

Death of Mr. John Cummins

Young Belleville Merchant Succumbed in Detroit on Sunday

Mr. John Cummins, the well-known harness merchant of Belleville, died yesterday morning in Detroit, where he had been ill for some time. Mrs. Cummins had been at his bedside attending him. The remains arrived here this afternoon.

The late John Cummins was a son of the late James Cummins, and was born in Belleville. He was engaged in the harness trade with his father and latterly had been carrying on the business since the death of his father. He was a member of St. Michael's Church and of Belleville Council, Knights of Columbus. Mr. James Cummins of Chicago and Mr. Michael Cummins of Belleville are brothers, and Mrs. Brennan, Mrs. Holland and Mrs. Blanchard are sisters.

Automobile Turned Turtle

Narrow Escape of Tweed Residents Near Cannifton Crossing.

About midnight an automobile turned turtle on the Cannifton Road just north of the Grand Trunk track. Mr. Thomas Caskey and his brother, Mr. Michael Caskey who were in the machine were most fortunate in escaping with their lives. They had been to Trenton and were making their way home when the steering gear refused to work. The car lurched to the side and turned upside down. Mr. T. Caskey was caught under it and sprained his knee, although it was first thought his leg was broken. His brother suffered a few bruises to his head. They left for home this afternoon.

Obituary

MISS ELLEN WOODCOCK

Miss Ellen Woodcock passed away at an early hour Sunday morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Mattis, 13 Grove street, where she has resided and been cared for during the past year. She was born in Thurlow, second concession in 1840 and was accordingly in her 79th year. Since girlhood she had lived in Belleville. Miss Woodcock was the last of her family, her brother, Eli, preceding her to the tomb five years ago. Miss Woodcock was a member of the Tabernacle Methodist Church. She had been ill for several years. Her life was devoted to the care and comfort of her brothers and doing what she could do for others. One feature of her home life was that she was never away from her own home a night in her life.

RICHARD S. LANSING

Mr. Richard S. Lansing died Sunday afternoon at his residence, 149 Charles street south. He was born in Richmond township in 1833. Next March he would have celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of his marriage. Most of his life was spent in Hungerford. He came to Belleville about 14 years ago. For a year past he had been ill. Mr. Lansing was a Methodist. He leaves his widow, one son, Reuben Lansing, of Stirling, three daughters, Mrs. Ryerson Badgley, Melrose, Mrs. John Phillips, Blyth, and Mrs. Dan Phillips, fourth of Thurlow.

Obsequies

The funeral of the late Mrs. Annie Cockins took place from her late residence, 8th concession of Tyndinaga to Roslin Methodist church. Rev. Mr. White, of Plainfield officiating. Burial was at Roslin. The bearers were Messrs. W. Jordan, J. Coulter, S. McLean, B. Colden, J. Cross and J. C. Charter.

Mrs. Minnie Catherine Hunt, whose death was announced on Saturday was a native of Prince Edward and was 53 years of age. She was the widow of the late Peter James Hunt who died two and a half years ago. She was a Methodist in religion and leaves two sons, Capt. S. B. Russell and J. H. Russell, Prince Edward. The funeral took place today to Albury.

DIED

LANSING — in Belleville, Sunday, Dec. 1st, 1918, Richard S. Lansing, aged 85 years.

Horse Killed on Crossing

But Driver Escaped Without Injury.

Mr. Thomas Keene, of the second of Thurlow is thanking his stars today for a narrow escape from death on Saturday evening. He was crossing the "Y" near the G.T.R. round house in Thurlow driving a team of horses when an engine ran into the outfit, killing one of the horses and upsetting the vehicle. Mr. Keene did not suffer any injury but shock. The narrow escape he had may be inferred by the fact that a portion of his overcoat was cut off torn off by the engine.

Wedding Bells

SHANNON-POWER

The marriage took place quietly on Wednesday, Nov. 27, at St. Charles' Church, Read, the nuptial mass was celebrated by the Rev. Father McCarthy, when Edward V. second son of P. A. Shannon and Mrs. Shannon, of Latta, was united in marriage to Agnes B. second daughter of the late James Power and Mrs. Power, of Read. After their honeymoon which is being spent at Detroit and Bay City they will take up their residence in Latta.

More Details of the Shipwreck

Thrilling Experience of the Survivors of the North-west.

