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THURSDAY MORNING, FEB. 24.

Production of Food

Mr. C. C. James, C.M.G., made a fine speech at the annual luncheon of the National Exhibition directorate, and his wise words should have equal attention to those of last year. The need is even more urgent. He preluded his remarks with a tribute to the farm boys of the country, who were doing to the Germans taking these trenches, their duty, he said, and would do it. They would serve their country by re- be held, or at least not any longer than maining at home, perhaps, but as their country calls them they will go.

Production of food was Dr. James' underestimate of the necessity. This important statement from Dr. James, who is the greatest agricultural ceive the most earnest attention. There have been statements to the effect that the farmers will not be so keen to produce large crops this year as last, not only on account of prices, but for lack of labor. This need was recognized both by Hon. James Duff and greater today for food, and we are handicapped by the demand for men at the front.

Germany had been organized in agriculture as in all other things. A commission of eighteen outstanding when we have equaled France in men that had the matter in charge. The at the front, the war will be drawing the horse breeders, said he was not satisfied with the way the horse question had been dealt with so far as at the front, the war will be drawing to a close. Every man who hangs back is doing his best to prolong the war. He should get this into his nead and informed what they should eat. It was not till a year later that Great Britain began to take up this necessary work.

She had been slow, but she was thore.

The front, the war will be drawing to a close. Every man who hangs back is doing his best to prolong the war. He should get every dollar a horse is should get every dollar a horse is worth. He said. He believed more horses would be required in the west as well as at the front.

Henry Glendenning of Manilla, Ont, said the question of help was important to dairy farmers and that the as the organization of the army exemplified. There were at least a million at the front, and two million ready to go, and another million about to get into uniform. Three hot meals a day had to be prepared for all these men. They had to come from somewhere.

and they never failed to come. The war would cost Canada five hundred millions, and in that sense the war would last fifty years. The great strain on the British Empire would come the day after peace was declared. But if the war were to stop tostronger than when the war began. Her flocks and her herds were greater. Her acreage under the plow was greater. Dr. James thought that Canada should emulate this, and rival it as far as possible. He hoped that the Exhibition authorities would encourage agriculture by means of the prize list or in any other practicable way.

Whatever can be done to let the farmers of Canada hear this message of Dr. James ought to be done. Hel speaks for the nation and speaks was heard. with a complete sense of his responsibility in the matter. The shortage of labor alone makes it necessary that every nerve should be strained to increase the output thus restricted, and to increase it to the utntost. A great deal might be done by organization to employ labor for this taking such

purpose. There is still a large amount of labor unutilized in the country. There are many men physically unfit for the trenches who might distinguish themselves in a hay field, or with a spade or hoe. There is a large amount of idle muscle in the cities which would be all the better for a summer holiday on the farm. If this labor was organized in a semi-military fashion it might be possible to replace much of the expert labor that has been taken from the rural districts with help which would not be expert, but which might serve, and which would improve with practice. A city man cannot get his muscles into the swing of country life in a day, nor in a week, perhaps, but in two or three weeks his strength returns upon him, and his appetite develops and before he knows it, he has

become a real man. There is room for some practical man to take up the idea of a farm brigade for agricultural purposes. In Germany it would be compulsory. In Canada it should be a matter of good will and pleasure, and there should be no hanging back. A man may be constitutionally afraid of going into battle. Nothing but laziness can make him afraid of the farm

The Williamson Dickensiana We understand that the great collection of Dickens relics and literature, MICHIE & CO., LIMITED the most complete of its kind, it is

The Toronto World said, on the American continent, which was made by the late Mr. E. S. Williamson, founder and president of the Dickens Fellowship of this city, is likely to be sold and possibly dispersed. The loving and enthusiastic care which Mr. Williamson spent upon this collection renders the collection to lovers of Dickens of as great value as the intrinsic worth of the varied and interesting items gives it, but it is the intrinsic value which will finally determine its fate.

American millionaires are not concerned at present about the war, where their own dilletante interests or their reputation as connoisseurs are concerned. No doubt the collectors will be on the look out for this famous memorial of the greatest literary man of Great Britain's nineteenth century. At the time of Mr. Williamson's death we hoped that the collection would come into the possession of the city, and we trust that it may still be available for the people of the community in which Mr. Williamson built it up. If it be at all possible for the city, or the public library, to secure the collection, an effort should be made to do so. It is probable that those most nearly concerned would be glad to see Mr. Williamson's collection remaining here, and no doubt they would meet any endeavor on the part of the public authorities to bring about such a desirable arrangement.

