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### The Weekly Ontario, be prepared to make any effort that may be required at our end of the field of war." Morton & Herity, Publishers The principal point to be remembered is

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that the German losses have been very heavy, and they cannot be made good as the Russian losses can, from an unlimited reserve force. Ger-

many has great resources but repeated dashes, which are just not successful, as one military writer points out, can only hasten the process of wearing her down. Every movement on the part of the Germans which incurs great losses without reaching a decisive result, brings them a step nearer in the East, as in the West, to eventual defeat. To use the old metaphor, they cannot continue to burn the candle indefinitely at both ends.

The apparent successes which the Kaiser may have achieved in the East-and they are not at all certain-are more than counterbal-It is impossible to reconcile the conflicting claims of the Russians and the Germans with anced by the renewed pressure which is being reference to the campaign in the East, and it is put upon his lines in the West. All reports from not necessary to do so. Experience has taught France and Belgium indicate that all goes well us not to place much reliance on the German re- with the Allied Army. 

## A GREAT PRO CONSUL.

gross exaggerations. Latterly, there have been The impending retirement of Lord Aberevidences that even the German people them- deen from the Vicerovalty of Ireland, as anselves are protesting against the indefinite cha- nounced in the cable despatches a few days, is racter of the bulletins about reported "victories" an event of great political interest in the Old in Poland. The significance of this fact will not | Country and in Canada as well owing to his honbe lost upon those who are disturbed by the orable and distingunished association with the glowing reports of the success of the German Dominion as Governor-General. Some of the offensive in the Polish battle centre. cable despatches, emanating from unfriendly

While it is admitted on the Russian side sources, which have appeared in the Canadian that they have withdrawn slightly and taken press, have conveyed the impression that Lord up other positions in accordance with the strate- Aberdeen's retirement from officie was being gy of their General Staff, there is no evidence hastened by political difficulties. This seems to matters pertaining to social welfare, will join required several years of determined pressure that the position of their army has been materi- be absolutely without foundation in fact.

ally affected. It is well to note that the princi-Lord Aberdeen has been Viceroy of Ireland transport .

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THE POLISH BATTLES.

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that of any Viceroy within living memory. Be-The railways, which were inadequate to sides, it was his second term, and after long start with, have been badly damaged, where they and arduous work in an exceedingly difficult

have not been destroyed, and in their previous post, it is natural that he should think himself and we may well hope, a lasting service to the The good old-fashioned doctor, God bless him, advances and retreats the Germans made havoc entitled to retirement. With the single excepof the roads. The Russians have enormous re- tion of Sir Edward Grey, he is the only member serves of men and no lack of supplies, but in of the present British Government who still transferring them quickly from point to point retains the post to which he was appointed when they must be at a disadvantage compared with Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman took office. He their enemy, who, so long as he remains on his was first Lord Lieutenant of Ireland in 1886, own territory, has a unique system of strategic during Mr. Gladstone's short-lived third adminrailways at his disposal. istration, his term then lasting only six months.

Thus when impatient people ask why, with When Mr. Gladstone was returned to power for all the numbers at their disposal, the Russians the last time he appointed Lord Aberdeen Govare unable to bring superior forces to bear upon ernor-General of Canada in succession to the neutrality by Switzerland. their enemy at points chosen by him, the answer late Lord Derby.

is that the numbers in the fighting line at any On his return from his brilliant governorgiven moment are determined by these condi- generalship of the Dominion, Lord Aberdeen soldiers no longer say "Good morning" or "Good tions. But with every mile that they advance was again given the Irish post, and set himself east, the Germans suffer from the same difficulty loyally to reconcile, so far as a Viceroy might, Lord punish England," to which the reply is, while the task of reinforcing becomes easier for the opposing elements of Irish politics. He dis- "May He do so." If this be true, it would be their opponents. Military writers, therefore, charged the duties of his arduous and thankless hard to conceive a greater compliment to the have great hopes that the third attempt to get task with patience, simplicity and devotion to prowess of the Navy and the Expeditionary to Warsaw which the Germans are now making duty as admitted even by his partisan opponents Force. will suffer the fate of the other two, and be In the cabled announcement sent to Canada of swept back again by a force massed by the Rus- Lord Aberdeen's coming retirement, the partisians at a point convenient to themselves. san comments of some London journals were that the Admiralty has decided to name the two

