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THE SITUATION.

The carrying by the British forces of the famous Vimy ridge is an event of first importance. Back of said ridge lie the French coal fields which the enemy has held to his great advantage since the commencement of the war, and many unavailing efforts have been made to encompass that which has now been so splendidly accomplished.

The triumph of this offensive looks like the beginning of a titanic struggle, which may decide the issue. It is true that the Germans are still strong on man power, but not of the all round calibre of the troops with which they first started.

In the States enthusiasm for the war continues to grow and New York State alone is talking of raising six million dollars as an addition to whatever else may be done in the matter of funds.

THE FOOD SHORTAGE.

There is no man better posted upon food supplies than G. C. Creelman, for many years head of the Ontario Agricultural College and now Provincial Commissioner of Agriculture.

During a recent interview he pointed out that because of the war the peoples of ten countries are on short rations and six other nations are on the verge of starvation.

The taking of so much man power for fighting purposes has rendered that much less aid on the land, and in countries like the States and Canada (apart altogether in the case of the Dominion from those who have come to the front) there is the circumstance that many farm workers have flocked to munition plants.

THE ATTITUDE OF THE GERMAN IN THE STATES.

This paper has previously expressed the opinion that Uncle Sam, now that he has entered the war against Germany, would not be likely to have concerted trouble with the Teutons in the States for the reason that all of their interests are centred there and they certainly have nothing to look for from Germany.

In this regard United States papers are featuring a letter written by C. Kotzenabe, a German resident of Chicago. The communication was first sent to the Tribune of that city and it seems to be regarded as in the main typifying Teuton feeling across the border.

Whether it is right or not, pleasant or not, the fact remains that the interests of the two countries have frequently conflicted. And it has not been from mere commercial or diplomatic friction. It is because their ideals of government are absolutely opposite. One or the other must go down. It is for us to say now which it shall be.

Because of my birth and feelings beyond my control I have no particular love for the French and less for the British. But by a strange irony of fate I see those nations giving their blood for principles which I hold dear, against the wrong principles of people I individually love.

It is a very unhappy paradox, but one I cannot escape. I do not want to see the allies triumph over the land of my birth. But I do very much want to see the triumph of the ideas they fight for.

Let us make war upon Germany, not from revenge, nor to uphold hair-splitting quibbles of international law. But let us make war with our whole heart and with all our strength because Germany worships one God and we another and because the lion and the lamb cannot lie down together. One or the other must perish.

Let us make war upon Germany of the Junkerthum, the Germany of frightfulness, the Germany of arrogance and selfishness. And let us swear not to make peace until the Imperial German Government is the Imperial German People.

NOTES AND COMMENT.

The Courier heartily congratulates Ald. Harp upon his victory in Ward 3. This not alone because he had the support of this paper, but also for the reason that he proved himself to be an excellent representative last year and doubtless will do the same again.

The addition of a Harp ought to add to the harmony of the City Council whereas the choice of his opponent would have added to the Hurly burly.

Uncle Sam with his coat off is a far more inspiring spectacle than the same gent under the bar.

The amusing Toronto Globe has it figured up that the Liberals did all the work at the session of the Ontario Legislature recently closed and that "the outstanding feature was the leading part taken by Mr. Rowell in virtually devising and dictating the course of legislation."

The Globe evidently thinks that the most effective place for the Liberals is in Opposition. That's a good thing for it is where they are going to stay.

Hats off once more to the Johnny Canucks.

Sir Robert Borden cannot be back from the Old Land in time for the re-opening of the Dominion House on April 19th. As to that he is doing much more effective Empire work where he is than listening to the diatribes of the Carvell gang.

Hogs have again advanced in price. They must realize by this time that they are well named.

The Huns have claimed their recent withdrawals on the Western front as dictated by strategic reasons. They cannot make any such assertion with reference to the Viny region. They let go there in the first round because they had to.

ALDERMANIC FIGHT

Resulted in the Election of Mr. Harp He Polled a Substantial Majority

The Aldermanic bye-election in Ward 3 passed off yesterday very quietly, although friends of both candidates worked hard. The greatest difficulty was experienced by both in getting out the vote, and the total number of ballots cast was not large.

