

## Uncle Walt

### The Poet Philosopher

#### CHOOSING A BRIDE

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uld cautious be, and falcon-  
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back straight, who says she's  
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who has no folly in her  
ho wants to build a home; if  
win that sort of bride, peace  
th you and yours abide, and  
our old bald dome.

WALT MASON.

## LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

#### Softball Game.

The Dufferin and G. S. and M. softball team play at Recreation park on Saturday afternoon.

#### Picnic Postponed

Owing to the death of a relative of the president of the Echo Place Improvement Association, the picnic that was to have been held Saturday August 22nd, has been postponed.

#### War Tax.

Brantford news agents received word to-day from British houses that in view of the importation of a war tax upon all Old Country papers, prices to them are now raised.

#### Still Another.

Mr. Fred Wistbrook's clever pacer Tredell won another \$1,000 stake at Parkersburg, W. Va., yesterday. The best time made was 2:11 1-4, and the Brantford pacer won in three straight heats.

#### Passed Through City.

About one hundred army reservists passed through the city on the Grand Trunk railway at three-thirty yesterday afternoon. They included first-class men from London, Sarnia, and Chatham, who were bound for Montreal, and from thence to England.

#### Wanted in Kingston.

Harry Jameson was arrested here last night on a charge of false pretences, which was preferred against him at Kingston. He is held on a warrant and will be kept in custody until an officer arrives from that city, to act as his escort back.

#### Referees Appointed.

A meeting of the Referees' Association was held last night at the Y. M. C. A. Referee P. Farnsworth was appointed secretary in place of Mr. E. Hollister, resigned. The following referees for Saturday's games were appointed: Holmstead, V. Tutela, H. Smith, linesmen, C. Smith and G. Carey; S. O. E. vs. Scott's United, referee, P. Farnsworth; Paris vs. P. S. A. referee G. Elliott. The above matches will start at p.m. sharp.

#### Restacking the Library.

The good work of restacking the library shelves continues at that building, Librarian E. D. Henwood himself industriously laboring at the task. All books are undergoing a cleaning process, and are being thoroughly overhauled. The work will not be finished in its completeness for some time possibly over two weeks, but when it is the citizens of Brantford will have one of the best and most easily accessible libraries in Ontario. The spacious extensions have been divided off into sections and each class of reading matter will be classified and divided into a division of its own, thus all biographical works will be found in one section and industrial arts in another and so on.

The work of so arranging the Library is necessarily arduous and the books at the present are lying in piles upon the tables and floors. Patrons are, therefore, asked to consider this if they are somewhat inconvenienced in endeavoring to obtain certain books. All is being done for the better arrangement of the books and the advantages of the future must compensate for the irregularities of the present.

#### Goes to the Front.

Lieut. Sterne, a former Brantford boy, now with the Royal Canadian Engineers, Kingston, is with the contingent called to the front.

#### Mails Still Come.

In spite of the war the English mail continues to arrive in the city with little interruption. Mails to hand have come across the Atlantic in the quick time of eight days from posting to delivery.

#### Will Join Them at Montreal.

The volunteer contingent from the Brant Dragoons, which left here this morning for Quebec will be joined at Montreal by Lieutenant Latimer, who has been in Port Arthur for the past few months. At the first outbreak of hostilities Lieutenant Latimer volunteered his services.

#### Picnic Postponed.

The inclement weather prevented the Y. W. C. A. picnic at Mohawk Park yesterday. The happy event was promoted for girls who had officially represented the Y. W. C. A. at the annual summer conferences at Muskoka during the past five years and as there were about thirty girls who intended to participate, the affair would have been a great success. It was decided to postpone it until Saturday.

