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THE SITUATION.

As far as at present appears, the French have made good progress in the invasion of Alsace, while the allies in Belgium are still opposing the advance of the Germans with successful vigor. The longer the invaders can be kept back there the better the chances for the ultimate crushing of the plans of the Kaiser and his war lords.

For the first time in our history the Canadian Parliament will assemble in war session. Also for the first time there will be no acrimonious debate, but a solemn and united front in the face of a great Empire crisis. The sitting should not be long; there are grave duties to be performed. Some of a preliminary nature have already been met, but others of far larger scope have rightly remained in abeyance until a united House could pass upon them.

The fact has again been emphasized that Great Britain in consenting to the ultimatum of Japan to Germany insisted that the operation should alone apply to that portion of Shantung of which the Germans hold a 99-year lease from China. As a counter-move Emperor William is stated to have offered the port to the Flowery Kingdom, no doubt with an idea of getting her into the embroglio, but the Celestials are not likely to be very ready with an acceptance. In Great Britain there is said to be an abundance of food at normal prices, whereas in Germany there is scarcity of food at high prices.

Brantfordites last night had the war brought home to them for the first time in a personal way, when reserve men residing here departed for the front. It was a patriotic yet sad scene. The partings with dear ones were of too personal a nature to be dwelt upon, but the thought did arise of the iniquity of the thing, that the war lust of one man could cause such scenes here, and not only here, but practically throughout the civilized world. And as the crowds departed they saw the far heavens illuminated with the lightnings of Jove, just as the thunderbolts of Mars are now devastating peaceful homes and slaying thousands of men in far-off Europe.

Amid it all there should be, and doubtless is, quite a sympathetic feeling with Germans now in Canada. They have proved themselves to be excellent, thrifty and law-abiding citizens here, as everywhere else, and Waterloo County, where the race predominates, is a model in all essentials. It is not owing to them or their desires that the present deplorable hostilities have been started, but to the Kaiser and the military and naval coterie by whom he is surrounded.

PATRIOTISM IN BUSINESS The following editorial in this morning's Mail and Empire represents the point of view of a good many Brantford people at the present time.

"At least one great Toronto industry has closed its gates upon its workmen, throwing thousands out of employment, with no knowledge of when business will be resumed. Other firms are considering a similar move. Many that are not closing down wholly are reducing their staffs and cutting salaries. In times of peace a good and sufficient reason for the practising of these economies is that business is not paying. If a man cannot make four per cent., five per cent. or six per cent. on the money invested he is considered unwise to remain in business, and it is carelessly conceded that he has a right to practise any economics that will increase his profits or save him from loss. Many arguments that are unchallenged in times of peace ought not to be allowed to pass in times of war, and the corporations that are planning great economies ought to view their business from the point of view of patriotism. At the present moment the supreme duty is not to make a certain percentage upon money invested. It is to volunteer the sacrifice of a little profit for the country's service at home, as so many thousands of brave Canadians are volunteering the sacrifice of possibly their lives for the Empire's services abroad. These volunteers, if they think much about the matter at all, are not thinking what the Empire is going to do for them in the future. Their thoughts will dwell rather upon what the Empire has done in the past. They are not making their percentage out of it at the moment, but they find in that fact no reason for shirking the duty of responding to the call. If the corporations that are closing down to-day or are reducing the number of their employes would let their thoughts go back to the past

few years, years the most prosperous in their history, years that made their hundreds into thousands, and their thousands into millions, they are under a certain obligation to the general public, that they ought to be planning for the future, and that perhaps they owe it to patriotism to continue to operate their plants for a few months, even though without profit, and even though at a loss. It is not a time for economizing at the expense of workmen's wages. It is a time for self-sacrifice, not for sacrificing others."

Britain's Finest

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It is pointed out in authoritative circles here that the withdrawal of the Belgium Government from Brussels to Antwerp, may mean that the fighting in Belgium is drawing closer to the capital, or it may be merely a precautionary measure. Now that the three allied armies are working together, on the coherent campaign scheme, the policy of secrecy has been extended to Belgium and as a fountain of picturesque news, that country has suddenly dried up.

The allied armies have decided for the present to bar all war correspondents from accompanying the armies, but it is thought the ban may be raised later when the military operations are well under way. The official news bureau says not a single casualty occurred during the embarkation, transportation and debarkation of the men and stores of the British expeditionary force and everything was carried through with the greatest precision.

LONDON, Aug. 18, 9.55 p.m.—The official war information bureau announces that the British expeditionary forces have landed safely on the French shore.

Frederick E. Smith, the Unionist member of parliament, who is acting as director of the official press bureau of the British war office and admiralty, issued the following statement to the English newspapers to-night.

