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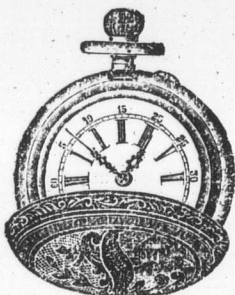
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Yours truly,
T. T. SHAW

An Old Tom

The matter of applying stamps to notes, etc., is not a new method. We had the privilege of examining a note in the possession of Mr. D. Kippen, Perth, and which had been issued 44 years ago. The face value of this note was \$2991.91, and called for 90 cents worth of stamps. It was a purely Canadian transaction between parties in Arnprior and Almonte. At this time, the stamps were applied according to the amount of face value.—*Courier.*



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Departures from Brockville

6.30 a. m. Daily except Sunday
2.40 p. m. Daily
7.30 p. m. Daily except Sunday

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NATIONAL HYMNS.

Inspiring Anthems of the Great States of Europe

SING THE PRIDE OF COUNTRY.

Patriotic Airs of Austria, Russia, France, Germany, England and Norway

The Austrian national anthem is one of the finest in existence. It was composed in 1797 by that great national composer, Haydn, who is chiefly known to concert goers by his magnificent oratorio "The Creation," in which occurs the splendid and florid chorus, "The Heavens Are Telling." The anthem was based upon an old national song, but Haydn made it a thing of beauty. It is the only national anthem composed by a musician of the foremost rank.

But the song which is sung in cities by civilians is not always, or indeed, generally, the one sung by the soldiers who have to bear the brunt of battle and siege and march. The battle song of the Austrian soldier is "Prinz Eugen der edle Ritter," which tells how the noble cavalier, Prince Eugene of Savoy, laid siege to and captured Belgrade from the Turks in 1717. It ought to be a good song for the purpose, for it was actually written in the trenches before Belgrade.

Probably the most stately national anthem is the Russian. Its very title, "God the All-Terrible," seems to strike a heroic strain. Sung by a great mass of peasant soldiers with simple fervor its effect is grand in the extreme. Played upon the great organ in the cathedral at Moscow it sounds like a prayer. Not only are the words very poetical, but the tune is forceful and haunting.

Of course the greatest of all war songs pure and simple is unquestionably "The Marseillaise." What memories it has clinging to its fervidly patriotic words! It was the song of the French revolution and did more to bring down the dynasty of the Bourbons than half a dozen army corps. It was called by the name which still is universally applied to it, because the men—and women—of Marseilles, the port of the Mediterranean, marched all the way to Paris, singing it as they went. Its first fruits were reaped a few days after their arrival, when the hated Bastille fell to its straits. It is now the national anthem of republican France.

In Germany no patriotic song has been sung with such fervor as the famous battle hymn of the Germans, "Die Wacht am Rhein" ("The Watch on the Rhine"). It was written in 1940, but remained practically unknown until the outbreak of the war with France, when it was sung by every soldier and every man, woman and child throughout the German empire. "The Watch on the Rhine" was to Germany at that time what "The Marseillaise" was to France—a soul stirring composition which made men eager to take up arms and fight for the cause which they thought was right.

England's national anthem is a Georgian product and originally opened with the words, "God bless great George, our king." It has been honored by Beethoven with seven variations for the piano, and it is introduced into his "Battle Symphony." On the whole, perhaps, the tune to which is sung "God Save the King" has probably the largest circulation of any tune in the world. Then there is "Rule, Britannia," which was composed by Dr. Arne, the English musician, who wrote several operas. "Rule, Britannia," was included in the "Masque of Alfred," a musical farce produced in 1740.

Just as the Austrian national anthem is the only one set to music by a great composer, so the Norwegian anthem is the only one whose words were written by a real poet. This was Bjornstjerne Bjornson. On one occasion he was asked when he got the greatest pleasure out of his fame as a national poet. He replied: "It was when a delegation from the Right came to my house in Christiania and smashed all my windows. Because when they had done all the damage they could and were starting home again they felt they ought to sing something. So they began to sing, 'Yes, We Love This Land of Ours.' They could do nothing else. They were obliged to sing the song of the man whom they had attacked."

Singularly enough, the country which has the best variety of patriotic anthems is the country which has had less warfare than any other, the United States of America. Her songs are fine.

The real national anthem of America is "My Country, 'Tis of Thee," and it is sung to the same tune as "God Save the King." But perhaps the real, genuine, rock bottom anthem of America, after all, is the famous "Yankee Doodle," which has the great advantage of being a real marching song, which not only helps to keep the men's spirits from flagging, but also helps to keep them in step. A band playing "Yankee Doodle" would take a regiment ten miles farther than any other tune—London Tit-Bits.

