

## LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

### BUILDING PERMIT.

Mr. Fred Cooper of Brock street has taken out a building permit for the erection of a frame verandah.

### BACK ON THE JOB.

Mr. Bennett, the building inspector, returned to his duties this morning after an absence of four months.

### VITAL STATISTICS

During the past month there were forty-one births, thirty-seven deaths and fourteen marriages in the city.

### EAST WARD OILED.

The oiling of the streets of the East Ward was completed this morning and the North Ward will be next treated to the oil dust preventer.

### THE TEMPERATURE.

The weather is commencing to approach nearer to the conditions of a year ago. Record for the last twenty-four hours: Lowest 44, highest, 58. Same date last year: Lowest 29; highest 55.

### BREAK IN MAIN.

A break in the main of the Brantford Gas Company was discovered just outside of St. George about ten o'clock this morning. This accounts for the low pressure generally experienced. Men were got to work upon it immediately.

### DOGS SHOT.

Three vagrant dogs have been shot by the police. The dog nuisance has not been abated as yet. Severe measures will be taken if dogs are allowed to run at large. The lives of citizens are of greater importance than dogs, so says Chief Constable Slemm.

### LAMPS BROKEN.

During the week ending April 24, the following street lights were broken: Ontario street, corner Cayuga St. one lamp; Sydenham street, second pole south of Terrace Hill Street (this is the sixth lamp broken on this particular pole); Richmond street, opposite No. 58, one lamp broken.

### WATER PUMPED.

Measured in gallons, the water pumped for the city during the month of April came to 13,208,734, giving a daily average of 3,773,658 gallons. This was less than the total for the corresponding month of 1914, when 122,953,776 gallons were used, giving an average per day of 4,098,457.

### HORTICULTURISTS MET.

The Horticultural Society of the city met Thursday evening in the Library. Mr. Tapscott presided and after giving a short but interesting opening address, called on the speaker of the evening, Mrs. R. B. Potts of Hamilton. In her remarks she gave her audience many hints about raising flowers. Her suggestions about the laying out of a garden proved to be invaluable. She also gave some interesting facts about roses and a few other flowers. To those interested in making beautiful flower gardens this summer, her remarks were very instructive, and her efforts to make the address interesting to everyone present were entirely successful.

### RELIEF DISTRIBUTED.

Civic relief during the past month amounted to \$129.12, of which \$26 went for groceries, while 13 1/4 tons of coal were distributed.

### TOWNSHIP COUNCIL.

The Township Council will hold their monthly meeting at the Court House on Monday, May 3rd. Considerable routine business will be transacted.

### START CLASSES.

The swimming classes for school boys will start next week. There are 396 boys registered already, and they will be divided into classes of 15 each. This is much better than last year, when only 330 boys were enrolled.

## ARMENIAN DRILL SEASON CLOSES

Splendid Concert Given by Guests and Men.

The closing evening of the Armenian Rifle Club was held in the Victoria Hall last evening, when with the assistance of some friends from Preston, a concert and physical drill display was held.

### THE DRILL

Drilling as a company, under a sergeant of their own race, Leone, they displayed to fair advantage their prowess in the manual and physical drill work under Sgt. Hatchie. They were put through three bayonet and physical exercises, which reflected considerable credit to the class.

### MAYOR SPENCE

The Rev. Kelly, who occupied the chair, made an opening address in introducing the guest of the evening, Mayor Spence, who in some brief and telling phraseology pictured the future of Armenia to be anticipated at last. Turkish rule was banished from Armenia.

Many little ladies of the world's oldest race show considerable talent, and these two little ladies in a duet by Misses Chichagian and Muradian, were excellent.

Mention must be made of the little Misses Kelly, who were quite a treat. The musical treat was, however, in the following: Solo, by Miss Clemens, accompanied by Miss Wilding on piano; a piano solo by Miss Crocker; a solo by Miss Campion. The rapt attention paid their efforts, was an unconscious tribute to their entertaining abilities.

### ADDRESS.

The missionary, Armen Amerikhanian was in his usual eloquent and fiery style, as he told them the oft-repeated story of the Armenian wrongs, and he hoped and worked that some day their people would be freed from the Turkish yoke; would again be a kingdom and free.

With the singing of the National Anthem, the gathering was dismissed and the corps marched to the College, to lay aside their arms for the summer season.

## NOTICE TO PUBLIC

I desire to call the attention of those who use profanity on the streets and street corners. This is not only very degrading, but it is against the law and leaves a bad impression with strangers coming into our city. The police have received instructions to stop this.

I also wish to call the attention of those who have the habit of expectorating on the sidewalk that this is against the law. The police have received instructions to strictly enforce the law in this respect.

