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Is a Big War Impossible? M. Jean de Bloch, whose book on The Conditions of Modern Warfare" recently created a great stir, has writ-Transvaal War," in which he mainthe old scale impossible. This gentlewell as continental officers could have he admits that the British were unprepared, he points out that most nations are found to be unprepared when they rush into a big war. He further shows that the army regulations are all out of date. They have not been re-written and adapted to the changed conditions of modern warfare. will not admit that the course of the war has been explained from any of these points of view. It may suit the temper of continental critics to rejoice delusion which may some day cost them dear. The chief explanation from Mistakes, of course, may have been made in Natal and elsewhere, but the

This seems to be a plausible theory, and there are certainly many the position that this would deprive facts given in support of it. Hence the government of the valuable ser-M. De Bloch thinks that great wars vices of graduates of the R. M. C. and will be rendered more difficult and become finally impossible. "But when I to the election act providing for the speak of war, I mean, as every rea- use of the Macdonald voting machine. speak of war, I mean, as every real solution war, as every real soluti state by the inhabitants of another, a slot opposite the candidate's name, but an armed conflict undertaken or the deputy returning officer turns a accepted from motives not prima through a registering mechanism and then through a tube to the returning ing to certain international laws for officer an end attainable at the cost of sacrifices not utterly disproportionate to
fices not utterly disproportionate to it." According to this view the very municipalities to use any voting mawar will make it necessary for any nation that values its life to keep out of war, and those who husband their and it seemed to him likely to work as resources in time of peace will be able to make a strong stand even against a powerful foe. The gentleman who propounds this theory admits that the nations are slow to learn, and that the military experts will not allow that their professional training and tactics are played out, but he has confidence that before long they will have to accept the stubborn fact.

#### P. M. Love's Proper Resolve.

Police Magistrate Love's expressed determination to deal severely with boys, youths or young men brough before him charged with congregating on the streets and annoying citizens by the use of profane or obscene language, is a move to be commended. If such ebullitions of rowdyism were checked in their incipient stages, our jails and other prisons would have fewer inmates, and there would be more useful citizens. The carrying out of the magistrate's intentions will be a distinct benefit, not only to the citizens at large, but to the offenders themselves.

London's Cow. In this land, where a comparatively small population is scattered over a large area, we are all within easy access to the products of the farm. In this we should find great cause for thankfulness. A Canadian correspondent, speaking of a poor district in South Africa, where only troops were traveling, referred to the scarcity of milk. There, a cup of milk was a precious thing, and no doubt many of the boys thought of the pailfulis of the rich fluid at home in distant Canada. It is a contrast of another kind to turn to the great metropolis of the British Empire, and note how five million people are daily supplied with this nutritious fluid. A recent writer has given interesting information on this head. Milk is one of the few articles of food which is still produced in London itself, as the London cow-keepers still supply from seven to eight million gallons a year, which is enough to supply a city of half a million inhabitonts. A few years ago it was shown that the railways brought in forty million gallons of milk per annum, and probably another million finds its way into the great city by road. This means an annual supply of about fifty

million gallons. The great part of this vast supply comes from the home and midland counties, and the farmers of this district have had to give up almost entirely butter-making in order to meet the great demand for milk. At the middle of the present century there were from twenty to thirty the sand cows kept in London; but the Inderwhich swept through the cowheds in the next two decades made larger supplies from the country absolutely necessary. This caused the railways to improve their service.

Now it looks as if the London cow-

keeper would disappear, unable to compete with a superior article from the country, and hampered by the rising standard of sanitation in London, which increases the stringency of the County Council regulations for cow-

In this connection there are two curious points to be noted. The London cowkeeper is generally a Welshman who is trying hard to keep up the old trade under difficult circumstances and against flerce competition. The cowkeeper is likely to survive in ten an article on "Some Lessons of the East London to minister to the needs of the Jews! "Kosher" milk must be tains his former statement that the milked direct into a jug or vessel, and change in arms has rendered war on not mixed with other milk, so that the local cowkeeper will probably long be man commends the bravery of British a familiar figure in Whitechapel. Thus ldiers, and maintains that on the the supply of one of the commonest whole British officers have done as articles of food is linked to the economic conditions of the city, and done under the circumstances. While is influenced by the religious views of one great community.

Ottawa, May 7 .-- Good progress was made with private business in the in the inferiority of British troops, but House of Commons today. Sir Wilfrid they are, in his opinion, cherishing a Laurier announced that the commission appointed to settle the halfhis standpoint is the superiority of the defense when well entrenched and armed by modern rifles. This super-tority was revealed at Plevna, where the Russians lost 36 per cent in the first attack, 21 per cent in the second and 20 per cent in the third onslaught.

