

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

THE TEMPERATURE.

Record for the last 24 hours: Low: 46; highest 71. Same date last year: Lowest 53; highest 66.

CIVIC PAY SHEETS.

Among the civic pay sheets were the following: Sewers, \$69.37; street watering and oiling, \$65.06; streets department, \$929.49.

BUILDING A HOME.

Allied Field of Chatham Street, has taken out a building permit for the erection of a brick dwelling, one and a half stories high at a cost of \$1,600.

RAILWAYMEN MEET.

The Railway Committee and the Street Railway Commissioners met this evening in the City Hall at the hour of seven o'clock, when Street Railway matters will be discussed.

RECOVERING.

The man Elmer, who was so terribly injured by a fall down an elevator shaft at the Massey-Harris works, is reported at the Hospital to be doing well and now out of danger.

WILL BE FINE ROAD.

Much credit is due the Echo Place Improvement Association for placing the crushed stone on the Hamilton Road out past Echo Place. This will make an excellent road in a short time, and both farmers and motorists greatly appreciate the improvements. The crushed stone was supplied by the Township.

THIS WEEK.

Mr. W. F. Cockshutt, M.P., has received word from Mr. McCarthy, the well known sculptor, who had the order for the two lions to be placed on either side of the leading doorway to the new public building, that they have been shipped from New York, after the bronzing process, and should be here this week.

EPWORTH LEAGUE MET.

The regular weekly meeting of the Wellington street Epworth League was held Monday evening. The meeting was in charge of the social committee, under the leadership of Miss Lottie Ham. Owing to the fact that our president, Mr. Joe Daniels, has enlisted for active service, an election for the office of president was held and Mr. W. M. Darwin was elected by a large majority. A very interesting program was given and refreshments were served.

WANT FOUNTAIN.

Residents of the East Ward are peeved over the drinking fountain which now stands in Alexandra Park and they are out for a set of new and up to date bubbling fountains. The present fountain with its stream of water, and minus a cup is very unhygienic and unsanitary.

All that they ask in place of the old watering iron stand, is four fountains after the style of the one erected opposite Cowan's store, one to be set in each corner of the park. They will approach the Park Commissioners upon the matter and ask their cooperation.

Supporting the scheme are to be found many prominent residents of the East Ward and they include Mayor Spence, Dr. Frank, Ald. Bragg, Richard Leech, John Lyle, Fred Eastman, Jack Kelly and many others.

NEEDS FUNDS.

The Queen's Canadian Military Hospital was organized at the commencement of the war by Canadians in London, England, for the special purpose of treating Canadian wounded. Sir William Osler, Bart., F.R.S., is Physician-in-Chief, and Lieut. Col. Donald Armour, F.R.C.S., Surgeon-in-Chief; and the hospital is managed by a representative committee of which Mr. George MacLaren Brown is Chairman. It is beautifully situated at Beachborough Park, which is being kindly loaned for the purpose by Sir Arthur and Lady Markham. The hospital, which is supported by voluntary contributions of friends in England and Canada, is urgently in need of funds and of all kinds of surgical supplies and dressings; especially gauze bandages. Any person desiring to assist the work of the hospital in caring for the Canadian wounded, will kindly send funds or supplies to Lieut. Col. Donald Armour, The Queen's Canadian Military Hospital, Beachborough Park, Shorncliffe, England.

Brantford Man Reported Killed

Mr. Lyman Smith of Oakland P.O. was yesterday informed of the death of his son on the battlefields of Flanders on the 23rd May. The son, Lance Corporal Leigh Ransom Smith, enlisted at Edmonton with the first contingent and had written home to say that all was well on the 20th May.

COURT OF REVISION.

The Court of Revision will be held in the Council Chamber this afternoon at two o'clock to confirm measurements for assessments with regard to street oiling.

CONTRACT AWARDED.

The Township of Brant has awarded the contract for the Mordue and Williams Bridges to George Thompson. Work will be commenced immediately.

NEW RECTOR.

The induction services of Rev. S. E. McKegney, as rector of Trinity church, Eagle Place, take place in that church this evening. All the Anglican clergymen in the city will assist, in addition to the Rev. Dr. Walker, principal of Huron College, London, who has come down especially for this occasion. Rev. Mr. McKegney and Mrs. McKegney arrived in Brantford yesterday afternoon and early in July will occupy the new rectory, corner of Ontario and Cayuga streets, which is rapidly being put in readiness for them, and for this week they are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Julius E. Waterous at "Bonnythorpe."

