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TOUCHING INCIDENT AT THE SHELTER

A sad and pathetic incident occurred at the Children's Shelter on Thursday night about seven o'clock when the phone bell rang and on inquiry to the ring a policeman wanted to know if two had room for a baby. For from information received one had been abandoned at the O. T. R. who could return on such a night. It was stormy, with a cold wind and snow falling. One did not like to think of a dog being out, let alone a poor little babe.

About half an hour later if you had been present you would have seen a very touching sight, a big strong policeman carrying very tenderly a tiny baby, well covered up with rags into the warmth and comfort of the Children's Shelter. Mrs. Kuzon at once attended to his needs and it is today doing well. The dear Lord spare the little babe's life and it bears how that the door of the shelter was able to open through the loving, tender, and great heart of our worthy citizen, Mr. Theo. Ritchie, she will indeed call him blessed. It is to keep this work going on that we plead for assistance.

BELLEVILLE'S CONTRIBUTION ACKNOWLEDGED

Parliament Buildings, Toronto, December 18, 1917.
David Price, Esq., Treasurer, Belleville, Ont.

Dear Sir,—
We are in receipt of your favor of the 15th instant with the enclosed contribution of \$10,000.00 for the British Red Cross, which has all been forwarded to the British Red Cross.

I would ask you to kindly convey to the members of the city council, the teachers and pupils of the city schools, the members of the women's organizations and to all those who so generously contributed to this amount, the thanks of His Honor, the Lieutenant-Governor; the organization of Resources Committee, which is in charge of this campaign for Ontario, and the British Red Cross, for the response which has been made to this appeal.

You have helped to make Ontario's contribution this year more splendid than ever before, and you may have the consciousness that the gratitude of our brave men overseas is being sent continually to all those who are helping to make the work of the British Red Cross possible.

Yours faithfully,
Albert H. Abbott, Secretary.

THOS. YATEMAN HAS SUCCEMDED

Invalid Hero of Battle of Ypres Died in Belleville Hospital Today

Gunner Thomas Yateman, of the 4th Battery, died in Belleville Hospital this morning as a result of wounds received in the battle of Ypres, fought in April 1915 when the Canadians saved the situation. "Tommy" Yateman, as he was best known, was struck in the neck by a piece of flying shrapnel which penetrated the back bone and approached the spinal cord. The result was paralysis, which extended over almost his whole body. After treatment in France, he was taken to England. He surprised his attendants by his vitality and at times it looked as if he might recover. The best surgeons of England dealt with his case. Efforts to move the piece of steel by massaging were made and electricity was also employed as treatment but without avail. Finally about fifteen months ago he was sent to Canada. The local units for overseas service, Military unit here and friends gave Richard having being invalided him an appropriate welcome. He home from Havre, France, owing was taken to Belleville hospital for to an accident, a horse having treatment. Strange to say, his good spirits never deserted him. As a last resort he was sent to Toronto, but nothing could be done to help him. Recently he was returned to Belleville Hospital.

French Transport Lost; German U-Boat Sunk

Haig Makes Important Changes in the Headquarters Staff--Three German Machines Lost in Raid on England--Five of Attacking Fleet Alone Dropped Bombs.

LONDON AIR RAID LAST NIGHT

LONDON, Dec. 19.—A further statement regarding the air raids last night says the raiding fleet was divided into six groups. Only five machines succeeded in dropping bombs on the city. One machine was brought down, a second is believed destroyed and a third is reported as having dropped into the channel. The statement also adds that reports of casualties have not been received.

HAIG MAKES CHANGES IN STAFF

LONDON, Dec. 19.—It is announced that General Haig is making important changes in his headquarters staff which has been unaltered since he took over supreme command.

SUB THAT SUNK TRANSPORT DESTROYED

PARIS, Dec. 19.—The French ministry of marine report the French cruiser Chateau Renault used as a transport has been sunk in the Mediterranean by a German submarine which was itself destroyed later by a French warship. All except ten of the crew of the Chateau Renault were saved.

RUSSIA'S CIVIL WAR CONTINUES

PETROGRAD, Dec. 19.—Heavy fighting at Odessa was reported today. The Maximalists still hold the port. Ukrainian troops are shelling the city. The Bolsheviks also announced today that their forces are advancing toward Kiev. Cossack rebels are attacking Akraha.