"Field Marshal Earl Kitchener wishes me to add that he and the country are under the greatest obligation to the British press for the loyalty with which all references to the movements of the British expeditionary force and their landing on the continent have been suppressed.

Earl Kitchener is well aware that much anxiety must have been caused to the English press by the knowledge that these matters were being freely discussed in the continental press, and he wishes to assure the press of this country that nothing but his conviction of the military importance to this country of suppressing these movements would have led him to issue instructions which place the press of this country under a temporary disadvantage."

Mr Smith's statement continues "Field Marshal Sir John French arrived in Paris shortly after midnight on Saturday to convey the salutations of the British nation to France. The Commander-in-Chief of the British expeditionary army was welcomed by several distinguished officers of the French general staff, the British ambassador in Paris and a number of French cabinet ministers. "As Sir John French, dressed in his khaki uniform, stepped from the train in the French capital, a roar of cheering for England and France rose from the great crowd which had assembled and the people then sang the national anthems of the two countries.

"Sir John French drove to the British Embassy, and his motor car all the way through the streets was the centre of a human whirlpool. Even the police were excited, and they were wholly unable to restrain the populace which surged around the car shouting clamorously, "hurrah for General French, hurrah for England, hurrah for France." Women held children above the ground to see the famous English general whose motor car was soon filled with small flags and cockades.

"The coincidence of the British commander-in-chief's name being French, is regarded as a happy augury for the alliance.

"After sleeping at the embassy Sir John French paid a visit to the Palace of Elysee, where he had a long conference with President Poincare.

"When the death of General Grierson from heart failure was announced to-day as having occurred while travelling on a train everybody in official circles understood that the general had been stricken in France. His death will be deeply deplored by the nation."

MARCHING ON BRUSSELS. LONDON, Aug. 18, 4.25 a.m.—The Germans are reported as marching on Brussels by the Brussels correspondent of the Daily Mail. Telegraphing last night, he says: "Feinting with their right at Diest and diverting to some extent the attention of the Belgium field army centred on Louvain, the Germans are now signalled as marching direct on Brussels by way of Huy and Jodoigne. This raiding force is believed to consist mainly of cavalry and artillery, including the much-feared motor-quick-firers.

"These troops are in imminent danger of being cut off from their base at Liege, but the day of desperate deeds has dawned for the German Fatherland, and the occupation of the Belgian capital is just the sort of spectacular coup, utterly barren from a strategic standpoint, calculated to kindle enthusiasm across the Rhine.

"In this peaceful city it is impossible to realize that the enemy is only a long day's march away. The life of the city goes on as usual. The cafes and shops are thronged, trains are working to the minute, but despite this outward calm significant events have been chronicled. Trenches are being thrown up feverishly in the environs of the city, while exhortations in large black type are being placarded right and left, calling on the inhabitants for their own sakes not to engage in any hostile acts in the event of German occupation.

"In the general atmosphere of nerve-racking mystery one fact is abundantly plain. The Germans are in a middle on the Meuse. Aerial observers paint pictures of chaos in the enemy's ranks, consequent on the relentless arrival of army corps on army corps behind a crippled front. The Emperor has despatched his legions by a stop-watch, but owing to the hitch on the line at Liege, Teuton thoroughness is cutting both ways. Sixteen days for a thirty-mile advance from Aix la Chapelle to Diest can hardly be made the cause for many 'hochs,' and the mailed fist would appear to have become a trifle rusty.

"Gallant little Belgium has prepared to make a last stand at Antwerp. There is no place in the sun for which the Germans yearn more acutely than this Liverpool of the Netherlands, but they will have to detach at least a half million men to take such a well-defended city.

WILL DEFEND CITY. LONDON, Aug. 18, 12.30 a.m.—A despatch to Reuters' Telegram Company from Brussels says that it has been officially announced that very important measures have been taken to assure the defence of Brussels and safeguard it against any surprise attack. More or less numerous bodies of German cavalry, which had strayed from the main body and been thrown back on Brussels, have escaped from the local

Uncle Walt The Poet Philosopher

THE BOILED SHIRTS Sweet youth you come and ask for admonition, you'd have me preach and counsel you a spell; and so I say, to better your condition, go, learn a trade, and learn it pasteur well. The world is short on skilled and drilled mechanics, but it is long on trifling human squirts, who, facing work are prone to fits and panics, who wear kid gloves and or boiled or scalloped shirts. The man who toils at bench or loom or anvil is worth a gross of those who talk or write, 'twould serve them right to bring some cans from Canville and put them in, and seal the lurch up tight. The man who takes his tools from out the locker, who swings a sledge or pries the shining saw, is more worth while than any tireless talker, who boasts the flag, or yet expounds the law. The country swarms with men demanding payment for dizzy schemes, the thought of which appals, the country swarms with men in princely raiment, and what we need's the man in overalls. Go forth, my youth, and learn to be a tinker, a plumber, hold, a tailor or a cook, and men will say you are a peach or clinker, when on the product of your skill they look.

