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 MADE IN CANADA
 CLEANS-DISINFECTS—USED FOR SOFTENING WATER—FOR MAKING HARD AND SOFT SOAP—FULL DIRECTIONS WITH EACH CAN.

Your Problems Solved

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Dr. Linscott in this column will help you solve your heart's problems, religious, marital, social, financial and every other anxious care that perplexes you. If a personal answer is required, enclose a five cent stamp. No names will be published; if you prefer, sign your initials only, or use a pseudonym.

Parental Responsibility: "A Mother" wants to know whether parents are responsible when their children do wrong. Parents are not responsible for the conduct of their grown-up children provided they have set a proper example before them and have trained them in the right. However, when children do turn out wrong in after life, that they have not had proper parental training. To the extent that you are responsible for the after life of your children. Even in such a case there is no use to wring your hands, start right away to repair the fault of the past.

Notes and Comments: Coalition Governments are proper capers just now and Roumania is to have one. The term of course has no reference to the fuel shortage everywhere.

Canada as the Home for Future Millions: Hon. James Calder, Director of the Department of Colonization and Immigration, said during the course of a recent speech:

"The biggest job which Canada must accomplish within the next ten years is to get people into the country to develop the wonderful natural resources which are ours. Taxes are bound to be heavier after this war; and unless we develop our natural resources and secure new settlers to carry part of the burden, people will be moving out, instead of coming in. Do not think we are facing bankruptcy—for we are not. Do not imagine that the burdens of the future will be so staggering that we will be unable to bear them. At the same time we are confronted with the vital necessity of developing our natural resources if the country is to achieve permanent prosperity."

Old Resident of Paris Dead: Mr. Hugh Pickering, Was for Forty Years a Resident of the Town LEAVES LARGE FAMILY
 Paris, Dec. 17.—(From Our Own Correspondent).—The death occurred at an early hour this morning of an old and highly esteemed resident of Paris in the person of Mr. Hugh Pickering, aged 72 years. The deceased was a native of Cumberland, and came to Canada with his parents when a child. He settled in Oxford county, but later moved to Paris, where he has resided for the past forty years. In politics, Mr. Pickering was a Liberal, and in religion he was a Baptist. His wife predeceased him some two years ago, but he leaves to mourn his loss a family of nine sons and three daughters. The deceased had been ill for a month. The funeral will take place from his late residence Thursday afternoon.

Personal: Mr. Andrew McFarland is spending a few days in Toronto. Friends of Mrs. William Thomas will be pleased to learn that she is making satisfactory progress after a serious operation at the general hospital.

Your Christmas Store: A splendid assortment of gifts to choose from at Brander's Drug Store, corner Market and Dalhousie streets.
Is Promoted: Mr. Clem Coles has received word from his son, Clem, junior, now in France with a draft from the 125th Battalion, that he has been promoted to the rank of corporal.
Such is Fame: Mr. Clem Coles, the local shoe merchant, has received a letter from Belgium, in which the writer makes application for the agency of Coles shoes in Belgium. The name of the firm he had obtained from a letter head on a letter sent by Mr. Coles to France.

40,000,000 TONS OF CEREALS SHIPPED
 That Quantity Sent Through Chicago en Route East
 Chicago, Dec. 17.—Chicago, representative of the middle west, to which the world has looked for its provisions, has had a great share in victualing peoples and armies during the four years of the war and an enormous amount of provisions has passed through the Chicago gateway.
 With the 1918 shipments there has been shipped from Chicago 40,000,000 tons of cereals.
 In the same period the meat shipments, according to the Drover's Trade Journal including, cured, canned and fresh meats amounted to more than 2,000,000 tons.
 Fats, including lard, butter and cheese totalled more than 1,800,000 tons.
 In addition to grains, meats and fats 20,415,000 bushels of potatoes were handled out of Chicago, and 5,973,891 live hogs, 3,874,415 head of cattle and 4,166,570, sheep were shipped.
 Prior to the spring of 1917 the usual agencies of trade conducted the distribution of the vast quantities of food-stuffs sent out of Chicago and contracts for provisions were made by foreign governments direct with the dealers in Chicago. With the entrance of America into the war the food administration took over the handling of provisions in quantity and the distribution was conducted under governmental supervision.