"It is extremely difficult for us in the west," quoted. This was not a fair or a just apprecia- new destroyers now building the "Botha" and

are honorable and patriotic things. It be- All the Sunday Schools of Belleville have wilders and rather scandalizes them that men agreed to take up a collection on Sunday, Janulike Lord Aberdeen should set the dangerous ary the tenth, the proceeds of which will be deexample of courage, frankness, simplicity, voted to buying flour for the Belgians. The aim and freedom from all mean calculations for is to secure the wherewithal to buy one hundred their own social comfort and for cheap popu-larity. For several years he was the object A collection taken a few Sundays ago in the

of quite venomous detraction on the part of little interdenominational Sunday School in everything that was vicious or worthless in Huff's Island, resulted in a total of some twelve Dublin, but he and Lady Aberdeen, who has dollars. That doesn't sound very large, but the won a decisive victory," retorts Berso splendidly seconded his efforts, worked size of it will be better comprehended when we away steadily, through it all, to elicit the gen- state that if the Sunday Schools of Belleville are erosity and civic instinct of all sorts of Irish proportionately generous, the collection, when people, and perhaps there is no other married it is taken here, will amont to two thousand dol- warships on defenceless British towns couple, in Ireland or England, who have done lars. There are less than a dozen families send- and the other over the great victory in more to render possible the present rally of ing children to Huff's Island Sunday School.

men of both the great parties in Ireland for the defence of the Empire. The bitterest par- one.

tisans can never quite forgive those who can rise above partisanship, and even the present party truce has not sufficed to protect this brave, kind, and honorable man and woman hoped that it would. An experience like theirs This check represented the payment by the must bring a pretty full acquaintance with the possibilities of factious spite. But it must bring its consolation, too, in the discovery of the thickness of that stratum of human feeling in which/party spirit does not count-and dorado. But as the operation of the line was the uprightness of their characters and the discontinued the service to Eldorado and removstraightness of their conduct.

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The Russians are coming backski..

Prof. Hugo Claperede, of the University of

Geneva, son of the Swiss Minister to Berlin, has

been dismissed from the University by the Swiss

Federal Council on the ground that his expressed

views concerning the violation of Belgian neu-

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Canadians, who remember with pleasure us. The Ontario has already published particu-Lord Aberdeen's faithful service in Canada, and lars of Mr. Northrup's unremitting efforts to sethe active interest of his brilliant wife in all cure restitution from the company. But it has in these expressions of appreciation and in the to bring about a successful issue. The village hope that they may be spared many years to en- of Madoc will receive as its share of the repaypal difficulty on the Russian side is that of for nine years, which is a longer term than joy the reward of public service, faithfully and ment more than three thousand dollars, the balhonorably performed. Their names will always ance going to the township.

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"He's going all night and he's going all day, The old country doctor who won't stop to play; He's tended the families, from grandfather down ney stay out of the thing anyway? So long that he's really a part of the town.

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Through storm of the winter, through dew and through dust.

He comes like a breath of the healing of flowers! trality are inconsistent with the observation of Ah, tender old doctor—heart's love unto you, As you ride down the road where the violets are

Or when the bells jingle across the hard snow-An Amsterdam telegram says that German Heart's love to you when, and wherever you go, Let's see, I'll scratch that out. For none are more faithful, more conscious, (Starts over.) 'The fact that Canada bye" to each other. The new salutation is "The more wise

in their eyes.

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"We are pursuing the beaten Germans," says Petrograd. "We have lin, "let us rejoice." Whereupon the bells are rung, the school children have a holiday and there is a double celebration, one over the raid of the Poland.