#### Wanderers Defeated

In a stirring football match at Mohawk Park yesterday between the East Ward Wanderers and the Echo Place Stars, the Wanderers were defeated 1-0. It was a great game and several feature plays were pulled off. W. Lambert, goal keeper for the stars played a fine game, as did W. Healey, W. Danby and A. Deakin. For the Echo's Treble, Happy and Boyles played a feature game. The return match will be played on Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

#### Open on Saturday.

The new White Bridge which has been constructed on the Hamilton Road in the Township has been completed and will be publicly opened at 3 o'clock on Saturday by Reeve Jennings. The Township Council will attend the function in its official capacity and the handsome structure will be formally declared open after the usual ceremonies. This bridge has been long desired by the farmers of the district and the opening exercises will be largely attended.

#### Open Access System.

The open access system will be in vogue at the Brantford Public Library when it has been thoroughly restacked and advantage taken of the increased stack room. This system, is practically the most thorough and up-to-date before the public is used in all the greater European libraries, and the majority of larger libraries built by Mr. Andrew Carnegie, are equipped for this method of circulation. As there are over 30,000 volumes in the local library, the utility of this system will be realized by all. As there is a good deal of space in the stack room, tables and chairs will be installed in the sections into which the library will be sub-divided and it will be possible to read and select your books among the shelves. This itself, is quite an innovation.

A consignment of 30,000 bags of oats left Montreal for England.

## C COMPANY VOLUNTEERS GET REAL FAREWELL

A Supper at King's Hotel Last Night, Where Comradeship Was Keynote.

There was a rousing soldiers' farewell in Spittal's Hotel last night, when C Company of the Dufferin Rifles met to give a farewell supper to the active service volunteers.

The hours of song and feast made the old clock's hands travel fast and faster still, for comrades must needs be comrades once again for old times' sake, before the "Reveille" sounds and the "Call to Arms" sings out and the muster roll is called.

Capt. Shultis and Lieut. James did the evening's honors. Color-Sergeant Speechley occupied the chair, and in the riot of song and story there were words spoken that will be remembered.

Capt. Colquhoun replied and told them the modest story that soldiers tell—"It was duty, and we volunteered." That's all, and the "Jus" so of the humble Tommy showed his complete acquiescence.

Sergeant Freeman and Sergeant Blues sang, and the Color-Sergeant outsang them all, and, as he said, "He didn't do 'bad' for an old cove."

Capt. Shultis was proud to command such a company—a company in which ten men out of 30 or 40 had volunteered. He wished them God-speed and an early return and many bumper nights together in the years to come.

Capt. Colquhoun in his good-bye was in his best vein. Esprit de corps and company loyalty, he said, would make the active service men, when they returned, still hang together and be "the" company of the battalion.

And amid vociferous cheering and "He's a Jolly Good Fellow," he sang out his "Good-night, boys," and was gone.

There was a toast proposed and drunk with hearty "God bless him's"—it was the toast to "Captain Colquhoun—a very gallant gentleman." The active service men were toasted, and they responded. The hour grew later, the evening must needs finish, and with "God Save the King" and "Three Times Three" the gathering broke up.

The following is C Company's honor roll for Belgium:  
Sergeant Freeman  
Sergeant Blues  
Sergeant Cross  
Sergeant Greenwood  
Pte. W. Grant  
Pte. J. T. Jones  
Pte. A. Chapman  
Pte. H. Westlake  
Pte. W. Jarvis  
Pte. W. Blackal.

## LADIES TO HELP

Each Brantford Soldier Will Get Packet Containing Useful Articles.

About twenty ladies of all different local organizations met yesterday at the Children's Aid Society when it was decided to make up little packets for all the Brantford soldiers going to the front. These will contain all sorts of little things tending to the comfort of the soldiers in the field. Mr. John Varney of the Slingsby Co. has already offered a quantity of flannel, which will be a great help. The House committee of the Children's Aid which is forwarding the matter state that with the assistance of other ladies' societies, cholera belts and pneumonia jackets can also be provided. These articles proved of great benefit to the men who served in South Africa.

