

Personal & General

Dean Shreve has left for a month's vacation in the New England States.

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The Bishop of Ontario and Mrs. Mills left Kingston early in this week for Old Orchard Beach, Mass., where they expect to spend some weeks.

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The Bishop of Toronto and Mrs. Sweeny left on Monday last for a month's vacation which they are going to spend on the Island of Orleans, P.Q.

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The Very Rev. Dr. Llwyd, Dean of Nova Scotia, who has been spending some time in the diocese of Algoma, on a visit to his mother, was the guest of Sir Henry Pellatt, Toronto, last week.

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According to a recent statement made by Mr. McKenna, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, the British Government are spending at the rate of £80,000,000 a year at the present time on pensions and allowances, and this amount is increasing weekly.

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Upon direct call by cable, Lady Willison, of Toronto, has consented to receive Canadian contributions for the most needy cases of widows and orphans of seamen lost in the North Sea victory; \$244 has already been sent. Official receipts are issued for all gifts.

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Miss Chalmundely, formerly Superintendent of Spadina Lodge, Toronto, has gone to India to resume the practice of her profession as a trained nurse, in one of the military hospitals there. Miss Warde, of Peterborough, has been appointed superintendent in her stead.

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Miss Mary Pinkham, daughter of the Bishop of Calgary, and honorary secretary of the Provincial Branch of the Red Cross for Alberta, has been made by His Majesty the King an honorary associate of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem, for her energy and efficiency in the work of the Red Cross.

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It is officially announced that the corner-stone of the new Parliament Buildings at Ottawa will be laid by H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught on September 1st next. This date was fixed by the Parliamentary Reconstruction Committee owing to the fact that it was on September 1st, 1860, that the corner-stone of the old building was laid by the late King Edward VII.

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His Majesty the King, by warrant under the Royal Sign-Manual, has been pleased to grant unto the Right Reverend William Charles White, D.D., Bishop of Honan, permission and authority to wear the Insignia of the Third Class of the Order of the Excellent Cross, which decoration was conferred upon him by the late President of the Republic of China in recognition of valuable services rendered by him.

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During the term of his Governor-Generalship the Duke of Connaught has taken deep interest in the welfare-work carried on for the men of the Royal Navy and merchant service. A signed photograph of His Royal Highness has just been sent to Rev. Alfred Hall, Senior Chaplain, to be placed in the headquarters office of the Canadian National Council of the British and Foreign Sailors Society, where it will be treasured.

The Rev. F. J. Lynch, the incumbent of the Church of the Advent, Toronto, has received word from Ottawa that his son, Corporal Allan Francis Lynch, was admitted into the Second Eastern General Hospital, Brighton, on July 29th, with gunshot wounds in the shoulder. Corporal Lynch enlisted with the machine gun section of the 19th Battalion, and went overseas with the second contingent. He has been eleven months in Belgium.

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Amongst those officers who have been killed lately in France is Major Frederick Christian Heneker, who was serving in the Imperial forces. He was the third son of the late Mr. R. W. Heneker, of Sherbrooke, P.Q., and he was a graduate of Bishop's College, Lennoxville, P.Q. Later on he attended the Royal Military College, at Kingston, leaving there in 1894. When he met with his death, the deceased officer was serving with the 5th (Northumberland) Fusiliers.

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A British Army Chaplain, who returned from France, told of stopping at a wayside shrine in Flanders, where Belgian soldiers, kneeling in prayer, were following the chant of their priest until the father started the Paternoster. At the words: "As we forgive those who trespass against us," there was silence. Not a man replied. The priest hesitated and started again. Suddenly a steady voice rang out from the back, clearly intoning the words that pledge one to forgive his enemies. It was the voice of Albert, King of the Belgians. His soldiers then repeated after him, word for word.

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Bishop Montgomery, Secretary of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, England, paid the following whole-hearted tribute to the late Dr. R. Wardlaw Thompson, of the London Missionary Society: "Among those outside our communion he was, for me, among a select band of some ten or twelve for whom one felt a special reverence as well as affection. Surely his was a beautiful nature, noble as well as true. One felt that our differences had no effect whatever upon us on either side. Calm, judicious, a statesman and a gentleman—I find all these terms come to my lips; and through it all a sense that I was thus privileged to know one of the truest disciples of the Lord that ever lived."

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The 50th anniversary of the opening of Dr. Barnardo's Homes, was celebrated with great enthusiasm at Barkingside, Essex, England, lately, when a large crowd of visitors were present. At the annual meeting the Bishop of Chelmsford was the principal speaker. No less than 7,000 of the Old Boys from the Homes are at present serving their King and Empire. Of this number, between 3,000 and 4,000 returned to England from Canada in defence of the Motherland.

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The Church Army is doing a splendid work for the soldiers at the front. It maintains in the north of France a large war hospital working under St. John Ambulance Association and the French Red Cross. It has some fifty motor ambulances at the front, kitchen cars, recreation rooms, canteens, and homes for refugees. Besides these it has large numbers of recreation huts and tents in England, Malta and Egypt for the use of the troops. Its work has been endorsed by both the Archbishops of Canterbury and York and by the Chaplain-General of the British Army. The Canadian Agent is Mr. H. W. Hewett, 136 Bracondale Avenue, Toronto.

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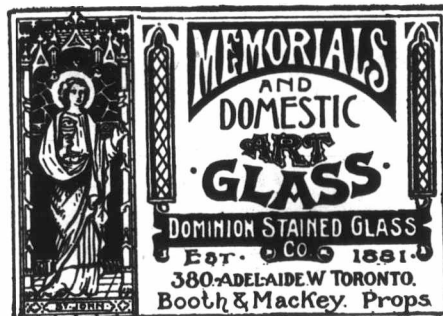
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