All of which promptly suggests the May the collection in Belleville be a liberal wicked thought that perhaps there is some crafty man at work in Berlin. The naval raid is an undoubted fact.

Congratulations to Mr. W. B. Northrup M.P. but the great victory in Poland is not quite conceded yet. Therefore, in for one of the best pieces of work ever done by Berlin, where, beyond doubt, there is a member for his constituency. On Wednesday much need and cheerful and cheering from some party mud-throwing at the close he went to Madoc having in his pocket a check news, what is more simple than to anof their labors. But they can scarcely have for twenty-one thousand, seven hundred dollars. nounce a victory on land, to be celebrated with that of the sea raiders ? And so if it should happen that lat-Grand Trunk Railway to the Township and the er "the great victory in Poland" turns village of Madoc, of part of a bonus paid by these our to be not all that fancy has paintmunicipalities to the railway for building and ed it all can be forgotten and forgiven operating the railway line from Madoc to El-1 as no doubt the explanation will be ;--'Well, we gave you the raid anyhow. statesmen are judged, like other people, by not a paying proposition the railway company vain." so your holiday was not altogether in

Press agents have their uses in war ed the rails though they still retained the bon- as well as peace-New York Herald

> thing puzzled Sir George as he picked up the cable form. "It is the only decent thing for Canada to do--why couldn't that fresh tinpot Syd-She might have known it would be most embarassing to Sir Robert and I -"Dear Australia, His Majesty's Ministers of the Dominion of Canada desires to extend their most sincere andhearty congratulations to the Common wealth of Australia for the glorious victory of the Australian cruiser Sydney was manned by Australia, maintained by Australia, ---- That won't do at all. Confound it ! That was what I would have written before 1911. might have today been sharing the glory of this achievement but for the unwise'--er-er-(Business of obliteration repeated.) Now, what is the tralia? We have the Rainbow and plan, which I didn't know at the time was the Grit policy we would have had a bunch of fine cruisers by now. but Laurier or someone got out of what I wanted him to do when he went out of power, and that's just how we won't play politics. Then Bourassa-drat that fellow ! He wanted us to hide the thing over in England so that his tribe wouldn't see it being done. Well this is an impossible task, I can't hang it on Laurier, because he had the Sydney idea. Have to let it go at Congratulations. I guesswrites----Permit me to say that all Canada is thrilled and proud. To his secretary-"Better have that pamphlet comdemning the Canadian naval policy called in. And get someone to scuttle the Rainbow She's liable to do something one of these days."-London Advertiser.

Tes. PUZZLED News item-Sir George Eulas Foster acting premier, yesterday sent a message of congratulation on behalf of the Dominion of ( anada to Australia for the part played by the Sydney in the sinking of the Emden. "How will I word this plagued

their work in Ireland they have rendered a great THE GOOD OLD-FASHIONED DOCTOR.

At birth and at burying, gentle and just,

In all kinds of weather, at all sorts of hours,

blue. With such laugh in their voice, and such gleam Such magic to touch the heart's fountain of reason we have not a navy like Aus-

years."

JAPAN'S LATEST WAR SONG.

says the Westminister Gazette, "to form any ac- tion of Lord Aberdeen's great service to the the "Tipperary." "General Botha may consider curate estimate from day to day of the position Empire at the Irish post. An Irish corresponin the position in the east. We need to know all dent of the Westminister Gazette voices the re- occasion since the time of the Duke of Wellingabout the roads and the railways, the weather gret which the announcement of his retirement ton that one of his Majecty's ships has been and the topography before we can judge even has occasioned in Ireland, where he and his named after a living person outside the Royal the minor operations, and inormation on these brilliant wife are held in affectionate esteem. Family."

