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Rain Does Not Dampen Spirits of Hamilton Recruiting Officers.

## NO MORE GRANTS

City Decides Not to Give Highway Commissioners Amount Asked For.

HAMILTON, Wednesday, April 12 .-The wet weather of yesterday failed to put a damper upon the spirits of the 205th Sportsman's Battalion or their many supporters, and their big recruiting campaign continued merrily and systematically thruout the day and late on into the evening.

The nightly open air recruiting meeting was keld in Gore Park and drew large attendance. Mrs. Jennie Walker, Rev. (Capt.) Martin, chaplain

Walker, Rev. (Capt.) Martin, chaplain of the 205th, and the Rev. E. J. Etherington gave short addresses.

The results at the recruiting depots were rather disappointing, but the military men attributed it to the unfavorable weather and not to any laxity on the part of the public. The Tigers had 17 apply and signed up 6; the 173rd accepted 6 out of 13 applicants, and the 120th passed three out of five. The total for the day was 35 applications and 15 ft.

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Magistrate Jelfs yesterday sentenced Private Vivian Leslie, a member of the 173rd Highland Battalion, to a \$50 fine with the option of one month in jail for stealing a motor car belonging to Harry Franck.

to Harry Fraitck.

Forged Officer's Name.

Arthur Edmonds, alias Alfred Brodie of Ottawa, who passed himself off as a returned soldier and wore fake service medals, was again in the police court yesterday, charged with securing board and lodging by fraud and of having forged the name of Lieut.—Col. W. H. Bruce to a letter. He was remanded for one week, when he will be sen-

The National Steel Car Co., Limited, has sent out notices calling for the annual meeting of the shareholders, to be nual meeting of the shareholders, to be held at the offices of the company, on Saturday, April 22. At this meeting, in addition to the annual election of officers, the financial returns for the year ending Nov. 30, 1915, will be presented.

The board of control at its meeting yesterday, decided to go in a body to Toronto today, where, in company with the other deputations from Ontario, strong opposition will be made to the

driver since the new motor patrol has been in use, to patrol sergeant, to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Sgt. Campbell.

fire and showers of maxim bullets.

(Continued from Page 1).

lines. The Germans are being more and more forced to charge thru a com-

ture, that the allies have so organized their defensive-offensive that the

Germans had either to fight or to retreat, and that, as it was improbable

that they would retreat soon, they would fight. The battle of Verdun

appears to be a case where the Germans have to continue the fighting,

whether they want to or not. The position of the Meuse heights, on which

Verdun stands, is so important in a strategic sense for the Germans that their situation in northern France appears to be hopeless unless they can break thru there, while if the French have to retreat a little there the loss

can be retrieved by them. The allies can begin their offensive whether they

hold the Verdun salient or not, but the Germans, who would have to attack

from the north instead of from the south in any offensive designed to delay the advance of the allies, would find the Verdun sector sticking forward

like a thorn in their side unless they had first pulled out that thorn. But

the French lines there seem so secure, the Germans on the left flank being

still nine or ten miles from Verdun, that it seems as if the enemy's whole

haps, can turn their energies against the Russians, but the prospect of

another summer of stalemate, or, at the best, of hollow victories, such as

were gained last year at the expense of a great deal of the life-blood of

Germany, frightens them. A campaign in the east would entail at least

another year of war, and the Germans are now anxious to avoid that year

of war while staving off immediate defeat, lest Germany, which was so

susceptible to the "Hymn of Hate" may be more susceptible to a "panic

of peace" and cause endless domestic worries to the Prussian bureaucracy.

