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THE SITUATION A German officer, taken as prisoner, is quoted as saying that a big Teuton offensive on the western front will be faunched at several points as speedily as possible. If it succeeds, he asserts that the anticipation at Berlin is that there will be a quick peace with annexations; if not then peace will also have to come on a disastrous basis for the Kaiser and his supporters. That the people of the Fatherland are becoming restless would seem to be certain.

A despatch via Amsterdam announces that in many districts they are starving by the hundred, even resorting in some instances to the eating of dogs, while it is asserted that following the recent failure of peace overtures with Russia crowds paraded the streets in a number of the cities demanding that the war should cease. Meanwhile the conference has re-opened at Brest-Litovek, with Trotzky, the Bolsheviki Foreign Minister in attendance.

The French and the Canadians on the western front have successfully Columbia, the Yukon and Arctic conducted several raids. In one instance the former secured hundreds of prisoners.

The official record of British ships sunk last week gives the same figures as for the previous week-eighteen of over 1,600 tons and three under that figure.

LIBRARY REPORT. A well stocked public library, with the selection of books carefully supervised is a big asset for any community. Brantfordites are very forturate in having such an institution and the annual report discloses the fact that the public fully appreciate the advantages enjoyed in this respect. In the total circulation of nearly ninety thousand volumes, it will be noticed that works of fiction. as usual are away in the lead. That is usual and natural. Such stories afford excellent mind diversion for all classes and especially in this pertod of world crisis, amid much which feet, this area corresponds to over is so sombre and depressing. 28,000.000.000 tons of peat, having In addition to circulating advan-

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| Brunswick have peat bog areas ag-

lent librarian and he also has a staff of efficient assistants.

THE FUEL PROBLEM.

Canada is very dependent upon the coal fields of the United States. and we secure from our neighbor each year 4.500,000 tons of anthracite for heating and domestic purposes and from 10,000,000 to 14:000,000 tons of bituminous coal, which the supply will last, at rates of consumption existent prior to the war is placed at about one hundred years. Doubtless, in the near fu- thirty years, and it does not take ture, the United States will feel any P. S. to announce that it is still compelled to conserve this valuable commodity, and the exportation of it may be largely restricted, if not entirely cut off.

tural, and manufactured products. ---

If Canada is to be in a position to command special consideration under possible restricted conditions, she must realize the value of her that she may be enabled to deal on a substantial basis for barter. When sign. Germany demanded gold from Switzerland she offered to exchange coal. Suppose that the United States, in the conduct of her commerce, concluded that it was in the general interest of her citizens only to barter coal for certain commodities which she specially required. what desirable commodities has

Other than the products of her garicultural lands, mines and forests, there are certain resources in Canada of unique and special value. One of these is the hydro-electric energy which may be developed her equity in international waters.

At the present time the United States is importing from Canada when is he going to take a stand about 275,000 horsepower of which would help with Quebec?

Whill Laurier will temain as the water at least during the manner. Everyone behaved in accordance with the highest traditions of the British navy. A surgeon, after hours in the water, attended wounded and some of the rescued. from Canada's waters, including

electrical energy. Many factors, of course, enter into the determination Published by The Brantford Consiet Limited, every afternoon, at Dalhousie of the equivalent of this electrical Street, Brantford, Canada. Subscription pates: By carrier, \$4 a year; by mail to British possessions and the United States, \$3 per annum. for many purposes over steam. SEMI-WIEKLY COURIER—Published on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, at at Speaking in round figures, and takper year, payable in advance. To the United States 50 cents extra for postage. Speaking in round figures, and takpecial factors, the electrical power now imported by the United States would be the equivalent of probably not less than 3,000,000 tons of coal it may be a quantity substantially

> Canada has been richly endowed with water-powers, although those serviceable from the standpoint of present economic development should be carefully conserved so that they may be used in the general public interest.

> Canada is, indeed, exceedingly fortunate in being neighbor to a country whose national aims and sympathies are so akin to its own. Our great ally to the south has extended to Canada specially generous consideration in the present coal shortage. Dr. H. A. Garfield, United States Fuel Controller, has announced that recognition will be given to Canada's needs for coal as though she were one of the States of the Union.

> Cunada herself has vast coal resources as will be seen by the following estimate of Mr. J. McLeish of the Division of Mineral Resonrces, Ottawa:

> Semi anthracite tons in Alberta, Bituminous tons in Nova Scotia,

New Brunswick, Alberta, British Islands, 313,573,000,000. Sub bituminous tons in Alberta, 32,000,000,000

Lignite tons in various provinces, 111,000,000,000.

