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PEOPLE OF LONDON MOST COURTEOUS OF ALL MAN HAS MET

Bouquet Handed To Public Servants of City.

TWO ARE SINGLED OUT

Correspondent Has Words of Praise, However, For Many Others.

To the Editor of The London Advertiser:

I have a bouquet to impart, and if you should be courteous enough to pass it on through your admirable paper, which I read daily with increasing interest and pleasure, I will embrace you as one entitled to share in its fragrance.

A few people seem to be born to find fault, and, perhaps, most of us are too inclined to detect defects and emphasize them rather than to be on the alert to discover excellences and commend them.

As a resident of London for some time, I have been impressed with the general urbanity and courtesy of its public servants. So far as my observations go, that applies to houses of business, banks, postoffice, library, G. T. R. and C. P. R. offices on Dundas and Richmond streets, and street railway conductors. Do not imagine that I am in love—though that would be true enough—if I make mention of two ladies. I do not know their names nor whether they are maiden, married or widowed. They are malden, married or widowed. They are a distributor of books at the library, the other a vendor of stamps at the postoffice. Neither is remarkable for youth, but both are remarkable for the sunshine they radiate. By their actions they seem to say: "In serving you nothing is a trouble to us. It is life's supreme comfort for us to serve and please you."

I have lived in Ireland and Wales, traveled England from London to Land's End, from Liverpool to Portsmouth, and have visited several of the states across the line, and traveled from the Gulf of St. Lawrence to Victoria, the City of Sunshine and Flowers, but nowhere do I think I have met such a combination of children, the weak and aged, or more manifest disposition to oblige, than in the Forest City.

A Happy New Year to all.
(S. J. A. GRATEFUL CITIZEN.)

DR. FRIEDMANN, "CURER" OF TUBERCULOSIS, NOW WOUNDED IN RUMANIA

German Visited London Four Years Ago—Patients Did Not Recover.

A report is published in the New York World that the famous (or otherwise) Dr. Friedmann, who came to the city in 1912 exploiting his own "cure" for tuberculosis, was wounded while with the German army in Rumania. Dr. Friedmann came to America from Germany soon after he announced that he was able to cure tuberculosis. He was received in many American hospitals and held clinics. Dr. Friedmann induced him to come to London to treat a number of patients at the Byrom Sanatorium, and when he came from many parts of the district. The doors of the sanatorium of Public Health, where Dr. Friedmann administered his "cure" had to be closed to those who applied. So widely had the "German physician's" nostrum been advertised as a sure cure that the hopes of thousands of victims were raised.

Scores received an injection of his cure during the London clinic, and then results were awaited. So far as could be learned the preparation had no effect on the patients, and many believed that the results were harmful.

Dr. Friedmann returned to Germany soon after his London visit, and was heard of him and the present was when his discovery was discredited by various medical associations. Like many another German "cure all," Friedmann's cure would not stand the test.

CHELSEA GREEN S. S. HAS ENJOYABLE TIME

Children Have Supper and Candies and Hear Good Program.

The annual tea and treat of the Chelsea Green Sunday School, held on Thursday evening, proved a very enjoyable event for the 150 or 200 children and grown-ups who attended. A tempting supper was served at 6:30 o'clock, after which nuts, candies, etc., were distributed. The treat of Lieut.-Col. Garthshore who donated \$10 for the purpose. An impressive program followed the entertainment, the superintendent of the school, Mr. Baty, presiding. An address was delivered by S. W. Holmes. Songs were sung by Miss Hall and Miss Snow and by three of the boys of the school, Johnny Spies, Andrew Bruce and Hubert Dallimore, and reading given by Mrs. Dallimore.

LIQUOR INTERESTS NOT TO BLAME THIS TIME

In reference to the explanation of S. P. Lawson regarding the statement he made about the purchasing of market offerings by Silverwoods, Limited, it should be stated that neither Mr. Silverwood nor The Advertiser received information that Mr. Lawson had secured the basis of his allegations from the liquor interests. Mr. Lawson wishes to have it made clear that no person connected with the sale of liquor had anything to do with the statement which he made at a municipal meeting in the East End.

APPOINTMENT COMING

Sir Adam Reported About to Move, After Many Months.