ORDERED TO CEASE GIVING AID TO COSACKS

PETROGRAD, Dec. 19.—The Bolshevik government today served an ultimatum on the Ukrainians demanding that they cease granting aid to the Cossack rebellion.

MONTREAL LOSES FINE CHURCH

MONTREAL, Dec. 19.—St. Stanislas Catholic Church, completed here about five years ago, was completely destroyed by fire this morning. The structure cost \$500,000 and was insured for \$170,000. The curate in charge, the Rev. Father Piette, who managed to save the altar adornments and sacred vessels was to have celebrated today the 26th anniversary of his ordination.

RUMOR THAT SIR WILFRID WILL BE ASKED TO JOIN UNION

MONTREAL, Dec. 19.—Starting from no one knows where, the rumor spread over the city yesterday, increasing in strength every minute, that Sir Robert Borden would offer Sir Wilfrid Laurier a seat in the Union Cabinet. It reached Liberal headquarters here and was discussed freely today with the view that it would prove true. As matters stand now, Quebec is without a single French-Canadian representative on the Union side of the house.

LONDON EASTON GOES TO MONTREAL

LONDON, Ont., Dec. 19.—Dr. J. B. Sloox, late pastor of the First Congregational Church, London, has left for Montreal where he will now reside.

Forty-Three Present Lead of Unionists

Two Constituencies in Alberta Are Still in the Doubtful Column—Nipissing is Lost—Election of One More Laurier Candidate in Ontario is Conceded.

Indications last night, were that the Unionist government will have a majority of 43 in the constituencies already voting, with a possibility of more when the soldiers' vote is counted and the votes of the overseas soldiers who did not designate a candidate have been allotted. Later reports from Alberta indicate that there are two constituencies in which Laurier candidates are leading, but it is pretty clear that the soldier vote will place them both on the government side. This would make that province solid for Union government and put it in line with Saskatchewan. Prince Edward Island stands alone as unanimously in favor of the opposition, all four seats going to the Laurier candidates. The election of one or more Laurier supporters in Ontario has been conceded since last night, being Lapierre, of Nipissing. Although returns are not complete it is expected that it will not be possible for the government candidate to overcome the lead he already holds.

Of the eleven Ontario members classified as Laurier supporters Truax, South Bruce; McCole, Kent; and Ross, West Middlesex, all supported the compulsory military service measure. The summary by provinces up to midnight was as follows:

Province	Govt.	Oppos.
Ontario	71	11

Quebec	3	62
Nova Scotia	5	9
New Brunswick	7	4
Manitoba	13	1
Prince Edward Island	0	4
British Columbia	12	1
Saskatchewan	16	0
Alberta	9	11

Yukon deferred. Two deferred in Manitoba, two in doubt in Alberta.
104 Conservative-Unionists to 27 Liberal-Unionists

An analysis of the composition of the new parliament shows that 104 Conservative-Unionists and 27 Liberal-Unionists will make up the strength of the party in the House, not allowing for the other seats which may be added when the returns of some of the seats in doubt are complete. There is no attempt made to classify the Opposition.

The following shows the old political designation by Provinces of the Unionists returned:

Province	Con.	Lib.
Ontario	62	12
Nova Scotia	3	2
New Brunswick	4	3
Quebec	2	1
Saskatchewan	7	9
Alberta	8	3
Manitoba	8	5
British Columbia	10	2
Total	104	37

He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Yateman, of Mill street. His father and brother, Richard, were also in the local units for overseas service. Military unit here and friends gave him an appropriate welcome. He was taken to Belleville hospital for treatment. Strange to say, his good spirits never deserted him. As a last resort he was sent to Toronto, but nothing could be done to help him. Recently he was returned to Belleville Hospital.

DEATH OF CHILD

Mr. and Mrs. James F. Ellis, of Point Anne, have been sadly bereaved in the loss of their youngest son, James Ellis, who passed away yesterday morning at the age of 2 years and 2 days. James was a remarkable bright and affectionate child and his parents feel their bereavement very keenly. The remains were forwarded today via C. N. R. to Malone for interment.

PROTECTION FOR CROSSING

Recommended by Jury at Trenton Request

Last evening at Trenton the inquest into the death of Mrs. Henry on the morning of November 18th, was concluded. The jury brought in a verdict that death was occasioned by the collision of a motor bus which ran into the C.N.R. train and stated that the crossing was dangerous and should have a man to watch the spot. Dr. Crow was coroner. Mr. W. Carrow represented the crown, Mr. A. Abbott, the town of Trenton, and Mr. W. C. Mikel, K.C., appeared for Mr. Ross Cunningham who owned the bus. Evidence went to show that the crossing bell was ringing and the headlight on the train burning when the auto pitched into the side of the engine.