How, Indeed?

"Luke McLuke says umbrellas will last longer if you oil the joints."
"How does that keep a person from stealing the umbrellas?"—Exchange.

"All substances known attract all others by a force totally unknown—namely gravitation."

DELICIOUS ACCESSORY.

How to Use Flaming Fruits with Ice Creams and Cold Puddings.

Burning fruits, or, literally flaming fruits (des fruites flambes), as an accessory to ice cream or cold puddings are a French novelty which Canadian hostesses are adopting. There is something just a little daring in the process, which appeals to many women, and by preparing the branded fruit in a small chafing dish at table it is possible to introduce an interesting feature just at the close of the meal.

Any of the seasonable small fruits, such as red raspberries or cherries, are suited to this use, and larger fruits, peaches, plums, pears and apricots, cut in medium sized bits may be used in the same way. The fruit is covered with equal parts of brandy and kirsch, the lamp of the chafing dish lighted and the mixture stirred gently as it cooks, sugar being sprinkled in from time to time. When hot apply a match to the liquor and have the dish passed while the contents are flaming. It will be found that the hot sauce does not melt the frozen pineapple shell at the last moment. The shell of a large grapefruit holds sufficient for two portions, and the burning fruit sauce is so served at a restaurant noted for its French novelties of service.

When the burning fruit is to be served at a dinner party it is a pretty idea to have the mold of ice cream placed on a large platter with individual sponge cakes at intervals as a border. By previously removing the inside of the little cakes there will be sufficient room for a generous portion of the branded fruit, which should be flaming when brought into the dining room. Each guest takes out of the fruit filled cakes with a portion of the cream.

The same idea may be carried out with a rich and ice cold rice pudding or with a mold of Bavarian cream. When fresh fruits are not obtainable, canned or preserved fruit, drained from their juices, will answer the same purpose, and unique methods of serving will easily suggest themselves to the hostess who is searching for novelties.

Gave Orders to the King.

Shortly before the European conflict broke out the King of the Belgians, one of the most democratic European monarchs, spent a few weeks in Switzerland. At Teritet the King and Queen were motoring. His Majesty was driving, and there were no attendants. The Queen went into a shop to make some purchases.

The King was standing by the car reading a newspaper when a woman tourist came out of the shop, jumped into the car, which she mistook for a public conveyance, and bade the monarch to drive her quickly to her hotel. "Certainly, madam," said the King and deposited the woman at the hotel.

Accounts vary as to whether the King accepted or did not accept any fare. In the meanwhile the Queen had come out of the store and was surprised to find that her husband and the car were absent. However, they speedily returned, and their Majesties laughed over the incident together.

Only the "Effects."

On one of the western rivers some years ago the steamboat F. X. Thompson ran on a snag and was sunk. It settled in the water in such a way that only the initials of the name painted on the side of the boat showed above the surface. The wreck was regarded with much interest by the passengers on the next boat that went up the river. One of them, more curious than the others, hunted up the captain.

"Captain," he asked, "do you know the name of that steamboat?"
"Yes, sir," answered that officer. "That's what is left of the F. X. Thompson."
"What happened to her?"
"She seems to have sunk."
"But what do you suppose was the cause of her sinking?"
"The cause," said the captain. "I don't know, sir. All we can see is the F. X."

Saw Him.

Ebenezer Holcombe had a 1,200 pound hog which he had exhibited in a tent at the fair for three years, charging 10 cents admission.

One day a traveling man who was passing through the town in which Mr. Holcombe lived called at the house and asked if he might see the hog of which he had heard so much. Ebenezer proudly led the way to the hog house, but at the door he turned. "Cost you 10 cents," he drawled.

The visitor took a dime from his pocket, passed it to the farmer and turned back.
"Why, you ain't seen the prize hog!" called Ebenezer.
"Yes, I have," retorted the traveling man. "I've seen him," and continued his walk back to the country store.

Reply to German Savants.

British men of science and professors in all branches of learning at the universities have combined to frame a reply to the German professors who recently denounced Great Britain as the instigator of war.

Among the more striking passages are the following:
"One point we freely admit. Germany very likely would have preferred not to fight Great Britain at this moment. She would have preferred to weaken and humiliate Russia, to make Serbia a dependent of Austria, to render France innocuous, and Belgium subservient, and then, having established an overwhelming advantage, to settle accounts with Great Britain. Her grievance against us is that we did not allow her to do this."

No Danger.

The Lady—I'd buy you a nice pearl handled knife for your birthday, but I'm superstitious. I'm afraid it would cut our friendship.
The Man—Cheer up! No knife a woman buys could ever cut anything.

