

# NORFOLK NEWS

## SAD ACCIDENT TO A CHILD

### Farmers Have a Right to a Holiday if They Want One

The seven year old daughter of Earl Barber, of Boston, ran out in front of a Cadillac car and was driven by a foreman from Cook's plant, Brantford. The child had a hip and leg broken, and was badly injured about the head. The accident occurred on Saturday evening.

### Young Man in Trouble

Information was laid by Charles Crobbie last night charging George Cafferty with common assault. It is alleged that Cafferty's youngest brother and one of Mr. Crobbie's sons who have been chumming for some time, had a spat yesterday. The accused is said to have called rudely at the Crobbie home at a late hour last night and to have used considerable abusive, profane and threatening language.

### Warrant for his arrest was issued, and we understand he was arrested this morning.

### Ill Advised Criticism

When one essays to call a thousand farmers to task for taking a half holiday to see the races, and in the same breath, as it were, allows another thousand urban citizens to pass unchallenged, he is taking ground which would appear very disadvantageous if called upon to justify his criticism. Any one of the farmers in question doubtless put in as many hours at work on the farm before and after the races last week, as the average townsmen averages throughout the year; and what is more, these same farmers had doubtless, very doubtless, been speeding up for several days before hand. Whatever we may lay at the farmers' door, we can hardly convict him of working short hours.

### He is not coming to work at 8 or 9 o'clock, and quitting anywhere from 4.30 to 5.30 or 7 o'clock. He is not taking a month or a week of holidays, in midsummer or midwinter. Even his Sunday duties would tax the physical energies of some arm-chair critics or carpet knights.

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### War and the Individual

Mr. Isaac Howick of Culver street, who went West, on June 20th to take charge of a south Saskatchewan farm owned by his son, who has just gone overseas, reports crops very medium there. Another son who enlisted earlier, was killed a year ago, and this one has just passed East without an opportunity to drop off and say farewell to his mother, whom he has not seen for five years, nor had the latter an opportunity to see him en route, so strict is the censorship on the movements of troops.

### Old Ends of News.

The funeral of Robert Silverthorn, an old resident of Round Plains, was held yesterday at Windham Centre.

Miss Maggie McKnight of Windham, a recent graduate from the Normal School, has been engaged to teach the Round Plains School.

Grand Marshal Robert Mead and W. O. Brady, representatives of No. 63 Encampment, are off to Toronto to attend I.O.O.F. Grand Encampment.

### Dr. Ches. Esid thrashed on Saturday wheat that ran 25 bushels and oats that ran 50 bushels to the acre.

### BELAND ROUSES ENTHUSIASM

By Courier-leased Wire.  
Dundas, Ont., Aug. 12.—Commenting on the magnificent spirit and heroic bearing of the 40,000 French-Canadian in the war, the Hon. Dr. Beland, formerly postmaster-general for Canada, spoke to the people of his native town, who yesterday turned out in thousands to welcome him, how proud they might be if they had sons or other relatives at the front fighting for the cause of righteousness, humanity and justice, against barbarity. His direct plea to their sense of right and justice, stirred his great audience to an inspiring demonstration of sympathy for the speaker, and for the cause he urged. This demonstration was the most striking after Dr. Beland had shown how the war was forced on the Allies by Germany.

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## AUSTRIAN LINE IS TAKEN OVER BY CANADIANS

By J. B. F. Livesey, Canadian Press Correspondent.

With the Canadian Forces, Aug. 12.—It is now possible to say that the Canadian force having secretly taken over that part of the Australian-line running south of the railway at Valenciennes-Brettonne, the French force on the first day of the offensive their objectives at fourteen thousand yards, and that on Saturday evening they had seized the rolling wooded forest of several thousand yards in width.

Originally this drive covered a width of twenty miles in which the Canadian and Australian, still side by side, fought in the forest. The Australian "left" and the English "right" was set at an exceedingly hard task between the Somme and the Aisne. The progress was necessarily more difficult and fighting extremely stiff. The French south of the Canadian had similar difficulties, but have now greatly widened the front of attack by extending their operations southward to the Montreuil. Their very brilliant results thus far, but the latter are the happiest augury for the future.

### Shock at the Front.

Men rarely die of shell shock but they have been dying at the rate of 20,000 a year in the English and French armies alone as a result of a far more deadly form of shock—traumatic shock. The latter is usually fatal when skilled assistance is not at hand. Dr. William T. Porter, of the Harvard Medical School, has been sent into the front-line trenches in France to study the line trenches in action. Traumatic shock he found, usually following a serious fracture of a major bone like the hip bone or a multiple wound through the sub-cutaneous fat layer. By experimenting with injecting olive oil into the veins of a cat Dr. Porter developed symptoms identical with those appearing in cases of traumatic shock, confirming his belief that fatty globules are released into the veins by certain wounds and these gradually build up the fat-like embolus of the brain until circulation ceases. Then began an interesting series of experiments in the front-line trenches which Dr. Porter tried the experiment of treating carbon-dioxide, so freshly wounded men to prevent shock. The results were cheering, and he was delighted with his tests and crowded around to see the results of the operation. All of these details, together with many keen and humorous reactions of a trained observer in the front-line trenches, are given in Dr. Porter's recently published little book "Shock at the Front." In fact, one well known critic insists that the book is from being a mere medical treatise is rather "a glimpse of the war done in sharp stroke by a physician who has as pretty a technique with the pen as with the scalpel."