Prolonging the War

Too much weight need not be laid upon the gains said to have been made by the Germans upon the French trenches in the Verdun region. In the face of Erzerum it was absolutely necessary for the German army to do something to encourage the people at home. It has been a costly business and it is probable that they will not the French think desirable.

There is a point where the wastage of men becomes unprofitable. The obimportant message. All that he had ject all along of the French command said last year, he declared, was an has been to wear away the German forces with as little expenditure of force as may be. No doubt the policy has been followed at Verdun as elseauthority in the country, should re- where. The German losses, unless all accounts are utterly astray, are irreplaceable. The allied forces are still growing in strength and numbers. The French lines may not be so well supported as the British, but it is clear that the British are taking over more of the French front, thus permitting by Dr. James. The need is all the the French to thicken the men in their

tary work in France and Flanders.

Hon. Col. Noel Marshall Was Elected President of Board Yesterday.

OPTIMISTIC OF FUTURE

morrow British agriculture would be Demands Upon Canada This Year for Produce Will Be Greater Than Ever.

> Federation year with the Canadian National Exhibition Association go. away to a good start at the annual necting held yesterday in the city hall the agriculturists are letting their when all the directors were returned to office by acclamation. The meeting resolved itself into a "love feast," as nothing but praise for all concerned

Joseph Oliver, retiring president, was clected chairman, and after a few re-marks on the success of last year's exhibition, asked Mayor Church to welcome the members. A right royal welcome it was, his worship eulogizing

the work of the past few years and especially that of last year.

He was glad to see the directors taking such keen interest in military matters and helping as they are in recruiting.

James Duff, minister of agriculture, who has been ill, received a hearty welcome, and when called upon to speak said he was expressing the opinion of all when he said the people were gratified with last years, exhibition, even the the country at war. All were delighted with the way the business was carried on as usual. He predicted a shortage of labor on the farms, "due to the boys enlisting," but with a good season all

would be well. Mould be well.

Annual Report.

In presenting the annual report, which was approved unanimously, Mr. Oliver said the directors had no idea that they would have as good a year as last year, but because all were optimistic the results had been very cretifying. To be able to results and the content of the co gratifying. "To be able to give \$45,000 to the city and help the battulions made us feel very proud," he said.

In seconding the adoption In seconding the adoption of the re-port, Noel Marshall said he regretted the absence thru illness of Manager

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SHOWING HIM THE DOOR



Dr. Orr, who had meant so much to the success of the Exhibition. He be-lieved all who had done anything to help were pleased with the results. William McNeill of London, who represented the poultry exhibitors, said there was nothing like the "old indus-

William Barber, also of the poultry section, said he considered the Toronto Industrial the best in the world.

A vote of thanks to the president and directors was moved and passed

R. S. Gourlay asked for better venthe French to thicken the men in their own trenches.

This is an additional reason why our enlistments should be kept up. We are only doing a small part of the mili-fair.

portant to dairy farmers, and that the future in this regard did not look Tom Manton predicted that the flower exhibitors would try to have .

better show this year than they had last.

J. F. Mackay, speaking for the press, said that so long as the Exhibition proved as worthy of support as it has in the past few years it would

get it.

The meeting adjourned for luncheon at the St. Charles Hotel. Thanked Directors.

Following the luncheon Gen. Logic thanked the directors for the use of the buildings at the Exhibition, and said it would have been impossible to carry out the scheme of training in Toronto without them. He said Mayor Church was no less diligent in the care of the soldiers, and that if it were left to the men they would have no other mayor of Toronto. The sacrifices being made by the people of the cities were not comparable to those under hy were not comparable to those made by the farmers, and the general spoke

men go to the war.

C. C. James recalled the fact that a year ago he said the demand for foodstuffs would be heavy and believed now that it would be greater than ever. "The farmers believe that it is not the time to suggest that their sons stay frome. They are song the recommendations." sons stay frome. They are going to en-list until someone else says 'stay home,'" he said. There was no class he admired more than the agriculturists, who, knowing they are needed at bome, insist on going to the battle line.

