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NOTE AND COMMENT

The German tyrant must be crushed and the Canadians are the chaps who will lend a big hand at operating the crusher.

A lock of Napoleon's hair brought \$107 at auction. What wouldn't we all give for a handful of the Kaiser's hirsute adornment, providing it was attached to his head at the time?

Answering an inquirer in the British House of Commons, Reginald McKenna, Chancellor of the Exchequer, stated that the capital wealth of the British Empire was roughly estimated at \$130,000,000,000.

The sinking of a Turkish transport with the loss of 500 men is not likely to excite any sorrow in this country. Still, at that, we might feel some pity for the poor, deluded fellows who have been whipped into line by the German slave-drivers.

The Brooklyn Eagle is authority for the statement the Protestant churches of the United States have 53,000,000 seats and average one attendant for every three seats, while the Roman Catholic churches average two and one-half attendants for every seat.

The young gentry of London who had the courage to form themselves into mobs to fight the soldiers and the police ought to have the courage to enlist and fight the enemy. It might be a good thing to give magistrates the power to sentence disorderly young civilians to service in the ranks.

Montreal Herald: In the current number of the Canada Law Journal Mr. Henry O'Brien, K. C., discusses the legal aspect of military service in Canada. It is generally known that, according to the militia act, his Majesty may at any time call out the male population of Canada in defence of the country. Mr. O'Brien, however, lays stress on the wording of the act, which says the Canadian militia may be placed on active service "anywhere in Canada, and also beyond Canada, for the defence thereof at any time when it appears advisable so to do by reason of emergency."

The theory of the Kaiser and his advisors that the war was "forced on them" has an interesting light thrown on it by the proceedings in New York against the officers of the Hamburg-American line charged with furnishing supplies to German cruisers last year. So well did the German agents know that war was inevitable, the United States government charges, that some of the fifteen ships involved were chartered weeks before the war began, and several actually sailed on their alleged errands of war before war had actually been declared.

Mr. Jacob H. Wright, of Oil City, has disposed of his farm, lot 29, con. 5, E. 1/4, Sec. 10, T. 10 N., R. 10 W., to Clyde Graham.

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The Coming of Santa

The cold winds from the north are now blowing strong and Jack Frost is beginning to make his presence felt in this part of the world. The fact is a reminder that Santa Claus, a most important personage, indeed, is on his way. He has, in fact, already been heard from, for a message from Iceland states that he successfully weathered a terrible storm, but that he had to descend to mend the wing of his aeroplane, which had been broken by the wind. This shows that the kindly old fellow is quite up-to-date, despite his great girth, rosy face and thick gray whiskers. It is suspected that he has his reliable team of reindeer in reserve in case the new-fangled contraptions fail him.

Santa Claus is the Dutch name for Saint Nicholas, the patron saint of the children and the generous dispenser of gifts on Christmas eve. For years and years Santa has been coming out of the north with his inexhaustible supply of presents for good little girls and good little boys. He remembers older folks also, but, like the Carpenter of Nazareth, who walked the earth once for man's good he loves the children and the lowly best of all. The grown-ups would do well to follow his example in remembering those who are unable to help themselves very much at a trying period of the year.

In the old days before tenements and apartment houses, with their hot water coils and steam radiators, Santa Claus used to come down the chimneys in the dead of the night when "all over the house not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse," and fill the stockings conveniently hung over the fire-place. It was surely not his fault if sometimes a house was missed and a needy stocking left empty.

To-day, one of his admirers points out, not all homes have fire-places of the old-fashioned sort, but a man as resourceful as Santa Claus, who has in past seasons covered the globe in a single night with the aid of his reindeer, is surely able to find time to visit every deserving home even if he has to crawl through the keyhole or squeeze through the coils in the kitchen.

"A health to good old Santa Claus, and to his reindeer bold," and may he be able to lighten the lot of the soldier in the trenches, who is doing his duty, and not forget those who need and deserve his gifts, no matter where they may be.

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American Belief in Britain

Extracts from the recent writings of two American authors make all the better reading when placed side by side. In "My Year of the Great War," Frederick Palmer says: "When you have travelled far; when you think of Botha and his Boers fighting for England; when you have found justice and fair play and open markets under the British flag; when you compare the vociferations of von Tirpitz glorying in the torpedoing of a Lusitania with the quiet manner of Sir John Jellicoe, you need only a little spark of conscience to prefer the way that the British have used their sea-power to the way that the men who send out Zeppelins to war on women and children would use that power if they had it."

