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The Patriotic Fund.

There are a number of married men among the detachments which have left this district for South Africa. The Government makes a grant of 16 cents per day for wives and 4 cents per day for each child under 16 years of age, left behind by members of the first contingent, who were all volunteers, but the allowance for wives of regulars is only 5 cents a day, and for each child only 2 cents. This, of course, is in addition to quarters, fuel and light, which soldiers' families receive free if they live in barracks. If they live outside they get an allowance of \$9 per month for rent, fuel and light. It is plain that on this scanty income, the wives of both regulars and volunteers will find it hard to maintain themselves and their children in comfort. One private at Wolseley Barracks left a wife and four small children. At Stanley Barracks, Toronto, 21 children have been left by privates and non-commissioned officers who have joined A Squadron. In Kingston some 15 wives and 30 children have said goodbye to husbands and fathers. At other places there is the same story to tell. It will be the duty of those administering the patriotic fund to keep a benevolent eye on the soldiers' families and lend a helping hand where it is deserved. The knowledge that this is being done will lighten the hearts of the benefactors who have gone to the front, and will be the greatest service their country can do them.

American Capital Pouring In.

The impulse of the growing time is being felt at Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., to a remarkable degree. New York and Philadelphia capitalists, incorporated as the Ontario and Lake Superior Company, are embarking in enterprises which promise to make the "Soo" a great industrial center. The initial expenditure will reach the enormous sum of \$7,250,000. The total capital is \$20,000,000, of which \$6,000,000 has been paid in. It is wholly share capital, none of the money having been raised by bonds or mortgages. In an interview, the manager of the company, Mr. Clergue, outlines the plans as follows:

"We are building reduction and refining works at Sault Ste. Marie that will cost \$1,500,000, will give employment to 1,000 men, and will have a capacity of 1,000 tons a day. The works are now under construction, and will be ready for operation on June 1 next. We shall treat nickel, copper and other ores from all over Ontario. These works will give an added value to the mineral properties in this province and will provide a market for mineral products. We shall draw ore from the district extending from Sault Ste. Marie to Soudbury. Anyone who has a carload of ore to sell can dispose of it to us and he will be in as good a position as the farmer when he goes to market his grain."

"We are also erecting large chemical works in connection with the reduction works, for utilizing sulphur, and producing sulphurous anhydride for use in sulphide pulp mills. Alkali plants are also being built for the production of caustic acid and bleaching powder. The chemical works will cost \$500,000, and the alkali plants involve an outlay of \$1,500,000. A sulphide pulp mill costing \$250,000 is being erected in connection with our existing plant. I should not forget to mention that we are about to establish a steel rail mill that will cost about \$2,500,000. This will have a capacity of a thousand tons of steel rails daily."

"A railway from the point of navigation to the Hotel Iron mine has been completed, and by the time navigation opens, our ore dock, the biggest on Lake Superior, will be finished. Already we have sold 500,000 tons of ore for shipment to the United States and various points in Ontario next season."

With its boundless supply of pulp wood, its vast deposits of iron, scarcely yet touched, and its abundance of other mineral wealth, Northern Ontario will yet be one of the greatest seats of industry on the continent.

DR. MCWILLIAM, THE LIBERAL CANDIDATE IN EAST MIDDLESEX, IS ONE OF LONDON'S OLD BOYS. HE WAS BORN IN THIS CITY IN 1854.

An Example of Tolerant.

It is a fine example of political toleration that Mr. Olivier, a Fabian socialist, has been selected by the British Government to administer the disordered finances of Jamaica. In a recent article on English officials, the London Spectator comments on this liberality of spirit in the public service. Nobody in office, it says, ever thinks of what the private opinions of a leading civil officer may be. He has a right to them as he has to his religion, provided he does his duty well, and their extravagance or foolishness not only creates no anger, but what is much more singular, raises no doubt of his intellectual capacity. Mr. Olivier, although a socialist, is "good at finance," and accordingly he is sent to put the finances of an embarrassed colony straight just as readily as if he were an individualist.

