District News Items in Condensed Form

Word was received in the city this morning that Rev. E. R. McLean, minister of Cooke's Church, had been appointed Sunday School Secretary for the Presbyterian church in British Columbia and Alberta, with headquarters in Vancouver. Rev. Mr. McLean has been minister of Cooke's for two years and a half and has won a high place in the regard, not only of the members of the church, but of ictizens generally. He has proved himself a gifted preacher, a kindly pastor and a progressive citizen. His place will indeed be hard to fill. Mr. McLean's resignation is designed to take effect next month, and it will be dealt with by the Presbytery, which meets here on July 2nd.—Kingston Standard.

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The Royal Military College, Kingston, has a wonderful flag. The dimensions are 24 feet by 18 feet. On it there are 1,100 maple leaves in green, each bearing the name of an R.M.C. boy serving overseas. In the centre, red maple leaves bear the names of those who have answered the last bugle call.

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Another Lakefield boy has won the Military Medal, Pte. Sherman E. Hill. Pte. Hill went overseas with the 93rd Battalion and was transferred to the 21st Battalion at the front. His brother, Pte. J. R. Hill, won the Military Medal nearly two years ago. The record of the Hill family has been a splendid one and worthy of special mention.

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Kingston.—The steamer Toronto started on her summer trips yesterday, passing down in the morning and up in the afternoon. The Steamer Kingston will start on July 1st.

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Mr. V. J. Tully, who has been in business in Belleville for some years has sold out and moved to Peterboro. Mr. Tully will be travelling representative for the Standard Silver Plate Company of Toronto.

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Last Thursday a stray dog visited the schoolhouse at Hagerman's Corners and attacked several of the pupils. Allan Morton, son of Mr. Jno. Morton, Gussie Rosevear, son of Mr. Edgar Rosevear, and Lorne Jones, son of Robert Jones, were the victims. The Morton boy was the greatest sufferer, his left leg being terribly lacerated. Fortunately Mr. Morton succeeded in shooting the dog and the examination of the head shows a very severe case of rabies. Dr. Powers, who attended the boys, had them sent to Toronto for Pasteur treatment. Two cows and three horses of Mr. Morton's, four cows of Mr. Edward Rowe's, a dog belonging to Mr. Glen Benson and a dog owned by Mr. Winn were also bitten. Mr. Morton's cattle are under quarantine and the four affected ones of Mr. Rowe's have also been quarantined. Mr. Benson has since shot his dog and Mr. Winn has his dog securely tied up awaiting development.—Port Hope Guide.

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Kingston, June 25.—Twenty-two V.A.D.'s paraded to St. George's Cathedral on Sunday morning and attended divine service. The party was under the command of Lt.-Col. R. J. Gardiner, A.D.M.S., and presented a pleasing sight. Rev. Cecil Whalley, the priest-vicar, delivered a very impressive sermon to the congregation which filled the church. Next Sunday a big parade of soldiers will be held to the cathedral and it is likely that Major (Dean) Starr will deliver the sermon.

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The Ministerial Association of Peterboro, anticipating the desire of the various congregations, have prevailed upon Rev J. P. Wilson, of Trinity Methodist Church, to preach one sermon to the citizens of Peterboro before giving up his present charge and retiring from the active ministry. Dr. Wilson has spent two terms in Peterboro, first as pastor of the George Street Church and recently as minister of Trinity Those who have a right to express themselves on the subject, are probably agreed that if Dr. Wilson has peers in the pulpit in Peterboro, he has no superiors. His has been a student's life, and while he has been seeking to help others, his own life has been constantly enriched. His sermons, while they ring true to the old gospel, are presented in such fashion as makes the old, old story ever new.—Peterboro Examiner.

Dr. Wilson is well known in Belleville as he occupied the pulpit of Bridge Street Church a few years ago

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The Guide is in receipt of numerous inquiries from several Canadians residing in the United States requesting that registration cards be forwarded to them. They wish to avoid possible trouble when they return to Canada. The advice given them may be of benefit to others residing abroad: Registration cards may not be sent out of the country, or even out of the registration district. All any returning Canadian has to do is to report to the post master in the first town or city he enters and there fill out his or her card. He is even allowed thirty days in which to register, after returning. Under the circumstances there is no need for any worry on the part of absent Canadians.—Port Hope Guide.

