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MAKE IT UNIVERSAL

All over New Brunswick the people are planning to make their very enjoyment serve a patriotic purpose, as was the case at Oromocto on Saturday, when the young people successfully carried out a patriotic picnic and raised \$1,100 for the machine gun fund. Thus in some measure those who stay at home can assist in carrying on the war; for, in addition to soldiers there is need of money to provide an ample Patriotic Fund, a Red Cross Fund, a Soldiers' Comforts Fund, a Machine Gun Fund, a Field Kitchen Fund, and a fund to care for disabled soldiers sent home from the war. The cost of the war is colossal, and in addition to the vast expenditure by the government, the people must give liberally and continuously. They do well, therefore, who project entertainments to give those who may have but little to contribute an opportunity to share in swelling the funds; for there is need of the thousands of small sums as well as of the few large ones which people of wealth may contribute. As the war progresses and the cost mounts up, it will be an increasingly important question with the people how they shall direct all their expenditures in such a way as to make it count for patriotism. All expenditures to meet legitimate personal and family needs should be no more than to benefit Canadian industry and Canadian business, but there is a class of expenditure which will bear scrutiny in war time, and as the need for funds for patriotic purposes grows more urgent, that disposition to curtail in some directions. Canadians have undoubtedly learned habits of extravagance in recent years, as a result of the country's prosperity; but the war and its burdens impose frugality to an extent not thought of at the present time. Nor would such a result be at all harmful to Canada. Meanwhile, since the people still feel that they must spend, by all means turn as much as possible of the fruits thereof into patriotic channels.

WAITING FOR THE CHANCE

The Liberals have swept Manitoba, having captured 40 of the 42 seats, only two Conservatives being elected. This result was expected. The Conservatives were caught hoodling, they resigned, and the new Liberal government has been sustained. The people of New Brunswick would condemn the Crown Land scandal by wiping out the Frederickton government just as effectually if they had the chance.

The above sentences were penned by Mr. J. L. Stewart of the Chatham World, a Conservative and a member of the legislature. He had to withdraw his support from the government of this province, and was not in the house when the notorious whitewash resolutions were passed through, after all the other business of the session had been completed and Mr. Stewart had been assured that nothing of importance would come up. He recognizes that a fate worse than the grifters of Manitoba, and that a similar political overturn in New Brunswick is not only needed, but will occur whenever the government gives the people a chance to speak at the polls. The Roblin government resigned, and the Conservatives tried to rally under Sir James Adams. In this province only the premier resigned and the Conservatives professed a change of heart under Mr. Clarke's leadership. The hold-up of the liquor dealers, along lines similar to those of the hold-up of the lumbermen has shown them to be not only unrepentant, but to have an utter disregard for public opinion. Whenever the chance comes they will, as Mr. Stewart says, be wiped out as effectually as the Conservative rulers of Manitoba.

LABOR AND THE WAR

The Montreal Financial Times pays tribute to organized labor in relation to the war. Observing that there had been at times indications of a disposition on the part of union leaders to carry their peace propaganda to the extent of discrediting the very moderate exertions made by the people of this Dominion for the defence of their goods and institutions, and the assistance of the Empire in defending those of all British subjects; and that "the denunciation of the militia has been a favorite topic at labor meetings for many years past," the Financial Times finds a very decided change in the spirit and the action of trades unions. It says:

"The 1914 report shows that no less than 8,498 enlistments for the Expeditionary Forces took place from the ranks of Canadian organized labor up to the end of 1914—a number which has of course been enormously increased during 1915, if the figures were available. More significant than the figures themselves, which are not large in proportion to the total of union membership (but neither was the Canadian Expeditionary Force of 1914 large in proportion to the population of the country, and it was largely made up of workers in those irregular trades and enterprises which are most affected by economic disturbances and also are least apt to be unionized), are the declarations of the Cana-

dian labor leaders in favor of the most ungrudging support to the British cause. Still more significant, in view of the fears which some have entertained as to the disintegrating consequences of internationalism in union affairs, is the fact that several of the international unions with benefit funds are freely paying death benefits to the families of members who perish in the conflict, notwithstanding the fact that such members are necessarily all Canadians while the funds of the unions are contributed (and controlled) in greater part by Americans. This may involve the unions in a very considerable cash expenditure as a result purely of the patriotic spirit of their Canadian members; and the situation is, convincing proof that international unionism is by no means so hostile to national patriotism as is commonly supposed. That the Canadian "locals" have done nobly in the work of supporting the many charitable enterprises necessitated by the war is a matter of common knowledge. We anticipate that when the history of Canadian participation in this momentous struggle comes to be written it will be found that organized labor has performed its full share."

When are the Nationalist members of the Borden government to set out on their recruiting campaign?

Why not utilize in the war the machine gun that was used in the hold-up of the liquor dealers? It brought results.

The people of British Columbia have something to say to Sir Richard McBride and his government. All they want is the opportunity.

The taking over of the Allan Line steamers by the Canadian Pacific is of special interest to St. John, the Atlantic terminus of the C. P. R.