Running express wagons and roller skates on the sidewalks is dangerous to the public and against the law. This practice must be discontinued.

CHARLES SLEMIN, Chief of Police.

A Warning—To feel tired before exertion not business—it is a sign that the system lacks vitality, and needs the tonic effect of Hood's Sarsaparilla. Sufferers should not delay. Get rid of that tired feeling by beginning to take Hood's Sarsaparilla to-day.

## BRITISH GREATLY IMPRESSED

## Bombardment of Dunkirk Has Opened Their Eyes to New Danger.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

London, May 1.—The British public has been greatly impressed by the German bombardment of Dunkirk, which it is believed in military circles here must have been from a distance of from eighteen to twenty miles.

The Times dealing with the situation in an editorial, says the incident is of small importance from a military standpoint, but that it brings the war closer to England's shores than at any earlier period of the struggle.

### CAN RESUME ATTACK.

"We have," the Times says, "in the events of the past ten days the clearest possible proof that far from being on the run, the Germans can, at any moment, resume the offensive in the west with great power and obstinate courage, with an ample supply of men and guns and in a spirit that will stop at nothing. The bombardment of Dunkirk is only one more sign of their settled purpose to reach the coast towns near England and it ought to bring us with a bound out of that world of illusion in which the nation has been encouraged to gaze at the facts through the mist of facile optimism."

### OF LARGE CALIBRE

Passengers who arrived in London from France yesterday said that the shells that fell in Dunkirk were of large calibre and were supposed to have come from at least seventeen miles inland. An Englishman who was in the town during the bombardment said the German artillery got the range quickly and that their shells fell for some time at intervals of five minutes. Many persons were killed outright, while others died later from their injuries.

### DIRECTED BY AIRMEN.

The Times' correspondent in northern France says the first shell fell in Dunkirk at 3:30 Thursday afternoon, almost at the same moment that German aeroplanes were seen hovering overhead. Soon other shells came in quick succession and it became clear that the Germans had brought their big guns into range and that their fire was being directed by airmen.

### FOR NINETY MINUTES.

"The bombardment," the correspondent adds, "continued for 90 minutes. Inhabitants hid in the cellars or fled the town. The military authorities of Dunkirk were powerless to reply to the enemy's big guns, the whereabouts of which was unknown, but they opened a furious fire on the aeroplanes and drove them off. Friday morning all was quiet and the bombardment had not been renewed up to noon."

### GUNS DISCOVERED

London, May 1.—The admiralty announces that the position of the German guns which have been bombarding Dunkirk, having been verified by air craft reconnaissance, it was attacked yesterday evening, twelve small and two large bombs being dropped.

Reconnaissance was made also to Ostend which was cleared of all important craft. A Taube aeroplane appeared in sight, but kept 10,000 feet up and three miles off. A naval aeroplane chased the Taube whereupon the latter retired.

### DISCOVERED NO SHIPS

Paris, May 1.—Dunkirk remained calm and there was no sign of panic while it was being bombarded. According to the editor of a newspaper of that city, who has arrived in Paris. He said the bombardment began at 11:30 a.m. Thursday and continued until 2:30 p.m. Twenty projectiles were hurled into the city. They fell at intervals of about seven minutes. All of them were 15-inch shells which blasted craters some times 45 feet across and sent up great columns of dense black smoke.

A despatch to the Havas Agency from Dunkirk says that British and French seaplanes which reconnoitered during the bombardment, were able to discover no enemy ships in the vicinity of Dunkirk, although there was a German light squadron off Ostend.

## With the City Police

Four cranks appeared before Magistrate Livingston to-day and were fined three dollars each in two cases, while the others, not having been similarly charged before, were allowed to go.

Harold Turner was brought up for riding on the sidewalk and fined as per usual.

Mrs. Elizabeth Cline charged Richard Brennan with being insane and following her about. The Crown Attorney could not appear, and defendant was remanded until Monday.

Culebra Cut in the Panama Canal has been renamed the Gaillard Cut after the man who made it.

Cornelius Hale, Trenton, Mich., lost his life trying to save a favorite team in a fire on his farm.

## NEGOTIATIONS AT STANDSTILL

## Count Von Buelow Gives an Interview—Things are Quiet.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Rome, via Paris, May 1.—Prince Von Buelow, German ambassador to Italy, is convinced that the negotiations which have been conducted recently in an endeavor to establish an agreement between Italy and the Teutonic allies, have been not only in the interests of Germany, but also of Italy and Austria; not only for the present moment, but more for the future, he stated in an interview to-day. He remarked that in diplomatic negotiations one should never be discouraged by what seem to be insurmountable difficulties, because of the immense distance between the respective claims of the negotiating parties.