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Kingston, June 24.—On May 22 Major Bishop's "Circus", as his fleet of aeroplanes were termed, reached France, according to a letter received in Kingston. The squadron got busy at once and by June 1 had brought down sixteen German planes of which eight were credited to Major Bishop himself. Capt. Douglas Carruthers and Capt. Beverly Macdonald of the Royal Military College class of 1914 are members of this squadron.

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At Napanee, on June 19th, Alfred George Crisp to Lena Rogers.

At Centreville, on June 5th, Victor K. W. Edgar, Camden East, to Ruth Elnora Fairbairn, Centreville.

At Picton, June 19th, Miss Myrtle Orser, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Orser, Saskatoon Sask., and Ernest Hubbs, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hubbs, Bloomfield.

At Napanee, on June 18th, Francis William Lees to Mrs. Emma Curran, both of Kingston.

At Napanee, on June 19th, William Taylor Meikle and Myrtle Lillian Parks.

At Trenton, June 5th, Sgt. Douglas G. Mounteer, son of the late Rev. H. V. Mounteer and of Mrs. Mounteer, Lindsay, to L. Marion Wright daughter of G. F. Wright.

In Picton, on June 3rd, Clinton Smith, of Trenton, to Miss Lela Parker, Picton.

Methodists Scored by Col. Machin

"GREATEST MENACE TO ONTARIO," HE SAYS IN STATEMENT

Montreal, June 26—"There is evidence that a powerful cabal exists at Ottawa against the Minister of Justice, which showed its hand last week in the disgraceful and brutal raid on the Jesuit College at Guelph. The greatest menace to the Province of Ontario is the Methodist Church, which seems to make us in Ontario the most hypocritical body or class of people in the Dominion of Canada."

This was the declaration made this afternoon by Lieut.-Col. H. A. Machin, director of the Military Service Act branch of the Ministry of Justice and member of the Ontario Legislature for Kenora, in an interview given at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel. Lieut.-Col. Machin said he realized that he would probably lose his job over the declaration, but he felt bound to express his opinion, in view of what had recently been taking place.

Col. Machin went overseas as a Colonel in command of the 94th Battalion, having refused a Judgeship in order to do so, and his present position, which he says he does not expect to hold, is worth $6,000 a year.

Col. Machin's Statement.

Col. Machin's interview follows:

"I have been sent to Montreal to devise a means whereby the Militia Department will be able to handle more recruits than they have been able to do.

At the present time there are over 11,000 eligible for call in this district, they have not been called because the Militia Department" has not been able to take them. In the meantime only those who have been requested to be called by the G.O.C., of Montreal and Quebec districts have been taken. This has resulted in only 8,000 under the M. S. A. being called in the Province of Quebec. The fact that Ontario has called 28,000 against 8,000 in Quebec was given out by the Militia Department last week. Immediately the Government became concerned and on Friday last I was plainly told by Mesrs. Sifton and Mewburn that unless I produced the proper quota from Quebec, I could look for another job. I reminded those gentlemen that recruits had been called in the Province of Quebec as fast as the Militia Department could take care of them, I now purpose to try to arrange with the G O. C., of the Montreal district to take care of the 11,000 at present in this district if he can do so.

No Favoritism.

"I do not care anything about retaining my job, that is not an important matter, but the important business is to carry on this war for humanity. The Minister of Justice has rigidly enforced the Military Service Act ever since I have had the honor of serving under him. There has been no favoritism, no one could have administered the act any better than the Minister of Justice had done because the act itself invited exemption rather than conscription.

"There is a strong desire on the part of the Militia Department to take over the work of the Military Service Act and the officers who have therefore been connected with it as a part of that department. It has been openly stated and I have been informed from private sources that it would be accomplished before July 1. The only reason that I can ascribe for any such desire is the personal ambition of the entourage of the new Minister of Militia. And as a Canadian citizen with eight months' experience in the Government department, I would suggest to the Militia Department that they clean their own houses before tackling anything new.