What the Germans now want and fight for is some political victory which

they hope would break up the grand alliance. This foolish dream, in-

dulged in because the Germans, being unfree, know nothing fundamental

of the psychology of the free, is also playing into the hands of the allies.

completely upsetting the plans of the German general staff. It was expected when it was decided to go on with the offensive at Verdun after the

first check at Douaumont, to throw fresh troops from Germany against the

French, probably somewhere else than at Verdun, to create a diversion,

But the Russians showed such surprising vigor and renewed strength that

the Germans could not neglect this additional menace, and so they had

to weaken the reserves which they had hoped to throw into the western

Caucasus has become no longer negligible owing to the transference of

large forces from Constantinople, which have about doubled the Moslem

strength. These armies have been regrouped so as to offer a strong re-

sistance to the Russians on their three lines of advance. The latest news is that large numbers of Turks have been collected near Erzinjan, which

is a region of vast importance to them, because it stands in the way of

the main Caucasian armies, whose ultimate aim is to sweep westward to

preponderance of fire being on the side of the Italians. The Austrians have

brought up new and powerful batteries to the front between the Adige and

Cophalonia, the southern Greek island in the Ionian group, has been

Sugana Valleys, but these are being effectively answered by the Italians.

occupied by the Anglo-French fleet, owing to the necessity of closing its

Measures are to be taken to continue the harbor

traffic with the least possible difficulty. The Greek premier protested

against this action, but the allies have the right under the settlement of

1861 to land their forces anywhere on the soil of Greece. The vacillating

policy of King Constantine is alone responsible for the necessity of seizing

Greek island, and of retaining Saloniki by the allies. Submarines are doubt-

less the all-powerful reason for action.

Artillery actions continue to be fought on the Italian front with the

The Russians report that the Turkish resistance to them in the

Petrograd views the Russian diversion on the Dwina-Dvinsk front as

As a sort of alternative to their setback in France, the Germans, per

scheme of campaigning in the west will be smashed on this rock.

## DISCUSS NICKEL IN LEGISLATURE

Sam Carter Inquires Regarding Damage to Crops by Fumes.

### REPARATION WAY MADE

Copper Company Bested Government, Says South Wellington Member.

The nickel industry came under legislative enquiry again yesterday under questions from Sam Carter (South Wellington), who asked for a return of all correspondence between the government and any persons re-garding damage done to crops by the fumes from the smelting works of the Canadian Copper Company and the Mond Nickel Company.

Mond Nickel Company.

When he was in the north country he had heard complaints of damage done by the smelting for 20 miles from the mines. Then, too, people were likely to be moved off their property on which they had made improvements. The Canadian Copper Company was getting too much of a strangle-hold on that part of the country. They were taking far too much money out of the province.

Great Octopus.

The company was a great "octopus."

It had "put one over on the government." At least that was what he thought. He was determined to find out.

Hon. G. Howard Ferguson asked Mr. Carfer to amend his motion. The motion covered scores of townships and years of correspondence. He woulds bave to have the numbers of the lots and the locality, because by the old system the correspondence was so filed and not under names. The letters had gone into the vaults and it would take months to get them out.

Damaged Vegetation.

Every year there was large damage to vegetation from the roast-heaps.

The condition was werse last year on account of the weather and the larger amount smelted.

In every case the nickel or copper.

amount smelted.

In every case the nickel or copper company had been forced to make reparation for the damage done by the sulphur fumes. Last year the damage had been so extensive as to be addition to the annual election of ficers, the financial returns for the car ending Nov. 30, 1915, will be presented.

The board of control at its meeting yesterday, decided to go in a body to Toronto today, where, in company with the other deputations from Ontario, strong opposition will be made to the McGarry bill.

A letter was received from Secretary Kappele, stating that the works committee was against any more money being spent on the Beckett drive until the city had settled its differences with the owners.

The police commissioners, at their relations and the police commissioners, at their relations and been so extensive as to be embarrassing not only to the farmers but also to the company. They had given up litigation and go to arbitration. The company had named one arbitrator, the farmers another and Nelson Monteith had acted as a third. All three were trained bacteriologists. The damage had been so extensive as to be embarrassing not only to the farmers but also to the company had named one arbitration. The company had named one arbitration, the farmers another and Nelson Monteith had acted as a third. All three were trained bacteriologists. The damage had been so extensive as to be embarrassing not only to the farmers into prevail." said the minister.