## A HIGH HONOR

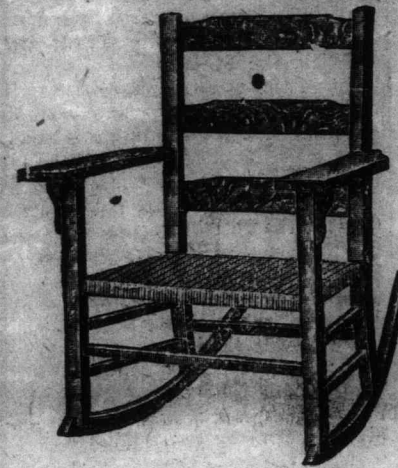
Mr. T. J. Hendry Wins \$100 in Gold From Sun Life Assurance Company.

Mr. T. J. Hendry received a pleasant surprise this morning when he was notified that he had won \$100 in gold as the agent of the Sun Life Assurance Co., in Canada, writing the most business. The prize accompanies the Presidency of the Macaulay club of which all Sun Life agents are members. The honor is a very high one and speaks volumes for Mr. Hendry's energy in a field which is limited in comparison with some of the larger centres.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA  
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## CROMPTON'S | THE HOUSE OF QUALITY AND GOOD VALUE | CROMPTON'S

## Final Clearance of All Summer Goods



Consisting of Sea Grass Furniture, Verandah Chairs, Hammocks, Hamo-Couches, Swing Seats, Lunch Baskets, Verandah Shades, Matting and Crex Rugs.

The prices on these goods will be more or less affected by the war. MAKE YOUR SELECTION NOW, while prices are greatly reduced and before increase in prices.

In the Sea Grass Furniture Department you will find prices greatly reduced. In the face that these articles come from Japan, and new goods from this country will be few and far between, it will pay you to select a chair or two now.

### Verandah Shades at Big Reductions

Chair that was \$6.50. Now.....\$4.95  
Chair that was \$7.00. Now.....\$5.85  
Chair that was \$7.50. Now.....\$6.25  
Rocker that was \$7.75. Now.....\$6.45  
Rocker that was \$7.65. Now.....\$6.35  
Tables that were \$8.50 and \$9.00. Now \$7.35

Two Swing Seats only—  
One regular \$4.50. Now.....\$3.25  
One regular \$4.00. Now.....\$5.25

Two Hamo Couches only—  
One regular \$12.50. Now.....\$9.45  
One regular \$10.50. Now.....\$7.15

About 14 Hammocks to clear at cost, regular \$1.25 to \$7.75. 69c to \$6.79 reduced to

Verandah Chairs and Rockers, of selected hardwood—  
Reduced from \$3.50 to.....\$2.69  
Reduced from \$5.00 to.....\$3.85  
Reduced from \$5.50 to.....\$3.95  
Reduced from \$6.50 to.....\$5.85

Folding Deck Chairs. Regular \$1.25 to \$1.75. To clear.....\$1.25

Your choice of any Matting, regular 25 and 30c. Per yard.....17c

Your choice of any Matting Rug, sizes 9 x 9, 9x10 and 9x12. Regular \$2.50, \$2.75 and \$3. Special.....\$1.98

Two Crex Rugs, 54 x 90 in. Regular \$3.50. To clear.....\$2.98

Two Crex Rugs, 2 x 3 yards. Regular \$6.50. To clear.....\$4.85

One Crex Rug, 9 x 10 ft. Regular \$8.50. To clear.....\$7.85

Two Crex Rugs, 9 x 12 ft. Regular \$11.50. To clear.....\$10

Crex Mats. Regular \$1.25. To clear.....95c

Crex Mats. Regular \$1.75. To clear.....\$1.25

Lunch Baskets. Regular 50c to \$1.00. To clear.....20c to 69c

—Housefurnishings Dept., Third Floor.

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## Nearly Every Woman Wants a New Velvet Hat

New supplies every day in the Salon on the Second Floor—and new styles every day.

