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THE SITUATION.
Sir Edward Kemp, Minister of Canada's Overseas forces, in a report to Ottawa, brings home with vivid force what the Canadians have accomplished during their recent operations. They penetrated to a depth of 20,000 yards, and during that progress took 22 towns, some of them of considerable size, and captured ten thousand prisoners and 150 guns. He incorporates in his dispatch the following from Sir Arthur Currie, the Canadian Commander:

"Canada has been thrilled many times by the record of the deeds in the field of battle by her sons, but never before have our battles given so much cause for pride as in the fine fighting of our men. They were simply irresistible. One of the tanks which accompanied us in the fight, and was rechristened the 'Al Dominion,' went into action with a piper of an infantry battalion playing for all he was worth."
Of a truth the people of this Dominion have every reason to feel the deepest pride in what the men of the Maple Leaf are accomplishing. Allied pressure continues to tell against the German hosts, and Royce has now been almost completely encircled by them. The Tenth hold on Lassigny is also jeopardized.

In Russia, another allied force is moving up the Dvina river towards Archangel, and Czechs, on their way to join Gen. Semenov, were everywhere hailed on their journey from Vladivostok as the deliverers of the country. At the same time it is very clear that they must have unstinted help with the greatest possible dispatch. It transpires that the British force which has arrived at the city of Baku, travelled by the Caspian route from Bagdad, and shipped on the Caspian sea at Enzeli. Their arrival in the important oil district, proved as much of a surprise to the British people as to the Germans. It is generally agreed that recent developments on the Eastern front will still further weaken the Hun in the western area.

AFTER THE DAY'S WORK IS OVER

At the close of the arduous labors of the day in the matter of parcelling out countries, and allotting a few kingdoms, the Kaiser and Austrian Emperor no doubt have nice little chats, during which they smack their lips over some of the incidents of the war.

For instance there is Feb. 1st, 1917, on which date Germany hoisted the black flag of unrestricted submarine warfare, and the resultant list of women and babies and non-combatants murdered together with the gleeful sinking of hospital ships.

April 18, 1916, would afford another choice morsel when placards were posted in the occupied portions of France, ordering the deportation of thousands of loyal people for slavery in the Fatherland, including girls between the ages of 16 and 20.

What mutual expressions of amused congratulation there would be also in connection with the sinking of the Lusitania on May 7, 1915.

Think too of the joyful reminiscences with regard to the shooting of Capt. Fryatt on July 23, 1916, because forsooth he had dared to save his ship by steering for a submarine and forcing it to dive, and the foul murder on October 12, 1915, of Nurse Cavell, a woman who in the course of her ministrations had helped to win wounded Germans back to life.

Then there would be the inauguration on September 8, 1915 of the air raids on England with the lengthy toll of massacred innocents, the inauguration of poisoned gas, the outraged women and girls of Belgium, the shelling of boats when the passengers of the Ancona and other torpedoed ships were seeking to escape, the bombardment by German warships of undefended coast towns on the British coast, the throat cutting of wounded prisoners, and other things too horrible to mention, and so on with regard to a list of heinous incidents which might be enumerated to an almost indefinite extent.

Oh yes, Karl and William as they sip their champagne, or highballs, or whatever it is they take are no doubt having a perfectly scrumptious time.

"The Wife," by Jane Phelps, in a worthy successor to "Margaret Garrett's Husband." It begins to-day; see Page 4.

SAVED BY BRITISH

The Courier has quoted more than one recent evidence of the manner in which United States papers are paying frank tribute to John Bull in connection with the war and here is another from the Philadelphia Record:

"Conquest in the north and west was one of the chief objects of Germany in forcing the war. It hungered for Antwerp and the factories of Belgium, and the coal and iron deposits of France, which it had failed to take in 1870. The war was to add Belgium and much of France to the German Empire."
"At this point England intervened and saved the civilized world. Its navy kept the sea. It had only 100,000 men for foreign service, but it got them abroad as quickly as possible, and in four months, half of them were dead or in the hospitals. The heroic resistance of Belgium delayed the German onrush. The magnificent retreat of the British from Mons, fighting all the way, retarded the Germans still further, and afforded Joffre time to get his resources together and save Paris, and drive the Germans back from the Marne to the Aisne. And then the Germans turned to the British Channel, but they could not, and never have been able to dislodge the British from Ypres, though at times a decimated British division stood against two German army corps."

"So England saved France, and by so doing saved herself and saved us, for there is no longer any doubt of the comprehensive plans of Germany. We should have been presented with the alternative of fighting Germany alone or accepting its suzerainty."

"It is well to remember what the world was saved from by the momentous decision of England, thought of at home and abroad as a naval power only, and negligible on land, to plunge into a continental war, and fight on an unfamiliar element."

NOTES AND COMMENTS

The British troops left from Bagdad to bag Bagdad.

Whatever the German is for "we regret to report," it would be working overtime these days if Berlin told the truth.

The Austrian Emperor is supposed to be conferring with the Kaiser on equal terms. In fact, said terms are only those inspired by William.