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Mark Irish (Northeast Toronto) withdrew his bill to allow soldiers to ride in street cars free. The matter had popped and Nelson Monteith had acted as a third. All three were trained bacteriologists. The damage had been so extensive as to be embarrassing not only to the farmers had interest and been incorrect. "Such a situation does in other trained had the minister.

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the larmers had attributed all the damage to the suiphur fumes. The valuators, however, had reported that the grain was suffering from an epidemic of "oat blight."

However, the copper company had agreed to remove their roast heaps some 12 miles from their present situ-

The same member withdrew his bill garding the centre aisle in street cars. He had just heard that the Untario Railway Board had ordered that the Toronto Railway Company should not operate summer cars any longer.

The bill to provide that at least one theatre censor should be a woman was withdrawn. withdrawn.

Mr. Irish's bill to provide fo rinspection of theatres and factories by night as well as day passed its first reading.
Mr. Irish cited the instance in which a Toronto magistrate had upheld a theatre owner for ejecting a health department officer from his moving picture show. The bill provided for the inspection of bread factories, laundries, etc., said Mr. Irish.

Status of Universities. \* WAR SUMMARY \* THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

etc., said Mr. Irish.

Status of Universities.

The premier said, in reply to a question from Mr. Rowell, that the government had not formed any policy with regard to the status of Queen's and Western Universities. The commission to investigate university finance and similar matters had not gone as far as he could have wished. The matter had been under his personal supervision, and he had been compelled by sickness and press of business to leave the matter over. This year's grants were merely on grounds of paratively open country, with each slope carefully leveled and inclined, so as to suit the purposes of the defence, and with batteries so arranged that the further in the Germans get the harder they are smitten with barriers of Before the Germans ever began their offensive in France, Prof. Pollard year's grants were merely on grounds of expediency and not to be regarded as precedents. of London, who had made an inspection of the allied front, said, in a lec-

ation, to a place unfit for agriculture. The government had withdrawn the area from settlement. There had been a few squatters in the district. They were being comparated.

They were being compensated.

The nickel commission was considering the sulphur fume question. They hoped not only to stop the fumes from doing damage, but also to bottle then up and make them of commercial

Charles McCrae (Sudbury) said that

many of the farmers had not been willing to accept the decision of the valuators. The board, composed of Mr. Jarvis, appointed by the company; Mr. Ponton, appointed by the farmers, and Mr. Monteith as a third, had dealt with some 187 claims. There were acceptant.

mr. Monteith as a third, had dean with some 167 claims. There were several hundred other claims to be adjusted.

Preferred Seeing Results

Many of the farmers had preferred to see the result of the test cases now being tried by Justice Middleton. Ex-

was to be taken on

"Today the enemy exploded mines to the northeast of Vermelles, dam-aging a portion of an old crater, but without altering the situation. There was considerable artillery activity opposite Wytschaete and an impor-Passed Second Reading.

Hon. Mr. Ferguson's bill to assist development in Northern Ontario passed its second reading after Mr. Rowell had said that he wished it had gone further along opposite Wytschaete and an impor-tant artillery engagement near Sou-thez and east of Ypres.

that he wished it had gone further along the same lines.

Malcolm Lang (Cochrane) urged that government assistance should be given to doctors in the north country, as settlement was so scattered that many settlers could not afford medical attendance, while doctors could not live on urpaid fees. The health of the district was suffering heavily in consequence, he said.

Hon, Mr. Ferguson said that if grants of \$500 proved insufficient for the needs of the settlers, the government would make them more. The security of the money, and not the amount, was the only thing that the government was concerned with. "During eight air fights yesterday our machines drove down one of the enemy without sustaining any loss, but one of our aeroplanes was brought down by gunfire."

