

THE ACADIAN.

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Editorial Briefings.

The city of Toronto has raised \$701,546 in a week for the Red Cross. Toronto not only fights but pays.

Prison labor is said to be useful in city work. It would be equally useful on an industrial farm, and would benefit the laborers and their families much more.

The American father who is proud of the son who gave his life for the cause of the Allies shames those fathers in Canada who still hold back sons who are fit and free to go.

The Germans refer to the 'tank' battle cars of the British as cruel engines of warfare. And they must be shocked to the soft-hearted conquerors of Belgium and the victors of the naval fight in which the Lusitania was sunk.—New York Times.

Look Out For the Boy.

Someone has estimated that eighty-five per cent. of America's great or eminently successful city men were born in the country. Whether this is an entirely correct estimate or not we are not prepared to state, but it is nevertheless a fact known to all that a very large proportion of the few men who go to the top in city business were born on the farm. We sometimes wonder how many of these would have been great successes had they remained in the country and put the same thought and energy into scientific agriculture that they have into their chosen walks of life. Surely some could have been made into good farmers and satisfied farmers. It would be a pity to spoil a good store-keeper, a bustling manufacturer, a successful physician or an eminent professor by making a second or third rate farmer of him, but the fact which stands out is that all these men have been wooed away or driven from the farm and few really great farmers are known. The pity of it all is that the basic industry of this continent is not considered of sufficient importance to attract the great men in their earlier days to make it a life-work. True, after they have amassed a fortune in other business, they like to play at farming. Their return to the farm is generally to make the farm a 'sink-hole' for some of their surplus wealth. They make it a hobby.

When one stops to think of it agriculture can ill afford to lose all the leaders. It is all very fine to talk of the way men born on the farm strengthen city industry, and how the men and women from the land keep the race strong and viable, but has it not been carried a little too far? Very good use could be made of the brains and ability of more leaders in the field of practical agriculture. Can the farm afford to lose so many? How can a change be brought about? It is the duty of every parent to give the best he can to his children as a start in life. They should be encouraged in whatever calling for which they show special aptitude. But why forget the farm? Too often farming is painted a rather dull picture for the boy, while education and trades are held up as the ideal occupations. Education is all right and every boy should get all he can. No one has too much of it to farm. But why not put the best side of farm life forward to the boy and then if he decides on a city occupation, do not stand in his way. Give the farm a fair show with the other futures for the bright boy, and perhaps a few men will grow up on and stay with the farm. Agriculture is a calling worthy of the best brains of the country.

The Fall Weather Hard On Little Ones.

Canadian fall weather is extremely hard on little ones. One day it is warm and bright and the next wet and cold. These sudden changes bring on colds, cramps and colic, and unless baby's little stomach is kept right the result may be serious. There is nothing to equal Baby's Own Tablets in keeping the little ones well. They sweeten the stomach, regulate the bowels, break up colds and make baby thrive. The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at one cent a box from the Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Acknowledgment.

The following letter was received by one of the ladies of the Red Cross Society:

'I wish to thank you and through you the ladies of the Wolfville Red Cross Society for the most kind gift of sixty pairs of socks to my platoon (No. 10, 8th Batt.)

If you and those associated with you could have been present it would have repaid you for all your trouble to have seen and heard the expressions of gratitude of the men.

Good as the issue of clothing is to the Canadian soldiers it is impossible to get the class of footwear that you so kindly sent. The gift itself, too, and the thoughtfulness that prompted it was heartily appreciated by the men. It made them feel that their efforts were appreciated and that they had strong friends behind them.

Again thanking you and the other ladies I remain sincerely yours,

G. ROY PARSONS

New Fall and Winter Coats, new Outing Hats in felt, velvet and corduroy, at J. D. CHAMBERS.

Money to loan on Real Estate security. Apply to Owen & Owen, Barristers, Annapolis Royal.

When the Wounded Return

England was soon in sight. It did not seem good to see the coast line from the hospital ship. Very soon we had landed and were on the Red Cross train. We did not know where we were going. What did that matter when people waved their hands and cheered us in such a way? We lay back in the train and were content. What would we not go through again for this? Our thoughts of past horrors seen began to fade away. The sun had begun to shine for us 'At last!'—(A wounded soldier in T. P.'s Journal of Great Deeds.)

To one who knows the sound of hearty cheering, how easily is the above understood. (It is called, I believe, from the diary of a wounded soldier.) Well do I know the sound of whole-hearted British cheering; it is exhilarating, it makes the blood course joyously through the veins, diffusing a wholesome glow over the whole of one's system! It puts new life and energy into the jaded and weary. How welcome will the sound be to the poor, wounded soldier but newly returned from the horrors of the battlefield, his body sore and maimed and racked with pain! At the sound of the whole-hearted cheer and cries of welcome 'thoughts of past horrors seen' begin to fade away, a feeling of content comes over them. They have done their duty to King and country, and though full of pain and maimed, maybe, for life, think 'it was worth it all to be welcomed by such cheering and waving of hands' by a crowd who understood and realized the dangers and horrors the lads had gone through and who showed their appreciation and honor of them by the most expressive and impressive of all welcomes—a real, hearty cheer.