We have many compliments on the beauty and good taste of the inexpensive millinery.

Prices are \$3, \$3.50, \$3.75 and on up to \$9.50.

—Second Floor.

## Midsummer Hosiery Here

Fine, comfortable Hosiery that fits and washes to perfection, and is altogether thoroughly desirable for midsummer wear.

Ladies' Silk Lisle Hose, double garter top, with double heel and toe, colors King's Blue, Yellow, Sky, Tan, Pink, Rose, Black and White, Pair.....50c

Ladies' Silk Lisle Hose, with double top preventing garters from tearing stocking, double soles and heels, extra quality. Pair.....65c

Ladies' Hosiery, guaranteed for three months, three pair in box.....\$3.00

Boys' fine 1/1 Ribb Black Cotton Hose, double knee, heel and toe. 35c pair, or 3 pair for \$1

—Annex, Queen and Colborne Sts.

## PATRIOTIC DUTY OF CITY WILL BE FULFILLED—NOT REGARDED AS A CHARITY

Care of Families of Soldiers Who Have Been Called to Fight Empire's Battles—Meeting of Citizens Held Yesterday.

The movement to aid and support the families of the soldiers who have left or will leave for the war, as has been talked of by Mayor Spence and other citizens, took definite shape yesterday afternoon, when at a well attended meeting in the City Hall of the representatives of different societies, a strong committee was named to consider arrangements and to report back to another general meeting to be held on Friday afternoon at three o'clock. This committee will decide on a certain scheme and present it to the meeting on Friday. To-day Mr. Frank Cockshutt is in Toronto looking into the methods adopted by the Queen city and he will report to a meeting of the committee to be held to-night at the city hall.

The meeting yesterday afternoon was very enthusiastic and it was evident that all were agreed that something should be done, but it was only a question of just what method should be adopted. Mayor J. H. Spence presided and those present were: City Treasurer A. K. Bunnell, T. J. Barton, E. B. Eddy, Reeve Jennings, Very Rev Dean Brady, F. D. Reville, Joseph H. Ham, Frank Cockshutt, Warden Milmine, Reg. Scarle, T. H. Preston, Rev. R. D. Hamilton, Adv. Hargrave, Robert Ryerson, A. McFarland, M. Atkinson, F. W. Weldon, Harvey Watt, Major Ashton, Deputy Reeve M. Burtis of Burford and Mr. E. L. Cockshutt. The different Women's organizations were well represented.

Mayor Spence as chairman explained that he had called the meeting on the advice of several prominent citizens and civic and military officials. The work was not a charitable one but a patriotic duty. Roughly speaking when all the soldiers had left the city there would be 75 families to take care of. There were duties here as well as at the front. He could assure all present that the city council would do its slant in the matter. His Worship then called upon City Treasurer Bunnell who would roughly outline what had to be faced in the matter. Mr. Bunnell said that the first thing the situation was more serious than any which had ever faced the city before.

Mr. J. Ham M.P.P., thought the situation was more serious than any which had ever faced the city before. He favored a general appeal to the citizens. In regard to the unemployed the manufacturers should get together and keep their establishments going if only on half time. He also thought that the city should go on with public works so as to give employment. The Mayor then called on Rev. Dean Brady. The Dean said that one thing that struck him particularly was the calm, deliberate way in which Canadians were facing the present crisis. While we are at war yet we are calm and deliberate. The first thing to be done was to find out the earnings of each family and with that information a nice start could be made. In regard to the unemployed he believed that the Associated Charities should look after that. The work of looking after the soldiers' families is not charity; it is a patriotic duty, and we should do it as patriotic men.

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Rev. R. D. Hamilton speaking for the Ministerial Alliance, said he knew the Association would be ready to do its duty. The coming winter would be very severe, and the work of the Associated charities would be taxed to the limit.