The French official statement of last night follows:

#### IMPORTANT CHANGES IN **OUEEN'S HOSPITAL UNIT**

Draft, Which Recently Left for an intense bombardment during the England is Ordered to course of the day against our front extending from Le Mort Homme to Remain There.

Rev. Dr. Gordon, principal Queen's University, has received word that an important change has been nade by the war office in England respecting the plans for the Queen's General Hospital, which was sent to Cairo, Egypt, when a German-Turkish invasion of Egypt was impending. a counter-attack by our troops, in the course of which about 100 unwounded A draft of medicos from Queen's University went overseas a few weeks ago bound for Cairo. The draft has been ordered to remain in England for curred in the sectors of Moulainville; Ronvaux and Chatillon. Northeast of a short time as the Egyptian situation has been cleared, and the staff of the Queen's hospital ordered to England for reorganization with the new Canadian draft in preparation for transfer to a British army hospital at the Rev. Thomas Bradley Hyde, Rev. Wm. B. Caswell, and Rev. A. Mac-

#### ment of a 380 millimetre gun, which was firing at long range." The Belgian official communication KAISER'S NERVES SHAKEN

Lurg have just been officially notified

of their appointment as honorary

AFTER NARROW ESCAPE LONDON, April 12, 5.27 a.m.—Therman emperor is at Potsdam recov ering from nervous shock, as the result of the explosion of a shell at Verdun which destroyed the imperial motor car and killed several officers, says a Rome despatch to The Daily the Germans yesterday evening delivered an attack against our positions at Le Mort Homme. This activity was accompanied by the use of flaming li-Telegraph, quoting Swiss reports.

Emperor William was unhurt, the despatch adds.

### CANADIAN CASUALTIES

INFANTRY.

Died of wounds-No. 53283, Ernest on, at No. 4 Field Ambulance Hos John West, at Fazakerley Hospitals Liverpool, April 10, pneumonia.
Wounded—No. 63142, Corp. Wm. Baitey, admitted No. 14 General Hospital, Wimereux, April 1, gunshot, neck, slightly. Lieut. Wm. C. Bradburn, admitted No. 7 Stationary Hospital, Boulogne, pril 5, gunshot, left thigh.
No. 65128, Sgt. Gervase S. Bushs, admitted No. 24 General Hospital, saples, March 31, hand, accidental, No. 154884, Ploneer Colin D. Dampbell, admitted No. 13 Stationary Hospital, Boulogne, March 26, gunshot, face.
Lieut. Alfred John K. D'Arcy, admitted No. 10 Casualty Clearing Station, April 10, shell, eye, left wrist shd dieft leg.

pert opinion was to be taken on May 15. Mr. Carter said he had heard that Mr. McCrea was solicitor for the cop-

No. 420895, George R. Griffiths, admitted No. 3 General Hapital, Boulogns, April 1, gunshot, heal, inghtly.
No. 415575, A. Hasiston, admitted No. 13 General Hospital, Boulogne, March 31, gunshot, shoulder.
No. 463293, Albert Hicks, March 29, but returned to duty.

"Grenade fighting in the craters

east of St. Eloi has continued with varying fortune," says the British of-ficial statement issued last night.

We hold three craters but not the

"North of the Aisne our artillery

olumn which was moving along the

took under its fire a strong German

highway called the Chemin des Dames.

The well-directed fire caused serious

"In the Argonne our artillery was

"West of the Meuse there was quite

very active against the whole enemy

Cumieres, but no infantry action.
"East of the Meuse, after a very

violent artillery preparation which

was completed by an intensive dis-charge of lachrymosal shells, the Ger-

mans about four o'clock launched

strong attack against our trenches

between Douaumont and Vaux. The enemy, who had gained a footing in

some of the advanced sections of our

German prisoners, including an officer.

"In the Woevre artillery actions oc-

St. Mihiel our long-range guns suc-

cessfully cannonaded a waiting train to the north of the Haudicourt station.