Powerful Cabal Exists.

"There is evidence that a powerful cabal exists at Ottawa against the Minister of Justice which showed its hand last week in the disgraceful and brutal raid on the Jesuit College at Guelph. The fact that the Minister's son was at the college points rather to personal spite than public necessity. Having already obtained control of the Dominion Police, the entourage now proposes controlling the operation of the Military Service Act and its officials.

"Let me say that the quota of men authorized by parliament has practically been raised. The Militia department have granted some ten thousand men leave of absence after they had been enrolled, and this they do not propose to count. But, nevertheless they have been raised under the M.S.A., by the operation of the Department of Justice.

"If I am allowed, which I very much doubt, to continue my work, there is no question that before the end of August, the Province of Quebec will have produced 25,000 men under the M.S.A.

"As an Anglican, I desire to protest as emphatically as I know how against the brutal treatment meted out to the Jesuit College at Guelph and to say that the men who are responsible for that action ought to be made to realize that when they are indulging in such spite they are encouraging strife between religious denominations, and if prepared to accept the responsibility of such a grace condition, simply to fulfil personal vanity, then they are worse than the Huns.

"Speaking off-hand, the greatest percentage of recruits according to denominations in Canada, are as follows: Anglican, Presbyterian, Roman Catholic and Methodist, in the order named One would think that the Methodists of Ontario had done more than any other denomination. I say it advisedly, knowing full well my responsibility in my official capacity and as a member of the Ontario Legislature, that the greatest menace to the Province of Ontario is the Methodist Church, which seems to make us in Ontario the most hypocritical body or class of people in the Dominion of Canada."

GRANT VS. GRANT

An application was heard at the police court this morning before Police Magistrate Masson of Mrs. Nancy Grant against her husband, Jonas Grant for alleged non-support and maintenance. The charges were with-drawn by the complainant who has agreed to come back home and reside with her husband, he providing a house in Belleville. Mr. R. D. Ponton appeared for Jonas Grant.

GERMANS AT POTI.

Moscow, June 25.—The Germans have landed a force of 3000 infantry and cavalry together with artillery at Poti, on the Black Sea, according to an official communication issued today.

Poti is a seaport in Transcaucasia, government of Kutais. It lies at the mouth of the Rion River, and is connected by rail with Batum, Tiflis and Baku.

Whether the corn be of old or new growth, it must yield to Holloway's Corn Cure, the simplest and best cure offered to the public.

PERT PARAGRAPHS

Gathered by Our Exchange Editor and Condensed Down to Make Spicy Reading.

RABBIT BREEDING AS STATE INDUSTRY

London, June 25.—Rabbit breeding in England has been undertaken by the Government in an effort to relieve the shortage of meat due to the war.

BINDER TWINE HIGH

Binder twine cost will run high this coming season. Mexican sisal, the raw material from which most of the binder twine is made, had a pre-war price around 7 cents a pound, landed at United States ports of entry, in June, 1916. By March, 1917, it had reached 16½ cts., and in August was up to 19 cts. Although large quantities are being used in the manufacture of twine, the cost of 500 foot twine has been established at 23 cts. a pound, f.o.b. factory in the United States, with other grades in proportion.

CENTENARIAN NO SLACKER

Victoria, B.C., June 25.—William Cool, aged 100, in signing his registration card signified his willingness to go on the land to help the Government in this time of crisis. When he came to the coast from Quebec in 1848 he was put in charge of the Hudson Bay Company's farm here and accordingly in registering acknowledged his farming experience. He is hale and hearty and says he will go to work if the Government summons him.

CONVICTED OF ABDUCTION

Sarnia, June 24.—Sarah Lumley, wife of J. Lumley of Moore township, was tried and convicted before Judge Macwatt this afternoon on a charge of abduction. According to the evidence, Mrs. Lumley left her husband some time ago, but last spring abducted her children from the family home and, took them to Detroit where they were found a few weeks ago in a house on 2nd St. where the surroundings were any thing but good. Sentence was withheld till a later date.