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Mr. H. H. Powell thought that was the duty of the municipality and not any committee. Warden Milmine assured the meeting that the smaller municipalities of the county would do their share for their own boys.

On motion of Mr. Bunnell and Mr. Hamilton the following committee was appointed to suggest a certain scheme and report back to the general committee on Friday afternoon: F. Cockshutt, E. L. Cockshutt, R. F. Ryerson, Harvey Watt, Spence, Geo. Moore, Rev. R. D. Hamilton, Lt.-Col. Ashton, T. H. Preston, F. D. Reville, Lt.-Col. Howard and Lt.-Colonel Muir.

After the meeting a short session of the committee was held. Mr. Harvey Watt was appointed secretary. Messrs. Reg. Scarle, A. K. Bunnell and J. L. Axford were appointed a sub-committee to get all information.

Messrs. Hollinrake, Ham, Spence and Bunnell were appointed a committee to look after the insuring of the men. Another meeting will be held to-night when the report of Mr. F. Cockshutt from Toronto will be received.

ULTIMATUM RECEIVED. TOKIO, Aug. 20, 10.40 a.m.—Confirmation has been received here of the arrival in Berlin of the Japanese ultimatum. No hostility is shown to Germans here.

## RUSSIA LOOKS A NEW COUNTRY

Spirit of the People Never so Earnest as in the Present Crisis.

(By Special Wire to The Courier)

LONDON, Aug. 20.—It is impossible to relate a tithe of the amazing things that have happened in Russia during the last ten days, says a letter to The Daily Chronicle, written in St. Petersburg on August 12. It continues:

"Russia is not recognizable, or rather that haunting beauty of Russia, which those of us who live here gropingly, and often sadly feel and love has suddenly shone forth radiantly from out of the heavy clouds of failure and defeat that have hidden it for so many years.

"Russia is full of moral energy. She has never displayed it with the same vigor as now at any period of her history. Russia feels herself for once to be morally in the right."

"Russia's internal condition was deplorable," says the correspondent, "the Poles, Finns and Jews were embittered by the government's policy of oppression. The Duma was divided and helpless. Strikes were spreading. There were serious riots in St. Petersburg."

The writer adds: "Few Russians wanted to fight for the sake of Serbia, but when it became clear that the Austrian move was only the prelude to a German attack on an apparently helpless and demoralized Russia, the feeling changed in an instant."

"The general mobilization made all Russia realize the situation. The peasants, the workmen, and the strikes of the week before; clerks, students, teachers and lawyers—all dropped their work without a murmur and joined the ranks."

"I had half expected mobilization in the country districts like those which occurred during the Japanese war, but friends from the south, the west and the east, declare that all Russia is as one man. Everywhere the people are going to war to die for our country, as the peasants say."

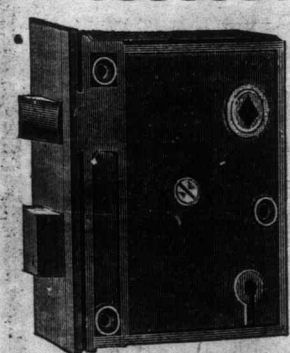
"The drink shops were closed, and all went soberly and sternly, expecting no easy victories and prepared for a long and hard struggle. For the first time in his reign the Russian emperor is cut off now from those German influences that egged him on continually to ruinous reaction. His majesty came out on the balcony of his palace to greet an immense throng of his people."

Pope Pius X died at an early hour in Rome, the European war hastening his demise.

## For This Week

SPECIAL BARGAINS in TRUNKS, VALISES AND SUIT CASES.

## Neill Shoe Co.



## Builder's Hardware

We have just received a shipment of lock sets, in three styles and antique and dull brass finishes, and with easy spring locks. These we can sell as a bargain. Front door and inside sets to match. See our stock.

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ling, with colored  
border. A good  
washer and good  
heavy quality.

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36-inch White  
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