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THE FINISHING BLOW TO THE
EMERGENCY.

Mr. Churchill's speech gives the
final kick to the dead emergency.

"There were two courses open to
us: we could have laid down three
extra ships in place of the three
Canadian ships, and we could do
still, but it is not at present clear
that this step, which would mean
the addition of eight and a half
million pounds to the naval estimates,
is necessary, and certainly it ought not
to be done unless it is necessary."

If it is not "necessary" to replace
the three ships that were to be, there
is no emergency. Of course, a nation
like Great Britain is always exposed to
many perils, but an emergency is
some specially critical situation, quite
abnormal in character. It would be a
trifling with serious matters to speak
of the Empire as being all the time in
emergency. If no special extra addi-
tions are at present required by the
British navy, the Empire is not in an
unusual plight except that it is rather
better off than ordinarily.

And that is the real fact today. The
British Empire was never in a more
secure position than now. Great Brit-
ain's trade and revenue are beating all
records; she has the sinews of war.
Ireland is about to be reconciled after
centuries of chronic rebellion. The
United States has become from a foe
a friend, France, who used to be called
England's natural enemy, is almost
an ally. Russia was never less a
menace since the days of Catherine II.
Canada and Australia are reaching the
status of great nations, to support the
motherland. Germany from the Kaiser
to the Karl Marxian is friendly to
Great Britain. The horizon is almost
clear, even of the old Balkan troubles.
The alarmist may as well go to bed
and sleep for a while.

It will not be long before Canada
must revert to the Laurier naval pol-
icy and take her place by Australia in
guarding against the possible develop-
ments of the future. At present all is
well and no contributions are called for
on any ground. But permanent provi-
sion is demanded against those future
emergencies which Mr. Churchill fore-
sees. Mr. Borden has not a word to
say on this important matter. Sir
Wilfrid and the Liberal party are
there with the goods and the men that
John Bull wants.

THE BATTLE ON LAKE ERIE.

The cities on the southern shore of
Lake Erie are busy celebrating the
centennial of the battle of Lake Erie.
The action took place on the 13th of
September, 1813, but as there are sev-
eral cities to take part in the mem-
orial services they are spreading the
function over a lengthened period, so
that each one will have its own cele-
bration, and secure the advantages de-
rivable from the attendance of visitors.
The city of Erie, Pa., has already had
its gala day, and the others will follow
in due course.

It is only natural that our neighbors
should indulge in a little jubilation
over this event. Though the ships
were small, and the men engaged few,
in comparison with those in modern
naval battles, yet it was a decisive
contest. Its result was not only the
destruction of the British fleet in Lake
Erie. It meant the evacuation of
Amherstburg and Detroit by the Brit-
ish; the retreat of Proctor up the
Thames; and his defeat at Moravian-
town. It may not have had much ef-
fect so far as the general results of
the war were concerned, but it was a
disaster for the British on Lake Erie.
But while the battle on Lake Erie
was a victory for the United States,
the British had no reason for shame
or humiliation over their defeat. Our
neighbors won the fight against great
odds, and many of their histories
would justify the claim. Of late
years, we are told, that the forces were
about equal, which is a variation of
the story in degree only. The fact is
that Captain Barclay, the British
commander, went into this fight under
great disadvantages. He tried to im-
press this on General Proctor. But the
latter felt that his position at Detroit
would be imperilled so long as Perry's
fleet was on the lake, and insisted on
the attack. We have not seen in any
of the United States papers lately a
detailed statement of the forces en-
gaged. So it may be as well to give
the particulars as found in the official
documents.