### The Sting of the Hornet.

I once saw on the porch of my residence on Lake Hopatcong a mud hornet deliberately fall into a tangle herself in a spider web. Hudson Maxim writes. The spider, perching upon an outer corner of the web, instantly sprang at the hornet, then stopped and decided that it did not want to tackle that hornet, and returned to its perch.

After waiting awhile for the spider to come to the tangle, the hornet freed herself very easily from the web, and I watched her fly several times in circles and then deliberately alight in another nearby web and entangle herself in it. Instantly from an alert spider, evidently either more hungry or less cautious than the other, sprang upon the hornet, when, with a swiftness that would shame the lightning and with a precision developed beyond the contingency of error, that hornet seized the spider, jabbed her sting into it, and paralyzed it. The spider also took it up nicely and carried it away.

I learned afterward, in the study of insects, that this is the regular habit of the mud-hornet. She catches spiders in this manner, paralyzing them with her sting. She places them one after another in a mud packet that she has constructed for the purpose until she has enough canned spiders to feed her young when they hatch out in the spring. The spiders do not die, but remain alive in their prison, until attacked by the larvae of the hornet and eaten at the proper time. Rather hard on the spiders—but the habits of the spiders themselves are not such as to elicit much sympathy.

### Norway's Concrete Ship.

Commercial vessel Normann L. Andros, reports of the building of a 600-ton concrete ship from the Fougner yards at Moss, Norway. This ship has four water-tight compartments and is built of concrete. The Bolinder motor, is placed aft. The boat has two large holds and two masts, each equipped with a two-ton motor which.

### The Standing Armies.

At the beginning of the war the war strength of the European belligerents was as follows: Germany, 5,200,000; France, 4,600,000; Russia, 5,500,000; Austria-Hungary, 3,000,000; Italy, 3,200,000; Great Britain, 730,000; Turkey, 400,000.

Hon. N. W. Rowell, president of the Privy Council, will address his constituents on Wednesday and Thursday, when he will deal with aspects of the war.

### CAUSE OF TRENCH FEVER.

Veterans of Past Wars Offer Their selves for British Experiment. The splendid refusal to believe of a number of men too old to fight who volunteered to be infected with trench fever so that the origin and character of the disease could be investigated was described by a representative of the London Daily Mail by Major W. Byam, R.A.M.C., who is carrying out the experiments with constant assistance, under Sir David Bruce's direction, New End Military Hospital, Hampstead, N.W.

Major Byam says it has been established that it is not the bite of the louse that sets up the disease, but its excreta scratched into the skin by the patient.

Between 30 and 40 volunteers have been taken, their skins were "laid on," said Major Byam. "All were over military age or unfit for the army." Special credit is due to the British volunteers, H. Coleman and H. H. Edgerton, Cole, who is 64, served as a gunner with Lord Roberts in the marshes to Kandahar, England, '78 and came back from the United States hoping to be of use to his native country.

"These men did not know what would happen to them after infection. Next day we and we took them so, Cole let himself be bitten by infected lice for 35 days and Edgerton for two months. Neither took any medicine. Their skins were tough and they did not scratch themselves.

"The third volunteer was ex-Constable P. Robinson, aged 70, who arrested the 'famous' Charles Peace. Then came T. Bryant, 71, and C. Jordan, 66, ex-soldiers, and J. Ward, an ex-miner. They all said they wanted to do something, as they did not like being 'left out of the war.' A volunteer named Carpenter is still in the hospital. He was given trench fever, while still suffering from it, allowed us to take a portion of his leg muscle away. This muscle is the principal site of the pain. Our object is to ascertain if a cure can be obtained for treatment to alleviate the pain in other cases.

### Graphite in War.

Graphite in various ways essential to the success of the military operations of the Allies. Large amounts are required for the manufacture of crucibles, for laundry facings, for dry battery fillers and for a protective polish for explosives. Its most familiar uses, in lead pencils and stove polish consume comparatively little of the total output.

The crystalline graphite for making crucibles, the experts say, should contain as high as 85 per cent, of graphite carbon and should be free from mica, pyrite and iron oxide, which are particularly harmful impurities. It should also preferably contain a sufficient quantity of amorphous graphite to supply the needs of the crucible manufacturer, graphite imported from Ceylon and Madagascar must still be used.

A part of the greater demand for crucibles during the last two years has been due to the fact that crucibles made with domestic clays did not stand as many "heats" as those made from the Bavarian clay, so that a larger number were required to perform the same work, but the difficulty of obtaining satisfactory clay for use in crucibles has been largely overcome and crucibles now made with domestic clays are thoroughly satisfactory.

It is estimated by experts that about 30,000 tons of graphite suitable for crucible manufacture will be needed this year. If freight and market conditions and an improved labor situation favor the shipment of domestic graphite about 8,000 tons of fume of crucible grade, exclusive of dust, can be marketed in this country in 1918, an increase of more than 100 per cent over the production of 1917. If the freight conditions that prevailed in the autumn of 1917 should recur the domestic production of about 4,500 tons, if the will hardly exceed 2,500 tons. If the domestic production could be stimulated to its maximum capacity, reasonable assurance of a steady market for the Western Union Telegraph and Telephone Company, belonging to the associate companies of the President.

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