Canadian Casualties: By Courier Leased Wire. Ottawa, Dec. 17.—Today's casualty list follows:
INFANTRY
 ILL.—W. A. Bello, St. Catharines. PRISONER REPATRIATED.—M. Gillis, not stated.
ENGINEERS
 PRISONER REPATRIATED.—J. Robinson, Hamilton.
CAVALRY
 DIED OF WOUNDS.—F. W. Prefrict, St. Catharines.
MOUNTAIN RIFLES
 DIED.—A. S. Merritt, Smithville.

LOCAL NEWS

OFFICERS HOME: Three local officers, all members of the former 125th Battalion, returned home yesterday, in the persons of Major H. J. G. McLean, Capt. P. E. James and Lieut. Cliff Stelm.

BUSY AT POSTOFFICE: The Christmas rush at the local Postoffice has already begun and although there has been no increase in the staff, the labors of the present employees are being taxed by the heavy mails that are coming in.

CANNOT OFFICIATE: City Clerk H. F. Leonard has received word from Fred Oyle to the effect that he will not be able to act as deputy returning officer in polling division 17 at the coming municipal elections.

AT HOUSE OF REFUGE: Preparations are being made for the annual Christmas tree at the House of Refuge. As some of the inmates have sons and grandsons at the front, Mr. and Mrs. Storey are hoping to have an extra merry time for the old folks.

JUDGMENT RESERVED: Judgment was reserved by His Honor Judge Hardy at the hearing of the Roberts vs. English case at the Court House yesterday afternoon. The case consists of an action arising out of the alleged non-payment of a mortgage.

ARE SAVING SUGAR: No local restaurants have yet put the old sugar bowls in the open again, following the cancellation of the order forbidding it. Some of the restaurants maintain that the "free and easy" sugar bowl is gone for good.

TOWNSHIP ELECTIONS: Revere McCann of Brantford township has definitely announced that he will stand for reeve in the coming January elections. His opponents are not yet announced, though it is thought that First Deputy Reeve Greenwood will also be in the field.

EIGHT PATIENTS: One new patient admitted to the Emergency Hospital yesterday has increased the number of inmates to eight. Those who are at present in the hospital are not in serious condition and all the patients are now situated in the western end of the building.

AT FUEL OFFICE: The coal situation in the city now seems to be very favorable. There is at present in the city a large supply of stove coal and in more moderate quantities chestnut is to be had. The supply at present is more than sufficient to meet the demand to deal with the number of orders at present coming in.

BREAKING LIGHTS: Since the Township of Brantford has installed the electric lighting system on its thoroughfares there have come up against the same difficulties that the city officials have confronted. The boys of the community have taken a particular liking to using the lighted globes as targets for stones and as a result the damage done to the lights has been quite extensive.

CARPETBALL: The Foresters' team came from behind and defeated the Maccabees 73-66 in a carpetball game last night. The score at half time was 34-23 for the Maccabees. Win. Moss captained the Foresters and F. W. Scott the Maccabees. A. B. Lee refereed. Another carpet ball game was played last night between the John Hill team and the War Veterans. At half time the score was 49-36 for the John Hill team, and at full time 105-74, also in their favor. If Aid Hill could get a team to work like that on election day, the result would be just as gratifying to him.

FOR RETURNED MEN: J. F. Fitzpatrick, of the 3rd and 14th battalions, will be in the city for the next three days. He is a representative of the department of Soldiers' Re-employment, vocational branch, and will receive soldiers in Secretary Hutcheon's office at the G. W. V. A. for the purpose of ascertaining whether they are eligible for class attendance of this branch. The purpose of the department is to fit soldiers for positions different from those they held prior to the war, if they were incapacitated by war. It is understood that all men are not entitled to this course, however Mr. Fitzpatrick will be able to advise the men as to whether they will be able to qualify.

WICK'S
 TOYS, DOLLS, CANDLES, CIGARS.
 etc.—Novelties that the other fellow doesn't have. Low prices on Christmas Cards and Booklets.
 Dalhousie St. Opposite Postoffice.

CHRISTMAS TREES

Christmas trees made their first appearance on the market this morning, selling at from 25c. to \$1.00.

SITE FOR HOSPITAL: Aid. Harry, chairman of the finance committee, has received a letter from Judge Hardy, a trustee of the Yates Estate, advising him that it is for sale, and suggesting that it would make an excellent isolation hospital, if the city cared to use it.

RECEIVES RESOLUTIONS: The city clerk has received a pamphlet containing the resolutions passed by the general meeting of the Hydro-Electric Railway Association of Ontario held on November 25th.