The British fleet was outnumbered
in ships and men. There were six
British vessels, with a crew combined
of 345 men. The United States had
nine ships and 630 men. The dispari-
ty in armaments was not less. In
actual number of guns Barclay had
slightly the advantage; but in calibre
he was outclassed. Perry had five 32-
pounders, four 24-pounders, four 12-
pounders and twenty 32-pound carron-
ades. Barclay's heaviest guns were
21-pounders, of which he had only

two, eight 24-pound carronades, and
one 12-pound carronade. The re-
mainder of his artillery was of dimin-
ishing calibre. He had one 13-pounder,
five 12-pounders, five 9-pounders, three
6-pounders, two 4-pounders, and a 2-
pounder. Perry's fleet could discharge
a broadside of 714 pounds' metal; the
British only 430 pounds.

The consequence of this disparity of
armaments was that with heavier
weight and longer range guns Perry
was able to inflict serious damage on
the British vessels before they got
near enough to touch his ships. Bar-
clay fought at a disadvantage, but
he fought bravely, and did his best.
He was wounded himself, and his best
captain was killed early in the con-
test. He lost 38 men killed, and had
55 wounded, but the enemy lost 37
killed and had 96 wounded. He dis-
abled the enemy's flagship, and Perry
had to transfer his command to a
smaller vessel. But the "repercussion"
of artillery was too great for the Brit-
ish captain with his small force. He
had to succumb to superior numbers
and heavier artillery.

It was a gallant fight. And while
our neighbors are justly proud of the
achievements of Commodore Perry,
we are just as proud of Capt. Bar-
clay, and his 345 men, nearly half of
whom were raw Canadian lake sail-
ors. They did not achieve success,
but they deserved it. It is a happy
omen today that Americans and Cana-
dians can celebrate their victories
with the utmost goodwill to each other.
They had their Perry and their Law-
rence, and Canadians will not grudge
the honors paid to such heroes. We
had our Brock and our De Salaberry,
and generous Americans will pay them
tribute. While the commemoration of the
war and its heroes is void of the spirit
of offence on both sides of the line,
the celebration of 100 years of Anglo-
American peace is still nobler in concep-
tion. It looks to the future not to
the past.

A TERRIBLE INDICTMENT.

King Constantine of Greece is the
authority for charges against the Bul-
garian troops which make Christendom
shudder. The details are almost un-
printable. A cry of horror went up
periodically from the British people
against the Turks for far less than the
Bulgarians are accused of. King Con-
stantine alleges that the advance of
the Greek army in the tracks of the
retreating Bulgarians uncovered a series
of crimes "such as human history has
never before recorded." The Christians
and Mussulmans have been butch-
ered indiscriminately. At Dorian
30,000 Mussulmans were slaughtered
after their wives and daughters had
been dishonored. The fate of the wo-
men everywhere is worse than death.
Mutilation and outrage have been
Bulgarian pastimes; in the pockets of
Bulgarian prisoners were found the
clipped ears of Grecian women.

This indictment calls for a reply
from the Bulgarian king. He may plead
that the charges are untrue or wildly
exaggerated, and may bring counter-
charges against the Greeks and Ser-
vians. How are outsiders to know?
The withdrawal of the war correspond-
ents after Turkey's surrender has left
the theatre of strife in darkness.
The world is dependent upon stories
furnished by the combatants them-
selves. Who is to sit in judgment and
punish the guilty? Not one of the
Great Powers—mutual jealousies for-
bid. Not the Concert of Europe—it has
been officially announced—that the
Powers will let the Balkan States
fight to a finish even though they
finish one another.

The world has over-rated Bulgaria.
The valor and swift success of the
Bulgarian armies imposed on Christian
sympathies, which were naturally
with a so-called Christian power
against the hated Turk. Bulgaria was
credited with civil virtues, correspond-
ing with her military prowess, but it is
now remembered that civilization is a
late growth in that bloodstained soil.

Even Mr. Churchill kicks poor old
Emergency when it is down.

East and west, the field crop re-
ports in Canada are full of promise.
Now if the cash crop were only as
promising.

Thousands of labor men will wait
on Sir James Whitney to ask for tax
reform. They will be well advised to
wear asbestos coats.