SUCH AS UNDERSTAND.

Those who left their generous aid at the Courier to help a cause which by reason of their request, they must not be identified with, must take from this paragraph a slight degree of the appreciation with which their kindness was received, and for their own satisfaction at doing a commendable turn, find therein its reward, for silence means the truest sympathy.

LADS CAR COMPETITION.

The following is the official report to the committee of merchants offering the "lads" car for coupon competition:

"Gentlemen,—Having counted the votes for the above competition, I hereby certify the following to be the correct and final standing of the leading competitors: Evelyn Sloan, 1,313,245; Cecil Shepherson, 1,086,655; H. Hockley, 807,680; R. Yates, 525,900; H. McLean, 366,540; F. Whittaker, 136,450. Signed, W. M. LEWIS, Accountant, 257 Colborne St."



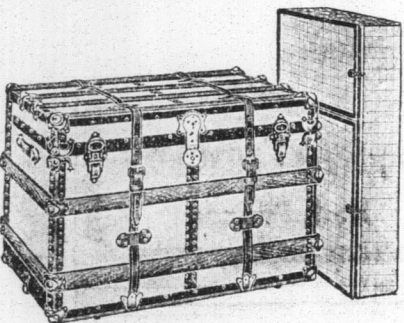
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BRANTFORD SOLDIERS WRITE HOME

Mayor Spence is in receipt of the following interesting letter from the 4th Battalion, Canadians, France, June 7th, 1915:

Dear Sir,—I take the opportunity of writing you, if just to let you know that those of the Brantford boys with me here are well. No doubt you will, by this time, have read of the heroic stand which the Brantford boys (as members of the 4th Battalion) took at Ypres, and I feel certain that the citizens of Brantford, county and city, as well as yourself, feel justly proud of the fact that the boys from the Telephone City, certainly did uphold their honored name, on that ever memorable occasion. Doubtless a number of our dear fellows were killed or wounded; yet, theirs is the honor and glory; yes, theirs, I trust, is heaven's reward, for those who upheld the cause of pure liberty and freedom from such inhumanities as are embodied in the inhuman practices of those whom we scarcely believed to be human—the Germans.

You who are left at home in Brantford have little conception, I believe, of the extent of the awful brutality of the average German.

What with his dreadfully brutal gas, his shelling the homes of the innocent and also, his awful assaults upon the honor of the many women and children over here.

I would that those of our eligible fellow men in Brantford would decide on the call to go forward and help the loving and honorable cause for which we take our stand over here amidst the shot and shell of those human monsters who seek to devour us by torture and death.

I well remember that memorable occasion upon which you addressed us within the drill hall at Brantford, on the eve of our departure for Valcartier, and as I think of it, as also your words, "Never fear men, those whom you leave behind as dependants will be looked after." Well, your worship, I trust that those who have undertaken such a task, will not lose sight of any little children in Brantford, whose dear father lies in the trenches waiting for the next word of command, or he who lies in the soldier's grave here.

As one who is without wife or child, I trust that those women and children, who wait upon the coming home of the father (who may never return), will find some consolation in the fact that their homes and food etc., are assured, and will be assured in abundance.

Our boys have spent many trying days and nights in the trenches and, believe me, they have nobly done their duty. As regimental medical officer, I am in a position to tell you, that our men have borne their sufferings with great fortitude. I am medical sergeant to the regimental medical officer in which capacity I am in attendance with him when the wounded are brought along from the firing line. No doubt we have our hands full at times, but what a pleasure it is to do one little duty to help make the boys feel comfortable. We remove the first aid dressing and redress the wounds and have the boys then sent on to the advance station en route to the clearing station where they are then sent by train or ambulance to the hospital wherein they are to be treated in full, according to their various needs. You will thus be able to judge the magnitude of the work. Were you here but for a little while you would be particularly impressed by the fortitude of our men have borne their troubles and seem to have as their chiefest regret the fact that they are no longer able to help in the fight.