German Thoroness. One of the wonderful things of the war, in his opinion, was the way German Government commission got to work immediately on the outbreak and told the farmers what was wanted, what to produce, as well as con-trolling the food supplies of the citias. While England was behind at the time the war started, she has made greater strides and has organized her re-sources to an amazing degree. There is more acreage under cultivation, and there are more cattle in England now than there ever were before.

They in Canada must prepare now to meet the \$500,000,000 debt. In conclusion an inevitable increase in the cost of living was predicted. At a subsequent meeting of the board Hon. Col. Noel Marshall was elected president for the ensuing year. Hon. Col. Joseph Oliver was elected hon-crary president. George Booth was elected first vice-president, and T. A. Russell. second vice-president. The elected first vice-president, and Russell, second vice-president. The following were elected to the execution of the compatities: Trustee C. A. B. tive committee: Trustee C. A. B. Brown, W. K. George, Robert Fleming, Mayor Church, Ald. McBride, W. K. McNaught and J. G. Kent.

HOUSE MUST BE MOVED OR OWNER MUST PAY

Court Orders Removal of Well, House and Fence From Land.

Judge Winchester in the county our esterony gave judgment order- the flo ing Samuel Cooper to remove his well, house and fence off the property of James G. Gray within three months or nay Gray \$300 for the land. Cooper was not represented at the trial, but in his statement of claim he stated that his well and house on the Elleen ave, property was immovable.

The floor."

Mrs. Simmons is 33 years of age, and her husband follows the races for a living. He is in Havana at present. Baltimore on Jan. 1 of this year "for a good time."

No Proof of Fight Yet.

A Line o' Cheer Each Day o' the Year

accidental death, foul play or violence,

Investigation of Tomlinson's move

Co., none of the car crews have reported an acceptant on that night.

Inquest Adjourned.

Coroner Dr. Winnett opened an in-

quest at the morgue at noon yesterday and after taking evidence of the iden-tification of the body and the evidence of Dr. East, who made the post-mos-

is still a mystery, but the cause given by Dr. East is shock, but what caused the shock is not known. The organs

the contents of the stomach are being sent to the provincial analyst, and the report is expected at the next hearing. Twelve witnesses are to be called, among them being Hing Hin, Tomilinson's servant.

Mayor Church.

"If the bill goes thru we may as well give up the hydro-radial scheme,"

The real cause

By John Kendrick Bangs. A SAVING GRACE.

(Copyright, 1916) WHATE'ER your couse, be W honest in't-In active deed, in speech, or print: And even if you're wrong there'll

Some laurel for your honesty.

of the body were healthy and there were no internal injuries. There was were no internal injuries. There was no sign of disease, no bones were broken, and there was no injury to the head. There were slight cuts over the eye, nose and elbow, and a scar on the chest which might be an abrasion or caused by the application of a hot water bottle there. None of the injuries was sufficient to cause death.

The contents of the stomach are being sent to the provincial analyst, and Woman Lodger in King Edward Apartments Tells a Remarkable Story.

MET HIM BY CHANCE

Dead Man Later Spent Night Her Apartment and Was Delirious From Injuries.

DEPUTATION MAY PUT Mrs. Mabel Simmons of Room 36 King Edward Apartments, tells a STOP TO RAILWAY BILL strange story concerning the death of Thomas Tomlinson, iron founder, who May as Well Give Up Radial died in the Western Hospital Tuesday Scheme If it Succeeds," Says afternoon, from wounds in the abdomen, head and arm. "I first became acquainted with Mr Mayor Church was in his usual place

Tomlinson about two weeks ago," she said. "I was on my way home one night, and had just reached Wilton at the city hall yesterday, having re-turned from Ottawa, where a civic deputation endeavored to prevent the putting thru of the St. Catharines, Hamilton and Toronto Railway bill. Nothing was done, however, as, at the request of R. G. Code, representative of the provincial government, the bill in question was laid over until next week, when the representatives of the city will have to go to Ottawa. avenue and Jarvis street, when a sleigh stopped opposite me, from which man descended. He was well dressed and prosperous and somewhat intoxi-cated. He spoke to me, and I answered him. We became more intimate and went up to my flat to chat. When he was leaving, he promised to call again some other day. He did so, and of the city will have to go to Ottawa: again. The mayor was satisfied, howwas again intoxicated Raved All Night. ever, that the appearance of the large deputation would have some weight in preventing the bill getting thru the

