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SATURDAY MORNING, FEB. 19.

Mothers, Sons and Husbands

Recruiting has been fairly satisfactory in Toronto in the last few weeks. It is to be remembered, of course, that earnest effort has been expended in trying to persuade men to do their duty. This necessity has been a disappointment. Formerly we lived in the belief that the loyalty and patriotism of all British subjects was such that they would spring to arms the moment the opportunity was offered. That belief was the basis of our voluntary system. It was the basis of our non-militant and non-militarist social fabric. It was the basis of our belief that "Britons never, never shall be slaves."

There are so many Britons nowadays indifferent as to whether they would be slaves or not, that it is necessary to inspire them with the ideals which make freemen, and fire their hearts and stiffen their backs against the time when slavery is suggested as their portion. It seems to be a dreadful irony that British subjects, born under the flag that braved a thousand years, educated in the little schoolhouse, or the big one as it may happen, and brought up under the impression that bravery and courage, not to mention heroism, were the most distinguishing characteristics of the British people, have to be dragged out of their apathy and made to understand that life and liberty is the courage to hold these things cheap in the service of the nation.

Of the eight or more regiments lately authorized about half of them have received their quota of men. There is need for earnest consideration on the part of all the people of the city what they can do to encourage enlistment. The men of Toronto have a great responsibility. The older women have a direct responsibility and the younger women have an indirect responsibility. Many women are making cowards of their husbands and sons, and degrading the race to which they belong in the process.

The coward's blood in any man or woman in Canada is alien blood, pro-German blood, and this should be thoroughly understood. He that is not for us in this fight is against us. It seems hard to stigmatize a man as a coward, or a woman as the mother of cowards, but unless the fact is faced, seriously and comprehensively, those who trifle with their duty in this matter will never understand what a disgrace attaches to them.

People are polite enough to refrain from saying what they think, but the words and the deeds of the cowardly and the words that are being said behind their backs. And the worst of it is that most of these people are not really cowardly. If they could understand their duty they would do it. If they once got enlisted these men who hang back would probably be as brave as any in the ranks. Courage is a matter of company and example as much as of anything. The man who shivers and shakes over the prospect of a battlefield would, after a course of drilling and training, make as good a soldier as anyone. The mother who wishes her son to be a milkop, if she could only be sensible and let him do his duty, would be prouder than ever she was in her life of having brought a man into the world.

King Peter

Nothing in his varied career has shown him so creditably as the interview which King Peter of Serbia has given from the little island of Euboea, where, temporarily kingless, but not crownless, he has taken refuge.

He is satisfied that the allies did all that they could to save Serbia, and he has no reproaches that they did not come sooner. "They were not organized for war, nor ruled over by soldiers," he remarked, recognizing that civilization cannot be made an engine of war, and that it is inherent in liberty to act slowly and clumsily.

He has a necessary message to America which the people of the United States, and especially some of their politicians, need to take heed of. The war, he declares, is "the supreme, the last effort of feudalism, a fight to a

finish between the feudalism of yesterday and the freedom of tomorrow."

Germany's Hopes and Fears

An interesting summary of the current files of German papers received in London at the end of eighteen months of warfare in The British Weekly last to hand indicates the sources of comfort open to the subjects of the kaiser, and also the causes for anxiety on their part. It is wise to understand the interior attitude of our enemies, and no doubt much of our apathy is due to the fact that we do not fully appreciate the strong reasons the Germans have for complacency over the results of the war so far.

Our chief satisfaction lies in the future, and it is necessary that we should do all that we possibly can to realize the possibilities of the future in our own behalf. To sit motionless and allow the opportunities to slip away, to refuse to enrol ourselves in the army to refuse to do our full duty with what funds we may have at our disposal, means that the war must be prolonged indefinitely, and that we must suffer more and more by its prolongation until we awaken to the necessities of the case. The longer we wait and the more we shrink the heavier will be the burden we shall eventually have to bear.

Sir William Robertson-Nicolais finds half a dozen points out of which the Germans extract comfort for themselves. The first is the Dardanelles failure. Captain Persius says that this tragedy stands unparalleled in the history of war. This will unquestionably be the verdict of history. There is no palliating it. The less we have to say about it the better.

