

Thoughts by the Way
Thanksgiving Thoughts
Written for The Ontario by "Wayfarer."

This week in which we celebrate our national Thanksgiving, our thoughts naturally seek for causes of gratitude to a kind Providence and we find ourselves, almost unconsciously, endeavoring to count our blessings.

and humanity will live forever in the heart of the nation. No one can die a more glorious death than in the service of his country and humanity. A mother, whose eldest son is overseas, was heard to say: "Even though my son be killed in battle, I'd rather have it so, than have him at home, a coward and a shirker."

Yesterday in the golden radiance of an October day, I enjoyed a ramble over the fields. The blinding iridescence of the golden sunshine illuminated the country-side. From the fields the early crops had been gathered and horses and cows were grazing peacefully on the succulent pasture.

Then we can be thankful for the unity of the Empire and the unity of the allies which has resulted in the recent unprecedented and almost unlooked-for victories against our foes. Truly for this all we'll raise glad voices of praise and thanksgiving to the Lord of battles, through whose strength and providence, we are allowed to catch a glimpse of the first faint dawn of peace.

When we think of France and Flanders with homes and churches wrecked, land torn by shells, trees and woods, mere blackened stumps, truly we Canadians have a great cause for gratitude.

Our Promised Land we see. And holding fast Thy hand Press on to victory. L. Leverage. Wayfarer.

Our hands, now clasped, have respired. Full harvest of our sowing. Our fruits are gathered in. Our barns are overflowing. We hold these gifts in trust. For These from whom they came With voices love-attuned. We magnify Thy name.

Then we certainly are thankful for the courage and cheer of our soldiers. We read that Germany dreads no part of the allied armies as she does the Canadians against whom she places her strongest forces. Certainly Canada's name will be written large on the pages of history.

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Picked Up Around Town

Out of 24 children at the Children's Shelter 21 are down with measles. The place is therefore closed to visitors. Capt. Raston would be glad to receive gifts of food and delicacies suitable for the invalid children.

The physicians of the city are doing their best to cope with the epidemic situation but are being worked far beyond the limit and are still unable to cope with the situation. People could ease the position of the doctors to a very great extent if they would use a little forethought and common sense.

Major Lawrence, Sewell, an old Belleville boy, is spending a few days in the city renewing acquaintances after three years overseas. He and his mother are guests at the home of Mrs. George Stewart.

A citizen is strongly of the opinion that the streets should be flushed in the early evening instead of in the morning. After the day's business there is a great amount of dust, which has collected, and doubtless contains germs and in the evening automobiles stirred these dust particles about generally.

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In the action of McAnee vs. Town of Deseronto, Judge Deroche this morning dismissed with costs.

A foreigner, whose name could not be ascertained, passed away of the prevailing disease today.

Owing to the timely precautions taken at the Ontario School for the Deaf, that institution appears to have been spared from a serious outbreak of the "flu" epidemic. A number of the children are, however, suffering from chicken pox.

Vernon Cronk, of Trenton, was arrested after midnight charged with having been intoxicated in a public place, and with having liquor unlawfully in his possession in a place other than his dwelling place. The liquor was in a car. Cronk pleaded guilty before Justices J. E. Wainwright and H. F. Ketcheson today and was fined \$10 and costs on the first charge and \$200 and costs on the second.

Miss Mabel Thompson who has been spending a few days at Kingston returned home on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. G. Caughey and family visited on Sunday at the home of Mr. Earl Partell.

About sixty friends and neighbors met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. L. Morden on Tuesday night and presented them with an address and a purse of gold prior to their departure for Pittsburg. Our best wishes go with them.

Miss Mabel Hay, who is on the teaching staff of one of the schools of Kitchener is home on account of the prevalence of Spanish influenza in the city.

Mrs. (Rev.) A. R. Sanderson was taken ill of Spanish influenza while in Toronto, on her return from Hamilton, where she and Mr. Sanderson attended General Conference.

Mrs. A. M. Newton and son, of Riverhurst, Sask., are the guests of Mrs. Russell Melville.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Vail and son of Toronto, and Miss Pearl Bullen, of Peterboro, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Bullen.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Levagood, of Toronto, spent Thanksgiving Day at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. John Foreman, and Mr. and Mrs. A. H. McKee, of Ragan street.

Miss Stephens has resigned from her position on the High School staff, having accepted a similar position at Aurora. The vacancy here will be filled by Miss Una Harris, of Hamilton.

The Bank of British North America has amalgamated with the Bank of Montreal under the name of the latter bank. Never has there been an amalgamation of two such great financial institutions before.

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Teach the Children to Save

Habits are acquired early in life. Children, who are taught the value of money and the habit of saving, grow up into good business men and capable women. The easiest way to teach children to save, is to start a Savings Account for each child (\$1.00 each is sufficient).

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WANTED POTATOES and TURNIPS

We Will Pay For Delivery in September. Table Potatoes \$1.00 per bushel delivered to evaporator Belleville. Field Run Potatoes according to grade. Turnips 30c per bushel delivered to evaporators at Frankford, Concession or Belleville. GRAHAM'S Limited.

500 "Flu" Cases At Trenton

Trenton is severely in the grip of the Spanish influenza epidemic. It is stated that there are not less than 500 cases in the town. Owing to illness there are only three physicians left who are capable of looking after the multitude of those needing medical attention. There are very few trained nurses in the town and of these several are ill. A temporary hospital has been arranged for in the unused button factory where many patients as possible have been brought in to be cared for.

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BEECHAM'S PILLS

How often has an attack of indigestion interfered with your work or spoiled your pleasure? Good health is mostly a matter of sound digestion. Whenever you are troubled by dyspepsia, flatulence, sour eructations, sick headache, biliousness or constipation, take Beecham's Pills. They quickly and effectively correct digestive disturbances, stimulate the supply of gastric juice and Tone the Stomach. Directions of Special Value to Women are with Every Box. Sold by druggists throughout the world. In boxes, 25c.

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