FIRE FIEND DID MUCH DAMAGE

Residence of Henry Woodcock Was Destroyed—Detective Stove-pipe

Yesterday morning the residence of Henry Woodcock, at Arden village was completely destroyed by fire which originated in a defective stovepipe, containing a loss of about \$400 with no insurance. Neighbors who were attracted by the blaze rendered what assistance was possible, but the fire spread rapidly in the frame structure, ravaging any of the furniture. The loss is a serious one to Mr. Woodcock.

Christmas Books for Adults, and Children in great variety at Geon's

TODAY'S CASUALTIES

Killed—
W. C. Giddye, Kingston
Wounded—
J. E. Cole, Deseronto
Shell Shock—
H. A. Bell, Cobourg
Ill—
Wilfrid Baker, Brockville

LATE MRS. ADA G. DEMPSEY

The obsequies of the late Mrs. Ada G. Dempsey were held yesterday afternoon from the family residence, Alsbury, in Alsbury Church to Rev. Mr. Call officiated at a solemn service. The funeral was attended by a large number of relatives of the family. The interment was in Alsbury Cemetery. The bearers being Messrs. C. Ferris, F. Russell, M. Crosby, S. Hendress, C. Glenn and P. Cathers. The deepest of sympathy is extended to the bereaved in their loss.

Ritchie's, the Christmas Store

THE SPIRIT OF CHEERFUL SERVICE PERVADES THIS CHRISTMAS STORE

Shop early and often at RITCHIE'S. A large staff of efficient salespeople is at your command and prompt service is assured. Shop in the morning when possible and carry small parcels.

May We Suggest For "Her"

<p>HANDKERCHIEFS: —Lovely fine qualities, initialed and plain, 5c to 40c.</p> <p>SILK HOSE: —Sheer qualities in the newest shades, 50c to \$2.50 pr.</p> <p>GIFT GLOVES: —Silk Gloves, 75c to \$1.25 pr.; Kid Gloves at lowest prices.</p> <p>BLOUSES: —All the popular shades, materials and styles, \$3.50 to \$12.</p> <p>LINENS: —Lovely hand worked Madeira Linens 25c up</p> <p>NECKWEAR: —The most recent innovations, high and low styles, 50c to \$3.</p>	<p>NIPPON CHINA: —A host of different styles, some of them only 45c piece.</p> <p>CAMISOLES: —In crepe de chine and wash satins, priced \$1.25 to \$1.75.</p> <p>HAND BAGS: —New novelty bags, right from New York, 75c to \$5.</p> <p>KIMONOS: —Season cloth, crepe de chine and cultured kimonos, \$1.25 to \$15.</p> <p>WOOL SETS: —Scarf, cap and mitts to match, bright colorings \$3 per set.</p> <p>SILK SCARVES: —Done up in fancy Xmas box, priced 25c to \$3.50</p>
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A Host of Gift Suggestions FROM OUR MEN'S STORE

<p>NECKTIES: —The latest novelties and pretty patterns, priced from 35c to \$1.50; Knitted Ties, 75c to \$1.50.</p> <p>UMBRELLAS: —Fancy handles and fine quality Gloria top, \$1.25 to \$4.50.</p> <p>HOSE: —Men's cashmere hose, 25c to 75c pr.; Silk Hose, 50c to \$1 pr.</p> <p>GLOVES: —All the various colors and qualities priced quite low.</p> <p>SUSPENDERS: —25c, 50c, 60c, and 75c. Combination sets, \$1 & \$1.25.</p>	<p>SHIRTS: —Negligee shirts in a splendid showing, priced \$1.25 to \$3.50; Silk Shirts, \$4 to \$6.</p> <p>MUFFLERS: —Silk and brushed wool mufflers, bright colors, \$1 to \$5.</p> <p>CLUB BAGS: —Leather Club Bags, \$5 to \$12; Suit Cases, \$3 to \$12.</p> <p>HOUSE COATS: —Attractive patterns and nicely styled, splendid qualities, \$5.50 to \$10.</p> <p>HANDKERCHIEFS: —Men's pure linen handkerchiefs, 25c to 40c; Silk, 50c to \$1.</p>
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