Better sanitation, better observance of health laws and a properly directed and continuous campaign against tuberculosis have reduced the death rate in St. John in recent years. Let the good work go on.

The Borden government is said to be again making preparations for the federal elections, although there may be another session of parliament before the plunge is taken.

Not only Hon. Robert Rogers but Hon. Messrs. Meighen and Roche took a hand in the Manitoba campaign. Well, they have their answer to take back with them to Ottawa.

Before Sir Charles Davidson at Kentville yesterday witnesses told of selling ancient, spavined, hippled and generally useless horses to the agents selected by Mr. De Witt Foster, M. P.

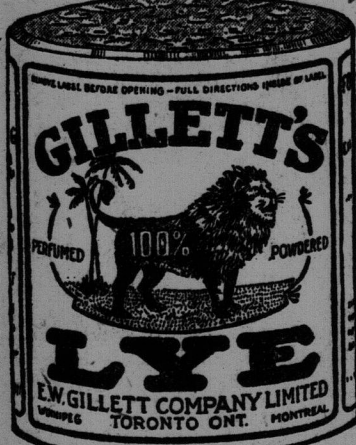
It is announced from Ottawa that upwards of 80,000 Canadian soldiers have gone over seas, while 60,000 or more are in training in Canada. The total Canadian casualties have been about 18,000, and of these nearly 2,000 men were killed or died of wounds or disease. Twelve Canadians have won the distinguished conduct medal, some have been highly honored, and all have borne themselves with conspicuous bravery.

Despite the great demonstrations on the anniversary of Canada's entry into the war, recruiting proceeds but slowly. Better results must be secured or conscription may become a necessity, however much we may dislike the word and what it stands for. The ranks must be filled, and Canada must defend herself. Every blow struck by the Allies is as surely in her defence as if a foreign foe were nearing her shores, and her sons must heed the call of duty or write themselves down as unworthy of the heritage of freedom they enjoy.

The Russians are still falling back before the Austro-German armies but retreating in good order. The British and French have captured trenches and advanced a little at one point near Ypres. The Italians have made further slight gains against the Austrians. Rumania has rejected a German bribe offered her to secure the passage of munitions through her territory to Turkey. A British submarine has sunk a Turkish battleship and the Russians repulsed a strong German fleet that attacked the entrance of the Gulf of Riga. The chief interest still centres in the operations of the German armies against Russia.

Mr. E. S. Carter was described by the Standard as "a public liar" in connection with the charges he made to the effect that while the provincial government was considering liquor legislation and the interests of the liquor dealers were at stake the latter were held up for a very large fund. Mr. Carter asked for an enquiry, to show who collected the money, what representations were made to the liquor men, and what was done with the cash. Not only was an enquiry refused, but the Standard called Mr. Carter "a public liar," and subjected him to violent abuse. Mr. Carter has now entered an action for libel, and the Standard has five days in which to retract and apologise although even this would not necessarily mean the discontinuance of the suit. The public will watch the proceedings with great interest.

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A Female Veteran.

He—Isn't that General X. and his daughter over there?

He—Yes. They say that she has been through more engagements than her old father.

Cheeky.

Biz—That's a fine lot of books you have. Why don't you get a case for them?

Dix—I would if I could get one the same way I got the books. Have you one to lend?

How Did He Dodge That?

Designing Widow—Speaking of conundrums, can you tell me why the letter "d" is like the marriage service?

Slowboy—I'm no good at conundrums. Why?

Widow—Because "we" can't be "wed" without it.

Small Type.

"Are you the editor of the paper?" asked the lady with the drab parasol, calling.

"I am," replied the man with the pointed pencil.

"Well, I called to ask you if you wouldn't get larger type. My name was in your paper five times last week and a neighbor of mine told me she never saw it."—Yonkers Statesman.

In Western Georgia a jury recently met to inquire into a case of suicide. After sitting through the evidence the twelve men retired, and after cogitating returned with the following verdict:

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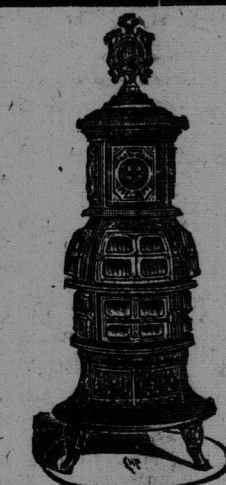
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about 67,000 men in England and in France. This comprises two divisions for service, one of which has already received its baptism of fire and has been reorganized and reinforced at least twice, and the others which have been in training at Shorncliffe, should soon be ready for service at the front. In addition the 67,000 will provide a large number of reinforcements when needed.

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AGAIN PREPARING FOR GENERAL ELECTION

Ottawa, Aug. 9.—The government has not followed the course pursued last summer of suspending the provisions of the election act with regard to the annual revision of federal lists in New Ontario and Manitoba. This year the lists are to be revised by a board of judges and the work will be actively in progress within a short time. That means that the way will be cleared for a general election whenever the government thinks the time opportune.

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