"It will not be his duty to establish Collectivism in Jamaica, and consequently everybody is certain that he will not establish it, or try any other tricks outside the policy which will make the island solvent and be acceptable to his superiors. He may believe like Lassalle, but he will act like Sir Robert Peel."

"The Spectator goes on to say that, 'this entire indifference to private opinions, this entire reliance on the professional sense of duty, would seem to most continental governments positively silly, a giving away of the strongest buttresses of authority. We doubt whether at this moment a socialist could be honored with a high post in Prussia or a pious Catholic in France, not only because they would

not be trusted by ruling ministers, but because they would be regarded as traitors to their own party.' The effect of this indifference in Great Britain, adds the Spectator, is to place men of all opinions at the disposal of the Crown, and to kill entirely the unpatriotic idea that for men of certain views it is a sort of treachery to enter the service of the state. Opinions being thus left without persecution, those who hold them bear no malice against the state, and serve it with a fidelity which is seldom questionable and never questioned."

ROSS FOR MIDDLESEX, AND MIDDLESEX FOR ROSS.

Nothing could keep the Toronto company from that laager.

The Hon. Joseph Martin seems to have the bit in his teeth.

A vote for Dr. McWilliam is a vote for the Middlesex Premier.

Col. Baden-Powell is evidently under the impression that he is besieging the Boers.

The majority of one which has so often eluded us, has turned up in British Columbia.

Derouede, Guerin, and other Parisian gas-heads have got their deserts. France is getting over her long nightmare.

On dit that Worshipful Grand Master N. Clark Wallace and his friends are quietly chortling over the defeat of Mr. E. F. Clark.

As Minister of Education, Hon. G. W. Ross has always been a good friend of his native county. As Premier he will still be loyal to Middlesex and Middlesex should be loyal to him.

Gen. Buller has kindly congratulated the Canadians on their successful little coup at Sunnyside. Now let Gen. Buller earn the congratulations of the Canadians next time he attempts a coup himself.

Great Britain, in holding up German ships on the high seas, is helping along the Kaiser's naval plans as nothing else could. Perhaps the wily William arranged this little game when he was in England.

SUPPORT THE MIDDLESEX PREMIER BY SUPPORTING DR. MCWILLIAM, THE GOVERNMENT CANDIDATE.

With characteristic energy Hon. J. R. Stratton, the new Minister of Public Works, is visiting all the provincial institutions under his charge. Mr. Stratton is a business man, and will run his department on business principles.

France has adopted the 24 o'clock day in all official departments, Belgium having led the way. The railroads of several European countries also practice the system. Some day it will be universal. It certainly has the merit of convenience.

The Middlesex Premier, Hon. Geo. W. Ross, who worked his way up from a Middlesex farm to the position of Premier of the banner Province of the British Empire, is a credit to the county of his birth, and a worthy example to the other boys of Middlesex.

Three out of the four electoral ridings in this county—North Middlesex, West Middlesex and London—support Hon. G. W. Ross in the Legislature. The fourth, East Middlesex, has now the opportunity to join its sister ridings. Middlesex for the Middlesex Premier is the motto.

If trade were free between the United States and Canada, it is highly probable that the low cost of labor in the Dominion would attract many industries thither, for the market of this country would be practically as accessible as it is from one of the states.—Buffalo Express.

This is the old game, and trade restrictionists on both sides of the border play it for all it is worth. On this side we are told that without the tariff, Canadian industry would be overwhelmed by the cheap goods of the United States. On the other side of the line the tariff is defended as a barrier against cheap Canadian labor. Such contradictions ought to open the eyes of sensible people.

MARK YOUR BALLOT FOR DR. MCWILLIAM, THE GOVERNMENT CANDIDATE IN EAST MIDDLESEX.

What Others Say

Their History.

[Poulney Bigelow.]

The hanging of the Boers is one-third war against England, one-third war with negroes, and one-third civil war.

Here's Prats Indeed.

[Chatham Planet, Con.]

The hanging of the murderer, Hilda Blake, will be one more proof of the equality of the sexes in the eyes of the law.—Hamilton Herald.