As he talked the ambassador sat beside a small table upon which were two boxes of matches. Wishing better to illustrate his point, he put the box at the extremities of the table, saying: "Here is how they are. My mission is to make them gradually approach. I am doing my best to impress on them the convergent movement until they meet."

According to the latest report, the two boxes, if they have not actually taken a divergent movement, are certainly at a standstill.

### NOT MERE BLUFF

Rome, May 1.—The Tribune to-day publishes an article giving some interesting impressions of a prominent man who has just returned from Vienna. He says that the attitude of Austria can be understood when it is known that the ruling classes at Vienna, notwithstanding the concentration of Italian forces at the frontier, the threatening language of the most authoritative Italian newspapers and warnings from Prince Von Buelow, the German ambassador to Italy, think that all this is a mere bluff, as the Italian government would not go to war.

Commenting on this statement, the Tribune says that Austrian government circles are much mistaken, and will soon realize their shortsightedness, and furthermore, they will learn of the compactness, unanimity and discipline of the Italian people.

### KING WILL PRESIDE

Rome, May 1.—Great significance is attached to the fact that King Victor Emmanuel will preside at the unveiling of the monument to Quarto San-Elana in honor of Garibaldi and his famous thousand who captured Sicily in 1860. Doubt has prevailed in some Austro-German circles as to whether his majesty would take part in the ceremonies on May 5, which are expected to assume the character of a great national demonstration, but it was said to-day that there is no longer any question of his determination to do so. This is regarded as making it certain that no grave steps will be taken by Italy within the next ten days, as the king is not expected to return to Rome until May 8.

### DAY OF REST

Rome, May 1.—Members of all working men's organizations have decided to unite in observing to-day (May 1) as a day of rest. Even the street railway companies have given their employees permission to abstain from work. No papers will be published except the Popolo Romano, the Conservative organ, which employs non-union workmen.

Meets will be held in all the large towns of Italy and troops will be held in readiness to prevent disorders. The authorities fear there may be clashes between workmen favoring Italy's intervention in the war and those who hope for a continuation of neutrality.

### CHEERS GREET ANNOUNCEMENT OF WAGE INCREASE.

Canadian Ford Employees Go Wild With Joy When Told of Good Fortune.

Ford, Ont., May 1.—Following the announcement of the big wage increase at the Ford plant, Wednesday, there was a monster demonstration by the employees.

Investigators have already started work for the newly organized Social Department, which is handling the details of the wage plan. The investigators will ascertain in the case of every workman whether his habits and mode of living are such that he is worthy of the increased pay. No difficult conditions are imposed on employees before they will be eligible to the new scale but it is intended that the money go only to the furtherance of good habits and right living.

Mr. Ford in discussing the schedule with the officers of the Canadian company told them he considered that the workman with a family to support should receive at least \$100 a month to get along comfortably, pay most of his living expenses and reach top efficiency as a factory hand or a citizen.

The Ford employees will not only receive high wages, but will have the benefit of general advice by the experts on the staff of investigators. The man who is buying his home or wants to build a house for himself will have the opportunity of consulting with the Ford organization command. This will include advice on legal matters.

In short, the idea is to increase the men's pay, and to afford them every opportunity to develop into useful and efficient citizens, thus helping themselves, their families, the company where they work and the community in general.

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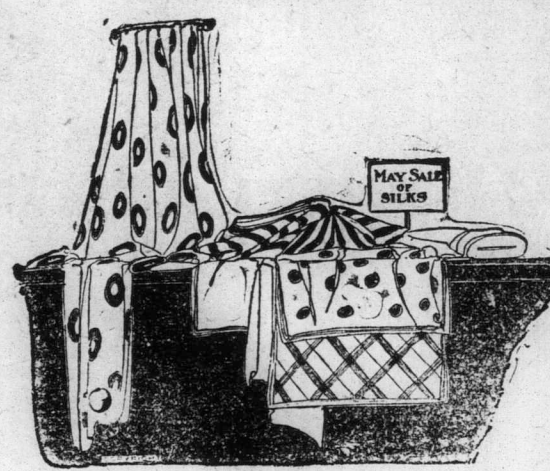
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Black and White Stripe Silk for trimmings, in small, medium and wide stripe; these effects are popular in all lines of fabric for this season. Price \$1.50

Military Stripes—The latest trimming silk, representing such famous regiments as the Black Watch, Army Medical Corps, Royal Marines, Scots Greys, 15th Dragoons, Gordons, Naval Brigade, Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders, etc., for coat trimmings, girdles and bands for panama hats. Price, yard..... \$1.50

Stripe Washing Silk, 1 yard wide, white ground with hairline stripes, in black or mauve, colors absolutely fast, 2 yards for a waist. Price, 85c

Black Paillette Silk, one yard wide, fast color, heavy quality. Regular \$1.25 value. One piece only. On sale Monday at, yd. 79c

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Sale Commences MONDAY and Continues Until All Are Sold!