The London Nation wants to know
who or what was responsible for caus-
ing Mr. Borden to depart from his
declaration in 1909 in favor of a Cana-
dian naval force. The Nation should
drop a postcard to Mr. Bourassa.

Admirers of Kipling boomed him for
the poet laureateship, which has gone
to Dr. Bridges. Kipling's failing is
that he has taken to politics in later
years, and his politics is so warm that
it has dried up the springs of poetry
in him.

Mr. Eastman's findings are all in
favor of electrification of the London
and Port Stanley Railroad. He joins
in the chorus of engineers who say
that electrification will pay hand-
somely.—London Free Press.

Really, our contemporary should
read Mr. Eastman's report.

proceeding from a disused mine near
Brest. At the bottom of an excavation
nearly 100 feet deep, Corporal Andre
Desrats was found in so weak a con-
dition that he could hardly articulate
a word. When he recovered his res-
cuers learned that, after accidentally
falling into the mine, Desrats had been
imprisoned for 28 days without any-
thing to eat or drink. But a pig can
beat a man. Dr. W. B. Carpenter in his
"Manual of Physiology," records that
a pig weighing 160 pounds was en-
tombled by the fall of a portion of the
chalk cliffs at Dover. It was dug out
160 days later, and found to be still
alive, but reduced in weight to 40
pounds.

HE GOT ON.
[Town Topics.]
Millions — When I married your
mother I was earning ten dollars a
week — two years later I bought out
my employer.
Daughter — And put in a cash
register.

MISSED NOTHING.
[Illinois Siren.]
He and she arrived in the fifth in-
ning.
He (to a fan)—What's the score?
Fan—Nothing to note.
She—Goody. We haven't missed a
thing!

THE REAL CONSPIRATORS.
[Toronto Star.]
One hundred and twenty work-
men killed at Johannesburg! Dia-
monds and gold and a few gentlemen
who control them conspire to give
South Africa plenty of trouble.

THE "13" HOODOO.
[Atlanta Constitution.]
"Don't talk to me about there be-
ing nothing in a 13 business," said
the major. "Here's a story of a man
who had 13 wives, all in one state,
and as if that were not punishment
enough, a judge gave him 13 years."

A HINT.
[Newark Star.]
A little girl came down to dessert
at a dinner party and sat next to her
mother. This lady was much occupied
in talking to her neighbors and om-
itted to give the child anything. After
some time the little girl, unable to
bear it any longer, with sobs rising in
her throat, held up her plate and said:
"Does anybody want a clean plate?"

**"CONTINENTAL" BRITISH CAP-
TAL.**
[Toronto Star.]
British capital, we are told, is sen-
timental. Quite true. That is why it
goes anywhere in the world where the
security is sound and the interest sure.
It probably feels sentimental toward
Canada, because we have always paid
well and there has been no trouble in
collecting. That is enough to warm
any creditor toward the object of so-
licitude. Capital, British or otherwise,
will always adore with passion tender
the country that returns its affection
with interest. In this way, and in this
way alone, is British capital, or any
other capital, sentimental. It does on
us, so to speak, so long as we have the
price. Its love is anywhere from four
per cent to a hundred.

OUR WISE WAX EXPERTS.
[Montreal Herald.]
Lloyd George told an audience of
bankers at the Mansion House that
Europe was in no danger from the Bal-
kan troubles. He'd better not try to
fool the Canadian papers with that
sort of stuff. They know better.

NO MONOPOLY THERE.
[Toronto Star.]
It is a great relief to learn that the
United States Steel Trust did not get
monopoly rights in Canada. All the
Ottawa Government gave it was a
blanket charter to do, buy, or sell any-
thing in which money is used as a
medium of exchange.

ACTION, NOT REPORTS, WANTED.
[Stratford Beacon.]
How many more persons will the
Ontario Government send over to Eng-
land to study technical education? Dr.
Seath, superintendent of education,
was there. Dr. Merchant has been on
the same mission, and now Dr. Pyne
has gone. What is needed now is ac-
tion, not reports.