In "The New Republic" Gerald Morgan writes: "This war is not going to be settled in the Balkans or on the Suez Canal. It is probably going to be settled in Belgium, where it began, or perhaps on the River Rhine. And I think the English are the ones who will finally settle it. For France, Austria and Russia are losing men in a proportion not greatly different from Germany. Great Britain's losses alone, immense though they are, are infinitely less (about 500,000 to October 1, 1915). Slowly and stubbornly, but

thoroughly and bravely, England is learning the art of modern war in the hard school of experience. Her forces are intact. The morale of her armies is serene and strong in the face of blunders, as it has ever been. Is it too much to hope that a Marlborough or a Wellington will rise again? Is it too much to hope that in 1916 or 1917 the mettle of her advancing troops will be felt again on the battlefields of Ramillies and Malplaquet and Waterloo?"

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A German Prison for Women

(By Madeleine Z. Doty in the New York Evening Post.)

The prison was a grim, heavily-barred structure in a poor district. A narrow-faced, narrow-minded weary head matron received us. For twenty years she had worked behind prison bars. She was now the head of the institution. The first woman to hold such a position. We discussed prison management. This austere person did not believe in modern methods of prison reform. She had become a machine. Prisons were factories; the inmates so many bundles of flesh. Her method with criminals was the same as that used to grind meat into sausages. Convicts were suppressed, subjugated, ground to bits, and turned out remnants.

There was a deadly power about the place. It was so well organized—every detail perfect. The equipment put America to shame. There were wonderful blue and white tiled corridors, spotlessly clean. The cells were as complete as a cabin de luxe on a steamship. The walls were soft buff color. All the corners were rounded. There were no cracks, no places for dust. Each cell had a neat little bed, a chair, complete sanitary arrangements, and two rows of shelves on which were toilet and eating utensils. These articles in brass and tin shone with newness and cleanliness. The effect was that of a sanitary dairy in white for cows. It demonstrated that a perfect existence of eating and sleeping could be carried on in a room 8x6.

But cows so cared for produce pure milk. These convicts created nothing. They probably weren't even thinking good thoughts. For the windows were of ground glass. No speck of sky was visible. Nor was there even a barred door to look through. The door was of solid wood, locked day and night. The small bull's-eye in the centre could be opened only from the outside, and was for the use of the matron. The convict, in her retreat, was as completely shut off from the world as though at the bottom of a well. No human sight or sound penetrated these walls.

Even the half-hour of exercise brought little respite. The convicts, five feet apart filed round a concrete court. On every side rose the high prison walls. Only above was there a tent of blue. My visit did not come during exercise period. I asked to see some of the convicts.

A Strathroy merchant received a consignment of socks from a wholesale house this week and on opening the goods found the inscription: "Made in Germany," on the heel of each article. It is almost needless to state that it was not long before the whole lot were on their way back to the importers, along with a note of explanation that German made goods are not wanted in Canada.

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SCHOOL REPORTS.

Average percent of Wanstead public school for November. Class I. Jr.—Jennie Alexander, Rosie Sharp, Ronald Lawson, Harold Simpson, Alex Wark, Harold Randall, Sr. I.—Dorothy McPhedran 92, Jim Alexander 79, Ruth Lampman 65, Hilda McPhedran 64, Norma Brock 46, Hyman Anderson 39, Class II.—Olive Peacock 72, Clare Lawson 69, Velma Kerr 68, Marguerite Breerton 66, Arthur Vickers 66, Clayton Brock 44, Clinton Brock 32, Joe Tucker 4, Jr. III.—Mary Garnham 75, Eric Wark 42, Margaret Lampman 38, Clarence Randall 28, Sr. III.—Kathleen Simpson 85, Russell Kerr 81, Cora Alexander 80, John Burr 79, Jr. IV.—Earl Randall 71, Eva Garnham 67, Ruby Lampman 64, Winnifred Peacock 42, Jr. IV.—Stanley Morningstar 63, George Simpson 61, Ross Garnham 55, Cecil Williamson 25, L. KADRY, Teacher.

