ST. JOHN, N. B., WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 1917.

"We trefighting for a worthy purpose, and we shall not lay down rams until that purpose has been fully achieved."—H. M. The King. TO THE PEOPLE OF THE EMPIRE—Every fighting unit we can end to the front means one step nearer peace.

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Just when the Dominion Department of Agriculture is launching its 1917 campaign to increase production of all farm products in Canada, in other words to make every acre produce, Hon. Sydney Fisher, former Minister of Agriculture in the Laurier government, breaks into the limelight with an attack on the Borden administration for not doing something along this line.

Mr. Fisher's attack is a peculiar one to those who read the Montreal newspapers, for that gentleman was reported not more than ten days ago as telling the Westmount Canadian Club that under the last ten years of Liberal rule "agriculture was crushed out" in Canada. Yet, after this confession, he breaks out in a new spot with an attack on the Borden Government, in which he charges that at a time when increased supplies of food are absolutely essential to the winning of the war nothing is being done to encourage or stimulate production. Such a statement from a man not in a position to get at the true facts of the case might be ascribed to ignorance. Mr. Fisher, however, cannot all the decided success.

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the Allied success of the past few
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The Germans held the positions so
long and so stubbornly that the impression had gone abroad that their
capture was impossible. The Allies
have demonstrated by these successes that they possess the power
to go through the German lines practically whenever they want to and
this knowledge generally given to the
public should be of material value in
the future.

the future.

The capture of the Bapaume heights following so closely on the success at Bagdad comes as most cheering news, and also brings home to those who have been thinking of donning the khaki the fact that if they delay long operation. Every provincial Minister of Agriculture, every Director of National Service and others were written to and an advertising cam where he is fit to take his place in

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Such a statement from a man not in a position to get at the true facts of the case might be ascribed to isnorance. Mr. Fisher, however, cannot hide behind that cloak, for he knows differently and his present position can only be set down as that of a man who is deliberately attempting to decive for partisan purposes. What are the facts?

In 1913 the wheat yield in the three western provinces was 309,282,000 bushels. These figures are obtained from the official reports and are strictly accurate; in 1914 the same provinces produced 140,958,000 bushels. These figures are obtained from the official reports and are strictly accurate; in 1914 the same provinces produced 140,958,000 bushels or about twenty-eight per cent. This falling off could not be controlled or prevented by any government under the sun, but the fact that there was a partial crop failure in that year rendered assistance necessary, the outbreak of war mand it more necessary. The situation was an an extraordinary one and the Government was forced to take extraordinary means to meet it. For the supply of food and fodder, as well as seed grain of the collecting the interests of our officed and may be expected to predominate and may be expected to predominate at the convention to be held in Monsters produced 140,958,000 bushels or about twenty-eight per cent. This falling off could not be controlled or prevented by any government with the fact that there was a partial crop failure in the fact that there was a partial crop failure in the fact that there was a partial crop failure in the fact that there was a partial crop failure in the fact that there was a partial crop failure in the fact that there was a partial crop failure in the fact that the fact the fact that the fact that there was a partial crop failure in the fact that the fact the fact that there was a partial crop failure in the fact that th



Little Benny's Note Book

of by the social committee, J. A. Blake, Hilton B. Crowley, Miss Edna Leonard and Geraldine Melick. The group was divided into four sub-groups and were given the following names: Boosters, Fusers and Kickers. They competed in basket ball, relay, parlor football, bowling and walking race. The Kickers won out. Following the programme refresh ments were served about the open fireplace in the lobby, and a very enjoyable evening was brought to a close with the singing of God Save the Kings on God Save the Kings of God Save the Kings attended the tour over the Grand Trunk lines in western Ontario of the special demonstration train containing agricultural exhibits. Over more than fifty agricultural centres have been visited and it is expected that the "better farming" lectures delivered in connection with the tour will result in a material increase in the production of farm products through to a close on Tiesday next, and on the arrival of the demonstration train at Toronto it will be visited by the members of the Ontario Legislature who are kindly interested in this co-operative work between the agricultural authorities and the Grand Trunk.

BASKETBALL.

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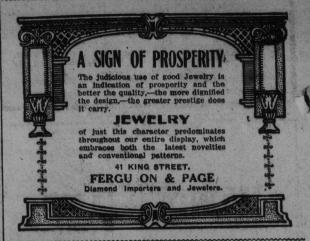
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