WILL NOT OPERATE ON THE SEA LION

It is incorrect to refer to the vocal demonstrations of the sea lion at Riverdale Park as roars. They are barks. Commissioner Harris, who, among other things, is an authority on melody, carefully explained to the members of the parks and exhibition committee yesterday afternoon that the star attraction at Riverdale had a vocabulary all his own, and when he wanted to converse with visitors he did so in a series of short barks and not roars. Some people in the neighborhood object to these conversations because they are not pitched in a well-bred, modulated key, and for a time the fate of the lion hung in the balance. Sudden death, removal of vocal cords or banishment to High Park were all suggested as a means of getting him out of the way, but Commissioner Harris came to the rescue yesterday and as a result Riverdale will continue to be his home and the suggested operation to remove his vocal cords will not be performed.

BLUE DEVILS AT MONTREAL

Montreal, June 24.—The company of Alpine Chasseurs now touring Canada, reached Montreal from Quebec this morning by boat. They were informally received at the city hall by Mayor Martin. During the morning the Blue Devils marched through the street to Fletcher's Field, where High Mass was celebrated. The men afterwards were taken sight-seeing. They will remain in Montreal until Thursday, when they will leave for Ottawa. A series of entertainments have been arranged for them.

LIVES WITH FRACTURED SKULL AND INJURED SPINE

A fractured skull, injury to his brain, dislocated shoulder, injured spine, fractured ribs, and crushed foot, were the injuries sustained by Max Robichand, a mill-wright, employed at the Quaker Oats, when he fell about 12 feet at 4.30 on Saturday afternoon.—Peterboro Review.

ROOSEVELT AND SCHWAB

Another visit to Canada by Theodore Roosevelt is a possibility in the fall. A delegation from the publicity committee for the coming Canadian Navy League demonstration in Montreal went to New York and invited Mr. Roosevelt and Chas. M. Schwab to participate. If the distinguished Americans accept the invitation to Montreal it is altogether likely that an effort will be made to secure their presence in Toronto, too.

MAY RESISTER YET

Ottawa, June 25.—Although Saturday, June 22, was the day officially designated by the Canadian Registration Board for all persons over 16 years of age throughout the Dominion to register, a further opportunity to fill in their cards and secure a registration certificate will be given those who were unable to register on the day set. For the next thirty days, at all post offices in Canada registrations will be received and persons who have a good reason for failing to register shall not be deemed to have broken the regulations during that period if they cannot produce their certificate.

HON. MR. DOHERTY'S SON'S CASE

It appears that the son of the Minister of Justice entered the order on March 30, 1918, when he was under no liability under the M.S.A.. Before taking this step he presented himself for a medical examination before physicians, of whom two were members of the Medical Board of Review in Montreal, and their finding was that his condition was such that it would be necessary to place him in Category "E" which would make it impossible for him to undertake military service. The result of the investigation indicates that the inquiries instituted were justified, and the Department of Militia will take steps to insure that any members of the Novitiate liable under the M. S. A. will be required to serve.

WAR POETRY

A vast amount of the war poetry submitted to the press these days has one lone redeeming feature and that is the patriotic sentiment.—Peterborough Review.

NOTED SURGEON DEAD

New York, June 25.—Dr. Valentine Mott, traveler and surgeon, who was one of the early exponents in this country of Pasteur treatment for hydrophobia, died suddenly at his home here Wednesday of angina pectoris, aged 65 years.

KING 25 YEARS MARRIED

London, June 25.—The British people will, on July 6th, have the first opportunity since the days of George III. to celebrate the twenty-fifth wedding anniversary of their King and Queen. King George and Queen Mary have decided to accept a personal silver gift from the city of London, and the Lord Mayor of London is raising a sum of money which will be bestowed upon some charity their Majesties may select in honor of the anniversary.

BOILING METAL KILLS THREE

Montreal, June 25—Three men were instantly killed at the Longue Pointe shops of the Canadian Steel Foundires an Friday when a bucket of boiling metal fell on them and burnt them to death.