subjects is nearly as scanty in Petrograd as in "Failing a royal prince," the correspondent Lordon. The Russian Headquarters' informa- says, "we felt that Lord Aberdeen was the only tion has proved correct and moderate, but the to be the first Viceroy under the Home Rule Par- is daily intercepted by the Marconi Company Russian correspondents are perpetually encou- liament. He had borne the burden and heat of and published in the English papers, is mainly raging us to expect the impossible and prepar- the day-what a burden and what a heat only intended for ocean travellers, but the German ing disappointment when it does not happen. We God knows. We had hoped that he would be government has no monopoly in this service. must be content to know that our Allies are with us to the fruition of our hopes \* \* The powerful French Station on the Eiffel Towfighting stubbornly and gallantly in conditions and that he would enter the Promised Land with er sends out daily bulletins concerning the prothat present inevitable difficulties, and to rely us." Lord Aberdeen is eulogized as "sensative, gress of the war, as also does the trans-Atlanconfidently, as we may, on their power in the high-minded, gentle, conscientious, a lover of tic station of the Marconi Company at Poldhu, long run to develop superior force. The idea his kind: in all essentials the finest of fine gen- which under favorable conditions of the atmosthat the war can be ended by any stroke of magic tlement."

on the part of the Russians has no substance in Of Lady Aberdeen the correspondent writes: the Atlantic. it, and never had. Austrians and Germans "The service which Lady Aberdeen has rendered together have an immense force in the east, and to Ireland is above Time and Change. She has

the country and the climate present even greater spent herself in the cause of Ireland and the referring to the mishap to the Audacious, when Through the hill ways black with frost obstacles to quick decisions in that region than Irish poor. The things that human nature loves, it says: "The Press Censor may well despair.

"We can understand the energy which the nothing with her, as against hard, strenuous, keeping out of the English Press a somewhat Germans are putting into this struggle, when we unremitting service to the poor and the sick. sensational piece of war news. Every well-inrealize the proximity to the great industrial re- \* \* \* Lady Aberdeen has covered Ire- formed English business man, politician and gion of Silesia. Lodz, as the crow flies, is barely land with a web of well-doing. She has drawn journalist, has known of it for weeks past, ala hundred miles from Breslau, and other Rus- into the service of the country a great multitude though not a word has been allowed to pass into sian positions are within twenty or thirty miles of women, empty-handed before she came. She print. But there is no muzzle upon the Press of of the German frontier. The Silesians feel as is the life and the soul of philanthropic work in the United States, and the latest American pa- And it flung the smoke aside, the men of Birmingham would feel if on Ger- Dublin and Ireland. If Lord and Lady Aberdeen pers to reach London show that the facts so sedman army were at Reading and another near must go, it will be a sad day for the poor of Dub- ulously suppressed in England were blazoned all In the glory of their pride Bath. It is vital for them that the utmost ef- lin and the many sick and poor all over the over the American cotninent a fortnight ago. fort should be made to keep these armies from country to whom they have given help and The news, it seems, reached New York by mailtheir frontier and drive them back into their hope."

variable German method, take the form of a Manchester Guardian, bears testimony. It says reached New York, if not before. And what, we

that he Russians are pushed back again, just Lord Aberdeen from the office of the Viceroy are chiefly concerned?" when we thought that the road was open into of Ireland.

Germany. That is the normal coures of events. Success will only come when the battle has swing to and fro in this way over weeks, and perhaps months. In the meantime, we must rely on our selves to do our part in the west, and

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A writer in the Manchester Guardian states

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The wireless war news from Berlin, which phere can reach vessels in almost any part of

The London Canadian Gazette doubtless is

ease, the softness, the luxury, have counted for He has been most assiduous for a month past in

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own territory. Just because the Russian offen- This is the high tribute of an Irish corres- hardly expect to control. Of course, as things sive is a stroke at the vitals of Germany, it will pondent, to a really noble man and woman. That are, the suppression in England has been futile not be overcome except by a tremendous effort, they are held in equally high esteem in the as a means of keeping Germany in the dark; and that resistance will, according to the in- United Kingdom, that great English paper, the the news was known in Berlin as soon as it Where they cheated us, we gain!