Next to this is the encouragement which the labor men in England are affording to the German people. Strikes and short-outputting, shirking and slackness generally, are the contributions of the British people to the German cause, and undoubtedly the Germans are thankful for such help. In opposing the compulsory service bill, Rev. Dr. Clifford has done much to inspire the enemies of British liberty to continue their battle against what most of us regard as civilization. Better German victory than British victory won by compulsory service, is the view taken by the venerable preacher and his followers.

To this it has been aptly retorted that the Empire of Germany and the Empire of Britain are two entirely different things. Anyone who cannot see this, and see it clearly and keep hold of it amid all controversy, may as well be counted among our alien enemies. To fight for Britain on any terms is a different thing from fighting for Germany on any terms. The labor idea is to cut off a man's head to cure his toothache. The Germans are immensely pleased with the idea.

The Germans are encouraged by the reports they are given about Russia, but the government with all its censorship will find it difficult to explain away the fall of Brerum. Russia is by no means so weak as the Germans have been comforted in thinking. Another source of satisfaction to the Germans is the immense territories which have been occupied by the German troops. Nearly all Belgium, and the vast provinces of France, Poland and Courland, Serbia and Montenegro, are all under the eagle, and the kaiser writes "to my heroic Serbian people!"

Social life in Germany and Austria has been more lively this winter than last, and the people appear to be confident. Nor is there any doubt, says the editor of The British Weekly, that the German Gold and civilian alike derive consolation from their religion. The appeals of the kaiser to the Almighty Father which sound blasphemous to us, are not so regarded by his subjects. They believe that the God of battles has been with them in their campaigns, and their uninvaded country is a testimony to them of His care and blessing.

It is difficult to gather the data for an account of the German reasons for discouragement on account of the censorship. There are some things which the government has been unable to conceal. It is impossible to ignore the fact that no headway has been made in the effort to divide the allies. France, Russia and Britain are closer than ever, and Japan and Italy have joined with them and cannot be moved. The Germans had quite mistaken the character and resources of Britain. The impotency of their navy cuts them deeply and they rage against the British fleets, but in vain. The food problem worries them. The harvest having been a poor one, probably owing to lack of nitrates and shortness of labor. The prevalence of crime, including atrocious murders, in Germany has been very marked.

Underneath all this there is the fear in the hearts of the people that the war lords have been too ambitious, have in our colloquialism, bitten off more than they can chew. They made war, but they cannot make peace. The desire for peace is nowhere so deep and ardent as it is in the dominions

"I COULD HAVE BETTER SPARED A BETTER MAN."

King Henry IV, Part I, Act V, Sc. IV.



of the kaiser. We should accept the omen and make war with a better heart than ever and summon every available man to the ranks with the call of freedom. There can be no victory till every man takes his place and does his part.

CLAIM IS ENTERED FOR ALLEGED LIBEL

T. A. Russell Opens Action to Recover Hundred Thousand From Newspaper.

POINT OF LAW SETTLED

Granddaughter Made Beneficiary in Will of Jacob Baeder by Court.

An action was entered yesterday at Osgoode Hall by T. A. Russell of the Russell Motor Car Co. against John Ross Robertson to recover \$100,000 for alleged libel in The Evening Telegram. The matter of complaint was in connection with some war contracts.

An old point of law was determined by the second appellate division in the matter of the estate of J. Baeder and the Chosen Friends. In 1890 Jacob Baeder of Guelph became a member of the Chosen Friends, a fraternal society, and obtained a beneficiary certificate for \$200, payable equally to his three children. In 1909 he went to reside in New York and he made his will in that city on Jan. 25 of last year, giving the benefit of the insurance to a granddaughter, Caroline Wagner.

The question then arose as to whether it was effective to change the beneficiary, and the case was brought before Mr. Justice Middleton, who referred it to the appellate division. This court yesterday handed down judgment that the granddaughter is entitled to the money. The proceeds of the policy had already been paid into court by the society.

