

Theatres at Play the Picture Game Favorites and What

as if it had belonged to Aunt Jemima.
Glenn Martin is very good looking.

"The Birth of a Nation."
The one great theatrical sensation of New York, Boston, Chicago, Toronto and Montreal. "The Birth of a Nation" will be presented at the Opera House next month. The first half of the D. W. Griffith spectacle unravels scenes and incidents from the Civil War on a scale of numbers, diversity and vividness new to motion pictures in America. The second half is a pictorial chronicle of reconstruction days in the South, including the carpet-bagger negro excesses and the rise and triumph of the Ku Klux Klan. Interwoven with the whole is a double romance of the blue and the grey, suggested by Thomas Dixon's "The Clansman." A complete metropolitan production is to be on view here. It comprises a company of expert technicians, a complete symphony orchestra of 20 artists and two baggage cars of effects.

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THIRD CHAPTER
"THE IRON CLAW"

"The Cognac Cask"
After burning Golden's tenements, Legar finds Margery has returned to be underworld.
The mysterious Laughing Mask hides in the chimney-place and plans her escape.
The Laughing Mask smuggles the girl from Legar's den in a brandy cask. Legar gives chase.
Golden's secretary notices a woman watching the house. It turns out to be Margery's mother.
The unforgiving Golden orders the woman from the house, but his young secretary gives her money.
Terrible accident to Legar (The Iron Claw) and party who are pursuing Margery and the Laughing Mask.
WHO IS THIS LAUGHING MASK?

WHITE SISTER. — NEEDS

THE SACRIFICE OF A NATIONAL HERITAGE

Historic Timber Reserves in England will Soon Ring with Chantey of Canadian Woodsmen.

The voice of a Canadian bushman raised in cheerful chantey in Windsor Park, or the New Forest or other historic English timber reserve would be incongruous, but it may be heard soon. One more of the many strange situations brought about by the great war will be that French-Canadian axemen are shortly to be set to work cutting out the trees on the ancient crown timber reserves of Britain. It is then that "En Roulant Ma Boule" will take its place among the sylvan sounds of Merrie England.

It is said that when the Englishman makes up his mind, he will go to any lengths. Desperate, indeed, must be the situation that has impelled the English to look with equanimity on the loss of their cherished trees. Things have now come to that pass, however. The dearth of lumber in Great Britain due to war conditions has led the British Government to take a momentous decision, that of sacrificing the national timber heritage. The necessity is as grim as the need that has led tens of thousands of British sons to the slaughter.

The British War Office has just asked the Canadian Government to raise a battalion of woodsmen to help in cutting out the timber resources of the British Isles and the battalion is in process of formation. There is a great dearth of lumber in the country, because the British supply has been practically all imported, and now freight rates are prohibitive, and, still greater handicap, there is lack of bottoms for lumber-carrying purposes. The vessels are engaged in the transport of munitions. The war demands timber, as it demands every other form of resources, including human beings. The timber, even as the human beings, must be supplied. The price, the loss of a cherished national asset, is high, but it must be met.

To Canada Britain naturally looked for her woodsmen, and to such a call Canada is responding joyously. In lumbering the Canadian finds something to his liking, just as Canadian voyageurs rushed to Egypt to navigate "leaux" on the Nile in the days of the Gordon expedition. So the strangest military unit that has yet been seen in the Dominion will shortly sail for England, as soon probably as a transport may be found to carry it.

The battalion will be 1500 strong, fifteen companies of 100 men each. It will have the usual military organization and will wear the universal khaki, but its weapon will be the axe, not the rifle. Its duties will be to cut down trees, in England, not to shoot at unseen Germans in Flanders. It will drill, however, much as the ordinary unit drills, leaving out the manual of arms. Axemen, sawyers, teamsters, these will be the members of the unit, and they will be picked from every part of Canada, wherever trees grow and men cut them down. Quebec Province will furnish a great share of the bushmen-soldiers.

As is fitting, a lumberman has been chosen to lead the lumberman's battalion. Lieutenant Colonel Alex. Macdonnell of Ottawa, millionaire railroad contractor, and operator of many sawmills. He has never led a regiment before, but he has handled men in bulk from coast to coast, on railroad construction. His two senior officers are lumbermen, and members of Parliament. Major Hapburn of Prince Edward Island and Major Gerald White of Newfrew, Ontario. Captains and lieutenants have been recruited in most cases from the lumbering trade. The response to the call for recruits was almost instantaneous, and in one day more than 800 men presented themselves at the headquarters in Ottawa.

It is not generally known that the timber resources of Great Britain are very considerable, although they have not supplied more than a small fraction of the required annual supply. Timber has been imported easily and cheaply from America, northern Europe and the numerous British colonies.

The principle State forests in England, New Forest, in Hampshire, 76,000 acres and the Dean Forest, in Gloucestershire, 22,500 acres. The total extent of Crown forests is about 125,000 acres. A large proportion of the Crown forests, having been formed with the idea of supplying timber for the navy, consists of oak. The largest forests in Scotland are in Perthshire, Inverness-shire and Aberdeen-shire. Of these, the most notable are the Earl of Mansfield's, near Scone, 8000 acres; the Earl of Atholl's farmland near Dundee, 10,000 acres, and in Strathpey a large extent of Scotch pine, partly native, partly planted.

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DUTCH MINISTER OF MARINE IS PESSIMISTIC

Nothing Will be Left Undone, Minister Rambonnet Declares, to Establish Cause of the Disaster.

The Hague, via London, March 23, 7.43 p. m.—"Nothing definite has yet been ascertained concerning the sinking of the steamer Tubantia," said Minister of Marine Rambonnet to the Associated Press today, "but nothing will be left undone by our department to establish, with certainty, the cause of the disaster."

"The ship lies with the bow upward, which is a favorable circumstance for diving operations. The pieces of metal found in the Tubantia's lifeboat are being carefully tested at the torpedo school in Amsterdam. The rumor that it has been definitely established that they were pieces of a torpedo is unfounded."

The minister added that from the German official declaration, it was impossible to believe that the sinking of the steamer was done by order of the German admiralty. If a German submarine was the culprit, the only explanation was that the commander exceeded his instructions or lost his head.

Speaking of the future for neutral ships, he was unable to spare warships for conveying vessels. Aside from the task being undesirable for other reasons, the crews were reluctant to take the long route to the north of Scotland, where assistance would be less accessible in case of accident. He thought it would be advisable to first try a system of mine-sweepers, under the supervision of the admiralty, preceding vessels along the normal routes.

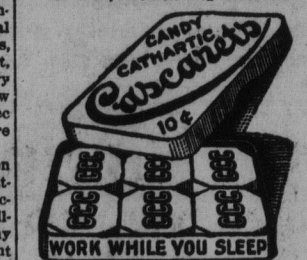
On the subject of combined naval action the minister was not enthusiastic, owing to Holland's special position, her vital necessity being to maintain communication with her colonies, a circumstance not shared by mercantile shipping. Minister Rambonnet was frankly pessimistic. Holland, other neutrals.

ed, belonging to the Earl of Seafield. In the forests of Mar and Invercauld the native pine attains a great size and there are also large tracts of indigenous birch in various districts.

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