Well, your worship, in case I may never have the chance again let me send to the children of Brantford through yourself, my warmest thanks for the lovely and much appreciated box of chocolates, which I received some time ago, as it was very kind indeed, of the dear young people, to send the boys such a tasty present. I also thank those who have from time to time sent us various garments, etc., of which I received my just share.

I close with thoughts of you all, which fill across the sea. I now await my officer's next command. I am, dear sir, yours truly, 11317 Sergt. T. Elliott, 4th Battalion, Canadians in France.

P.S.—I send my best wishes to all within the General Hospital, Brantford.

Mrs. J. Davis, residing at 80 Spring street only yesterday received two very interesting letters from her son on active service. Mrs. Davis is extremely grateful for the sympathy shown her by the members of her son Bert's lodge of the Canadian Order of Foresters, and appreciates it very much. Harry writes briefly from Manchester, where he is at present in hospital, and feeling better. It is only a slight shoulder wound and will heal up nicely. The letter subjoined is from "Bert," a well known member of the Dufferin Rifles.

Dear Mother and Father: Just a line or two in answer to your last letter which I received a few days ago whilst I was in the trenches. I guess by now you have heard that Harry has been slightly wounded, but it is nothing to worry about, as it is only a flesh wound in the left shoulder. I saw him just after he was wounded, and he was in good spirits and looking forward to a good rest in hospital. I have not heard from him yet, but they shift them around so much at first that I guess he is waiting till he gets settled somewhere. I hope he gets to England with it, as there is a likelihood of him staying there if he does. It is a great load off my mind knowing that he is away from this hell, and I can tell you he has been quite a worry

to me whenever we got in any tight corners, and I know he worried about me, too, as sometimes we did not see each other for days. Don't worry about him, as he is what we call lucky to get a nice soft hit. We were in the trenches for nine days last time and we did not come out till yesterday morning. It was a pretty hard place, too, as we were only fifty yards from the Germans, and it was in a part we had regained from the Germans. They were shelling us all the time and buried an amount of men in the trenches by blowing them in. The part of the trench I was in was blown in the morning before we came out, and buried eleven of us, but we all got out without any injuries. We had lots of casualties up there, but as usual I scraped through without a scratch except for a small piece of my ear being knocked off by a piece of shell, but that was nothing. My luck has been so good so far, and I hope it continues good. We are out for a rest again now, and it is beautiful here. We are sleeping outdoors. My bed is under an apple tree, in an orchard. But such is war, and it is a terrible war too. No one can imagine what it is like unless they have been here and been through what we have. It is very good of people to remember us. Well good-bye for the present and don't worry. I remain, Your loving son, BERT.

Gunner Warren Recalls Some Scenes of War

There are stories that live in memory for the deep realism of their telling. Such a story was told the Courier by the ex-soldier of the Canadian heavy gun battery, Gunner H. Warren, who is at present in the city.

The desperate action at Louvre, when after a 72 hours fight the dauntless artillery had to retire; the horses killed; the men killed; the bodies of the dead at his feet and the body horribly mutilated, of a Belgian girl only a few yards away, these constitute the impressions that the memory from out of the hell of battle retain. Nerve racking days standing by under fire, comrades dying with awful agony, the battlefield strewn with chloride of lime during the night, and its fearful stench under the mid-day sun. What a world of conditions and just what the spring-tide did to render the scenes less endurable is hard to realize.

Deeds that thrill for a moment or pass unnoticed; the night when he dug a grave to lay at rest the only brother he had on service by his side, one glimpsed through his story the realism that has left Warren weak and his nerves shattered.

Years of active life, clean, hard living in the service of the Dominion and in the far North-West, came to naught in the rain-sodden European winter and spent themselves in supreme efforts to withstand conditions far from normal hardship of even an ordinary campaign, and to-day he awaits his compensation but to return and pass out life near the home scenes that as a boy he left upwards of forty years ago.

Talking of the voyage over from Quebec, a nineteen day trip, he tells some stories that but for their tragedy would be ironically humorous. A soldier named Buchanan fell down stairs on board ship and had three ribs fractured, and on being hailed before the doctor, was clapped on the back and given a PILL.

Later on his breakdown through inability to perform his duties in England, he was confined to No. 1 hospital at West Down, South, for some time, and likely to be of no further service, was, after examination by a medical board, discharged and invalided home. This man's brother also going sick at Salisbury, was discharged, grew utterly despondent and died a few days later.