"i heard nothing further of him till Sunday night. I was just about to re-tire when I heard a knock at my door. I asked who was there, and he answered 'Tomlinson.' I let him in. He was apparently intoxicated and in a dis-hevered condition. He told me that he lived in the building, but I paid no at-tention to his statement. He com-menced to undress. I asked him what he intended doing, and he said he would stay for the night. As he was so hopelessly drunk, I did not bother with him. He finally undressed and ti.rew himself on the bed. It was then I noticed that something was wrong with him. His face was yellow blood was oozing from his mouth and nose. I asked what had happened to him, and he said he had fallen from a street car. I bathed his face, but he did not improve, and I spent a hor-rible night with him, listening to his ravings."

On Monday morning Tomlinson had not recovered, and Mrs. Simmons became alarmed. She attempted to lift ham from the bed, but was not strong enough, and he slid to the floor. She then decided to get a doctor.
"I called up a number of doctors,

who, however, lived in various parts of the city. They told me to get one who lived nearer. It was getting dark who lived nearer. It was getting dark when I remembered what Mr. Tomilinson had said about living in the building. In his pockets I found papers which confirmed this. I immediately telephoned his room, and was answered by someone in a foreign tengue, who apparently did not understand me. So I went to his room and found a Chinese boy, his servant. Together we returned to my room and gether we returned to my room and gave Mr. Tomlinson food, which he ste. But he was unable to pull himself together sufficiently to rise from

No Proof of Fight Yet.

OF EFFORT TO COERCE

ence in Saskatchewan's Affairs Alleged.

MANITOBA INVOLVED?

Political Saw-Off is Alleged to Declared Stenographer Have Been Attempted.

REGINA, Feb. 23.—The most dramatic point in the drama which for the past twelve days has been staged in the Saskatchewan Legislature was reached last night, when Hon. J. A. Calder, minister of railways, said that the criminal assizes yesterday after the criminal assizes calder, minister of railways, said that a few months ago he was approached by Hon. Robert Rogers, whose purpose was to induce him to use his influence to call off investigations which were being conducted in Manitoba into the administration of the Roblin N. F. Davidson, K.C., and by the with the criminal assizes yesterday after noon. All three of the defence law yers subjected him to a severe cross-examination which was repeatedly objected to by the Crown Prosecutor, N. F. Davidson, K.C., and by the with the criminal assizes yesterday after noon.

mence to call off investigations which were being conducted in Manitoba into the administration of the Roblin Government. The statement created a sensation.

D. J. Wylie, Maple Creek, Conservative, frequently essayed to interrupt Mr. Calder, but the house each time called "Order!" and "Sit down!". Mr. Goodman denied that Gordon Mc-Cutcheon had relied on him for legal advice. He declared that the man had never acted confidentially with him. Goodman that outside party for having revealed so far that the province had been robbed of \$50,000.

Mr. Calder warned the house that he was going to indulge in plain speaking. He said, in part: "Today we are witnessing for the first time in ten years the strong arm of federal interference in the work of this house, (Applause.) The opposition is the tool used by that strong arm. This is a political plot we are up against. It was hatched in Ottawa, conceived in injusty. The unreasonable position with the matter is part of the plot. They have stood in complete contempt for the authority of this, house, and have played their part in the plot well."

"Within the course of the last four months I have had occasion to meet Mr. Rogers several times. He asked to see me—there are others who know that and Mr. Rogers cannot deny it. He knew that I had swarp the strong arm that and Mr. Rogers cannot deny it. He declared that the man had never acted confidentially with him. Goodman said the syndicates that have passed under our motice McCutcheon had relied on him for legal advice. He declared that the man had never acted confidentially with him. Goodman said the syndicates that have passed under our motice McCutcheon read from a letter which he was accuracy of the stenographer Coached.

The witness again challenged the accuracy of the stenographer had been coached by Gordon McCutcheon regarding what she should take down. He then found fault with a stenographer had been coached by Gordon McCutcheon regarding what she should take down. He then found fault with a stenographer had been coached

accidental ceath, fold play or violence, said Inspector of Detectives Kennedy yesterday. "So far we cannot tell. I have examined several people who attended Tomlinson at his apartments, but nothing so far shows that he had been in an altercation."

