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THE SITUATION.

Not much of importance has transpired on the Western front during the past three days. The British have successfully attacked advanced positions of the enemy northwest of LaBasse, in small engagements, and straightened their line to that extent. An attempt of the foe to advance east of Ypres was stopped. Twelve hundred German "storm troops" were hurled against the American front—the biggest test they have yet had. The foe succeeded in penetrating the first line trenches and taking a village, but the Sammies came back in good style, recapturing the village, and most of the ground lost. The Belgians ejected the Boches after they had also entered some of their trenches. The third phase of the German offensive is momentarily expected, but losses already sustained with regard to some of the most seasoned troops will have an effect and so also will the fact that the supposedly all conquering German machine has not fulfilled expectations. The chances that the Germans can secure a definite decision are becoming steadily less and it is not now the game is up for them, although, of course, the tremendous struggle will yet wage back and forth for a considerable time to come.

British and German light naval forces had a small clash on Saturday in the waters off Heligoland, but after the exchange of a few shots at long range the Germans were glad enough to scurry behind the protection of their mine fields.

That is satisfactory news from Siberia with regard to the attitude towards the Allies.

A MATTER WHICH SHOULD BE PRESENTED.

Mr. W. F. Cockshutt, M.P., secured the admission in the Dominion House that an unfortunate blunder had been made in leaving off the names of Harry Cockshutt in Brant and other candidates. In the list which was published for the information of the soldier voters. He expressed the opinion that certain men had been marked for the slaughter and that is an impression which many others will also entertain.

The "Canadian Daily Record" (issued by the Canadian War Records Office to all units of the Overseas Military forces of Canada) was the publication which perpetuated the incomplete record and somebody or other was responsible for the omissions.

Where does that responsibility rest? The affected candidates have a right to know and so also have the general public.

The exercise of the franchise in all its aspects is too grave and too important a thing to permit of the slightest tampering and when a large number of voters are misled as to those in the field in Brant and other Ridings, then the affair bears a serious aspect.

There should be a full and complete enquiry and the responsibility placed where it belongs, together with adequate punishment.

THE STREET RAILWAY.

At the recent meeting of the City Council to consider the auditors' report a good deal of attention was devoted to the affairs of the Brantford Municipal Railway. One question was asked as to whether the system was on a paying basis, and another query as to whether any sum had been set aside for depreciation of plant. In reality these and other matters were fully covered by the annual report of the Commissioners issued not long ago. The figures demonstrated that there was a small deficit on the operations of the year and that nothing had been set aside for the replacement or improvement of plant. No one would for an instant go back to the old condition of affairs, and even at a loss: the system is a big and a growing asset and moreover belongs to the people. Contact which has to be faced is with eight tickets for a quarter and certain hours and six for a quarter at others, the levy per passenger has for a long time remained at a stationary figure, while the cost of carrying said passenger, in the matter of wages, material, etc., has steadily grown. The question to be met in such a regard is whether it is better to lessen the number of tickets or else have needed revenue

made up out of the general taxation rate. The whole matter is one worthy of careful and intelligent consideration and the appointment of an expert manager might also help a good deal. At present there is no such official.

A MATH EXPLODED.

Even yet there are reverberations of the claim that prior to the formation of the Union Government, Sir Robert Borden and his ministers held power by reason of the Nationalists. That is one of the excuses also advanced by the Laurierites for the condition of affairs in Quebec Toronto Saturday Night has been looking into the facts and it explodes the yarn in very efficient style.

Those who promulgate this story must have forgotten the election returns of 1911, or are very poor arithmeticians. Certainly they are giving an entirely fictitious importance to the Nationalist contribution to Sir Robert Borden's victory.

A reference to the Parliamentary Companion for 1912 shows that in the general elections of the previous September, the people of Canada elected 134 supporters of Borden and 87 supporters of Laurier, but giving the Conservative leader a majority of 47. Sir Wilfrid Laurier carried the Province of Quebec by a majority of 11, but Sir Robert Borden carried the Province of Ontario by a majority of 60. The other provinces, lumped together, gave the old Liberal chieftain a majority of 2.

It is therefore clear that Sir Robert Borden's large majority in 1911 came from the electors of Ontario, the West being at that time very inadequately represented. Laurier's followers from Quebec numbered 38, and Borden's 27, of whom not more than 20 by the widest stretch of the imagination could be described as Nationalists. Several of them indeed, not very long afterwards repudiated Nationalism; but if the whole score had elected to shift their allegiance to Sir Wilfrid Laurier at the session of 1912 they would still have left the Prime Minister with a majority of 7. So much for a widely credited political myth. The Nationalists were never strong enough even to hold the balance of power, let alone furnish a large majority.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Berlin announces that she is opening up the way to the Crimea As to the crime she did that about four years ago.

The Hun has been pausing in order to try the game again, but the sign will still be maintained of "No thoroughfare."

Instead of turning that war garden over in your mind, just turn over some of the sod.

They have had another earthquake shock in Frisco, and Quebec is still overdue for another kind of shaking up, with regard to military service.