The appointment of a police magistrate will be made some time during the coming week, report has it here. Although Sir Adam Beck has known of the vacancy for months, he has not filled the place, much to the dissatisfaction of the bar, and the citizens generally.

Hume E. Elliot, K.C., is the favorite candidate, although F. E. Perrin and W. G. H. Winnett are mentioned.

DELAWARE VOTES ON HYDRO.

On Monday next, January 1, 1917, a vote will be taken of ownership voters only of the police village on the question of developing or acquiring more hydro-electric energy in addition to what is now being supplied under the existing contract through the hydro-electric power commission of Ontario.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

How a Soldier's Father Feels.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

We, the parents of the boys at the front, fighting for the terms mentioned by the Hon. Lloyd George, namely, complete restitution, full reparation and effective guarantee, declare that nothing short of this will satisfy the boys and their parents. On any other consideration we would feel that the efforts of our boys were not having the desired effect—that of crushing the foe, so that small nations will no more feel the heel of the big bully. But what we, as parents, feel the most, what makes our blood boil, is President Wilson's peace note to the warring nations. He says that the concrete objects for which the war is being waged have never been definitely stated, and that the objects seem the same on both sides. If that were true, we, as parents, would be very sorry, but we know that it is not true. We know that the treaty signed by a former president of the United States, to protect Belgium, and when Germany went smashing through that little country he did not make the least protest in the name of the least protector of the United States. He knows of the vast number of frightful acts committed by the Germans, and still says that the objects are the same on both sides. Our boys will not be satisfied with anything less than what the premier has outlined in his speech in the House of Commons, and all the other premiers around the world.

Now, Mr. I am of the opinion that this national service scheme will turn out to be a slow method to fill the ranks. It will take a considerable time to get all the returns in, and then the Government has only the names of men from 18 to 65 years of age, and probably very few will have enlisted. What does the Government intend to do? Will it bring in conscription? If that has to be done, they have lost a lot of valuable time. If the Government of Canada had used more common sense, it would have chosen the best men from both political parties, to direct affairs. Yours truly, J. C. BURNARD.

"Ring Out the Old, Ring in the New."

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

The horror of the present European war is relieved by two outstanding qualities which are not peculiar to any one particular nation, but are the special attribute of all, viz., "Co-operation and Inventiveness."

The above characteristics, if used for the welfare of humanity, would revolutionize society, and go far to give us that Utopian state dreamt of by our idealists.

The energy of inventiveness, invested in the creation of machinery for the destruction of the human race, is severely criticized by Samuel Butler in his book, in which he very graphically describes a strange race who were so impressed with the idea that machinery was becoming too intelligent and would ultimately supersede and destroy man, that they destroyed every piece of mechanism found in the country, including clocks and watches.

Today in Europe, Samuel Butler's predictions are being fulfilled, and machinery is being created by man for man's destruction on a larger and more systematic scale than ever before in the history of the world.

Yet in the midst of these evils we find the law of compensation at work, and lessons are being learned through our mistakes, which may soon be turned to account for the uplift of humanity. Let us examine them.

Each nation has eliminated its political differences, and within the state the majority are collaborating together to safeguard the interest of the whole. Love of country and a sense of danger has inspired them to unite for a common purpose.

Workers have sacrificed rights and privileges which they and their forefathers for generations past have died for and lived to gain. Their union is a reality, and work have been wiped out of existence.

Red tape in Government circles has been replaced with something more pliant and elastic, that will stretch or draw when he pleaded guilty to the more serious offence.

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Hope has not yet, however, been abandoned. Secretary George F. Copeland of the Canadian Club is expecting a message at any time from the president, Principal C. E. Walker, who is in Toronto, in regard to the possibility of a visit next week from the author of "The First Hundred Thousand."

RETURNED SOLDIERS' ASSOCIATION BANQUET

On the evening of Thursday, January 4, all members of the Returned Soldiers' Association are asked to attend a banquet which is being held for them at the Grand Hotel, Richmond street.

All names of those who intend to be present or who plan to join the association before that date must be in the hands of the R. S. A. secretary not later than Saturday night. The association officials are anxious that all members make a point of attending.

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SAYS GOVERNMENT WILL KEEP PROMISE ON FEDERAL SQUARE

Hon. Robert Rogers So Assures Controller Gammage.

WAIT UNTIL AFTER WAR

Then Ottawa Will Go Ahead With Expenditure as Agreed.

