weekly occurrence during the remainder of the summer.

That dread disease, infantile paralysis, the cause of which so far has the most eminent physicians completely puzzled, is epidemic in Windsor. It is earnestly hoped that it will not again strike Aylmer.

Mrs. Esther Watts and sons Jack and Price left on Saturday to spend the balance of the summer with her sister, Mrs. (Dr.) W. Sanders, at Brandon, Man. Mrs. Watts will spend the coming winter in California before returning.

Mrs. George Lemon has returned from a two-weeks' visit with her sons, Dr. Morse and Dr. Willis Lemon, at Chicago. The young son of the former accompanied Mrs. Lemon home, and will spend the holidays here.

The down pipe used for sanitary purposes at the Elgin County Jail, is to be removed. This pipe has been several times used as the road to freedom by prisoners, and the authorities in future will make escape as hard as possible, and thus themselves escape censure.

There was an eclipse of the moon on Friday night, which several citizens tell us was plainly visible. At 11:46 the moon was almost entirely hidden, and at 1:13 the shadow had passed. The phenomenon occurs every nineteen years. Of course, the eclipse took place too late for us to see it.

The barns of Arch. McLean, Yarmouth, were destroyed by fire of unknown origin at four o'clock on Thursday morning. The implements and crops were lost, and nine hogs were burned to death. The loss will reach several thousands of dollars.

Mrs. Lewis Timpany and son are visiting friends in Brampton.

Watch your own health this summer. Begin by paying attention to your food and drink supply. Don't drink heating fluids. Don't eat large quantities of heavy foods. Don't fret about temperatures. Heat is a normal and necessary thing in summer. Expect it, prepare for it, make the best of it. In the home remember that shade is usually cool and comfortable. Blinds properly handled keep out sun rays. They are heat units. Keep out flies and mosquitoes. Eat vegetables and fruits freely. Go fishing and bathing frequently. Get a normal amount of sleep. Do only one day's work in any single day.

St. Thomas is to vote on a by-law to grant the Monarch Knitting Company a loan of \$30,000 on 8th August.

Mrs. (Dr.) Rogers and sons, of Ingersoll, are visiting her mother, Mrs. J. B. Hambidge.

Mrs. W. C. Talbot and son Gordon, of Woodstock, are visiting friends in town.

Mr. Sam French, of Leamington, is spending a few days in town with Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Bingham.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. McLachlin returned home on Tuesday after a pleasant visit with relatives at Hamilton and Grimsby.

Rev. A. E. M. Thomson attended the London Conference Summer School at Alma College, St. Thomas, last week.

The Court of Criminal Appeal on Tuesday dismissed the appeal of Roger Casement against his conviction on the charge of high treason for which he was sentenced to death.

The St. Thomas Lodge of Orangemen carried off first prize as the best dressed lodge on parade at the Windsor celebration of the Glorious Twelfth.

Miss Edith McCrae, directress of the Aylmer Kindergarten Department, is taking a special course in Kindergarten primary work during the holiday months.

Arthur Earl Richardson, of Luton, was on Tuesday sworn in as a Justice of the Peace for Elgin County. We congratulate Mr. Richardson on his commission, and are confident he will make a conscientious and just officer.

Rev. A. B. Farney, an ever-welcome visitor to Aylmer, arrived from Simcoe on Monday, and spent the following day with friends here. Mr. Farney is on his holidays, which he will spend in Amherstburg and in Windsor.

Mrs. George Sawyer, who for the past three weeks has been under the care of the physician at the home of Mrs. T. A. Barneott, has so much improved that she expects to return to her home in Lyons in a week or two.

Robberies running into thousands of dollars have recently taken place in the railway yards at Bridgeburg, and four young men, lifelong residents of the town, are under arrest. Mr. Jack Main, of this place, is the M.C.R. agent there.

A successful meeting of the Luton Ladies' Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Fred E. Dunn on Thursday afternoon, when an instructive and entertaining programme was given. The August meeting is to take place at the home of the president, Mrs. Eugene Hill.

Joseph Leverton, of Sparta, for several years a respected resident of Aylmer, fell from a load of hay last Friday, sustaining injuries which leave him in a critical condition. His spine was injured, and he also suffers from concussion of the brain, which makes his recovery doubtful. Mr. Leverton is a brother of Mrs. Francis Leeson.

The Aylmer Branch of the Women's Institute have sent their regular monthly shipment for July to the C.W.C.A., St. Thomas. It consisted of 50 pairs of socks and 1 bundle of old linen; also 6 private parcels to Aylmer boys overseas, each one valued at \$3. The Women's Institute would be pleased to receive the address of any other boys who enlisted here, and are fighting at the front.

George Raymond passed away on Monday, July 17th, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Elgin Chute, of Malahide, after an illness of more than two years. He was in his 72nd year, and has been a highly respected resident of this township for more than forty-five years. Besides his daughter, he leaves three sons to mourn his loss—Lewis, who has enlisted with the 221st Manitoba Battalion; Leland, of the Philippine Islands; and William, of Port Burwell. His wife predeceased him many years. The funeral takes place this (Thursday) afternoon, 20th inst., from the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Elgin Chute, 1st Concession, at 2 o'clock. Interment will be made in the Aylmer Cemetery.

Catarhal Deafness Cannot Be Cured by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure catarrhal deafness, and that is by a constitutional remedy. Catarrhal Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result. Unless the inflammation can be reduced and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed for ever. Many cases of deafness are caused by catarrh, which is an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure acts through the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Catarrhal Deafness that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Circulars free. All druggists, 75c. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

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GUNNER CLINTON HAS RETURNED FROM FRONT.

Given a Hearty Welcome Saturday Night

The hearty welcome a Clinton Learn on his return battle front in France. On Saturday evening last, he was given a hearty welcome by the young men and women of the town, and the citizens of Aylmer and vicinity. Known that he was to arrive on that night, but May's others hustled around, a train pulled in he was 30th Battery, in charge of Clarke, the Citizens' Band, and the citizens of Aylmer, and the hearty, joyful that were given him by Private Learn proud of he had done his bit in the freedom and right. Severely wounded while the 12th Field Battery, Leonard, of London, kept him confined to the hospital for a year. His last and injury was received scout work between the he was mistaken for an Ally guard, by whom he was shot in the shoulder. Here, the procession of and halted at the Goveing, where addresses were given by Deputy of Malahide; Mayor M. David Marshall, M.P.; Richardson, and A. H. reply, Private Learn thanked the people for welcome home accorded glad to have served him was glad to be home. To come in quietly, a the home of his parents, Mrs. Philip Learn, but fully appreciated the done him. He enlisted 1914, at London, and the heaviest engagement. We hope he may speedily recover his health and

DUNBOY

Mrs. Mervin Koyle

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Guysboro, spent Sunday with Mrs. G. Garnham's.

Rev. Mr. Kitley preaches here on Sunday last Sunday.

Mrs. C. Dodds, of Aylmer, returned home after spending with Mrs. N. Ellsworth.

Mr. James Thayer and family spent Sunday with his mother.

Miss Opal Soper has her home at Stratford, visiting friends in this town.

Miss Cora Wilson, after spending some time at Port Stanley, is home.

Arrangements are being made for the annual Baptist picnic to be held this year at Bruce, next Tuesday.

IRELAND

About 200 guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sr., on Monday night, when a surprise party was given and speedily several, indicating a team in which Mr. a

Be good to your pipe
ORIN

There are no entanglements, no no sentries to be overcome. The door is open and welcome. See CHAS. E. TOBACCONIST AYLMEY