Respecting the peat bogs of Canada, Dr. Eugene Haanel, Director of Mines, Canada, from time to time, has strongly urged the necessity of developing our peat resources and at the recent annual meeting of the Commission of Conservation of Canada he gave an able, forceful and serious address upon this subject which the people of Canada cannot too carefully consider. Dr. Hwanel again affirmed the commercial and economic practicability of peat production. Throughout Canada there have ulready been discovered areas of peat bog estimated to aggregate 37,000 square miles. According to a broad estimate by Dr. Haanel, and assuming an average depth of bog of six

A broad national policy is urged in order to develop such of the above resources as are available and to offset the long haul which would be necessary in most instances,

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

scattered constituency of Edmonton are now announced. They show mainly for industrial establish- Hon. Mr. Oliver to have a majority night even in times of peace. ments. At the present rate of de- of 111, exclusive of the sold er vote member was born in Moyer's Cornmand the known anthracite coal which will most certainly far more fields across the border are stated than offset that figure. Last electo be within reasonable distance tion Oliver defeated his present op- ness meeting it was decided to get of exhaustion, points out Mr. Arthur ponent—Criesbank by 2,228, so V. White in a notable article in the that the slump with regard to the Monetary Times. The time during ex-minister has been most marked.

> It is said that the present winter thus far has proved the coldest for going strong

**** The Ontario Government has There are available scores of ex- made an admirable move in order to amples, arising out of the present get large quantities of fish to the war conditions, where the United consumer at cost. There should cer-States has found it necessary to tainly be an all round national place stringent embargoes upon na- policy on behalf of handling our great national resources for the benefit of the plain people.

The torpedo which despatched the own resources and have them strict- latest hospital ship to be sunk ly under national control in order by the Huns, penetrated the red cross on her side. It is thus that the a basis of quid pro quo. When the Hohenzollern outfit smash through commodities of commerce are ex- all the evidences of humanity, even changed there must, of course, be when the indication is only a painted

> Word comes from Australia that Hughes is again forming a new Ministry, so that the Tudor reign must have been brief.

Hon. C. Ballantyne, Minister of Marine in the Union Government, announces in connection with a ship building program, that as Canada provides the finances she will also exercise the control. That's the taik.



WHAT OUR ARMY DOCTORS HAVE TO PUT UP WITH. M. O. (late of Harley Street) "But how do you know you are sai ing from the complaint you mention.' Ailing Private: "Well sir, I went to a real doctor and 'e told me!

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE. Echo Place Women's Institute ald their usual meeting December 21st, Mrs. J. J. Burke in the chair Mrs. J. L. Brown presided at the piano in the absence of the pianist Mrs. Deveraux read the institute motto, sentence by sentence, which

was repeated in unison by the ladies present. It was gratifying to learn from the report read by Mrs. J. L. Barnes that we had cleared over one hundred dollars from the banquet in Masonic Hall.

Tutela Institute will be entertain ed by us during January and will provide the program. Mite boxes are to be returned in January.

The secretary read a letter to Mrs. W. Moyer from the lieutenthe battalion in which her son, Percy Moyer, was serving when he met his death in France, November 6th. This letter was full of sympathy and praise for the Echo Place boy, who died doing his best for his country.

Williams, who went delegate to Toronto to report the convention there, then gave a very interesting and profitable report of the same. We learn from her report that social disease has reached such degree, it has been necessary to issue warning literature in the public schools.

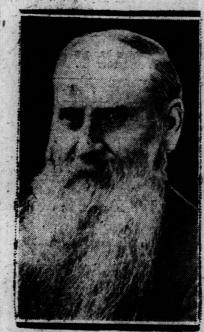
The convention also intended to ask the Government to legislate against the manufacture of ice cream and candy during the present Mrs. Stead gave a very touching

reading, depicting the downward course of a drunkard. Mrs. Hurley in her paper, "Things Worth While," pointed out that anything that was worth while doing asks, perserverance, advised us to keep the boys' faces, who are fight-

ng for us, before us and "carry on"

ere as they are "over there The roll call for this meeting was a unique one, being "Our Birtha very industrion place. Warley, England, was noted for its chemical works. One member was born in Blighty. years ago this fact might not seem much, to-day it rouses keen interest. Another was born in Wimberley, England, which has world-wide fame, being the home of Sir Francis Drake, who was head of the British fleet, which destroyed the Spanish Complete, returns for the widely Armada, and made English history what it is to-day. Wimberley is the seat to-day of England's great powder magazines, is guarded day and ers. near Beamsville, her parents being grand old United Empire Loyalists stock. During the busi-

more yarn to knit for our boys.



MOST REV. S. P. MATHESON, Primate of the Anglican church of

DESTROYERS DID DUTY. By Courier Leased Wire

London, Jan. 10 .- In connection with the loss of British destroyers, cabled December 29, it transpires they successfully fulfilled the most important duties. When the first one was hit below the water line, the other destroyers, risking mines and submarines, unhesitatingly responded to the call for assistance and threw everything floatable overboard to the By request of his supporters, Sir Wilfrid Laurier will remain as opmen in the water. Many of them

(Continued from Page 1.) really that the Huns are absolute materialists. They do not believe in God, a Spirit or goodness, or fair play. They only judge by the material effect. They are intelligent animals, and if they were to win this war, they would crush the soul out of the world at large. Heaven help

us all The Hun planes had gone, and to the music of pleasantly distant gunfire, we both turned over and resumed our slumbers

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RE-ACCEPTS MINISTRY.