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Consigned by owners

Auctioneer—S. Hollingsworth

CAINTOWN

May 18—Mr and Mrs H. W. Powell of Brockville spent a few days at their old home here.

School is progressing favorably under the management of Miss Boyd of Lyn.

Miss Edna Wilcox is now visiting at B. E. Poole's.

Mr Holmes Morrow is engaged to work for J. L. Scott.

Some of the young people from here attended church in Ballycane Sunday evening.

Mr and Mrs R. R. Graham of Guelph are spending a few weeks with the latter's mother, Mrs Nancy Tennant.

Some from here went to Brockville on Tuesday to attend the Dollar Day.

Mrs M. Moore and Fred spent one day in Athens last week.

George Stride of Poole's Resort spent Sunday at Graham Bros.

Hanna—Green

A quiet wedding took place at Wal Street Methodist parsonage, Brockville, on Wednesday, May 19. Rev A. E. Rannels, B. D., performing the ceremony. The contracting parties were Miss Phoebe Irene, daughter of Mr and Mrs Geo. Green, of the Tincap, and Sherwood Ross Hanna, a prosperous young farmer of Lyn. The bride, who was suitably gowned in a tailor-made suit of navy blue, was assisted by Miss Esther Earle, of Lansdowne, while Mr Clark Slack of Lyn, supported the groom. Mr and Mrs Hanna will reside at Lyn.

PHILIPPSVILLE

Seeding of small grains is done and a number of farmers have planted their corn and some have had to replant as the cold weather has rotted it in the hill. Others are waiting but a few are planting hoping that corn weather will come soon.

Pastures and meadows are getting a great growth for this time of year and we do not remember seeing such a great growth of clover.

Fall wheat is looking fine.

Cows are giving a fine flow of milk.

Cheese is a big price and still some farmers are not satisfied because some of the things that they have to purchase are up in price too.

E. A. Whitmore has had a retaining wall built at his residence.

A. King's new barn is assuming mammoth size, three stories high.

Miss S. Dunham had one of her lovely shade trees cut down. Its disappearance has spoiled the look of the corner.

Mrs J. W. Chant, Harlem, came to visit her little grandson at her daughter's.

Wm. Chant, who had his leg broken at school, was taken very ill and for some days his life was despaired of but the doctor has hopes for his recovery.

The 24th passed off very quietly. Some of the young people visited the lakes and others spent the day enjoyably, visiting friends.

The stone crusher is in the vicinity of the village.

The road between this place and Delta is in first-class shape. The Township is having the work done.

The little son of Wm Chant asked his dad if he was going to die. "If I do dad, I want you to lick that kid, and if I get well, I'll lick him myself."

SOPERTON

May 24—Born to Mr and Mrs Geo. Gray on Sunday, May 16, 1915, a son.

Several of our young people spent Victoria Day at Jones' Falls, while others picniced at Cedar Point on Upper Beverly.

Mrs McConkey left on Friday on a visit to her daughter, Mrs Justus of Winchester.

Born—to Mr and Mrs C. E. Frye, on Thursday May 6, 1915, a son.

Mrs E. J. Sniffel is recovering from her recent critical illness.

Miss Adaline Jarvis, Athens, spent Victoria Day at her home here.

Soperton friends were shocked to learn of the death of the late Miss Fanny Berney and sympathy is extended to her bereaved sisters.

Kingston's Board of Education has launched a great campaign in the city to obtain 100,000 bandages for wounded soldiers.

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CHARLESTON

A great many attended the funeral of the late Miss Fanny Berney at Oak Leaf on Saturday.

Mr Wilfrid Yates and sister Miss Joanna, were week-end visitors at Mrs C. Slack's.

Miss Fanny Chant has gone to Brockville to spend a few weeks.

The 24th passed quietly. Quite a crowd gathered as usual while some from here spent the day at Jones' Falls.

Miss Sarah Hudson has returned from Brockville to her home here.

The Foster farm was sold by auction at Foster's hotel on Tuesday evening, R. Foster being the purchaser. The price paid was \$4500.

Miss Beatrice Hudson and Master Marcus Hudson, Brockville, are holidaying with their aunt Miss Sarah Hudson.

There are quite a number of guests at Foster's hotel at present.

Little Miss Elva Spence had her lip cut quite badly while returning from school on Tuesday by being struck with the sharp edge of a rail in the hands of one of the boys.

Mr Thomas Foster, Brockville, was a visitor here last week.

Mr and Mrs Boulton, Lillies, were week-end visitors at Geo. King's.

M. J. Kavanagh and B. Slack made a trip to Portland on Thursday.



Handy Helps for Spic and Span Homes

Of course, you are going to "Paint Up" this spring. There's the bedroom, parlor or dining room wall to be re-finished.

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