Hon. David Mills, in letting the law take its course in this case, showed that he was not to be swayed by any appeal on account of a criminal's sex. In that respect Mr. Mills has shown himself a better minister of justice than many of his predecessors.

Kruger Obj. to the Scotch.

[Victoria Times.]

President Kruger once said with great bitterness: "It's not the English who worry me; it's those confounded (verdomde) Scotch. There would never have been any Uitlander difficulties if it had not been for the Scotchmen. A Scotchman would rather go without anything than his political rights." President A. Lincoln, strange to say, said pretty much the same thing:

"First thing an Englishman wants when he takes America is a hotel; an Irishman wants a uniform and a Scotchman a vote—and then he takes the rest."

Light and Shade.

The spoon is an insignificant little utensil, yet it creates a stir in every household.

Mrs. Marmaduke (enthusiastically)—"See those young lovers sitting so close together on that bench, Tom. How beautifully the future opens before them! How happy they are! To them everything is possible."

Mr. Marmaduke (puffing at his cigar)—"And nothing probable."

The vexed question of subjugal obedience was settled by Spurgeon in a characteristic way. In an address at the marriage of the daughter of a friend he spoke thus to the bride about her future lord: "Let him be the head, and do you be the neck, and turn him which way you please."—Gleanings.

"And what do you think of the engagement ring I sent you?"

"It's splendid! It's the most beautiful one that I ever received."

"That doctor saved my life."

"How good and kind must he be!"

"Yes; but he brags to me about it so much that I almost wish he hadn't."—Detroit Free Press.

GIST OF THE NEWS

Rev. J. G. Fee, founder of Berea College, is dead in Berea, Ky., aged 53.

Tenders for the deepening of Port Colborne harbor will be opened Jan. 31.

John Adams, Matt McGinnis and Nelson McGinnis were killed in a boiler explosion at Anna, Ill.

Gen. O. E. Drentzer, aged 84, is dead in Frankfurt, Germany. He was a veteran of the Seminoles war.

Chicago's school trustees have thrown out histories which praise England as "the mother country."

Mr. Lawrence Wilson has been elected president of the Licensed Victuallers' Association of Montreal.

Several pig iron manufacturers in Scotland have dumped down their furnaces owing to the scarcity of coal.

Absolute prohibition and total abolition of slavery or peonage in Guam, Philippine Islands, takes effect Feb. 23.

R. C. Jennings, D. R. Richter, William Somerville and Andrew Andochwitz, gold prospectors, are reported frozen to death in Alaska.

Mrs. Louis Gordon went into a fit from which she died while testifying in a New York court in the case of her husband, accused of stealing.

Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Southwell were found dead in bed at their home in Austin, Pa., Wednesday evening. They were asphyxiated by natural gas.

Communications for members of the Canadian contingent should be addressed as follows: "To ———, Canadian Military Contingent, Serving in South Africa."

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company's blacksmith shop at Altoona, Pa., burned Thursday. Loss, \$100,000. Sixty men had barely time to escape from the burning building.

The trustees of the New York Produce Exchange Trust Company have made arrangements for the resumption of business next Wednesday. Every depositor will be paid in full.

Special Policeman George F. Gallagher and Nellie Walsh were found dead in a Second Avenue telephone booth in New York Wednesday night. An unlighted burner to a gas stove turned on was the cause.

Two men were asphyxiated on Tuesday night at a New York lodging-house in East Twenty-fourth street. One of them was Will Wapusk, son of a wealthy manufacturer of Morocco jewel cases.

Reports from Ontario fisheries overseers show that the provincial law respecting the size of fish to be caught is being well observed and that undersized fish are in consequence vanishing from the markets.

Bedson Melver, of Pequis, Man., aged 24, was killed at midnight Tuesday, while playing with companions on the ice. They started to run a race, when Melver ran into a sharp stick, which cut the main artery of his thigh.

Mrs. Alex. Bremner died somewhat unexpectedly at midnight Tuesday, at her home in Tilsonburg. Mrs. Bremner was about 60 years of age. She was a lady highly respected and loved in the community, and was a faithful member of the church.