By Courier Leased Wire. St. Johns, Nfld., Jan. 9—John Bennett, who resigned as minister of militia last week, after the resignation of Premier Morris, reconsidered and accepted the portfolio to-day. He returns without an executive seat. however, as all cabinet positions had been filled. In the readjustment due to the resignation of Mr. Bennettt, and two other ministers, the new was worth while, the every day premier, William Lloyd, reduced the cabinet from twelve to nine members.

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Four Firemen Killed in Chicago: Hundreds of Spectators had Narrow Escape

By Courier Leased Wire. Chicago, Jan. 9—Four firement were killed and four injured, probably fatally, early to-day when the walls of a burning moving picture theatre at Chicago Wave and Leavitt streets, collapsed while they were fighting the blaze. Several hundred spectators who gathered in the street to witness the fire narrowy escaped injury when the walls

The deaths were laid indirectly to the ercent blizzard by officials to-day Great drifts of snow, which still block the streets, prevented fire apparatus from reaching the scene of the fire until some time after the alarm was turned in. The blaze then had gained such headway that it was practically beyond control. Firemen said that it was impossible to ge more than one stream of water into play for some time because of frozen and snow-buried hydrants. Two of the dead firemen were but ed ten feet in drifts of snow and their bodies were not recovered un-

til a number of rescue crews had worked for several hours.

CANADA'S GUYNEMER

Courier Leased Wil London, Jan. 9-(Via Reuter's Ot awa agency) - The London Gazette to-day publishes a statement of the ervices for which Captain William Avery, Bishop of Owen Sound, Canada, was awarded a bar to the Distinguished Service Order announced on September 26th last. It says: "His consistent dash and great

fearlessness, have set a magnificent example to the pilots of his squad. ron. He destroyed no less than forty five hostile machines during the past five months, frequently attacking enemy formations single-handed and on all occasions displaying fight ing spirit and determination to get to close quarters with his opponents, which earned the admiration of all in contact with him."

NEWPORT

(From our own correspondent) There was no church service on the Sabbath, owing to the inclem-

ency of the weather. School re-opened on Monday with good attendance, Miss Beamist having resumed her duties as teach er after spending a pleasant holiday at her home in Woodbridge.

Miss Hislop of Stratford, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Charl Miss Ross of Simcoe spent the week-end with the Misses Emmott.

Mr. James Franklin of Manitoba renewing old acquaintances in this vicinity.
Miss Esther Wheeler spent a few

days with Miss Clara Henry of Zion.

BALFOUR LADIES' AID. The Ladies' Aid of Balfour Street Presbyterian Church met at the home of Mrs. Brunswick street, Wednesday afteron, with a large number present. as this was the annual meeting the officers for the year 1918 were electand resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Joe Book; vice-president, Mrs. J. Wilde; secretary, Mrs. R. H. McCormick; treasurer, Mrs. Chas. Lamb; organist, Mrs. N. Greenwood. After the election of officers the retiring president was called upon and presented with two beautiful pieces of cut glass, which was much appreciated by her. A dainty lunch was served, and the meeting was brought to a close by repeating the Mizpah Benediction

DRAFTEE UNRULY.

While generally the conduct of the draftees who were summoned to the colors on Saturday last may be described as exemplary, there are isolated instances where the new soldiers have failed to adapt themselves to army life, and one weil-known draftee, C. Edward Maloney, formerly a taxi driver in civil life, failed to realize his dutes and as a result, forfeits three days' pay and is now serving a term of seven days "confines to barracks." On Sunday last, Private Maloney engaged in an altercation with one of the sergeants and becoming angered, struck the N. C. O. He then disappeared and no trace of him could be found until be voluntarily returned late Tuesday

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softener, smoothener and beautifier.
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MAY FORM AD. CL Twenty-two busin city journeyed to Ha hear the Stockdal sult of the growing series of lectures is formation of an Admeeting will be called consider the proposal

LADIES' AID The annual meeting Aid Society of the church was held at t president, Mrs. Ott, on Wednesday afterno did report of the activ ciety for last year wa following officers wer this year: President, Vice-President, Mrs. 2nd Vice-President, M ams; Treasurer, Mrs. Harris; Secretary, Mis linrake. At the close of meeting, Mrs. Ott er members to afternoon social hour was much

STRUCK GUSHER. Acting on the advic

sulting engineer, the missioners for some time drilling for wells to present water supply This morning the men the work struck a gui Whether this source be of sufficient quantit it will be permanent known and the value ery will not be ascer thorough tests have Secretary Fred Frank Waterous of the Board sioners visited the gush noon and made an insp

COAL COMING

Seven carloads of the city this morning and fully apportioned out am zens most seriously in n All applicants at the mu depot this morning we with small quantities and small quantity left Mayor-elect MacBride to to-day. "Four more carlo on the way, and may be lic, however, must go slo get excited, for this limit not enough to accommoda of all the citizens. We in vide it out among the pul

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