Warren was taken ill with acute bronchitis and lay at Netheraven hospital for a month, where there he says no less than six men died in the cot by his side. Some from spinal meningitis, indeed one man, he was carrying him in, he was so far gone.

GREAT PRAISE DUE Of the medical staff, he asserts nothing too good can be said; they had a heavy task and carried it through well, and to Col. A. Finley, chief medical officer, he says he owes more than any man by mere stating thanks or rendering the most generous appreciation he is capable of, can make return for.

TQBACCO, ETC. Comforts, he said, often went amiss, and no one can do any harm by sending too much. Pilfering has occurred, but the rigid surveillance of the British staff officers of the roads from base to field, will tend to mitigate this evil in the future. You must remember, too, that the war of goodies pass through a starving land and sometimes the natives clamor so they must be appeased, so soldiers give away a lot." was a striking sight he gave into the big, hearted actions being every day by tired men, longing to use the very gifts they part with for women and little kiddies' sakes.

Altogether for five months on service, his story one of optimism, things so hard, but surely right will triumph. "No one can tell what's it like over there—it's too ugly for even hell, but the price must be paid if the very things that cause the war, are to be lived. I have a conception of duty which sent Warren into the trenches, and that is the hope that binds the allied armies together. A riotous shot split his temple bone and a small silver plate was inserted, and "it" as good as ever unless someone hits me hard on that spot and he smiles grimly when he tells of it. The ex-gunner does not expect to be long in town, and will probably leave for Toronto soon, where he has some friends there to await the dispensations of the Government in regard to compensation, etc.

It is of interest to note that in Canada at present there is no means of caring for returned soldiers, no fund for their benefit, and if the future is to be served, the present suffering that is the lot of returned men, quick action will be necessary.

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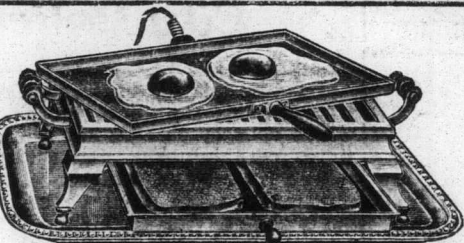
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Bulgaria Has Two Big Offers

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Berlin, via London, June 22.—Bulgaria's answer to the entente powers regarding her participation in the war leaves the question undecided, according to information given out here to-day.

The proposal of the quadruple entente was that Bulgaria should mobilize immediately and move against Turkey. The prospective compensation offered for such action included Serbian Macedonia, Kavala (a port on the Aegean Sea in the extreme eastern part of Greece), with the Kavala hinterland and the territory north of the Enos-Midia line in Turkey. The powers are said to have agreed to mediate at Bucharest for the restitution to Bulgaria of a district of Roumania bordering on the Black Sea, and also to support Bulgaria financially during the war. No inducements were offered for a continuance of Bulgarian neutrality.

The Bulgarian answer, it is said here, while courteous in tone, did not

touch the question of the government's attitude regarding mobilization but devoted itself to counter questions. Bulgaria wished to know whether the Serbian Macedonia included only that part to which Bulgaria laid claim under the Balkan league treaty, or other parts as well.

The entente allies are reported to have proposed that Serbia, in return for ceding Macedonia, should receive suitable compensation in Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina. Bulgaria, to which the future size of Serbia is important in view of the necessity for maintaining the balance of power in the Balkans requested more definite information concerning Serbian compensation and for a similar reason wished to know what Greece would receive in Asia Minor as well as a more precise definition of the terms "Kavala and the Hinterland."

Details regarding the proffered mediation in Bucharest also are said to have been asked and it was pointed out that Bulgaria, because of its exhaustion after the two Balkan wars could participate in a new war only if its prospective reward was made definite and guaranteed. The note of Bulgaria is regarded here as being a means taken to avoid an immediate answer.

Victor Subosits, a merchant of Weland, was fined \$500 for treason in sending money for Austrians and Hungarians to relatives in their home countries.

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Linen Sunshades, embroidered covers, all white, washable, brass frame, non-rustable, also Dolly Varden, crepe covers, in the new bell shape. Regular \$2.00 to \$3.50. Special price..... \$1.19

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