GOT HIS NUMBER.
[Detroit Free Press.]
"I'm sorry to tell you, mum, that I'll
be leaving you next week. I'm going
to get married."
"That so, Emma? Who is the lucky
man?"
"He's a policeman, mum. On this
beat, too."
"That's fine. I wish you joy. And
what is his name?"
"I don't know yet, mum; but his
number is 518."

WHAT THE NEW PAPER SAYS.
[Montreal Telegraph.]
We propose to regard ourselves as a
member of the Liberal party, giving it
frank counsel, co-operating with its
leaders, protecting them from unfair
attack while reserving to ourselves the
right of friendly criticism. We will
fight the battles of Liberalism week in
and week out, win or lose, in company
or alone. We shall regard the fortunes
of no politician as worth a moment's
consideration when weighed against
the fate of the cause; but every good
soldier we will welcome to our buvo-
pas, and, with him, follow the flag into
the hottest fire.

PROSPERITY.
[Puck.]
Miss Snowflake—Does you believe in
wishbones?
Mr. Jackson—Why, it's a sign of ex-
ceptional luck to have a fresh one in
your pocket every day or two.

USED TO IT.
[Life.]
"What did the doctor tell you about
your complaint?"
"Told me a lot of nonsense! Said I
was eatin' too much pie. It's just fool
nonsense. Why, I've been eatin' pie
three times a day for 23 years, and
ort to know."

THE AUDIENCE.
[Washington Star.]
"Are you going away this summer?"
"Not if I can avoid it," replied Mr.
Groucher. "I'm going to stay home,
where it's quiet and cool and let my
friends and relatives bustle around and
try to amuse me with postcards."

NATURALLY.
[Judge.]
"I should like to get an engagement
with my circus of trained fleas," re-
marked the vaudevillian.
"You'll have to try it on the dog
first," replied the booking agent.

JUST A SIMPERING.
[New York Times.]
A ham was on the stove, its des-
tines presided over by a young colored
woman from up in the mountains.
"Jane," called the mistress of the
house, "don't let that ham boil."
"No'm," replied Jane, "I ain't er
gwine to boil no ham. Its on the stove
now just a simperin'!"

Like a fireman and lose my
hose.

A thing we see convinces us,
Most every little while;
A girl may give her skirt a rip,
And still be in the style.

No novelist has ever been daring
enough to make his hero a bow-legged
man. Or a bald-headed one, either,
remarks Myrtilla.

Are you allowing business to inter-
fere with your baseball these days?
Neither are we.

Pity the man who attends a country
picnic. He may have to help a fat wo-
man in a hobble skirt over a barbed
wire fence.

The Inspired Composer.
The St. Thomas Journal says: "Mr.
Glover told the judge that he had left
his car at Davidson's garage whiff off."
This story was probably written by the
Journal's Hindi reporter.

NOT SO.
[St. Thomas Journal.]
One of the London asylum pig-
sties was destroyed by fire last night.
Now watch the "Tiser's" pernicious
paraphrase get off something about
fire putting the building on the
pork.



How often have you heard it said:
That marriage is a lottery.
That one may draw a prize or blank
In this game of uncertainty!
But marriage is no lottery,
For if a blank you chance to draw
You cannot throw the same away
And then forget it evermore.

Not Yet.
[St. Thomas Journal.]
One of the London asylum pig-
sties was destroyed by fire last night.
Now watch the "Tiser's" pernicious
paraphrase get off something about
fire putting the building on the
pork.

One of the best philosophers we
know said: "Some company stays so
long that when they go home you feel
as if you had been keeping a lot of
boarders that jumped their bill."