Investigation of Tomlinson's move-**Within the course of the last four months I have had occasion to meet to see me—there are others who know that and Mr. Rogers cannot deny it. He knew that I had some influence with leading Liberals in Manitoba and knew I was well acquainted with leading public men in politics there. His purpose in approaching me was to induce me to use my influence to call off the investigations which were being conducted there.

Witness' copy of the report it was ascertained that the word "diaries' had been inserted in pencil and Mr. Justice Middleton then took exception to the witness' evidence in this regard.

The discrepancy of \$10,000 in the figures covering the sale of a number of lots from Council Crest, Limited, to Council Crest Investors was then taken up and Mr. Goodman declared that a member of his staff had first brought it to his notice. He admitted adopting the agreement. Investigation of Tomlinson's movements Sunday showed that he had hired several conveyances and had tone around town, calling at several hotels and apartments. Inspector Kennedy says he knows where Tomlinson's Chinese servant is, but that he could throw no light on the affair.

No Accident Reported.

According to Chief Claims Agent James Forrest of the Toronto Railway Co., none of the car crews have report-

"He intimated strongly that he had, or would have, at his disposal means to carry out that object. That was the manner in which I was threatened, and the government threatened. There was only one answer I could and did give that insofar as Saskatchewan was concerned, the Liberal party would hew to the line no matter where the chips might fall. Another factor has also been at work When the late. chips might fall. Another factor has also been at work. When the legislature abolished bars in the province all the liquor men solemnly vowed that very day that they would stop at nothing to destroy the Scott government. There are two forces behind the whole scheme, there can be no denials."

D. J. Wylie, Conservative member for Maple Creek, denied that any plot of the nature suggested was hatched of the nature suggested was in Ottawa.

WILLS PROBATED

The will of Frank Giles, the Yonge street grocer, who died January 5, at 28 Hazelton avenue, disposes of an estate worth \$77,135. Bequests of \$100 are made to the Hospital for Sick Children, the Hospital for Incurables and the Free Hospital for Consumptives. The widow Mrs. Fanic Giles and the Free Hospital for Consumptives. The widow, Mrs. Fanie Giles, receives \$10,000, the household effects and a life interest in the Hazelton avenue residence. The remainder of the estate is divided among relatives and employes.

John Love, Kingston farmer, who

died leaving an estate of \$6,549 by his will, names sixteen heirs of the estate, all of whom are brothers, sisters and cousins.

The estate of Isaac Read, who died in Montreal, is valued at \$18,513.

After providing a legacy of \$1,000 for his mother Mrs. Elizabeth Rattenburg, and \$500 each for his sisters, Minnie, Elizabeth, Hattie and Kate, Minnie, Elizabeth the remainder of his the testator left the remainder of his the testator left the remainder of his property to his daughter, Amy, of Westmount, to be paid when she becomes of age.

said the mayor, who thought that the federal government had no right to for Ottawa by interfere in the matter of what were Electric Comm

CALDER ACCUSED ROGERS "GORDON M'CUTCHEON ROGUE AND SWINDLER"

Strong Arm of Federal Interfer- How A. R. Goodman Described Accused's Actions in Several Syndicates.

CHALLENGED REPORTS

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a brief cross-examination was made by A. J. Russell Snow, K.C., regarding moneys paid Goodman by the Mc-Cutcheons for his services.

F. C. Pickford, the western representative of Saturday Night, was called, and his evidence concerned some sentative of Saturday Night, was called, and his evidence concerned some of the properties in Alberta and Saskatchewan. This stage of the trial was marked by countless objections by the defence. Another flare up came a few minutes later when a number of thotographs of the Mayfair property at Edmenton were produced by the witness, put in by the crown and then shown to the jury. Then one of the defence counsel enquired if Pickford had taken the photographs and he replied "No."

"Enough to make the whole trial abortive," was one of the statements hurled at the crown by I. F. Hellmuth, K.C., and H. H. Dewart concluded by a trusted your good faith: saying, "We trusted your good faith; it's a Januable piece of business, and we will never trust you again." The court ruled that as the photographs were in they would have to stay in. N. L. Martin, the assignee of the McCutcheon affairs, had only been called a few minutes when the court ad-

HYDRO APPOINTMENT

D. Ross Will Be Commissioner Under Provincial Government.

P. D. Ross, editor of The Ottawa Journal, was appointed commissioner for Ottawa by the Ontario Hydro-

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