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Take advantage of the Sale of French Ivory and Ebony Toilet Articles Priced at a Half and Less

—Second Floor.

—Ground Floor —Left Main Entrance.

## LOCAL CASUALTIES

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contingent, at 54 Brant street. He was a veteran of the Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders, having been in that regiment for seven years. He had been a resident of Brantford for three years previous to now residing at 259 Brock street. There are no children. He is a native of Eynonbridge, Scotland.

PTE. A. HAMILTON  
Pte. A. Hamilton, who is among the wounded, is an Englishman, but had resided in Brantford for some time. He was employed at the Massey-Harris and other works, and resided with P. C. and Mrs. Carr, being a relative of the last named. He left with the first contingent, and was well thought of by a large circle of acquaintances.

Word reached the city to-day that Private Thos. Kirby, of 188 West Mill street, is also on the wounded list. It was in the usual way from Ottawa and read:

Ottawa, April 30.  
Pte. Tom Kirby, 4th Battalion, officially reported wounded. Further particulars when received will be sent you.

THREE FROM PARIS.  
Word reached Paris to-day that Napoleon Larion has been wounded. He worked at Penman's and was a well-known baseball player.

News was also received of the wounding of Edward Graydon, who worked on a farm in the township. Mr. McKay, also of the township, is a brother-in-law.

Merco, an Italian residing in Paris,

## CANADIAN GOLFER

A New Magazine Makes a Successful Debut—It is a Brantford Product.

A new Canadian monthly magazine has made its appearance. It is the "Canadian Golfer," and Brantford is the place of its habitation, with Mr. R. H. Reville, formerly of the Courier, as editor. The first number sets a very high standard of excellence indeed, and its maintenance will certainly assure a large patronage from golfing adherents, of whom Canada now numbers its thousands.

The cover is of most attractive design, and it constitutes a fitting introduction to the various special general articles, which are fully illustrated. Among the contributors are Mr. J. T. Clark, one of the editors of the Toronto Star; George Cumming, the well-known pro, and Mr. Clifford J. Turner, the publisher of the "Golf" magazine in New York. The latter closes his article as follows:

"Before closing I wish to say that our sympathies are heartfelt for those golfers who have laid down their clubs for duty's sake, and joined the Great Majority. Many dear friends are among them, and we shall miss them sadly when this awful war is over."

Miss Florence L. Harvey, one of Canada's leading exponents of the game, edits the ladies' section. Altogether the "Canadian Golfer" has started out with a tremendous first drive on the public favor course. There are fine authorized pictures of the Duke and Duchess of Connaught, Premier Borden, Hon. Mr. White and Hon. Mr. Burrell of the Dominion Cabinet, all enthusiastic players; Geo. S. Lyon, the foremost

Canadian golfer; Miss Dodds, lady champion of Canada, and so on. The typing was done at the Courier office and the excellent presswork, including the striking cover, by the MacBride Printing Company of this city. The whole production is a credit to Brantford and the Ancient and Royal game alike. It is satisfactory to know that a large first edition has been warranted.

## CRITICAL THEATRE

By Special Wire to the Courier.

London, May 1.—The developments on the northern extremities of the two battle fronts, both east and west, the shelling of Dunkirk in France, and the new German offensive movements aimed at the Baltic provinces, take precedence in the war news to-day.

British aviators have discovered and attacked the German batteries on the coast of France, and more than one hundred English observers at from 16 to even 28 miles hurled great shells at the French port, but it remains to be seen whether the bombs dropped did enough damage to put the guns out of action.

London newspapers say this bombardment of Dunkirk means that the Germans still cling to their cherished idea of occupying the French coast nearest England, and more than one editorial writer to-day points out that Flanders still remains the critical theatre of operations.

## NEILL SHOE COMPANY BARGAINS FOR SATURDAY

Women's dongola strap slippers, Regular \$1.25. Sizes 2 1/2 to 7. Saturday 98c  
Small boys' tan calf lace boots, Reg. \$1.75. Sizes 8 to 10. Saturday \$1.28  
Men's fine lace boots, size 6 to 10. Saturday \$1.48  
Boys' dongola blucher cut lace boots, sizes 1 to 5. Regular \$2.00. Saturday \$1.58

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