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THE WAR NEWS

Last night's cables express the hope that the autumn storms will check the German advance in the east. Let us hope we shall presently arrive at a condition of affairs when the weather will not have to win our victories for us.

On the western front there is no change. Whatever the British and French may have been preparing to do in the matter of an advance movement still remains undone.

The military correspondent of the London Times very sharply criticizes the British conduct of the war from the beginning. The military strike has caused much uneasiness in England. There is said to be a split in the cabinet on the question of conscription.

The most careful reading of the news does not lend encouragement to the hope for speedy success by the Allies. It is a long, hard and costly struggle with another winter in the trenches. The winter will give the Allies time to mobilize their men and materials, and prepare for the campaign of next spring and summer. There is still no satisfactory news from the Balkans, and operations in the Dardanelles have not yet produced anything like the desired result. The wearing down process must be depended on all along the line, and the assurance of final victory lies in the ability of the Allies to keep up the pressure the longest, because of their great superiority in men and resources upon which to draw continually until the enemy is overwhelmed.

THE FEDERAL ELECTIONS

The Standard intimates this morning that when Sir Robert Borden returns the government will make a proposition to Sir Wilfrid Laurier relative to the political situation and the elections. All that Sir Robert needs to do is to announce that there will be no elections till after the war. If the elections are held before the war is over, the people will understand that the government is afraid to wait, and regards its own safety as of greater importance than the safety of the Empire. Its term does not expire for more than a year, and there is no need of discussing the matter at all, but for the fear of the government that the longer it waits the worse its defeat will be. Sir Wilfrid Laurier made a fair and statesmanlike proposal to Sir Robert Borden, but the latter has not replied, either one way or the other. If he or the Standard thinks that the government can jockey the Liberals into giving it an extended lease of power after the war is over, without an appeal to the people, they are greatly mistaken. Canada's present duty is to prosecute the war, with the least possible partisan discussion. After the war the people will want an opportunity to express their views on certain matters of home government which have been brought to their attention by Royal Commissions and in other ways. The Standard appears to think that the fate of Canada depends upon the continuance of the Borden government in power. That view is not shared by the majority of the people. An arrangement satisfactory to both political parties should be made, however, along the lines suggested by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and it is up to Sir Robert Borden, if he is a patriotic statesman, to take the initiative.

LAST WEEK'S CONVENTION

The convention of the Union of New Brunswick Municipalities last week was notable for the attention given to subjects relating to social welfare. The Union declared itself in favor of schools for industrial training, and of evening schools for technical workers. Prof. Sexton's address on this subject was a fitting introduction to the discussion, and the example of Nova Scotia is an inspiration to New Brunswick. Dr. Melvin's recommendations, that the province be divided into a relatively small number of health districts, with a health officer for each, and a provincial health officer at the head, with proper provision for an accurate registration of vital statistics and a co-ordination of public health work in all parts of the province appealed so strongly to the Union that the matter was referred to a special committee, from which we may expect a comprehensive and valuable report at next year's convention, even if no more definite action should be taken in the meantime. The existing conditions in regard to public health matters, and especially the registration of vital statistics, are not creditable to the province, which is far behind other provinces in this respect.

Dr. Mullin's paper on medical inspection in the schools might well have been followed by a resolution of the Union strongly urging the universal adoption of the system, but there was not time for full discussion, and it may have been felt that a further campaign of education is needed before a satisfactory response can be hoped for. When the people realize how greatly even small physical defects, which could easily be remedied when taken in time, interfere with the mental development and training of children, they will not merely assent to but insist upon medical inspection, which is also of the greatest value.

in preventing the spread of communicable diseases through the medium of the schools.

The Union adopted resolutions favoring the appointment of a provincial superintendent of neglected and dependent children, so necessary in connection with the administration of the Children's Protection Act. They have such an officer in Nova Scotia, and his annual report is a human document of absorbing interest. They have had such an official in Ontario for many years, and the name of Mr. J. J. Kelso is known from one end of Canada to the other. They have also in Ontario a department which has the care of feeble-minded children. Nova Scotia is likely soon to have proper provision for the care of these unfortunate, who, if not cared for, will certainly increase the burdens laid upon the community at large.

The Union also endorsed the industrial or prison farm for that class of adult delinquents which crowds the jails, or which, evading actual arrest, should, in the public interest, and the interest of the families concerned, be compelled to mend its ways or go to the industrial farm. In connection with the treatment of delinquents, not guilty of serious crimes, the Union also expressed approval of the indeterminate sentence, which holds the penalty over the head of the culprit and places a continuous premium on good conduct.