"Last night one of our aerial squad-rons dropped 27 and 21 shells respec-

Brieulles. The same squadron covered with projectiles the emplace-

ively on the stations at Nantillois and

"The artillery activity was compar-

The French afternoon official com-

munique said yesterday:
"On the left bank of the River Meuse

"The attack was made from the Cor-

atively feeble.

portance on the rest of the front.

lines, was driven out a little later

losses to the enemy.

other two.

Mr. McCrea was solicitor for the per company.

Mr. McCrea replied indignantly that Mr. Carter found it "easter to be critical than correct." He would like the name of Mr. Carter's informant, or would Mr. Carter take the responsibility of the statement? No, Mr. Carter would not! Then Mr. Carter should not have made a statement which had no foundation in fact, said Mr. McCrea.

Hon. Mr. Ferguson promised the information asked as soon as possible.

Gave Students Credit.

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CAVALRY.

Official War Statements

## VILLA'S PURSUIT MAY PROVE FLAT FAILURE

Reports of Bandit's Death Are Persistent, But Lack Confiration.

MAY HAVE ESCAPED

Either Event, Pursuit Many End in Forty-Eight Hours.

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well into the State of Durango. It is simply ridiculous to suppose that our troops can keep on going south indefinitely, with no railroads back of them."

The report of Villa's death was accepted as highly probable by Gen. Bertani, the Carranza commander at Casas Grandes, who now is in Juarez. "There is only one doctor in the country where Villa now is," said Gen. Bertani, "and if bloodpoison has set in in Villa's wounded leg, as my information has it, this doctor can do nothing even if he has a chance. Witnesses who saw Villa told me his left leg was shattered by a fall from his horse, following his being wounded by a bullet." They said the leg was in bad spape, swollen and gangrenous."

#### CONSTABLE DICKSON DONS KING'S UNIFORM

A record in recruiting has been set by Constable Frank M. Dickson of 263 Mutual street, who took just one hour from the time he left his beat yesterday until he was fully decked in the uniform of the king, as provided by the 204th Battalion.
Constable Dickson left his beat at o'clock, was motored to the armories, passed the medical examiners, was taken over to the Richmond street headquarters of the Beavers, was fitted out and away from the place by four o'clock. He will remain on the police force until the end of the month. Dickson is one of the younger members of the force, being aged 22 and having served only five months. He was born at Myrtle, and is a single man.

John S. Murray, at No. 2 Casualty Clearing Station, March 28. ARMY SERVICE CORPS.

Died-No. 3140, E. Powell, at Moor Barracks Hospital, April 8, pneumonia Wounded-No. 35559, Thomas S. B Teskey, admitted Trent Bridge Hospital Nottingham, March 29, fracture left tibia

ENGINEERS.

Wounded—No. 102534, James Paris, admitted No. 6 British Red Cross Hospital, Betaples, April 2, knee, severe.

ARTILLERY.

Killed in action—No. 568, Sapper Preston IIsley, March 23.
Died—No. 45287, Sgt. Francis William Hartridge.
Wounded—No. 501079, Corp. G. Miles, admitted Military Hospital. Lewisham, April 3, gunshot, ankle, slight.
Seriously III—No. 472149, Driver Henry A. Bird, at Royal Victoria Hospital, Netley, April 4, traumatic pleurisy. ction—No. 568, Sapper Pres-farch 23. 45287, Sgt. Francis William

curtain of fire, and the fire of our in-

fantry, excepting on the east, where the enemy secured a footing in a few small elements of trenches. "On the right bank of the Meuse the

Germans endeavored last night to expel us from the trenctes taken by us during the past few days to the south of the Village of Douaumont.

This endeavor saw the Germans making use of jets of flaming liquids. I

was met with a sanguinary check.
"There has been a violent bombard

ment in the region of Douaumont and

vaux, and in the Woevre district there

have been some outbursts of artillery fire. The night passed quietly on the remainder of the front.