The outcome was as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Candidate Name and Votes. Harp: 50, Hurley: 35, Div. 12: 50, Div. 13: 45, Div. 14: 42, Div. 15: 42, Div. 16: 50.

Majority for Harp, 32. The successful candidate has been the recipient of hearty congratulations from his many friends.

Mr. Earl Myers, Richardson St., left yesterday for Toronto where he will resume his position with the Hydro Commission.

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Annual Vestry Meetings Were Held Last Evening

Anglican Churches of City Shown to Be in a Flourishing Condition as Regards Finances and Membership Alike

The Annual Meeting of the Vestry and Congregation of Grace Church was held in the Sunday School room last night.

There was a large attendance. The Rector Presided. The report of the Select Vestry together with the financial statement and the estimates for the ensuing year were received and adopted unanimously. The following clauses are taken from the report:

Retired Rector The Vestry desires to place on record its high appreciation of the services of Ven. Archdeacon MacKenzie, D. C. L., who has now retired. Coming to Grace Church in 1879 he has given over thirty-seven years service as Rector. Beloved by all who knew him, esteemed for his work's sake not only in the Parish but throughout the Church in the Diocese and Province his name is always associated with the faithfulness and devotion as a priest of the Church and love and service as a father-in-God to the Parish.

The good wishes and prayers of the whole congregation go with him in his retirement that, for him as for her who has been his constant and devoted companion and wife it may be light at evening tide.

The Rev. Charles Paterson-Smyth, having accepted the appointment of Vicar of St. Philips, Toronto, left the congregation on the 31st inst. The Vestry desires to record his earnestness and devotion while Assistant Curate of this church for three years, especially in his work among the children and wishes for his success in his new field of labour.

The Select Vestry congratulates the Vestry and Congregation on the appointment of J. B. Fotheringham, M.A., as Rector of Grace Church. The Rector may feel assured at all times he may depend upon the hearty support of the congregation in any work he may undertake to promote the interests of the Church.

Organist and Choir The leading of the worship of the congregation in a dignified and devotional manner is a matter of great importance to the church. The Vestry desires to record its appreciation of the continued faithful service of the Organist and Choir Master, Mr. J. G. Ginn, and the members of the Choir. The Vestry would assure them not only of their interest in everything undertaken by them but of their wholehearted support.

Musical Committee The Select Vestry recommends that a Musical Committee be appointed to co-operate with the Rector and Organist in the rendering of the musical part of the church's services, the Committee to be composed of four members, one to be appointed by the Rector, one by the Vestry, one by the Choir and one by the Organist.

Bell Ringing During the last year the Bells have been rung regularly before each service of the church. Norman Andrews has rendered faithful and efficient service as Bell Ringer, and to the vestry seeks to tender the thanks of the church and congregation.

Memorial of Soldiers. The services of those who have enlisted in the Canadian Expeditionary Force in Brantford and Brant County, should be recognized in a fitting manner. It is suggested that the names of all volunteers be recorded in a special book to be provided for this purpose and that the book be of such a kind that it will remain as a permanent record, amongst the documents of the Parish, of those who went forward to ushers—A. K. Bunnell (Conventor), and the Sidesmen.

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Officers. The following are the officers and committees appointed for the ensuing year: Church Wardens—F. W. Frank, F. J. Bishop, Brantford and Brant County, should be recognized in a fitting manner. It is suggested that the names of all volunteers be recorded in a special book to be provided for this purpose and that the book be of such a kind that it will remain as a permanent record, amongst the documents of the Parish, of those who went forward to ushers—A. K. Bunnell (Conventor), and the Sidesmen.