All these matters concern the welfare of the municipality, and are proper subjects of discussion along with those relating to roads, taxes, water supply, fire protection, sanitation and others which generally take up most of the time at such conventions as that of last week in Fredericton. Some members contended there were too many papers, but the truth was that the hospitable people of Fredericton provided too many pleasant excursions for the limited time at the disposal of the Union.

The Italians continue to make steady if slow progress against the Austrians. Today's cables tell of important successes.

In American parlance "the con has come down." Germany is reported to be ready to punish the submarine commander who sank the Arabic. Hereafter the submarines will do less damage, for they will be afraid of hitting the wrong ship. But what of the Lusitanian? President Wilson will surely make a delivery of German relative to that crime also.

How far-flung is St. John's participation in the war is instanced in letters to Commissioners H. R. McLellan from his son, who is with the British fighting force in Africa. Two very interesting letters from him, published today, give an insight into the nature of the combat there. St. John friends will regret, with himself, that he is temporarily off the firing line, and will hope for his speedy restoration to full strength.

Commissioner Chandler declines to investigate charges concerning the patriotic potatoes and intimates that he is about to retire from the office of commissioner. Who will take his place? Will the government appoint another commissioner or refuse to permit an investigation? The correspondence between Mr. E. S. Carter and Commissioner Chandler, published today, makes interesting reading.

RED CROSS NOTES

The international committee of the Red Cross at Geneva publishes an order issued from the German War Office with reference to the correspondence of prisoners of war interned in Germany. Prisoners are to be allowed to write two letters a month, not exceeding four pages and six pages of ordinary size in the case of soldiers and officers respectively. In addition one post card a week is allowed. Exceptions to the rule are permitted in the case of family affairs or urgent private business. Prisoners are required to impress on their families the desirability of not writing too often, of restricting the length of their letters, and of writing clearly and legibly.

Inquiries with regard to wounded or missing Canadian soldiers should be addressed to the information department, Canadian Red Cross Society, Cockspur Street, London. This work is being done in connection with the Canadian Record Office. The importance of this department can hardly be exaggerated. It also attempts as far as is possible to identify the graves of Canadians who have been buried in France.

An interesting "War Exhibition" is being conducted by the Red Cross in London. The upper part of the walls of the hall has been covered with small physical defects, which could easily be remedied when taken in time, interfere with the mental development and training of children, they will not merely assent to but insist upon medical inspection, which is also of the greatest value.

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"Gertrude," asked the teacher, "what were the causes of the Revolutionary War?"

"It had something to do with automobiles, but I did not understand just what," answered Gertrude.

"No," said the teacher, "that was before the day of automobiles."

"Well, it was said it was on account of unjust taxes," said Gertrude, firmly.

"I don't know that it is important," replied the story-teller. "But if you must know, I believe it was the close of a summer day."

"Uncle Joe" Cannon has a way of speaking his mind that is sometimes embarrassing to others. On one occasion an inexperienced young fellow was called upon to make a speech at a banquet at which ex-Speaker Cannon was also present.

"Gentlemen," began the young fellow, "my opinion is that the general policy of mankind in general is disposed to take advantage of the generosity of..."

"Sit down, son," interrupted "Uncle Joe." "You are coming out of the same hole you went in at!"

first bomb dropped on Southern may be seen. Some small pictures saved from Termonde, the painters of which are now in German prisons, have been gathered together, and near them have been displayed German proclamations issued in Flanders and Belgium during the war "news" officially placarded there.

A feature of the exhibition is a miniature munition factory, the serial section includes relics of machines with interesting associations attaching to them—part of the machine, for instance, piloted by the first English officer who lost his life on service, Lieutenant Cammell.

A Poor Advertisement

The Germanic assumption to all the virtues in a superlative degree is as amusing as the bombastic wording of certain advertisers or the feebly mouthings of cheap political spellbinders.

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King Street

COL. MCKEE OF FREDERICTON AND HOSPITAL ARRIVE SAFELY

Colonel McKee and his No. 1 Canadian Stationary Hospital have arrived safely at the Dardanelles. Colonel McKee's parents and other relatives in Fredericton were more or less worried from the time they learned that he had sailed and their fears were increased when word came of the sinking of the transport, the Royal Edward.

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Secretary Allan, of the St. John branch Patriotic Fund, has many demands made upon him for information with respect to the disposition of the fund, soldiers' pay, pensions, etc.

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