Mistelies of course may have been breed claims in the Northwest had also been instructed to investigate the claims for script of the halfbreed scouts who served during the reduction of Mr. Gillies, favoring the reduction of the duty upon tobacco, was again adjourned after Sir Henri Joly had quoted statistics showing that the consumption of Canadian tobacco had breed claims in the Northwest had sumption of Canadian tobacco had quadrupled since the duty was inmade in Natal and elsewhere, but the creased. Mr. Casey's bill dealing increased difficulty of attacking strong with the question of drainage across positions armed with modern artillery railways was referred to the committee on railways and canals after a spiritand the latest pattern of quick-firing ed debate.

rifles, is the great explanation. It Mr. Lewis (Albert, N. B.) introduced shows how it was that the Boers did a bill respecting the Salisbury and not make headway when they out-Sir Wilfrid Laurier moved the six

numbered the British, and how it is so months' hoist for Mr. Davin's bill to difficult for the British to make pro-gress when they outnumber the Boers. The bill provided that all offices in the police should be filled by promotion from the ranks. Sir Wilfrid took

Mr. Britton moved his amendment

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said that while he did not care much for these fancy voting machines he had seen this one, well as any machine could; but he did not see that it would work any better than the present system.

The bill stood over. Mr. Davin's bill amending the land titles act, 1894, was passed.

Mr. Gilmour's bill to amend the companies clauses act received its second reading.

Mr. MacLaren's bill to amend the criminal code stood. The house adjourned at 11:20 p.m., having gone through the order paper so far as private members' business is concerned.

Mr. Puttee on Wednesday will ask whether the government has given attention to the matter of the scarcity and extremely high price of printing paper, and whether the government will take into consideration the wisdom and necessity of transferring printing paper from the dutiable to the free list.

Mr. Fielding this evening gave notice of the introduction of bills to amend the bank act and the civil service act respectively.

#### **©00000000000000000000000000** SPARKS FROM THE WIRES

Bubonic plague quarantine has been

Rich quicksilver finds are reported near Tehena, Texas.

Mr. C. M. Hays, general manager of the Grand Trunk, has gone to London. Mr. W. D. Dyer, of Oshawa, was killed at the Raglan crossing of the

There is great financial trouble Jamaica, W. I., owing to shortage in the sugar crop.

Hon. Thomas Ballantyne, of Stratford, has just returned from a month's visit to Hot Springs, Ark. The fourteen-months-old boy of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. C. Laing, of Center-

ville, was burned to death. The summer villa of William Wells, of New York, at Newport, R. I., was totally burned Sunday night. Loss

estimated at \$200,000. The resumption of the West Elgin election investigation was delayed Monday by the late arrival of his Honor Judge Moran, one of the members of

A petition is being circulated and largely signed in North Grey asking Hon. Wm. Paterson, minister of cus-toms, to again be the Liberal candidate

in the next election. The creditors of Stinson's Bank at

Hamilton have been notified to file their claims with Hon. Charles W. Bishop, special master, Chicago, within six menths from April 1, 1900. John Sims, accused of committing a murder 30 years ago, has lost his mind in Pana, Ill., where he was a re-spected and unsuspected citizen until an accomplice confessed a few days

Two Niagara Falls boys, Beverley Hawley and Fred Clarke, were supposed to be lost on Sunday afternoon till late on Monday, when they were found crushed to death under a fallen.

pile of lumber. At Yarmouth, N. S., Mrs. Porter Stoddard, while cooking breakfast, had a fainting spell and fell backwards, striking her head on a table. When picked up it was found her neck was broken and she was dead.

Otis Cochrane, the only son of D.

Cochrane municipal clerk of Ridge-town, died Thursday, in that place. The young man was attending the School of Pharmacy in Toronto when taken ill some time ago, and never recovered.

At the Napanee assizes the Bell Telephone Company paid Mr. Shanks 6600 for himself and \$2,250 for his son, who was terribly burned by upsetting a portable forge used by the company's men on the highway near Smith's Falls.

Senor Alberti, editor of the Don Clar-idades, at Gibara, Santiago de Cuba, was shot and killed instantly by an unknown assassin at the theater Sun-day night. Alberti was an active poli-tician, and his paper recently has been criticising the action of the American

Professor J. H. Harris, paleographer of the Cambridge University, England, considered one of the greatest authorities in the world on Biblical manu-scripts and inscriptions, ridicules the stories of the alleged newly-discovered spondence between Jesus Christ and Agrippa.