IN ASYLUM: Three Brantford patients were admitted to the Hospital for Insane during the month of September. W. W. Dunlop, Inspector of Prisons and Public Charities, has written the city clerk asking for his immediate attention in this matter.

CAPT. OKE SPOKE: The Park Baptist Young People were glad to have with them last evening Rev. Captain Oke, who gave an address in a very interesting and helpful manner. The missionary committee under the convesorship of Miss Evelyn Hext was in charge and Miss Stella Allen sang a solo which helped to pass a pleasant hour well spent.

JOIN NAVY LEAGUE: The following list of names are the pupils of the Montessori school who have just joined the Navy League: Alice Kelleit, Mary Kelleit, Betty Hollinrake, Hilda McPherson, Isabel Secord, Sandy Secord, Buster Secord, Eva Stevens, Margaret Lochead, James Westway, Josephine Harley, Jim Hurley.

BILLIARD TOURNEY: "Irish" Howling showed his pedigree at the billiard tourney held last night at the G. W. V. A. by obtaining 200 and defeating C. Bishop, 173. E. W. Winyard, scratch, defeated G. Bishop, received 183. Major Shultis owed 25, defeated "Wingie" Taylor, received 70. Some of the shots played by "Wingie" were masterpieces in the art of billiards, and deserves much credit.

POLICE COURT: In the Police Court this morning George Elliott, on a charge of false pretences, elected to be tried by the next sitting of the jury court, in June. On another charge of false pretences Matthew Jones paid the costs of the court and settled for the amount demanded. He sold oats and while so doing gave short measure. Three shoe merchants were charged with keeping their stores open after seven o'clock. They claimed, however, that they were not selling shoes, but only repairing them. They were dismissed with a warning. Mrs. Collin Patterson was charged with using abusive language and for her uncalled for oration was fined \$1 and costs.

SAVINGS ACCOUNTS
 The advantage of a Savings Account is that it earns you Three per cent interest night and day, and you can always get your money any time you want it. Many hundreds of people make regular deposits in our Savings Department.
 Why don't you try it?
The Royal Loan and Savings Co.
 38-40 Market Street

NEILL SHOE CO.
Special Saturday Bargains
 Men's Mahogany Calf Laced Boots, Neolin Soles. Sizes 6 to 10. Regular value \$6.50. Saturday, pair... **\$4.98**
 Men's Box Calf Hockey Boots, ankle support and strap. Special Saturday, pair... **\$2.78**
 Child's Dongola Bals, cloth top. Sizes 2 to 5. Regular \$1.85. Saturday... **\$1.28**
 Women's Patent, Cloth Top Boots. Sizes 2 1-2 to 7. Regular \$4.50. Special Saturday, per pair... **\$2.98**
 Women's Elastic Side Shoes. Regular \$3.00. Saturday at... **\$2.28**
 Boys' Box Kip School Shoes, extra solid. Regular \$3.50. Saturday... **\$2.48**
 Women's Chintz Boudoir Slippers, in pink, red and blue. Special at only... **98c**
NEILL SHOE CO.
 158 COLBORNE ST.
 A completion has been formed with the purpose of promoting the building of a peace bridge at Niagara Falls.
Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

Give a WAR-SAVINGS STAMP for Christmas!
BUY a War-Savings Stamp at any Money-Order Post Office, Bank, or other place displaying the War-Savings Stamp sign. This will cost \$4.00. At the same time ask for a Certificate and affix the W.-S. S. thereto.
 Fill in the name and address of your friend, of your boy, girl, or other person for whom your gift is intended, and there you have the most desirable of gifts!
 You might say, in presenting it, "It is worth four dollars in cash right now at any post office, but I advise you to hold it because it is the promise of the Dominion of Canada to pay you Five Dollars on the first day of 1924."
 "This is a 'baby bond', earning interest, and you can make it a bigger 'bond' by saving up and buying more stamps. It is easy to buy W.-S. S. because for every 25 cents you save you can get a THRIFT Stamp, 16 of which on a Thrift Card will be exchanged for a W.-S. S."
 After January, 1919, the purchase price of W.-S. S. increases 1 cent a month—the interest earned. The cash surrender value increases also. Certificates with one or more stamps can be registered at the Post Office against loss by fire, theft, or other cause.
 A gift of a War-Savings Stamp is more than a gift of cash. It may well mean the commencement of habits of Thrift, to the great benefit of both the individual and the country at large.
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