The Health Department of New York has issued a warning to kissers, in view of a threatened epidemic of Spanish influenza. Eating Spanish onions might prove a safeguard. In any event the edict means that the best way for those who feel osculatory to impart them epistolary.

Canadian Journalists who are on a visit to the Old Land have been flying over London. That ought to suit the Editor of the Vancouver Province, and one or two other flighty ones.

Anyone looking for a nice quiet retreat of a permanent nature should join the German navy in the Kiel canal.

Machinery has been set in motion across the border for the registration of 13,000,000 additional men. Of a truth Uncle Sam is a going it these days.

Your Problems Solved.
BY REV. T. S. LINCOLN, D.D. (All Rights Reserved)

Dr. Lincoln in this column will help you solve your heart problems, religious, marital, social, financial and every other anxious care that perplexes you. If a personal answer is required, enclose a five cent stamp. No names will be published; if you prefer, sign your initials only, or use a pseudonym.

School Boy—A school boy asks: "It is true that human thoughts have been photographed. Not strictly true, but it is reported to be true that brain vibrations caused by thoughts, emotions, etc., have been photographed by Dr. Baraduc, of Paris, and are being photographed at Krotova, California. The brain vibrates with all mental action, and these vibrations start vibrations in the atmosphere, and other, which registers on a very sensitive plate."

An Aged Man and His Wife—If you can arrange to live in a home of your own, rather than with your married children do so. I have known old people to be very unhappy when living with their married son or daughter, even when no person has been consciously unkind. Your married daughter's husband, for example, may not have known you in your days of kindly vigor, and cannot be expected to be as patient with the unbecoming follies of old age as your own children. "Blood is thicker than water," but it takes both blood and love to generate the patience necessary to make old people happy.



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It amuses the French, but shocks the Prussian.

Of all the humorless souls on earth none can approach the Germans, and certainly none could use a bit of humor to more advantage than they at this very minute. What they can never understand is how the English soldier can be so cheerful, and always smiling, on joining his little joke. No one has so well set off the national characteristics of the Allies as Ian Hay—in real life Major Belth—and "The First Hundred Thousand" and "All in It." In his little book, "The Oppressed English," he speaks for the fine good nature of Tommy.

"To the French the English Tommy, with his uncanny frivolity in the face of death, his passion for tea and jam, and his eternal football games behind the trenches, is a standing enigma, and a test. But the Englishman will always remember how the little British army hurled itself to certain destruction in August, 1914, at the mere call of friendship, and French women will never forget the exemplary behavior of the British soldier toward the civil population behind the line."

But as for the Prussian! In all usages of war he is a "great stickler for etiquette." War to him, whether he is a hospital ship, is a serious, nay, sacred—business. But the impetuous English persist in regarding war as a game! What is worse they win the game, not long ago a regiment of "Kitchener's Army" captured a strongly fortified village from the Prussian Guard. That was bad enough, but the manner in which it was done amounts to nothing less than an outrageous breach of professional etiquette. They went to the assault kicking a football! Their commander kicked, and they never stopped until they had kicked the ball, riddled with bullets, into the trench and captured the garrison.

"And yet," works the outraged German mind, "the English have the temerity to complain of German breaches of international law!"
Cousin to the Corp.
Of all fresh-water fish that are worth cultivation for the table the fench gives the least trouble. Almost any pond will support a contented mind; like the modest violet, he shuns the "eager eye of day," and the deeper and quieter the pool in which he is placed the better he is pleased. Like his near relative and close ally, the carp, swift rivers are not to his taste; gravely beds and clear running water are to him abominable. He is a quiet pond, and he knows that something like a lead of 39 points over his nearest rival, Burns of Philadelphia, is a good thing.

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WHAT'YA MEAN, YOUTH WILL BE SERVED?

Zach Wheat Leading National League, Cobb the American

BOTH ARE VETERANS

By Courier Leased Wire
Chicago, Aug. 17.—Back in the old days they said that "youth will be served," but that means nothing to "Zach" Wheat and "Jake" Dauter, veterans of the Brooklyn National League, who to-day are fighting it out for first place honors in the National League batting race.

Heinie Groh, of Cincinnati, who gave promise of becoming the 1918 batting champion, has fallen into a tie for third place. Leading batters: Z. Wheat, Brooklyn, .341; Dauter, Brooklyn, .321; Smith, Boston, .292; Groh, Cincinnati, .320; Morkle, Chicago, .316; Hollock, Chicago, .314; Rousch, Cincinnati, .314; Chase, Cincinnati, .301; Lee Muege, Cincinnati, .300.

In the American League Ty Cobb, besides leading the league in batting and scoring, threatens to annex the base stealing honors. Cobb has 33 steals to his credit, while Siler of St. Louis and Bobby Roth of Cleveland are tied with 25 each. Cobb's average of .384 to-day gives him a lead of 39 points over his nearest rival, Burns of Philadelphia.

Leading batters:
Cobb, Detroit, .384; Burns, Philadelphia, .345; Speaker, Cleveland, .324; Siler, St. Louis, .323; Baker, New York, .308; Pipp, New York, .307; Muth, Washington, .302; Demmitt, St. Louis, .302; Ruth, Boston, .302; Wood, Cleveland, .300.