Mr. W. Marlatt, farmer, Johnstown, died suddenly Sunday afternoon. He had been ailing with Bright's disease, but was in St. Thomas on Friday. The deceased was a son of the late George Marlatt and was born and lived all his life at Johnstown. He leaves a wife and five children. Two daughters live in Toronto, a son Jesse is employed in the M. C. R. shops, St. Thomas, and two younger children live at home.

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body needs cleansing and builing up.

Gas has been struck at Ruthven by the Standard Oil Company. A good flow was found at a depth of 1,140 feet. A. J. Peterson, an old resident of Berlin, Ont., aged 76, died there Monday as the result of a paralytic stroke which overtook him Sunday.

paper from the dutiable to the free list. A meeting of newspaper proprietors will be held tomorrow to discuss the matter. Sarnia council has given the old

Before Chief Justice Meredith at Toronto on Monday, Mr. Arnold moved for an order to wind up the Imperial woolen mills, of Streetsville. The application is made on behalf of certain employes of the company, whose wages are in arrears. The hearing was adjourned for a week.

The following appeal has been entered for hearing by the court of appeal at its next sittings, which will begin on the 15th inst.: Oatman vs. Michigan Central Railway, appeal by Michigan Central Railway, appeal by in the crowd that gathered on the of Chief. Justice Armour and a jury at the trial of the action last March at Woodstock, awarding Darius Oat-man, a South Norwich township farmer, \$800 damages for the burning of his barns, caused by sparks issuing from the Diamond smokestack of engine 371

of the defendant company. The wife of Mr. Charles Munroe, for-merly proprietor of the Commercial Hotel, Embro, died very suddenly at the home of Mr. Hector Sutherland on Friday. Mr. Munroe recently purchased the Wilkinson farm near Embro, and on that day was to move to the new place. He had gone for a horse and buggy to drive his wife to her new home, and while he was gone Mrs. have wanted to boss the business by, and are always getting into ble. In London, with which the land's to wait for her husband. She had just got in the house, when she sat down and suddenly expired. She was only 35 years of age.

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White Corded Pique, good quality, special,	1
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## NOT A WHEEL IS TURNING

On the Street Railway in St. Louis-2,600 Employes Strike-Cigarmakers in Stratford and Woodstock Go Out.

St. Louis, Mo., May 8.-The executive committee of the Street Railwaymen's Union at midnight decided to recommend to the employes of the Transit Company that a strike be declared forthwith. At 2 o'clock this morning a mass meeting of 2,600 employes, with not a dissenting voice, decided in favor of the strike. The company controls all but one of the street car lines in St. Louis, and at 6 a.m. not a wheel was

turning.
St. Louis, Mo., May 8.—As far as could be learned, 3,300 of 3,600 men em-ployed by the St. Louis Transit Com-

streets. New York, May 7.—Samuel Gompers, president of the Federation of Labor, addressed the striking cigarmakers in Bohemia Hall today, and advised them to disregard the injunctions issued by from picketing or attempting in any way to deter others from taking their places, and enjoins sympathizers from giving financial aid for the purpose of continuing the strike.

Stratford, Ont., May 8.—The cigar-makers of the city are on strike for are out. The employers say that the men can go out and stay out, that they ly, and are always getting into trou-ble. In London, with which there is most competition, the wages are one-half what they are here. Before going out on strike the local rollers inter-viewed the committee of the Lorenz viewed the committee of the Internacional Union and received its sanction. Woodstock, May 8.—Five men of Jones Bros, cigar factory went out on strike yesterday morning with a view to enforcing their demands for an in-crease in wages. The Woodstock Un-ion is under the same jurisdiction as Stratford, the cigarmakers of which city are also out. Jones Bros. told an Express reporter that they expected

at all Druggists.

GAVE UP HIS BARE.

New York, May 8.—Fire early yes-terday destroyed the Mallory pier in East River, entailing a loss estimated

wife. The child perished before aid

Mrs. Winslow's Southing Syrup. at \$1,000,000, and costing the life of a 3-months-old babe. The fire spread to the barge Sherwood. Capt. Charles Lochs, wife and baby daughter jumped into the water in an effort to escape. Mrs. Lochs became exhausted, and the captain let go of the babe, hoping it would be rescued by someone else, and devoted his efforts to saving his

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