In the "dead-letter office" of the
postoffice of the Y. M. C. A. at the
cadet camp some amusing documents
full of human interest were received.
A number of cards have come back
to the office, the senders having
overlooked the formality of placing
stamps on them. The message, ad-
dressed mostly to "mother," tell of the
fine times at camp. One card was ad-
dressed to the "Male carrier" of a cer-
tain town. In these days of suffragettes
the distinction was probably necessary.
Another card contained this short but
pathetic appeal: "Dear Mother, Please
send me fifty cents quick—from your
son," etc.

No automobile has been known to
be held up for speeding when grand-
ma was in the tonneau.

Noticed what a striking resemblance
there is between the St. Thomas ball
team and a seven-dollar bill (these last
few days)?

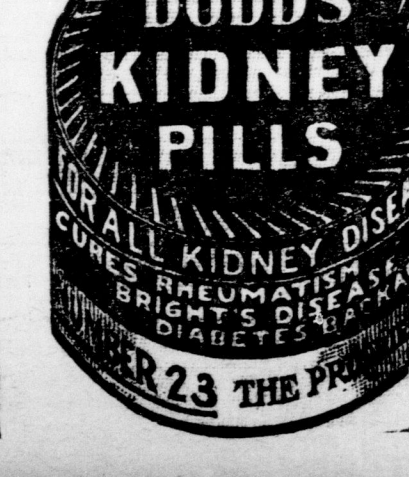
RECIPROCITY.



It isn't right for men to smoke
Upon an open car;
That is, they should not on the seats
Up front where women are,
And women should not feathers wear
That reach to seats in rear
Which tickle smokers on the nose
And jab them in the ear.

These cadets are no Captain Baby
Buntings of the Rocking Horse Bri-
gade.

A number of cadets were present
from the Holy Angels school in St.
Thomas. Speaking of the respective
abilities of his baseball team, com-



Alteration Sale Bargains

Here is an invitation to attend our alteration sale
today and tomorrow. The bargains are the best that
have appeared this month. Many qualities are limit-
ed, so come early.

ODDS AND ENDS OF WASH
GOODS.

A table of Muslins, Ducks
and Crepes, suitable for sacks
and dresses. Worth 15c and
20c. Clearance sale price, per
yard 8c
Two pieces French Cotton
Voiles, silver gray silk stripe
on pure white ground; very
fine and dainty. Were 40c.
Now, per yard 25c

RAINCOATS.

Women's Rubberized Poplin
Raincoats, full length, set-in
and raglan sleeves and high,
close-fitting collar.
Green poplin at \$5.00
Fawn poplin at \$6.50

DRESS GOODS.

Eagerly bought for chil-
dren's school dresses. The lot
consists of serges, cashmeres,
satin cloths and taffeta cloths
in a splendid variety of colors,
38 to 42 inches wide. Regular
50c yard. Great values at this
two-days' price, yard 25c

NEW LACE CURTAINS.

A special purchase just put
on sale this week.
25 pairs Lace Curtains,
white only, 2 1/4 and 2 3/4 yards
long; two patterns to choose
from. Sale price, pair 45c

57 pairs Lace Curtains, six
patterns in pure white, and
one in cream, Lambrequin
style, 3 yards long. Worth
\$1.25 and \$1.50. Sale price, a
pair 75c

20 pairs Nottingham Lace
Curtains, white only, 3 1/4 yds.
long, neat patterns, with plain
centres. Worth \$1.50. Sale
price, per pair \$1.25

READY-MADE PILLOW
CASES.

Made of fine white cotton, hem-
stitched hem, sizes 40, 42 and 44
inches wide. Get a supply at this
special price, each 15c
Hotel and boardinghouse keepers
should buy them by the dozen at,
a dozen \$1.65

TABLE LINEN.

Two pieces half bleached pure
Irish Linen Damask, splendid qual-
ity, easily bleached. Measure 60
inches wide, 50c grade, reduced to,
per yard 39c

J. H. Chapman & Co., 239, 241, 243 Dundas St.

ONLY 6 DAYS LEFT
To Get the Bargains That Our FIRE SALE Offers You

GET THEM NOW
OR MISS THEM
ALTOGETHER

Bed, No. 988, in solid brass,
regular \$25. Spring, No. 1204,
is guaranteed, regular \$5.