PARIS YOUNG LADY WAS GIVEN SHOWER

Miss Willett Anderson Honored in View of Approaching Marriage

(From our own correspondent.)
Paris, April 22.—A very pleasant event took place last Friday evening at the home of Miss Willett Anderson, Franklin St., when some thirty or more of her friends gathered and showered the popular young bride-to-be with a number of pretty and useful gifts, mingled with sincere good wishes. Needless to say a most enjoyable time was spent in the merry gathering breaking up with the singing of Auld Lang Syne.

The service in the James' Church yesterday morning by Mr. Fielding and in the evening by Rev. Mr. Mills, both of Brantford. Rev. Mr. Adams has been confined to the Rectory for the past week, but is on the mend now. The wedding is announced of Miss Helen M. Purcell and Mr. Archie MacDonald, Rev. Father Cassidy officiating.

The Council at a special meeting struck the tax rate at 34 mills, the same as last year. Payable on or before July 2nd. Messrs. Lawton, Elphinstone and Thompson were named as assessment commissioners to act jointly with Assessor Tate in the valuation of property to be made this summer.

On Friday Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Mitchell and daughters, the Misses Lillian and Olive, moved to their new home in Brantford. The family will be much missed in Paris, always taking an active part in church work and patriotic causes. They carry with them the best wishes of the community for success and happiness in their new home.

Brockville Town Council plans to cultivate land owned by the municipality and raise a crop of spuds. Cornwall boasts of new cars on its street railway of the pay-as-you-enter, operated by one man type.

John P. Mallory, for seven years Street Commissioner at Stratford, has tendered his resignation.

The National Council of Women urged the establishment of a Federal Bureau of Public Health.

ANNUAL MEETING OF PARIS LADIES' AID

Women of Methodist Church Elected Officials—Other Paris News

From Our Own Correspondent.
Paris, April 22.—The Armistage residence on Jane street, at present occupied by Rev. Mr. Adamson, has been purchased by Mr. G. W. MacFarlane, and the Miss Gamble property near the subway, has changed hands. Mr. G. Chapin, Brantford T.P., having purchased the same and will move to town shortly.

On Thursday evening a most enjoyable time was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Lilley, Walnut st., it being the 25th or silver anniversary of their wedding. They were remembered with gifts and best wishes.

Word was received in town on Saturday of the death in Detroit of Mr. Thos. Tate, former Paris boy. The remains will be brought here for interment, but funeral arrangements have not yet been announced. The family and other relatives in town will have the sympathy of the community in their sad bereavement.

The first annual meeting of the Young Women's Christian Association was not well attended as the work and merits of the institution warranted and the lack of interest shown by the citizens in not attending is to be regretted. A long felt want in this town. Quite a large number of citizens, it is true, as we understand, are honorary members, and as such support the same, but their presence at the annual meeting would have been encouraging and helpful to the Board and management. The president, Mrs. I. Bonner, was in charge of the meeting and presented a very comprehensive report of the year's work.

The by-laws of the association provide for the annual meeting to be held in April, so that the fiscal year ended on March 31st. As the building was opened in November last the report only covered five months. The board of 18 women was elected in July, 1917, and the formal opening took place on November 8th last. By the end of January every room in the association was occupied and has since remained so, there being accommodation for 35 persons. The first few months showed a deficit, but some time now current expenses were being met. The price fixed for board was \$4.50 up. The other expenses of some \$1,200, among them being borne by the Penman Company. As is known, the Penman Company gave the building as long as same was used as a Y.W.C.A., and for the first year making no charge for interest, insurance or taxes. A campaign held in September last toward furnishing the building netted \$2,237.70. Those women who contributed \$100 or more were given the privilege of voting and at the present time there were some 400 on the roll.

Every attention had been given to confining the efforts at the first to the home welfare and comfort of the young women living there. Several social evenings had been held at which outside members were invited, and a small sum has been set apart to continue same. Classes of physical culture were also formed, which were free to members. As funds were not available for purchase of a piano, one was rented and several Young People's Societies in town gave a number of entertainments and a silver collection taken up defrayed expense of same. The Paris Musical Club also gave a concert, the proceeds of which, \$60, was placed toward the piano fund.

Thanks were also extended to the citizens for the generous book shower, to the merchants for their assistance in furnishing supplies. In closing, a report pointed out the splendid field there was in Paris for the success of the association.

In the absence of the treasurer, Mrs. C. B. Robinson, the report was presented by Mrs. Emerson, which was considered satisfactory.

The report of the general secretary, Miss Deuch, who was unavoidably absent through illness, was read by Miss Young and gave a complete outline of the good work being done by the association, and of the appreciation shown toward same by the young women there.

On motion the reports were adopted.

The following ladies will comprise the board: Mesdames Bonner, Emerson, Lovett, Harold, Howell, Clump, Davidson, Dunn, Robinson, Danton, Rehder, Appa, Brooks, Clement and the Misses Young, Tate, Craig and James.

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ANNUAL MEETING OF PARIS Y.W.C.A.