BIG RECEPTION TO BLUE DEVILS

Niagara Camp, June 24.—"The Blue Devils" are expected to visit camp in the afternoon of Dominion Day and preparations are being made to give them a good reception. They will be entertained at supper in camp. The Blue Devils will arrive here from Niagara Falls.

THE KAISER HAS TROUBLE AHEAD AND BEHIND

The kaiser's like the man who went out with a gun to meet th thief that he was told was coming up the road to rob and then burn his barn; while he was out in front some one nearer home got in among the chickens and then started a blaze. The kaiser's worst trouble is "back to home" where the people are getting ready to burn his barn and root out his dynasty. You can fool all of the people some of the time and some of the people all the time; but you can't fool all the people all the time. And the German people are getting into this last frame of mind in regard to the all highest kaiser.

TWO OF BODIES OF MIMICO BOYS ARE RECOVERED

The bodies of Danny Crew, aged 7, and Clifford Wilson, aged 9, were found yesterday by Capt. Malcolm and Second Officer Pedher of the Steamer Chippewa, seven miles off shore at the mouth of the Niagara River in the open boat in which they, together with George Smith, aged 12, are believed to have been blown out to the lake from Belvedere Point, Mimico, on Saturday afternoon about 2 o'clock. The three boys took a boat from the boathouse of A. W. Miles, after trying to borrow paddles. It is thought they had no means of rowing or steering the boat. No alarm was given until three hours later, when another boy who had seen the start told Mrs. Crew.

EATING CAMEL NOW

Dr. A. N. Davis, the Kaiser's American dentist, who was recently released from Germany, said in New York:

"Saxons are eating camel. Camel meat is on sale in all the best butcher shops of Saxony. A pound of camel costs more than we pay here for the best spring chicken."

"How about the taste of the camel meat, doctor? Do the Saxons like it?"

"No," he said. "It gives them the hump."

BUTTER $7 A POUND, SOAP $5 A POUND

Paris, June 25.—News from Constantinople just to hand reveals the fact that the Turks, tired of war, show very little inclination to take Germany's advice to watch events in Mesopotamia. The same letters give examples of the extremely high cost of living there. Butter sells at $7 a pound, soap, $5 a pound, the cheapest hat for a woman costs $100 and a pair of boots fetches $60. The famous Orient Club at Pera is much frequented. There German counts and Austrian Barons are continually playing cards with one-time dishonest Turks, who now are showing all their wealth, most of which is gold. The Turks openly admit they are tired of war, now that their one great enemy, Russia, is out. The few rich are contented to live on their spoils, while the less fortunate grumble at the effects of a war that has ruined them.

TOUR HAS CLOSED

The tour of His Excellency, the Duke of Devonshire, Governor General of Canada, over the Grand Trunk lines during the past month through Ontario was completed on his arrival at Ottawa on Saturday, June 22nd. En route to Ottawa the party stopped off in Algonquin Park, the famous Ontario Government reserves and playground, for a few hours' fishing in Potters' Lake, where the gamiest of small mouth black bass run to a size that delights the ardent angler.

NEWSPAPER HEADLINES

Some day this war is going to end. What paper will have type big enough to tell the news? There is a story about the late Capt. McCullagh, who was managing editor of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, which illustrates my point. The St. Louis cyclone was a big story anywhere, but in that town it was a "whale"; and the city editor who acted as news editor and "make-up man" in those days rose to the occasion. He found some wooden type in the composing room and spread a huge black "ribbon" across the top of that staid journal, which never before, even in presidental elections, had been guilty of greater extravagance than a two column head. And the next day, rather chesty, he asked Capt. McCullagh what he thought of it. "It's a good head," said Capt. McCullagh. "It tells the story; but that type—I was saving that type for the Second coming."

WHEN COLOR TURNS

London, June 24.—A high authority in the British army, discussing the discovery by the director of the Paris Toxicological Laboratory, of a method by which the presence can be detected of certain invisible poison gases, said: "It is not reasonable to attach any importance to safeguards against gas attacks, for all are apt to fail one at the critical moment. You get a good warning from the unbearable smell which immediately precedes the gas, and no artificial warning would be in time to save you altogether from the effects of the gas. The plan we British have found the most effective is to dip a rag in blue litmus. The moment the color begins to change to pink we know that there is gas about."