Dismissed Appeal. The second appellate court dismissed the appeal of Mrs. Sitkoff from the decision of the trial judge who non-suited her in action against The Toronto Railway Company to recover damages for the death of her husband. The case has been before the courts for some time and it has been suggested that there was no end to the evidence, but in the judgment given out it would appear that not enough evidence was adduced. This man was struck by a car, falling on the fender, and was then pushed along some distance, but exactly what distance could not be determined.

Mr. Justice Maestri says that the plaintiff fails in not showing at precisely what time the man was killed, whether it was (1) when the car struck him, (2) during the time within which the car might have been stopped, or

A Line o' Cheer Each Day o' the Year

By John Kendrick Bangs.

AS TO QUESTIONS.
(Copyright, 1916).
WHEN it comes down to questions strange by which our minds are tasked I never bother over those that no one ever asked.

(3) between that time and the time when the car was stopped.

Almost a month ago before Mrs. L. Wallace of Windsor discovered that when she fell on the sidewalk in that small house in her leg. She then immediately served notice of action against the city and Mr. Justice Middleton decided that the damages should be assessed at \$600 but he dismissed the action on the ground that under the statutes in the case of an urban municipality notice of action must be given within seven days. This decision is upheld in a judgment given by the appellate division which states, however, that the fall was the cause of the accident.

Recently Chief Justice Falconbridge made an order staying until the end of the war the action of the Will P. White Company against the T. Eaton Company to recover \$164,815, which they claim is due for a bill of goods. Yesterday Chancellor Boyd allowed the plaintiff company leave to appeal. They took over the business of Dietrichhoff, Rafter Company in May last, but maintain that no business has been transacted with the company since the war started. The T. Eaton firm declare their willingness to pay the bill, but are anxious not to do anything contrary to the dealing with alien enemies.

The appellate division upheld the appeal of a protective association in which Samuel J. Martin, a commercial traveler, of Kemptville, was insured, against the decision of the county court of Carleton, who allowed the traveler \$550 for the loss of his hand. Martin boarded a train to reach his home at Smith's Falls about a year ago and on the train not stopping at that point, he jumped off while it was traveling about ten miles an hour, with the result that he slipped and his hand was taken off at the wrist by one of the wheels. Although expressing sympathy for the man the court pointed out that people should not take such unnecessary risks.

The first appellate court list for Monday is Fry v. Spence (two cases), Greenwood v. Ray, Gooch v. Toronto Railway, McLaughlin v. Mallory, Beattie v. Beattie.

NIAGARA ARRIVES.
S.S. "Niagara" arrived Sydney, Feb. 11, 1916, from Vancouver, B.C.

SIMPSON BEFRIENDED

ROBLIN GOVERNMENT

He Advanced Money When Road Appropriations Were Exceeded.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 18.—How Dr. R. M. Simpson, now under arrest in England, charged with conspiracy in connection with the parliament building frauds, financed the Roblin government to the tune of \$4,000 when it exceeded its appropriation for road work in 1914, was told to the committee on public accounts today by H. A. Bowman, deputy-minister of public works.

IS HE DOWNHEARTED? NO!

Special to The Toronto World.
KINGSTON, Ont., Feb. 18.—The strain of life in the trenches has changed the color of the hair of William Milne's hair from red to white, says a letter received today.

MORE CANADIANS GET PROMOTED IN FRANCE

Lieut.-Col. Nasmith of Medicals Goes to France—Other Changes Gazetted.

Canadian Associated Press Cable.

LONDON, Feb. 17.—Lieut.-Col. Nasmith, of the Canadian Medicals has gone to France; Lieut.-Col. H. Johnson has been posted at the Canadian Convalescent Hospital at Buxton; Captain Craighton, of the 23rd Reserve, has been transferred to the 60th Battalion at Bramshott; Major J. V. Spencer has been promoted lieutenant-colonel in the Army Service Corps; Captain E. Williams, of the first divisional train, has returned from France for duty at Shorncliffe.