Successful Year for the New Institution—New Directors

OTHER NEWS OF PARIS

Paris, April 20.—(From Our Own Correspondent.)—The annual meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist Church was held last Wednesday afternoon, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—Mrs. Geo. Sudden.
First Vice-President—Mrs. H. Rehder.
Second Vice-President—Mrs. J. Harrison.

Secretary—Mrs. A. C. Lee.
Assistant Secretary—Mrs. Ward.
Treasurer—Miss M. Kay.
Planist—Mrs. Clement.
Assistant Planist—Mrs. H. Rehder.

Parsonage Committee—Mesdames Rehder, Danton, Wall and Clement with the president.

Executive Committee—Officers elected and Mesdames Wall and Snell.

It was decided to hold a membership contest, Mrs. Rehder and Mrs. Finlay being the respective captives, the contest to run for an indefinite period, when it is hoped that a goodly number will be added to the membership roll.

Paris Branch of the Red Cross Societies, acknowledging the following Whitney concert, \$20; "Billy," \$2; Mrs. Kelly, a quilt; Lend-a-Hand Club of Paris Plains, quilt and pillow cases; Excelsior Girls' Class of Presbyterian Church, 25 personal property bags.

Word has been received in town that Corp. Wilfrid Martin has been awarded the Military Medal. His brother, Vernon Martin, resides here and Wilfrid visited in town.

The evangelistic services held in the Agricultural Building by Rev. Mr. Johnston are awakening interest and being largely attended. He is assisted by Rev. Swartzburg and Miss Ditzell, also Mrs. Johnston.

The cottage prayer meetings in the mornings at different parts of the town are becoming very popular.

The home of Miss Kittie Brookbank, Burwell street, was the scene of an interesting event the other evening, when Mrs. (Rev.) Armstrong, who is shortly leaving with her husband for Ottawa, was entertained by the ladies of the Congregational Church, who during the evening presented her with a purse of gold, accompanied with an appropriately worded address. Mrs. Armstrong had ably filled the position of president of the Ladies' Aid Society for the past four years, and in a substantial manner the esteem in which she was held, as also to wish the family God speed in their new field of labor. During the evening a musical program was rendered and before separating light refreshments served.

Margaret Garrett's Husband

By JANE PHELPS

MARRIAGE DEMANDS ADJUSTMENT.

Chapter XXXV.
About two o'clock the telephone rang.

"Are you going to John's with me to-night, Margaret?" Bob asked. "Certainly not," I thought. "You understood that this morning?" "I wish you would go, Margaret," there was a wistful tone in his voice, unusual for him. "I shall not go. You know how I feel about going with those people and I can't see why you persist in asking me."

"Very well. Don't expect me to dinner. I'll dine with John so long as you refuse to spend the evening with us," and before I could voice a protest the click of the receiver told me he had hung up.

I was stunned. Not for a moment had I really believed he would go without me if I refused to accept Mr. Kendall's invitation. On one or two occasions when they had spent the evening together at John's and I do rooms I had not been invited. But I considered it an insult that after I had declined, Bob should accept.

I turned from the telephone, my cheeks burning like fire. I was too angry to cry, and paced the floor while I wondered what I could do to compel him to come home and remain with me.

He's afraid to come home, to dinner for fear I shall persuade him to remain with me," came the thought like a ray of sunshine. I would call him up any night about the evening, just tell him I couldn't surely expect him to dinner, then keep him with me.

Does it seem strange that I can thus bare my secret thoughts to the world? Do you who, read, stop to think that when a woman tells the story of her life, it is mostly a story of feeling, of emotion, that we as a sex are creatures of emotion; and that too often we spoil our lives because we allow our thoughts to dwell on the non-essentials of life, instead of being big enough to grasp what makes for happiness and true living; and forget all else.

That I believe is one of man's

Rippling Rhymes

I've lived to see this planet stained red with wasted sore; and men with hearts of granite shed blood and call for more; I've lived to see my neighbor, with whom I used to labor, take up the sword and saber, and quit the peaceful chore. I've lived to see the nations rough-housing everywhere, dispensing tribulations, and death and gloom and care; here, in more quiet places, I've lived to see man's faces inscribed with lasting traces of sorrow and despair. I hope to keep on living, though life be a mistake, to see the Prussian giving a pledge he cannot break; a blood-sealed pledge assuring a peace that is enduring, a peace that may be curing the ills from which we ache. I hope to put off croaking until the world is free from cannon heat and smoking, from sword and snicker-snack; I'd see the kings disarming with smiles serene and charming, their captains put to farming;—then let a shroud on me. I hope to be existing until no feast advance along the rivers twisting across the plains of France; I crave this life-dead-rotted hill Ludendorff is potted and Hindenburg is swatted and Wilhelm's name is Panee.

CRISIS COMMENT.
There are hundreds of years of traditional courage now being used to hold that British line.—Detroit Free Press.

An Otsego farmer was given a coat of feathers by a cat that he finds it difficult to grow about it.—Fort Huron Times-Herald.

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