"This morning a French air pile

vanquished a German aeroplane which fell within our lines near Badenvillers.

The Russian official communica

"On the Dwina front there hav

been artillery duels. In the region of the Ikskull bridgehead the Germans

ried unsuccessfully to assume the of-

"In the region of Dvinsk and south-ward in the lake region the enemy

artillery in many sectors manifested great activity. On the remainder of

the front there is nothing to report.
"Caucasus front: Southwest

Erzerum our troops continue to oc-

Italian

The Italian war office communica

tion, issued yesterday, said:
"Between the Adige and Sugana

valleys the enemy opened fire with

our artillery replied effectively. The well-directed fire of our artiller

caused a great conflagration around Calceranica, on Lake Caldonazzo, and

seriously damaged Fort Lucerna in

"On the Isonzo yesterday there wa

An official statement issued at the

Austro-Hungarian headquarters yes-

terday, says:
"Italian front: Artillery fire was

new and very powerful batteries.

tion, issued yesterday, said:

fensive.

The two enemy aviators were killed.

## **ILLINOIS SUPPORTS** PRESIDENT WILSON

The

Republicans as Presidential Choice.

### AGAINST ROOSEVELT

Harland, Who Favored Col- Dr. Helen MacMurchy Preonel, Made Little Headway Against Machine.

CHICAGO, April 11.—Early returns to night from the Illinois presidential pref-erence primary indicated that the slates or President Wilson and Senator Law rence Y. Sherman had gone thru.

All district and delegate at large candi dates were pledged to them, except John Maynard Harian of Chicago, who ran independently as a Republican, favoring Theodore Roosevelt. The first returns hinted that he had little chance to break

hinted that he had little chance to break the solid Sherman line-up.

The Democratic vote in Chicago and downstate also apparently remained strongly behind the leadership of Roger C. Suslivan. Among the Republicans, the Deneen-West faction seemed in the ascendancy.

In the Republican fight for control of the party in Chicago, Mayor William Hale Thompson apparently was defeated in 20 wards by former Governor Charles S. Deneen.

OLDEST PRIEST IN

# TORONTO IS DEAD

Rev. Father Frachon, \$1 years old, the oldest and one of the most prominent priests of the Archdiocese of Toronto, died at St. Michael's Hospital For the last 12 years he was assistent pastor of St. Basil's Church, and for many years prior to that was a professor of theology at St. Michael's College. He served as chaplain for 40 years to St. Joseph's Convent, St. Al-

oan street. nel le Froid, in the department of the Hout Loire, in France. He enterd the College of the Sacred Heart at fortably cared for.

brilliant course in honor classics and He was ordained to the pristhood in 860, and six years later came to Canda, where he took up his residence at St. Michael's College. His ambition to see St. Michael's College assume to see St. Michaer's College assume a higher place among her sister col-leges was realized before he died. The war situation in France caused him much concern and he consistently

#### would eventually drive the enemy back. CONGRESSMAN GILLMAN ON VISIT TO TORONTO DEFEATED CANDIDATE

eports. He was optimistic, believing

hat the soldiers of his native country

Congressman C. F. Gilman of St. Cloud, Minnesota, who bears a striking resemblance to the venerable conintense artillery activity along the whole front, especially on the heights northwest of Gorizia. On the Carso ressman from Illinois, Joseph G. Cannon, is in Toronto in the interests northwest of Gorizia. On the Carso-enemy columns marching in the di-rection of Oppachiasella were effec-tively swept by our fire.