Bed and Spring, \$19.75
all complete, for
SALE PRICE ONLY.

3-dozen Solid Oak Dining-
Room Chairs, upholstered in
A1 leather, box seated, regu-
lar \$3.50, each for
Or \$13.50 per half \$2.25
dozen. This is the best bar-
gain you have ever seen.

Odd Dressers \$7.25 up

**White Enamel Bedroom
Suites 1-3 Off**

Dressers, Chiffoniers, Beds and
Washstands, in white enamel, always
in stock.

Three elegant large solid quar-
ter-cut oak DRESSERS, to be cleared at

1-3 OFF
Original Prices

Agents for
Ostermoor
Mattresses.

KEENE BROS.
123, 125, 127 KING STREET.

Agents for
Happy Thought
Stoves.

pared with that of the St. Thomas
bunch, a youthful cadet remarked that
they "could lick the devil out of those
Holy Angels."

I'd love to be a farm-hand
And with the farm-hands stand,
A place of pie upon my plate,
And one in either hand.

WANT \$14,000,000
Daughters of Late King Leopold To
Appeal Recent Decision.
[Canadian Press.]
Brussels, Belgium, July 18.—Prin-
cesses Louise and Stephanie, daughters
of the late King Leopold, after a long
consultation with their Viennese and
Belgian counsel decided today to ap-
peal to the court of Cassation against
the judgment of the court of appeals
which dismissed on April 2 their claim
to the entire Congo property, left by
their father, valued at \$14,000,000. The
princesses had rejected a compromised
proposal by the minister of justice.

DASHED TO DEATH.
[Canadian Press.]
Frankfort-on-the-Main, July 18.—An
aviation pupil named Westphelly was

CHAPMAN'S
Women's Suits at half-price, just one rack full
left, so come early and pick out the suit you want.

**Great Offers in Hosiery,
Gloves and Underwear**
You will find these bargains are worth coming for. The
qualities are the best procurable at regular prices, so are
doubly desirable at sale prices.

25 dozen Women's Summer
Hose, comprising odd dozens
and broken sizes, in the sea-
son's finest hosiery. Lace
Ankle Hose, in black, tan and
sky; Black Embroidered Lisle
Hose, with self and colored
embroidery, and plain Sheer
Lisle Hose in black only, sizes
8 1/2 to 10. A great offer. Per
pair 27c

Women's Long Silk Gloves,
elbow length, double-tipped
fingers, black in all sizes, and
white in large sizes only.
Were 75c. Sale price, per
pair 63c

Porous Knit Vests for wo-
men's summer wear, pure
white, very elastic and cool;
short sleeves and sleeveless.
Always sold at 25c. Sale price,
each 21c

Porous Knit Combination
Suits, taped neck and arms,
lace trimmings, knee length
drawers. The genuine Porous
Knit garment. Per suit 43c

White Ribbed Cotton Vests,
summer weight. These are
perfect garments, bought at a
bargain. Sale price
9c each, or 3 for 25c

Wash Skirts at 98c
An unusually good bargain in Women's Wash Skirts, made
of white Indianhead cotton, side pleat in the front and slightly
gathered in the back, high waist effect. \$1.25 values, our
price 98c

Girls' Wash Dresses,
sizes 6 to 14 years. Sale
price \$1.00

Little Boys' Wash
Suits, sizes 2 1/2 to 5
years. Sale price 75c

\$1 Corsets at 79c Pair
You might as well save 21 cents on a pair of Corsets. We
made a special purchase from one of the best Canadian makers
of ten dozen Corsets, which would sell in the regular way at
\$1.00 per pair. An up-to-date model, long over hip effect with
medium bust. Made of summer weight batiste, filled with
rustproof steels; garters attached. Sizes 18 to 30. Sale price,
per pair 79c

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