I.O.D.E. Report

DONATIONS FOR JUNE

Belgian Relief Fund

Previously Acknowledged	$1,110 00
Mrs. E. G. Sills	5 00
Dr. J. J. Farley	2 00
Dr. W. J. Gibson	2 00
Mrs. W. J. Gibson	2 00
Miss Helen Rathbun	2 00
Miss Edith Anning	2 00
Mrs. J. F. Dolan	2 00
Mrs. R. J. Graham	2 00
Mrs. F. S. Deacon	2 00
Miss B. Sills	2 00
Mrs. W. N. Perry	2 00
Mrs. H. Corby	2 00
Mrs. E. G. Porter	1 00
Mrs. James Hudgins	1 00
Mrs. H. C. Earle	100
Mrs. W. W. Boyce	1 00
Miss M. Fraleck	1 00
Miss Palen	1 00
Miss Helen Palen	1 00
Mrs. W. B. Deacon	1 00
Mrs. John Williams	1 00
Miss A. Miller	1 00
Mrs. C. B. Coughlin	1 00
Miss Sarah Richards	1 00
Mrs. C. C. Walker	1 00
Mrs. C. D. Tuck	1 00
Mrs. W. H. Lattimer	50
Mrs. E. B. Fraleck	50
Mrs. F. B. Smith	50
Mrs. Carlaw	50
Mrs. M. J. O'Callaghan	50
Mrs. W. H. Ketcheson	50
Mrs. Tom Ketcheson	50
Mrs. Thos. Ritchie	50
Miss Kate Lazier	50
Mrs. W. C. Mikel	50
Mrs. F. S. Anderson	25
Mrs. J. W. Kinnear	25
Mrs. S. Robertson	25
Miss M. Holden	25
Miss E. Panter	25
Mrs. J. W. Johnson	25
Mrs. Curtis Bogart	25
Mrs. John McKeown	25
Mrs. A. Abbott	25
Mrs. J. D. MacMillan	25
Mrs. James St. Charles	25
Mrs. E. F. Milburn	25

Prisoners of War Fund

Previously acknowledged	$761 30
Miss A. Corby	5 00
Miss Edith Anning	5 00
Mrs. E. G. Sills	5 00
Miss Mary E. Stapley	2 50
Miss B. Sills	3 00
Mrs. John Williams	1 00
Miss A. Miller	1 00
Miss Sarah Richards	1 00
Mr. C. C. Stewart	50
Miss Hilda Roberts	1 00
Mrs. A. Abbott	25
Miss Helena Lynch	25
Mrs. James St. Charles	25
Mrs. J. D. MacMillan	25

The Teaching of German

Undoubtedly King George understands and can speak the German language; undoubtedly many other prominent men in England are equally well equipped in this respect.

Some people are so extreme in their views that they will fight anything and everything bearing the label German, and carry this to the point of fighting the German language.

The Allies are not fighting a language but a system, a principle— or lack of principle.

There are young Canadians at liberty today solely because of their knowledge of the German language They were captured and were able to pose as natives.

Ten Germans know English for one Britisher who knows German, and this ignorance on our part has enabled the enemy to spy on us with practically absolute freedom.

We can be too narrow and too extreme in this matter for our own good.

The New York World has been pro-Ally all through the war, but editorially the other day it said this:

"For the moment the German tongue is in disfavor, and yet American soldiers in France who are familiar with it are as useful on that account in their contact with the enemy as are others having some acquaintance with French in their association with our gallant allies. If every American spoke French and German as well as English our great army in Europe would be vastly more powerful than it is. In many regrettable instances the teaching of German in the United States has been too closely identified with race, politics and propaganda. Divested of those qualities and made educational for Americans instead of narrowly encouraging for Germany and Germans, it is needed now more than ever.—Niagara Falls Evening Review.