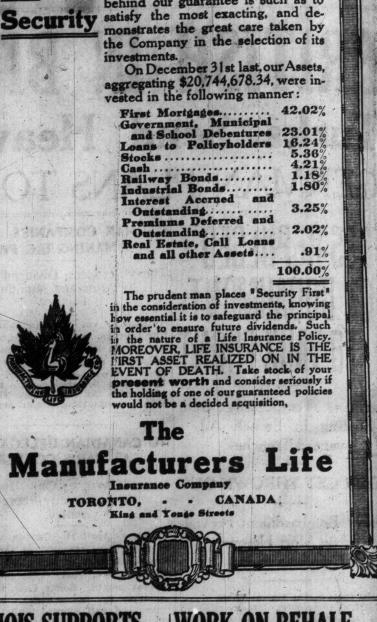
"On the night of the ninth enemy seaplanes dropped efeven bombs on Terado. The damage was insignifi-cant and no casualties resulted." of private business.

Congressman Gilman was acquainted with Sir John A. Macdonald. The representative, in an interview yesterday said his district in Minnesota is divided almost equally in its Europea war sentiment.

### YACHT CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS.

There was a record attendance at the annual meeting of the Queen City Yacht Club at the club quarters last night, when the following officers "Italian front: Artillery fire was more lively in several sectors. The enemy methodically shelled villages tehind our front. He bombarded Duino, the southern part of Gorizia, the Hospital of St. Peter and other villages in the Gorizia district; St. Kathren and Usgowitz, in Carinthia, and Levico and new members were signed up, and the Rovereto, in the Tyrol.

Commodore, T. A. E. World, commodore, C. J. K. Archer; hon. secretary, A. Farquason; hon treasurer, W. D. Thomas; board of directions of the Gorizia district; St. Kathren and Usgowitz, in Carinthia, and Levico and new members were signed up, and the Club is looking forward to a good year on the water. were elected for the ensuing Commodore, T. A. E. World;



## **WORK ON BEHALF** OF WEAK-MINDED

Senator Sherman Favored by Meeting in Convocation Hall Urges Government to Act.

### STARTLING FIGURES

sented Shocking Illustrations Last Night. Representatives of the United Alum

ni Association and the Women's Club, after hearing Dr. Helen MacMurchy recite some startling facts and figures concerning the mental defectives, unanimously decided in Convocation Hall last night that their organizations must actively take up the work of ob-taining proper care for them. Some of the lantern slides which the

some of the lantern slides which the doctor used to illustrate her lectur were gruesone; but they effectivel impressed upon the audience the urgency of Dr. Helen MacMurchy's appeal for governmental action in caring for the weak-minded. I rovincial Sectors Hanne and said had always retary Hanna, she said, had always lept the problem before him and had shown by his remarks that he was cognizant of the seriousness of the situation.

situation.
Statistics placed the number of mentally defectives at from three to five per thousand of population, the doctor explained, and this did not include the high-grade mentally defective. In Ontario there was a total of 7700 persons mentally defective at the present time. Rev. Father Frachon Was Born in France and Came to Canada Many Years Ago.

Rev. Father Frachon, 81 years old,

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The great majority of imbedies were although the structure of the second the second

found either in large cities or in re-mote districts where the land was poor. The latter condition was due mainly to close intermarriages. Eighty per cent. of cases of mental defectiveness, the said, were hereditary.

The doctor explained that it had

been shown that altho mental defectives could not learn the three R's they could in almost every instance to do useful work with their hands. And in this line the commun-Rev. Canon Plumptre said it was

not only wrong to send mentally deective children into classes with brighter pupils, but it was a positive cruelty to them. Utter callousness, he thought, had brought about the regretable state of affairs with regard o the care of defectives in Ontario. Major Williams thought that the mass of the people neglected consideration of the weakminded from selfishness. But even on this theory he explained, if they learned the true facts of the cost to the province of ooking after their criminal descendants even selfish motives would lead them into action.

## SEEKS LIBEL DAMAGES

MONTREAL, April 11.—J. A. Beaudry, a defeated candidate for the board of control in the municipal elections in Montreal, today entered actions against Tancrede Marsil, likewise a defeated candidate, for the board of control, and The Herald Printing Co. for \$10,000 damages each for alleged libelious statements during the campaign, with a view to defeating the plaintiff.

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