Philosophy is not much good unless it helps you saw your wood with patience, year by year; unless it teaches you to bear the weary load of workday care without a sigh or tear. Philosophers of high renown at divers times have handed down a lot of heavy books; but on their dusty pages the tired man seldom looks. Most all the sages who inscribe their wisdom for the human tribe are not in touch with men; at heavy tasks, they have not wrought; at ease they write their sense of thought in a sequestered

VESTRY MEETING HELD IN PARIS

Many Members of St. James' Church Now Overseas

OTHER NEWS OF PARIS Regular Meeting of Next of Kin Association

(From our own Correspondent) Paris, April 10.—There was a well attended vestry meeting at St. James Church last evening, when one considers that the members of the church in the present great war, and have answered the call of duty, and are now serving. Delegates to Synod, Mr. G. W. Featherstone, People's Warden, Mr. Harold Brown, Vestry Clerk, Mr. F. P. Blackhurst, Sidesmen, Messrs. R. Hutcheon, James Sugden, Arthur White, Robt. Tomblin, T. C. Mann; Auditors, Messrs. E. Pitts and James Smiley; Sexton, Thomas Muirhead. Delegates to Synod, Messrs. St. Stroud and E. Pitts; Alternates, Messrs. James Smiley and Arthur White.

The many friends of Miss "Betty" Brown will regret to learn that she was taken suddenly ill with appendicitis late on Saturday evening. On Sunday morning she was operated on at the Brantford Hospital and at the time of writing is doing as well as could be expected.

There was a good attendance at the "Y" last evening, when the Next of Kin Association held their regular meeting. The president, Mrs. Paul Wickson, was in the chair, and after the minutes were read and all business transacted, an illustrated lecture was given, showing many views of the world's war, and the hospitals and sanatoriums for the benefit of our soldiers. An excellent musical programme was also given and all reported having spent a very pleasant evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John A. McKay have returned to Toronto, after spending the past week in town, having been called home through the death of the former's mother.

Miss Jean Logie, of Moulton College, Toronto, is spending the Easter holidays with her father, Dr. Logie, who is in the hospital at Fort Huron, on holiday with relatives in town.

The Misses Kernish, of Ferguson, are renewing old acquaintances in town.

Miss King has returned to her home at Hamilton, after a pleasant holiday spent with friends here.

Mr. Trenwith; Organist, Mrs. R. Ballantyne; S. S. Supt., Mr. F. Morrison.

After the business of the evening had been concluded, the rector spoke his appreciation of all the work St. John's had been doing, especially within his own knowledge. One thing was evident, namely, that the people are as one family in their church work. The church is home-like and loyal, and the duties they have assumed for future action will be as faithfully carried out as at ways in the past. The different societies of the church deserve all praise for their part and the officials have done well. The retiring Warden, Mr. Trenwith, was also the recipient of many kind words from all present, the ladies of the congregation were officially congratulated by the rector and wardens for the many and important services given to the welfare of St. John's. Special mention by the wardens was made for the valuable assistance given by the Lay Readers, Mr. Trenwith and Morrison, and for Mrs. T. Ballantyne for her faithful years of attending to the altar. Her work has been noticed and appreciated by all the congregation, and it has always been well done. Special mention was also made of the assistance given by the Union duty of Mrs. R. Ballantyne, who has been for some time, and is now, the organist.

The condition of affairs on the whole is such that the people of St. John's, can congratulate themselves, and face the work of the coming year with confidence.

The vestry meeting of St. James church is to be held this evening.

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Brantford Thrift League It is rumored that Prof. Adam Shortt may go to British Columbia to take charge of the reformed Civil Service there, and that he will be succeeded as chairman of the Dominion Civil Service Board by Hon. Dr. Roche. The Greek Royalist press, fully alive to the importance of the appearance of two of the chief Venizelist journals in Athens has abandoned in violent and threatening attitudes.

LOCAL IS BRIGADE MAJOR Mrs. Terence Jones states that appointment her son has received carries the rank of Major and are plying their trade of sergeants on the river and canal.

CONTRACT SECURED Another large out-of-town tract has been secured by the P. Second & Sons Company of this city in competition with other firms, from as far east as Montreal they have been selected to erect new office building in Dundas and John Bertram and Sons Company. The estimated cost of the construction is \$9,000.

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