While in Ottawa last week Controller W. W. Gammage met Hon. Robert Rogers, minister of public works, and the latter assured him that while all such schemes as the federal square scheme had to be laid over until after the war, the Government would most certainly go ahead with its share of the expenditure when peace was declared.

Mr. Gammage is expecting written confirmation of this conversation within a few days. He was much gratified to learn that the ministers, as a whole, were willing to stand by a word which they gave. Lieut.-Col. Coles, former controller, who advanced and initiated the federal square scheme.

Mistake to Vote Down Scheme.

Col. Coles was gratified on hearing that Mr. Rogers had given him the promise that the Government would do its share. "I believe that the city will regret the step if the federal square is voted down," he said. "I believe that every cent should be saved at present, and I would not recommend the spending of one dollar on the federal square until after the war. Another matter for serious consideration is that the agreement whereby the city acquired the McCormick property provides that the McCormick property is to be used for city hall purposes."

London Will Grow.

"I am confident that London will be a city of 75,000 within a few years, and that in fact the city can be what we make it by earnest endeavor on the part of citizens to advance mutual welfare. The federal square will start toward that end, which leads citizens to do things that count, such as the erection of large buildings. Those who are a little glum over things now should remember that it may be better to leave the federal square as it is rather than to start another movement toward its sale which would involve us in further situations."

Col. Coles believes that right after elections a movement should be started toward the securing of men of large calibre to enter civic affairs the following year. He believes in the local industrial bylaw and will do his utmost to bring about its passing.

ANOTHER PAYS \$200 FOR VIOLATION OF LIQUOR ACT

Photo Agent Fined on Pleading Guilty to Charge.

George Laidley, who acts as an agent for a photo enlarging business, having an office on Dundas street west, pleaded guilty in police court today to a breach of section 41 of the Ontario temperance act and paid a fine of \$200 and costs, the minimum penalty for violation of this section of the act.

The charge laid against Laidley by Sgt. Dillrell, city license inspector, was that he "did unlawfully have liquor on premises other than a private dwelling house without first having obtained a license, which is contrary to section 41 of the Ontario temperance act."

Laidley was arrested on Thursday, December 21, and two charges entered against him, one for intoxication and the other one on which he pleaded guilty today.

The charge of drunkenness was withdrawn, and Laidley was released on a promise that he would not be drawn when he pleaded guilty to the more serious offence.

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Saturday—Last Day of Year-End Sales

The last day of the week and the last business day of the calendar year will see the final grouping of all of our end sale merchandise, with an entirely new list of special sales to stimulate the last day's efforts. People who have attended these sales this week will need no urging for the final round-up, and many odds and ends, where quantities are too small to mention, will be found at quick clearing prices. The sales of Men's Neckwear and Shirts are special features in the men's section, and Suits, Skirts and Dresses are featured at half-price in the ladies' ready-to-wear, and the millinery section is having its final clearance this week. Only part of Saturday's sales are briefly listed below.

Ladies' Suits, Dresses, Coats and Skirts

The final grouping, many being added for Saturday's sale, broken assortments and odd sizes, but collectively almost every size will be represented in this group. All new and fashionable models. This season's prevailing styles, half-price, as follows:

Ladies' Suits, black and navy cheviot and serge, \$15.00 to \$25.00. Saturday\$6.95 to \$12.50
Taffeta and Crepe de Chine Dresses, \$12.50 to \$25.00. Saturday\$6.25 to \$12.50
Silk and Serge Dress Skirts, \$7.50 and \$15.00. Saturday\$3.75 and \$7.50
MILLINERY—All Untrimmed Shapes clearing at69c to \$1.29
Two Tables of Trimmed Hats clearing at\$1.29 to \$2.49

Ladies' Fur Coats Specially Priced

In the face of advancing prices on these furs we offer five choice garments Saturday at very tempting prices, all new, fashionable models.

1 only Hudson Seal, with sable collar and cuffs, 5-inch banding, full ripple skirt, lined with broad silk, size 38, a \$300.00 coat for\$295.00
1 only Hudson Seal Coat, with large sable sailor collar, full ripple skirt, 45-inches length, size 38, broad silk lining, a \$295.00 coat for\$255.00
1 Near Seal Coat, shawl collar, size 36, a \$75.00 coat for\$59.00
2 only Muskrat Coats, 50 inches, shawl collar, satin lined, a \$58.00 coat for\$50.00

After-Christmas Sale Towels

\$1.37 IRISH HAND EMBROIDERED BEDROOM TOWELS, 98c EACH.