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THE WIFE

BY JANE PHELPS, AUTHOR OF "MARGARET GARRETT'S HUSBAND," AND OTHER NOTABLE STORIES.

LIFE'S THRESHOLD

Chapter I.

Ruth Madden had promised to marry Brian Hackett, a handsome young lawyer. Brian was poor, but both he and Ruth planned that soon he would be getting large fees from wealthy individuals or corporations. So, one beautiful day in the fall, when the leaves were turning from red and brown to gold, they were married.

"I'll not give you a cent if you marry him," Ruth's wealthy aunt had said. "Not that I have anything particular against Brian, but you'll neither of you be happy. He is accustomed to economizing, to going without things—your know he worked as a clerk thru college—while you are accustomed to a very different sort of a life. How will you like to wash dishes and make beds? He won't be able to afford a servant. Look at your hands! How long will they be able to do that? No, Ruth, if you marry him before he has succeeded in making something more than a lawyer's clerk of himself, you need expect no help from me." When her aunt pressed her lips together at the foregoing speech, Ruth knew there was nothing to do but to accept as final whatever she had decided. But—Ruth was young, and youth is hopeful.

"I can give you a fairly comfortable home, Ruth, though of course nothing like the one you have with your aunt. But I'll soon make more money, and then we'll show her that I can take care of you as well as she." Brian had said to the girl he loved.

Ruth was in love, so had faith that Brian knew what he was talking about and had promised to marry him in spite of her aunt's objections.

FIRST LOVE

Ruth Madden was an orphan. Her widowed aunt, Mrs. Clayborne, had taken her into her home when Ruth was only ten years old, and had cared for and indulged her ever since. Ruth was now twenty.

The small southern town in which Mrs. Clayborne always had lived, was the home of a relative of Brian's. He had visited them, and Ruth had fallen in love with his handsome face, his strong physique, his manners. Then, too, his impetuous wooing, had taken her off her feet. As her aunt expressed it. When he returned home—to a mid-western city—he wrote such long, loving, eloquent letters that Ruth, in her inexperience, saw everything in the future as he pictured it. When her aunt gave voice to her doubts of Brian's ability to care for her piece, Ruth would produce one of his letters and read it aloud. No one could fail to be convinced after listening to what he had written—so she thought.

But Laura Clayborne was made of sterner stuff. She saw only the silly visionings of a young man in love, and the foolish flattery of an inexperienced girl whose life had been one of ease and luxury in as far as creature comforts were concerned.

Since her husband's death, the year Ruth lost both her parents, and came to her aunt's home to live, Laura Clayborne had not left the small town in which she lived, save once when she was obliged to go to New York on business connected with the settling of her husband's estate.

Ruth never had been away. Her aunt did not believe in boarding schools, and neither could she bring herself to part with Ruth. So Ruth had been engaged, and Ruth's education had gone on right at home.

ARTISTIC INCLINATIONS

From a child, Ruth had evinced a passionate love of the beautiful—in nature, in surroundings, in clothes—and her taste was sought by her aunt when making any changes in the old colonial house or its furnishings.

The house still remained much as it always had been, a wide veranda on one side, and a sleeping porch, being about the only changes. But the interior had been altered, redecorated and refurnished, until now it was one of the most luxurious homes in town. Mrs. Clayborne had given Ruth a free hand in the renovation of part of the house, and these rooms were exquisite. Ruth had studied the works of the best decorators, and had been wise enough to take from them only what was adapted to the old style architecture; these ideas she had combined with her own, and the result had been really a most artistic and luxurious home for herself and her aunt.

She loved this work. She loved to handle the rich stuffs of which the draperies were fashioned—the tapestries, the silks and faces which she was allowed to order. Her own rooms, a tiny sitting room, bedroom and bath, were done in palest rose color. The rugs had great sprawling branches of wild roses woven in them; the draperies were of rose-colored silk and lace, with the bed covers to match. The furniture was of dainty shapes, the desk of rose-wood, the bookcase all appropriate to the rooms of a young girl, yet not one piece too many—as would have been the case with many girls who were allowed to have whatever they wanted. The other rooms, too, were furnished with taste and appropriateness. But in both her own and her aunt's private apartments, she had allowed her ideas of beauty of color and material full sway.

Monday—Sanguine Youth.

Back at Their Old Work.
The British Minister of Labor, Mr. George H. Roberts, M.P., addressing the local advisory committee at Southwick, Birmingham, recently on the question of demobilization. He observed, they had sent with 400,000 discharged soldiers.

The general principle which would guide the Labor Ministry, Mr. Roberts went on, was to release men proportionately to the industries capable of absorbing them. They wanted to have assurance doubly sure that every man on his return should feel that there was a human being taking an active, positive interest in his future welfare. They had particulars of every one of the several millions of men who constituted our army, and they knew that something like six per cent. were in the army with the promise of reinstatement in their original employment when released. Approximately 50 per cent. of the men who had already been released had returned to their old employers, and he was glad to know that so many employers everywhere were honorably fulfilling the undertakings they made to the men. He wanted the assurance not only that men were reinstated, but that they were permanently reinstated.

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