Further details of the shipwreck of the Northwest, which was published exclusively in the Daily Ontario on Saturday are to hand. Capt. McMinn and his six surviving members of the crew of nine are in farm houses near Concession recovering from the effects of exposure following the foundering of their vessel off the Scotch Bunnets. After the bow section of the Northwest had broken away on Wednesday from the tug, J. D. Burke, of Toronto, it commenced to drift across the lake.

Capt. McMinn and his men succeeded in riding the rough waves until they were within distance of Prince Edward County shore, when the bulkheads were broken in. The crew made a raft of wreckage and when the section sunk in one hundred feet of water, the nine men were tossed into the cold water. They made to the raft and drifted east from Concession. They wandered for some miles along the beach before they reached a farm house and secured shelter. One was in a critical condition, Charles Jardine and Albert Tryon, the men who succumbed, died on the beach.

Receives His Military Cross

Lieut. D. V. Ketcheson Won Treasured Decoration in 1917.

Lieut. David Vanderwater Ketcheson, son of Ex-Mayor H. F. Ketcheson, received today the Military Cross which was awarded him in the spring of 1917.

Lieut. Ketcheson was the first Belleville boy to win the M.C. The cross is of solid silver and is beautiful in design. The deed for which the decoration was awarded is given as follows in an extract from the London Gazette, dated April 17th, 1918:

"Military Cross, Lieut. David Vanderwater Ketcheson, 38th Battalion, Canadian Infantry."

"For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of a raiding party. Although wounded, he continued in command of his men and led the assault on the enemy trench in a most determined manner. Later he was again severely wounded."

The winner of the cross enlisted in 1914 in the 21st Battalion as a private. He was for a while on the headquarters staff of the 4th Brigade and was later with the 4th Machine Gun Co. Finally he was with the 38th Battalion. He won his commission about two years ago.

Mr. H. Romley-Williams spent the week end in town bidding his numerous friends good bye before departure from this district. He left on the noon train for Montreal to join his mother, where he intends to reside.

Canada and Claims Against Hun Warfare

List is Being Prepared By Under-Secretary of State—File Without Delay.

The government has directed the preparation of a list of claims by Canadians arising out of the illegal methods of warfare by the enemies during the war. These claims arise through the torpedoing of ships without warning, the aerial bombing of undefended places, and commandeering or requisitioning without compensation, destruction and similar illegal acts on land. The Canadian claims are largely limited to the first class mentioned. The claims relate to loss of life, as well as of property.

A further list is also to be made covering claims for damages arising out of breaches of contracts with neutrals which were declared illegal because of the neutrals making the claims, being on the statutory list of persons in neutral countries, commonly called the Black List. All persons having claims indicated should file them without delay. The making of this list does not imply an undertaking on the part of the government to put forward the claims at the peace conference, or any assurance that if put forward they will be paid. But the list should be completed without delay so as to enable the government to make a demand if an occasion therefor should arise.

Instructions showing the method of filing claims and the proof to be forwarded may be obtained from Thomas Mulvey, Under-Secretary of State, the officer appointed by order in council to prepare, examine and report upon the claims.

The order in council dealing with the subject passed on November 15 is as follows:

The committee of the privy council have had before them a report, dated November 14, 1918, from the Secretary of State, stating that, during the period of the present war, persons residing and carrying on business in Canada have been subjected to loss and pecuniary damage, and have claims arising from the destruction of life and property through the illegal warfare of the enemy, and that, through the operation of the consolidated orders respecting trading with the enemy, persons residing and carrying on business in Canada have been subjected to claims for damages for breaches of contract, which contracts they were prevented from carrying out owing to the operation of the statutory list of persons in neutral countries with whom they were prohibited from trading and that it is advisable that a list of all such claims should be prepared, for such action as may hereafter be considered advisable.

The Minister, therefore, recommends that Thomas Mulvey, Under-Secretary of State, be appointed an officer to take such steps as may be necessary to obtain a complete list of (a) Claims of persons residing or carrying on business in Canada who have been subjected to loss and pecuniary damage, arising from the destruction of life and property through the illegal warfare of the enemy, and (b) Claims for damages to which persons residing or carrying on business in Canada have been subjected for breaches of contracts, which contracts were prevented from being carried out owing to the operation of the statutory list of persons in neutral countries with whom such contracts were declared illegal.

The committee concur in the foregoing recommendation, and submit the same for approval. Rodolphe Boudreau, Clerk of the Privy Council.

Gohr is Found Not Guilty of Murder of John Bohn

Pembroke, Dec. 3.—Adolf Gohr was Friday afternoon found not guilty of the murder of John Bohn, the Golden Lake farmer found dead from gunshot wounds, near his home, last September. The jury brought in its acquittal verdict after several hours deliberations.