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Discount Sale

Ready-to-Wear Clothing for Boys and Men.

January 15, is our Inventory Day. Until that date our Discount Sale continues. This department has been specially busy the past few weeks. Many broken lots are the result of big selling. These odds and ends are being turned into cash, in some cases less than half the original prices. Discounts from 10 to 25 per cent off all lines of Clothing. Winter goods at prices that create enthusiasm and find satisfied buyers. This Great Sale continues a few days longer. The following special list of prices for Saturday and Monday's selling.

Men's Clothing Department.

Sixty pairs Men's Heavy All-Wool Tweed Pants, fit and wear good with these goods; assorted lot; some were \$14.50 and \$15.00, and good value at that. Saturday and Monday, special price\$1.25

Ten Per Cent Off All Lines of Men's Pants.

Twenty-five Men's Suits, all sizes, \$4 to \$2, for \$3.95. These suits are regular \$5 and \$6 suits, and are made by expert tailors. Heavy tweeds and serges, good weight, neat patterns; regular \$5 and \$6. Saturday only, special bargain, \$3.95

MEN'S OVERCOATS—Fine All-Wool English Melton Dress Overcoats, Oxford gray shade, double-breasted, fine tweed body linings, haircloth sleeve linings, silk velvet, deep collar; regular \$10; all sizes, \$8 to \$4. Saturday and Monday for\$7.95

Men's Ulsters at One-Quarter Off

Special for Saturday and Monday—Men's Fine All-Wool Frize Ulsters, high storm collars, with or without half-belt and slash pockets, tweed linings, black and brown; regular \$8. Special for Saturday and Monday\$4.95

Shoe Department.

The past season's trade has been most satisfactory. Our low prices, combined with goods that wear, has made us many friends. Stock-taking—just a few days off. Prices on all lines of Shoes are discounted. Ten per cent means a lot off our already low prices. Still all lines of Men's Women's, Boys', and Misses' Shoes are subject to 10 per cent off. We handle Grady Rubbers, the recognized standard in rubber footwear. Our Rubber sales have been big. Satisfaction to our customers always assured.

Ten Per Cent Off All Men's Rubbers and Overshoes.

Special for Saturday & Monday Selling

30 pairs only, Men's Laced and Congress Shoes; regular prices \$1.75, \$2.50, and \$3.00, at half-price, Dongola Laced Boots, Kangora Congress Shoes and Cordovan Laced Boots, at\$80, \$1.00 and \$1.50

35 pairs Men's Laced and Congress Shoes, specially selected box-cut, heavy sewed and standard screw soles, waterproof, stylish shape, perfect fit, regular \$2.00, 10 per cent off, Saturday and Monday \$1.80

40 pairs Women's Fine German Felt Toilet Slippers, soft cushion insoles, all sizes, regular 90c and 95c, Saturday, special price65c

Women's Fine Dongola Laced and Button Boots, extension soles, square tip, new opera toe. Also Women's Box-Calf Laced Boot, high cut, nickel eyelets, Goodyear stitched extension soles; very soft and flexible; regular \$1.75, Saturday and Monday\$1.53

Women's Skating Boots, fine oil pebble, high cut, double soles, neat linings, regular \$1.25, discount sale 10 per cent off\$1.13

Reliable Shoes at moderate prices—all subject to special discount.

Boys' Clothing Department.

Boys' School Suits, specially selected all-wool tweed, three-piece suits, first-class tailoring, good linings, etc., etc., regular price \$3.75 and \$4. Genuine bargain for Saturday and Monday\$2.95

Boys' Navy Blue English Curl Cloth Reefers, good large collars; warm and serviceable; regular prices \$3, \$4 and \$4.50. Special for Saturday, 25 per cent off\$2.25, \$3.00 and \$3.38

Boys' Two-Piece Suits, sizes 22 to 28; well-made heavy tweed and serge suits; strong, serviceable suits for school wear; not the worthless kind; regular price \$2 and \$2.25. Special, Saturday and Monday\$1.50

Men's Furnishings.