Delightful Quality Irish Huckaback Towels, beautifully embroidered by hand, in good useful size. Old value, at \$2.75 per pair. Saturday special98c each

65c WHITE TURKISH TOWELS, 49c EACH.

15 dozen only, Heavy Firm Pile White Bath Towels, large size, hemmed ends. Regular 65c each. Saturday special49c each

\$4.00 BATH TOWEL SETS SATURDAY \$3.00.

2 only, balance of Christmas stock, one pink, one mauve, exceptional quality, in extra large towels, with face cloths to match. Regular \$4.00. Saturday\$3.00

50c GUEST TOWELING, 39c YARD.

1 piece only, all pure linen, 18-inch stripe and lily of valley design. Regular 50c. Saturday39c yard

59c Coverall Aprons 39c

10 dozen Large Coverall Work Aprons, fitted in at waist in front, belted back, kimono sleeves, good quality print, in assorted stripes. Regular 59c. Saturday39c each

Infants' Silk Hose 39c

Sizes 4 to 6½, for infants and children, silk hose, in pink, blue and red. Regular 50c. Saturday, 39c pair

Knitted Overalls 79c

50 pairs Hand-Knitted Infants' Overalls, white wool. Regular \$1.00 and \$1.25. To clear Saturday at79c pair

YEAR-END CLEARINGS IN MEN'S STORE

Shirts and Neckwear, Saturday

The after-Christmas grouping of all broken assortments and handled lines in the men's furnishing section brings two important sales for Saturday—the clearance of all Christmas Ties at one price will tempt many to lay in a year's supply, at least half a dozen ties, as many in this group are \$1.00 qualities, and many of the shirts are \$1.50 lines. Come early Saturday for the higher grades in these sales.

Men's English Cashmere Socks, 60c Pair

Men's Black Cashmere Socks just arrived from England, extra fine quality, good winter weight; sizes 9½ to 11½. Price60c pair

Men's Fine Melton Overcoats Prices \$18.50 to \$30.00

Men's Grey and Black Melton Overcoats, extra fine quality, made up in standard single-breasted Chesterfield style, with or without velvet collar. This is a range of Overcoats that we can highly recommend to our customers as the best-wearing fabric that we have in stock; sizes 35 to 44. At\$18.50 to \$30.00

Sale of Men's Shirts Saturday at 89c

Men's Negligee Shirts, with laundered or soft cuffs, assorted stripe and check patterns, principally in the good washing colors, black and white and blue and white stripes, also many lines of fancy shirts with silk fronts and cuffs; regular prices up to \$1.50 each; sizes 14 to 17½. Price89c each

Rose Ice Cream, Cut Cake, Cup of Tea or Coffee50c
Cold Roast Goose, Beet Salad, Bread and Butter, Cup of Tea or Coffee 30c

"THANK YOU" FOR FINE

After Week's Sobering Up, Local Man Is Cheerful.

A well-known character, who has "trod the primrose trail," according to the police, for at least 30 years, appeared in police court today on the third offence on a charge of drunkenness.

He appeared on the same charge a week ago, but at the time was too drunk to talk and was sent to jail one week to sober up and think it over. Today he appeared bright and smiling and said "Thank you" when Magistrate Macklin and Dyer imposed the minimum penalty of \$10 and costs.

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TAKE GARBAGE QUESTION BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE

Presbyterians Appoint Committee to Work With Other Churches in City.

At a meeting of the London Presbyterian Council, held Thursday night in the First Presbyterian Church, it was decided that all the churches of the different denominations in London should form a committee to work in conjunction with the other churches in the city to carry the question of taking churches for garbage collection to the Legislature. It is felt that the tax is unjust, as London is apparently the only city in Ontario that imposes the tax.

It was also decided to assist, as much as possible, the Knoxwood Park Church, the new minister of which, Rev. J. A. Jamieson, commented his duties on November 1.

Regarding the Chelsea Green Church, it was announced that the moderator of sessions, Rev. J. W. Crawford of

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