Gohr's term of freedom after the jury delivered its verdict of not guilty was a very brief one. He was taken downstairs and turned over to the military police, and three-quarters of an hour later, shackled to one of the officers, was speeding to Ottawa, to face a court martial on another serious charge, desertion from the Canadian Expeditionary Force. He was drafted last March and was given week-end leave last July, but failed to return, and the efforts of the military police to locate him were unsuccessful.

Ten pairs of live foxes were shipped by Dr. Leo Frank from Prince Edward Island to Japan. They were accompanied by a rancher, who will spend a year in Japan teaching the business to the purchaser.

Two days later Dole captured a terrier owned by M. Meade and amused himself at the dog's expense by lassoing it and allowing it to reach the end of the rope with a jerk which almost caused strangulation. He then tied the cans to its tail and allowed it to go, making a boy a present of its collar.

Dole made a mistake, however, in parting with the collar, as it was through it that the atrocity was traced and its perpetrator brought to justice.

Magistrate Dumble when imposing the fine remarked that this case was the most brutal and revolting of its kind with which he had been confronted during his career on the bench.

Soldier Robbed

May Lose Sight as Result of Attack.

Hamilton, Dec. 3.—Discharged from the army only Friday, E. J. Thompson, 185 Mill street, is lying in St. Joseph's hospital today, a victim of an assault. His left eye is so badly burned that he is likely to lose it, both cheeks are severely burned, and \$150 of this soldier's discharge pay is gone.

Thompson came to Hamilton to visit a friend, Fred Smith, on the mountain. As he was proceeding down the Jolley on his way to the terminal station at 10.30 o'clock two men jumped out from behind the Ferguson avenue steps. One demanded his money and the other threw the contents of a can of vitriol acid into his face. This so blinded Thompson that the robbers were able to "fisk" his clothes for the \$150. They then ran away.

Despite the fact that he was partially blinded and in terrible pain, Thompson made his way to St. Joseph's hospital without assistance. From there the alarm was sent out to the police.—Herald.

Obituary

In the early hours of Sunday morning, November 17th, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. R. Huyck, Tweed, Margaret Douglas, widow of the late Richard Douglas, passed peacefully away at the ripe age of 86 years and 9 months.

The deceased was an enthusiastic and loyal communicant of the Anglican church, always anxious to do all in her power, to further the church's interest and work. In spite of her advancing years, she maintained the spirit of good cheer, a bright, keen intellect and hearty interest in every day events and church life. Although suffering with a lingering illness she was bright and cheerful, and was supported by every possible loving care and attention. The deceased leaves to mourn her loss two daughters, Mrs. E. R. Huyck, Tweed, Mrs. W. J. Dollar, Nanawee, and one son, Edward A. Douglas, Buffalo, N.Y.

The funeral took place from the home, at which a short service was held, to Christ Church, Tamworth, on the arrival of the C.N.R. train.

The Rev. A. E. Smart, of Tweed, officiated, assisted by the Rev. S. E. Harrington, of Tamworth, a goodly number of friends, being present at the service. In the address of comfort a reference was made to the zealous work of the deceased in the early Church Work at Tamworth. May she rest in peace and eternal light be her portion for ever.—Tweed News.

Victory Trees are Memorial to Dead

Nation-wide Movement is Started in The States.

Washington, Dec. 3.—A nation-wide movement has been started by the American Forestry Association for the planting of memorial trees for the soldier dead.

Charles Lathrop Pack, president of the Association, has written to every governor asking co-operation. The plan is to have each state plant memorial trees along the great trans-continental motor highways.

P. S. Ridsdale, secretary of the Association, says many towns and cities have taken up the idea, and the General Federation of Women's Clubs is considering a similar plan for the Lincoln highway, to be carried out by the state organizations.

"Nothing could be more appropriate," says Mr. Pack, "than to have each state, through which a motor highway passes, plant 'victory oaks' or 'victory elms' or other trees for the soldiers who have died in battle. The motor has played a mighty part in winning the war."

"Wood has played a big part in victory, too. Our stocks must be replenished. With earth state co-operating with the highway authorities, a living age-long lesson could be taught the coming generation as to the beauties and value of forestry."