Men's Underclothing and Top Shirts are receiving special attention just now. Broken lots are being placed on our bargain counters at prices that lean heavily toward the buyer. Men's Shirts and Drawers from 25c each to \$7 a suit.

Ten Per Cent Off All Lines of Underclothing.

Runians, Gray, Carrie Co.

208, 210, 210½, 212 DUNDAS STREET, LONDON.

ful and consistent member of the Avondale Church. Mr. Bremner is a tanner, of the firm of Bremner & Bell. He has lived in Tilsonburg for fifteen years, and came from Strasbourg.

Since his arrest in Detroit the police have received information that Robert J. Johnston is wanted at Dunnville and Simcoe, Ont., for passing forged checks.

Charles H. Cole, former president of the Globe National Bank, Boston, charged with misappropriating funds of that institution, has arrived in New York from Los Angeles, Cal., in charge of the United States marshal. Bail was fixed at \$50,000.

William Magee, who four years ago was living in Toronto, is now a prisoner in the hands of the Boers at Vryburg, a town situated east of Dundee. The news of his capture was received a few days ago by his mother, Mrs. S. Murray, Toronto.

A terrible accident befell John Fletcher, of Marmora, Ont., on Tuesday. He was thawing out some dynamite, when it exploded. His right leg was shattered to the thigh, right side lacerated, and right side of the face partially blown away.

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WESTERN ONTARIO

Clinton has voted in favor of a free public library.

Joseph W. Lewis, Mitchell's Bay, has purchased lot 16, con. 14, Dover, 75 acres, for \$3,000.

The annual meeting of the North Perth Farmers' Institute was held at Milverton on Tuesday.

A half-holiday was proclaimed in Guolph upon the departure of the contingent from that city.

Mr. H. Colby, of the 6th concession, Harwich, Kent county, saw the 19th and 20th centuries. He was born in 1790, and is still well and smart.

Mr. Wm. Kennedy, a G. T. R. employee, at Sarnia, has been given the position at Toronto vacated by the promotion of Mr. W. D. Robb, of Belleville.

Capt. J. I. Lang, C. M. G., Royal Engineers, son of Mr. Wm. Lang, of Woodstock, has been appointed by the colonial office boundary commissioner to delimit a frontier between the English and Frenche in West Africa, up the Niger River.

Mr. O. S. Clarke, manager of the Bank of Hamilton, Berlin, and formerly manager of the same bank in Lislewood, has been promoted to the management of the branch at Vancouver, B. C., and will leave for his new home next Saturday.

Mr. L. Barr, of North Dorchester, has purchased the fine farm of Elder John Campbell, 100 acres, Westminster, with brick buildings, together with commodious outbuildings, for \$7,500. Mr. and

Mrs. Campbell will move to Ingersoll.

There have been several petty robberies in Dresden lately. The most recent was Ward's jewelry store and dwelling. The authorities have placed the matter in the hands of the police, and two men named Bodie and Bodiah were placed under arrest, as they had a quantity of stolen goods stored away in their homes.

A pretty church wedding occurred in Elmira on Wednesday afternoon, when Mr. T. A. Grant Gordon, the popular manager of Molsons Bank at Alvinston, was married to Maud May daughter of Mr. J. Miles, of Elmira. The bridesmaid was Miss Nellie Nairn, of Galt, who was attired in a becoming suit of lawn. The groom's best man was Dr. Wallace McLaren, of Toronto. The happy couple took the train for the west.

"Grasp All and Lose All."

Many people are so intent on "grasping all" that they lose strength of nerves, appetite, digestion, health. Fortunately, however, these may be restored by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, which has put many a business man on the road to success by giving him good digestion, strong nerves and a clear brain. It does the same thing for weak and tired women.

HOOD'S PILLS cure sick headache, indigestion.

The strongest sentiment of the Turk is his reverence for his mother. He always stands in her presence until invited to sit down—a compliment he pays to no one else.

Minard's Liniment cures garget in cows