counter-offensive, again and again renewed. that people who believe in the importance of wonder, is the purpose of continuing to keep the In our hearts let sunshine reign, "We need not be dismayed, then, if we find character will all feel regret at the retirement of news from the English public, who, after all,

He has been a Viceroy of the kind that

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Hats off to Archdeacon Cody! His proposal mere partisans, in more parties than one, hate to "Buy a barrel of flour for the Belgians" seems and sneer at. They cannot understand why likely to catch on and spread through all the anyone should be so perverse as to do things, churches. A barrel of flour will feed a Belgian in a great office of State, merely because they for six months.

(Sung in Kyoto on Nov. 10 in celebration of power, and besides, he was doing just the victory, and done into English verse by L. Adams Bect.)

Oh, the German pride was high As they made their shameless boast, And their forts victoriously Towered along the conquered coast; But we fought and we broke them in their pride. For as stars in heaven throng, So shall righteousness be strong, And its light on earth be long And abide.

Oh, the air was still and gray On that glad November dawn, Till the sunshine leaped to play On the glittering sword-blades drawn, And to flash on the splendor of the lance. As the banners flutter fair On the frosty autumn air, And our valiant soldiers dare

The advance. Was the terrible ascent, Long the way and sharp the cost As our gallant armies went, For the guns spoke with awful voice and deep. But, as all their thunders cease, Lo, there came a flying breeze From the sparkle of the seas

And they saw our banners set On the topmost parapet-Rising Sun and Union Jack floating gay. Oh, the hope that never slept, And the tears of blood we wept. As our twenty years we kept

Let our voices shout on high-Banzai! Banzai! Let us shout, girl and boy! And the friends that bled with us Let us hail victorious In our vengeance glorious, And our joy.

## Banzai! Banzai!! Banzai!!!

### LOOSEN UP

The financial confusion that at present exists might be considerably remedied if people who have money would put it in action. "A nimble sixpence will do more than a hoarded £." It matters not how small the obligation, pay the bill and thus set the cash to that extent in motion. Banking money is commendable when your debts are squared. Saving up money by wage-earners is a good plan If more people had been saving the past few years of comparative prosperity, instead of spending money prodigally, in delicacies, pleasureseeking, shows and other ways that were unnecessary, many making a god of their stomachs, there would not be the destitution and suffering so much in evidence just now at the threshold of a cruel winter. The rage for spending money needlessly and unfrofitably in pleasure and other ways of extravagance has become a disease with too many persons. Thousands of young persons are regularly spending more weekly in luxuries and what they call a good time than their parents spent in a similar way in a year. Then when the pinch comes, work falls off, or sickness overtakes them they are on their haunches at once. "Spare to Spend" was the title of the first newspaper article we ever wrote, and the advice is just as good to-day as forty years ago .---Bowmanville Statesman

bodies. How pitiful eration which kne (verse 10), and they a people for whom as He had never wr nation! They forse of their fathers, die and worshiped the which should have them, for the Lord shalt make no cover shew mercy unto th art an holy people God. \* \* \* a special self above all people face of the earth" Such sowing bring cording to lesson ve iii, 5-8, 12, 13, and 1 following of simil from God. A very odd thumbs sowing and reaping i I, 6, 7. The princi "Whatsoever a man he also reap" (Gal. the Lord raised up ered them, for the judge (verses 16, 18 We should think th grow weary of forgi a people whom He I time commit the sa He is the same Lo to forgive until sev or until the end of sevens, which means kingdom. They would not h judges; they turned way; they ceased n doings nor from t (verses 17, 19). Lon written of them, "T suffer them to turn (Hos. v. 4, margin). In the days of the ed the messengers of His words and mi (II Chron. xxxvi, / Messiah came in t they crucified Him. often would I. \* \* \* "O Israel, thou has but in Me is thine their backsliding; I W" (Matt. xxiii, 37;