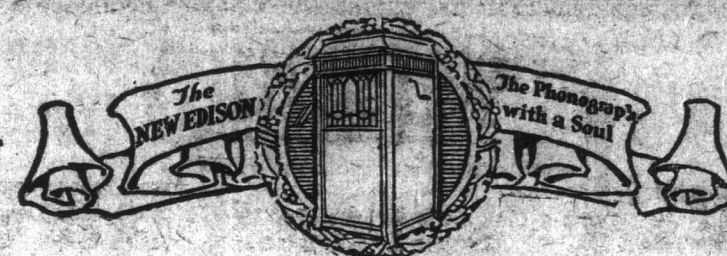
Many War Contracts Not Legally Binding

Confusion Caused Over United States War Orders.

Washington, Dec. 3.—The Government's maturing programme for cancelling big war orders with a minimum of disturbance to business conditions was thrown into confusion yesterday by a decision of Comptroller Warwick of the Treasury that thousands of orders placed by telegram, telephone or mail are not legally binding, and that, consequently they may not be recognized through the negotiation of terminating contracts without special legislation by Congress. Officials estimated that hundreds of millions of dollars in contracts are involved.

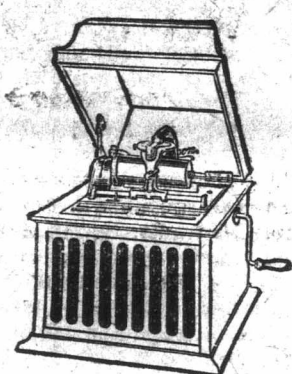
At the same time, Secretary of War Baker announced that the War Department will direct its own cancelling of contracts "in a spirit of fairness and helpfulness to all concerned."

Attorney-General Gregory will be asked to pass on this apparent conflict between the law, as it is strictly interpreted by Comptroller Warwick, whose authority grows out of his supervision of payments from the Treasury, and the desire of the War Department to terminate contracts—both those backed up by formally signed documents and those undertaken on informal agreements—by making some sort of a lump sum payment to the contractor.



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OTTAWA WINTER FAIR.

The Ottawa Winter Fair, which was cancelled in January last in order that the buildings might be used for quartering troops, will be held in January 1919, as usual. Word has just been received from the Militia Department that the buildings would be available and the directors are completing arrangements for the show. The prize list which will be issued inside of the next few days, will contain an increased classification in all departments. Bull calf classes have been added to both the beef and dairy classes, as well as harness horse classes is the horse department which will make an excellent horse show. Arrangements are being made for the holding of a pure bred stallion sale at the time of the Winter Fair, full particulars of which will be issued later.

The officers of the Winter Fair are: President, Wm. Smith, M.P.

Columbus, Ont., Vice-President, J. C. Stuart, Osgoode, General Director R. W. Wade, Toronto, Executive, J. H. Crisdeale, George Robertson, John Brant, Secretary, W. D. Jackson, Carp, Ont.

A humorist in an American paper says: "The Kaiser has been sent to his St. Helena shortly after Germany's unconditional surrender. A little later he died—dead. The Reichstag convened a special session received a message sent by the guard of the island: 'Wilhelm is dead; shall we have him embalmed, cremated or buried?' The answer went back promptly: 'Do all three; take no chances.'"

MARMORA

Dr. H. Crawford was in Toronto last week.

Mr. S. C. Boyd was in Toronto on business a couple of days last week.

Mrs. N. B. Lavar, of Governor, N. Y., is visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. McFarlane.

Mr. Dan Osborne is moving his family into one of The Pearce Company's houses on Main Street.

Rev. W. P. Woodger preached in Peterboro, morning and evening last Sunday, while Rev. Mr. Clarke of Cavan, conducted the services on Marmora circuit.

Mrs. S. M. Bleeker left last Saturday for Los Angeles, Cal., where she will spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Mulloy.

Miss M. Gillett has resigned her position as teller in the Dominion Bank here, and Mr. Nicholls, of Guelph, has been transferred to Marmora to fill the vacant position. During the time Miss Gillett has been in the bank she has been very popular with the public. Her efficient service combined with her unfailing courtesy won the esteem of the patrons of the bank.—Herald

Cashier Ends Life

Montreal, Dec. 2.—Real Lareau, cashier of the Notre Dame de Grace branch of the bank of Montreal, was found dead with a bullet wound in the head, lying under the counter of the cage. His salary had only recently been increased and his death, which was self-inflicted, is thought due to mental disturbances from which he had been suffering for some time.

The Kaiser may go back to Germany because of disturbances in Holland. Case of "all dressed up and nowhere to go."

The engagement of Miss Margaret Carnegie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Carnegie, to Roswell Miller is announced.

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