Lieutenants Franklin, Medicals; Smillie, Army Service; Davies, 43rd; Diamond, 7th; Shillington, Army Medicals, have been promoted captains. Sergeant-Major Case, of the Medicals, has been promoted lieutenant-quarter-master and posted with the 8th Field Ambulance. Sergeant-Major Quinney, 27th Regiment, has been promoted lieutenant of the 32nd Reserve. Sergeant Birdseye, of the 3rd Reserve, has become lieutenant of the 12th Reserve. Private Lewis of the Patriotes has been made lieutenant in the 11th Reserve. Private Peters, of the 24th, has been promoted lieutenant in the 30th Reserve. A. E. Ternan, lieutenant in the Army Service Training Corps, has been promoted lieutenant. Lieutenant McManus has been promoted adjutant of the 39th. Sergeant Hague, Engineers, has been promoted lieutenant.

VOLUNTEER CORPS SUCCESSFUL

The Women's Volunteer Corps' knitting circle made \$25 on their auto-graph quilt, one square of which was bought and autographed by Harry Lauder's company.

WILL WE EVER WALK ON AIR?

Train of Thought Inspired by a Letter About "Fruit-a-tives."



MR. D. McLEAN.

Ottawa, Ont., Nov. 28th, 1914.
"For over two years I was troubled with Constipation, Drowsiness, Lack of Appetite and Headaches. I tried several medicines, but got no results, and my Headaches became more severe. One day I saw your sign which read 'Fruit-a-tives' make you feel like walking on air.' This appealed to me, so I decided to try a box. In a very short time I began to feel better, and now I feel fine. Now I have a good appetite, sleep ever thing I eat, and the Headaches are gone entirely. I cannot say too much for 'Fruit-a-tives,' and recommend this pleasant fruit medicine to all my friends." DAN McLEAN.
"Fruit-a-tives" is daily proving its priceless value in relieving cases of Stomach, Liver and Kidney Troubles, Gen. Weakness, and Skin Diseases. 50c a box, 6 for \$2.50, trial size 25c. At all dealers or sent postpaid by Fruit-a-tives, Limited, Ottawa.

MOTOR CAR STRUCK DURING SNOWSTORM

A. R. Nisbet and His Chauffeur, Alex. Cooper, Seriously Injured in Accident.

A. R. Nisbet, of the firm of Nisbet and Auld, Wellington street, and his chauffeur, Alex. Cooper, of Thornhill, were seriously injured about 8 o'clock yesterday morning, when their motor car was struck by a northbound Metropolitan car during a blinding snowstorm. The two men were unconscious when picked up, and the motor car was smashed almost to kindling.

They had just emerged from the private road which leads to Mr. Nisbet's home at Thornhill and were just crossing a bridge when the car ran into them. Owing to the density of the storm neither motor man nor chauffeur was able to see the other. The injured men were taken from the wreckage of the car and conveyed to Mr. Nisbet's home, Dr. Stenhouse of Bloor street, and Dr. Johns of Thornhill, were called and rendered medical assistance. Both men recovered consciousness later.

Mrs. V. Lee of Dunvegan road, Mr. Nisbet's daughter, was sent for, and is now with her father.

Mr. Nisbet has several broken ribs and a gash on the head, while the chauffeur is internally injured.

MADE RAID ON HOUSE

RUTHERFORD ARRESTED

Charge is That He Kept a Common Betting Place, and Ships Were Found.

Cecil Rutherford, alias Benson, 553 West Bloor street, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Sergeant McKinnon and Morality Officer Kerr on a charge of keeping a common betting house at the above address.

The place in which Rutherford conducted his business was on the top floor of an apartment house. Many betting slips were found in the place, and a search of Rutherford's person revealed the sum of \$125.

MERGE FOUR BRANCHES INTO ONE DEPARTMENT

Probable Shake-Up Coming in Queen's Park Before Long.

MORE REORGANIZATION

Boiler Inspection to Be More Thorough and Under New Expert.

Departmental shake-ups at Queen's Park have been rather frequent within the past few months, and now there comes from the government an intimation of still more reorganization. The labor bureau, stationary engineers' department, boiler inspection branch and factory inspection will probably soon be welded into a distinct department in the name of which the new department will be called, under the direction of Hon. Finlay Macdonald, minister of public works.

A couple of deaths recently from defective boilers has aroused in the department of inspection a demand for thorough inspection each year. As legislation stands at present concerns may be p. the same old boiler in use for years so long as they do not attempt to, without having outside inspection.