Now, only a few days ago I read in a N. S. paper a letter from a returned wounded soldier wherein he said 'not only did we get no welcome when we returned to our native land but were insulted on the streets by being called 'tin soldiers!' I won't comment on the implied insult excepting to say that I fully believe the young girls who uttered the words 'tin soldiers' were only thoughtless, as youth sometimes is, and that if they realized and fully understood the horrors of war and what the brave lads had been through would have been amongst the first to give them a smile and a kind word of welcome; but the pathos, disappointment and maybe scorn conveyed in the words 'not only did we get no welcome home.' Poor lads! We give them a rousing 'send off' which is quite right, and they receive a hearty British welcome when they reach Old England's shores. And on their return from France, either on leave or wounded, they receive cheers and kindnesses from every one of Britain's people. There is a crowd at every stopping place along the railway, eager to cheer or to shake by the hand our brave lads who are on their way either two or from France. Ladies are there with refreshments at all hours of the day and night, and young girls and children are all so eager to help 'Tommy,' saving their pennies to purchase fruit, cakes, chocolates and cigars, which they hand round to their heroes.

The highest lady in the land is not too high and great to shake the hand of a wounded Tommy, for is not her husband, son, grandson fighting side by side with the humblest of them? 'Aye! Duke's son and cook's son fighting side by side! From now on train load after train load of our wounded soldiers will travel the lines on their way to their own little town or village.

The trains may halt for a few minutes at your station. Will you let them glide again from sight without giving the lads a welcoming cheer? without a kindly word or shake of the hand—when the poor fellow is still possessor of a hand? Or will you look on in silent pity, doing and saying nothing because they are not the boys of your own town? Rouse up and give them a cheer! I've no doubt they will all receive a welcome of some kind when they reach their home places if such be small towns or villages; but such is not enough, it is being welcomed only by their own people, their relatives and townspeople, I mean, whereas they should be welcomed heartily by all. Whether they live east or west, near or far, are they not our brave Canadian soldiers who fought side by side with our own town's boys? We are proud of our lads in khaki. Proudly and bravely do we wish him God-speed ere he departs for the dangers across the seas and we should be proud to welcome him when he returns, wounded and perhaps maimed for life in the cause of Right and Justice. For the horrors he has been through give him a cheer, he deserves it.

In Britain, countless are the numbers of widows and mothers bereaved in this war, who are devoting their time to cheering and welcoming the wounded. A sympathetic word, a smile, a handshake from girl or man is balm to the heart of many a poor war-scarred hero. It helps to efface the horrors he has gone through and witnessed, and in thus brightening the lot of the wounded soldiers the bereaved woman herself is comforted. The glad light in our poor soldier's face at a kind word is reward enough. The kindhearted girls who continue to be at the station when a train-load of our wounded lads for a few minutes will feel amply repaid for their kindly greetings and maybe a handshake here and there, by the look of gratitude and admiration on the faces of the ones who so kindly welcome them. But there are some bashful young fellows who

Hard Times.

Now is the time to watch for bargains. Look the following snapshots over. These prices are for Cash only.

Table listing various goods and their prices, including 6 pkgs. C. B. Soda, 7 cakes Monkey Brand Soap, 3 tins O. D. Cleanser, etc.

ONIONS

Just arrived too bags Canadian and American Onions. It will pay you to buy a bag now before they get too high. The market is very strong.

MEATS

Veal, Pork, Lamb, Beef, Sausages.

R. E. HARRIS & SONS.

Two Telephones: 110-11 and 16.

hang back 'who do not see the symptoms of the disease.' The increase in the price of printing paper has become so serious that publishers are getting together to devise measures to meet the situation. Many have already increased their subscription rates and some have been forced to suspend publication.

The publishers of The Family Herald and Weekly Star, notwithstanding the enormous increase in cost of production, have decided to spend more money than ever improving the paper, and to give their great army of readers greater value than ever.

Who has not a hero in khaki whom they hope to welcome home some day? For his sake then, give them all a rousing hearty cheer.

Advertisement for SEIGEL'S SYRUP, featuring a bottle illustration and text about its benefits for digestion.

Advertisement for 'Men Wanted for the Navy', detailing requirements for the Royal Naval Canadian Volunteer Reserve.

Advertisement for 'BIG SALE OF MILLINERY!', announcing the start of the season on Tuesday, Oct. 31.

Advertisement for W. C. DEXTER & CO. WOLFVILLE, featuring a hat illustration.

Advertisement for Castor Oil and Resin, describing it as the simplest and most effective cure for the Canker Worm Pest.

Advertisement for coughs, colds, and La Grippe, featuring 'Tasteless Cod Liver Oil Compound' and listing A. V. Rand, Pharm. B., Druggist.

Advertisement for the OPERA HOUSE, listing performances for Monday, October 30 and Monday, November 6.

Important Notice regarding flour and feed prices, listing various types of flour and their current market rates.

Advertisement for 'Things Worth Knowing' by Carter & Collins, detailing services like vulcanizing and car repairs.

Advertisement for Art Clothes, featuring an illustration of a man in a suit and promoting a permanent satisfied customer.

New Fall & Winter COATS!

We are showing some entirely new styles in Fall Garments, in Corduroy Velvet, Silk Plushes, Cur I Cloth s, Boucles, Fancy Tweeds.

These garments are exceptionally good values considering the price of cloth to-day. Popular garments at \$15.00. Lower prices at \$10.00, to \$12.00; better ones at \$16.50, \$18.50, and \$20.00.

New Cloakings, Suitings, S sweaters, Raincoats.

Advertisement for J. D. CHAMBERS ACADIA PHARMACY, featuring 'Best for the Baby Best for You!' and listing various baby products.

Advertisement for 'The Foundation Principles of the WENTZELLS BUSINESS', detailing grocery services and pricing.

Advertisement for WENTZELL'S LIMITED 'THE "BIG STORE"', listing various services and products.

Advertisement for 'The Cash Grocery' by F. W. BARTEAUX and S. C. GOLDSMITH, listing various food items and services.