Report of S. S. No. 2 and 7, Brooke and Warwick, for the month of November. Class IV. Sr. Total 200—Gretta Richardson 160, Rosella Sutton 142, Jr., total 160—Lily Leacock 124, Gordon Richardson 105, Class III.—Edna Tanton, Harold King 109, Mary Trotter 95, Sybil Routley 92, Rosena Acton 60, Class II, total 200—Hilda Trotter 147, Orville Acton 134, Alvin Misselbrook 126, Class I, total 100—George King 72, Hazel Acton 50, Emma Trotter 40—H. M. DOLBEAR, Teacher.

Report of S. S. No. 10, Brooke, for the month of November. Class IV.—John Hair 80 per cent, Hazel Bowie, Gordon Miller 78, Harry Miller 74, Jr. IV.—(May Reid, Cassie McLean) 79, Alex McLean 68, Class 2—Amy Hair 79, Aileen Reid 71, Willie Miller 79, absent for one examination. Class I.—(Helena Bowie, Maggie McLean) 84, Elsie Hair 78, Jr. I.—Ruby Atkinson 82, Charlie Miller 79—R. G. WOODS, Teacher.

Report of S. S. No. 5, Warwick, for the month of November. Names in order of merit. Class IV.—Artell Poore, Dora Richardson, Marjorie Hall, June Baird, Class III.—Edna Tanton, Harass II.—Ila Richardson, Frank Hall, Mary Hall, Pt. II. Sr.—Lloyd Poore, Pt. II. Jr.—Leatha Richardson, Class I.—Bert Hall, Christina Hall, Brock Thompson, Harold Campbell, Gilbert Hall, Lloyd Orr.—F. H. THOMPSON, Teacher.

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Officers Named for the Lambton Unit

London, Dec. 3rd.—Lieut.-Col. R.G.C. Kelly, of Watford, of the new 149th Lambton Battalion, yesterday submitted his proposed staff of officers for the new Battalion to Col. Shannon by whom they were accepted. The commander of the new battalion was highly complimented on the caliber of the men whom he had secured for the Lambton regiment, several of them having already seen service during the past year in France and all having been associated with the militia, chiefly in the 27th Lambton Battalion.

The senior major of the 149th will be Major W. W. McVittie, who started soldiering when a mere boy in the old 27th Lambton Battalion, afterwards becoming captain and adjutant of the 33rd Huron Regiment for many years. He was transferred to the 27th Lambton Regiment on its reorganization, obtaining the rank of major. He has had command of the guard at the Point Edward wireless station for the past year and is a thorough commander. He is regarded as a thoroughly efficient officer and will be a major of the 1st Hussars and will become lieutenant-colonel of that corps next April on the expiration of Col. Abbott's term of command. He is a native of the one of the best officers in Western Ontario and has been complimented on the field by Gen. French and Col. Victor Williams, adjutant-general, although still a young man he has had 33 years of military experience. He resides at Courtright.

Capt. J. G. Morrison, the new adjutant of 149th, is also from the Hussars. Having had several years of experience as adjutant. He is a very energetic and enthusiastic officer and has been complimented by Gen. Williams on the field. He resides in Sarnia.

Quartermaster Alexander Kelly is the present quartermaster-adjutant of the 70th Battalion and was formerly quartermaster-adjutant of the 5th Royal Scots of Edinburgh and later of the 7th Fusiliers. He comes highly recommended as a thoroughly efficient officer and will have the rank of captain.

Paymaster Lieut. F. C. Smyth, of the 27th Regiment, is manager of the Merchants Bank, at Watford.

The medical officer is Dr. J. F. James, of Sarnia, a well-known medical man of Lambton County.

Lieut. R. H. Stapleford, the machine gun officer, has already seen one year's active service with the 1st Battalion in France and was wounded at Ginchy and invalided home. He has a certificate in machine gun and musketry from the School of Musketry, Hith, England.

The company commanders are officers of outstanding ability.

Lieut. R. J. Campbell was for many years principal of Petrolia public school and is a son of the late Col. Campbell, O. C., 27th Battalion.

Capt. Kenneth McKenzie, formerly of the 27th Regiment, latterly captain of the 101st Edmonton Regiment and A. D. C. to Lieut.-Governor Bullock, of Alberta, will command the Sarnia company.

Capt. C. W. Browne is a resident of Alvinston.

Among the junior captains is the name of Lieut. H. A. Trainor, of the 29th Battery, formerly manager of the Bell Telephone Company, at Sarnia.