Adequate Inspection. The inspection department only recently laid down the government the necessity of providing adequate inspection. This will probably be part of the work of the new department. Part of the changes in the administration of the labor bureau are also contemplated.

The new head, it is said, must be a practical man from both engineering and commercial standpoints, and will be brought in from outside. The usual four of foreign countries in search of information will be extended to him, so that it will probably be a year before the new department will be a reality under the direction of the expert.

SIX MONTHS GIVEN TWO WHILE THIRD GOES FREE

Sisters Sentenced for Theft From an Employer—Case Result of a Quarrel.

Emily, Elsie and Myrtle Saint, three sisters, came up before Col. Denison in the police court yesterday on a charge of stealing china and silverware from the home of William Fountain, where Emily was formerly employed as a domestic, and were sentenced to six months in the Mercer Reformatory. Emily recently escaped from the reformatory, but the police, learning that she had been trying to lead a good life, had not recognized her.

Exposure of the theft was due to a quarrel between the sisters and Myrtle in consideration of the evidence she had given, was remanded till called upon.

SEE NIAGARA FALLS IN WINTER

ICE BRIDGE NOW IN FULL FORMATION.

The Toronto Bowling Club is running an excursion to Niagara Falls and Buffalo, Saturday, Feb. 19th, leaving Toronto 8:10 a.m. via Grand Trunk Railway. Do not miss this opportunity of visiting Niagara in winter. It has been well said that those who have viewed Niagara only in summer have but half seen it.

Return fare to Niagara Falls, Ont., \$2.25, and Buffalo \$2.70. Tickets are valid returning on all regular trains up to and including Monday, Feb. 21st.

Secure tickets at City Office, northwest-corner King and Yonge Streets, or Union Station ticket office.

WON SHOOTING CONTEST.

The winner of the spoon for January in the monthly competition of the Women's Rifle Corps, was Mrs. George Gouinlock. The highest scores were: Mrs. A. Adams, 77; Mrs. B. Smith, 77; Mrs. Peter Balin, 76; Mrs. R. R. Hart, 75; Miss Edwards, 72; Miss D. Bailey, 72; Mrs. R. Lee, 71; Miss McKee, 71; Mrs. A. Wright, 70; Miss Irene Smith, 64; Mrs. Geo. Gouinlock, 52; Mrs. M. Taylor, 50.

HORSE KILLED BY CAR.

Eastbound on Danforth avenue, a civic car struck a horse going south on Woodhurst avenue yesterday morning and killed it. The name of the driver of the horse was not obtained.

A Brew for every taste: Special Extra Mild Ale—Pilsener Lager—Special Extra Mild Stout—Old Stock Ale, and every brew the best of its kind, pure and healthful.

Why not have a case of each and suit the taste of all your friends?

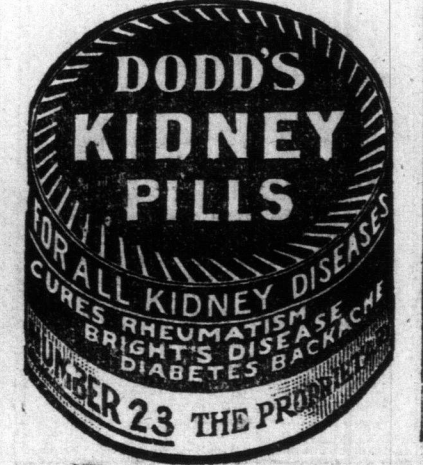
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A Special Cleanse-to-Wear Winter LADIES' SUITS. As we require the wearing garments, we require the cleanest, all our garments go through a special process. There are no stains, no dirt, no marks, no signs of wear. The quality of the fabric is of the best, and the color is of the latest fashion. The price is from \$5.00 to \$10.00. LADIES' BLACK. Splendid variety of styles, all the latest fashions. Fine select to choose from, at a special price. Full assortment of new fashions at \$5.00 to \$10.00. LADIES' BLACK. Good assortment of styles, all the latest fashions. Fine select to choose from, at a special price. Full assortment of new fashions at \$5.00 to \$10.00. LADIES' BLACK. Good assortment of styles, all the latest fashions. Fine select to choose from, at a special price. Full assortment of new fashions at \$5.00 to \$10.00.

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