WALT MASON. To The Editor CARE OF TREES.

Editor Courier Dear Sir—In my wanderings around the city, I have been much struck by the unhealthy appearance of a great many of the city shade trees. In some cases the leaves were turning yellow and in others the leaves had become quite brown.

In speaking to an old resident he made the quaint remark that the gentlemen in charge of these trees "did not know a tree from a crowbar," probably because the trees have not been attended to.

He then went on to state that he had found a remedy and that if any private persons whose trees are thus affected if they make enquiry through your valuable columns, may receive the benefit of this gentleman's experience. Thanking you in advance for the courtesy of publishing this statement, I remain

WM P. COOK, 207 William St. Brantford. Hood's Pills cure constipation, biliousness and all liver ills. Do not grip or irritate, 25c.

LIEGE Wm. Watson Writes Poem for the London Daily Chronicle.

(By Special Wire to The Courier) LONDON, Aug. 18, 6.07 a.m.—The Chronicle to-day publishes the following poem entitled "Liege" by William Watson:

"Betwixt foe and France was she, France, the immortal France, the free; The foe like one vast living sea Drew nigh.

He dreamed that none his tide would stay But when he bade her to make way She, through her cannon answered, "Nay, Not I."

No tremor and no fear she showed, She held the pass, she barred the road, While Death's unsleeping feet bestrode The ground.

So long as deeds of noblest worth Are sung mid joy and tears and mirth, Her glory shall to the ends of earth Resound.

Watched by a world that yearned to aid, Lonely she stood, but undismayed, Resplendent was the part she played And pure.

Praised be her heroes, proud her sons, She threw her souls into the guns Her name shall with the loveliest ones Endure."

Paris News

PARIS, August 18.—Sunday afternoon the officers and members of Court Charity, No. 203, C.O.F., held their decoration service to the Paris New Cemetery. The procession was headed by the Paris Band, and about one hundred members marched in a body.

Three favorite hymns were sung—"Nearer, My God, to Thee," "Safe in the Arms of Jesus," and "A Few More Years Shall Roll." Prayer was said by the chaplain; but owing to the wet weather the address by the High Court officer was omitted. The committee in charge were: Bros. Joseph Martin, chief ranger; James Malrus, recording secretary; George Sudden, past chief ranger; A. Copeman,

past chief ranger; John Cavan, marshal. The following is the list of graves decorated: Bros. Chauncey Capron, died 1890; William Sulford, 1891; H. Barker, 1905; A. McHutchinson, 1909; W. R. Barker, 1913; George Peirce, 1913; George Hoffman, 1910; S. Starr, 1894; S. Waldron, 1902; I. Stewart, 1901; G. Dadskin, 1902; H. Dennis, 1913; Thos. Creighton, 1896; John Darnley, 1904; John Glegg, 1905; George Crawford, 1907; C. Brand, 1897; F. A. Rabon, 1906; John Darnley, 1906; F. Cassidy, 1895; George Finlayson, 1910; W. Fitch, 1906; Jas. Ellis, 1906.

Mr. and Mrs. John Robb of Seaford, Ont., announce the engagement of their daughter, Eleanor Morrison, to Mr. Clarence Lionel Whitley of Hawarden, Sask., son of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver R. Whitley, of Paris. The marriage will take place in Toronto early in September.

On Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. James Cook, Walnut street, celebrated their silver wedding. During the evening progressive euchre was played, and the lucky winners were Mr. A. J. Hillier of Hespeler, who received a brass ash tray, and Mrs. Flanagan, Paris, a hand-painted vase. Mrs. Cook was kindly remembered by her friends with many beautiful silver gifts in honor of their anniversary. A most delightful evening was spent by all present.

The members of the Daughters of the Empire, wish to thank all the ladies of the town, as well as the collectors, who responded so well towards the "Canadian Women's Hospital Ship fund. Nearly \$700 has been collected so far.

The marriage is announced of Mr. Ernest William Heaslesley, Galt, to Miss Ethel Gertrude Davenport, of this town. The marriage will take place Sept. 13th.

Mr. and Mrs. Helier and family of Hespeler, and Mrs. Wm. Barowolough of Woodstock, were week-end guests with Mrs. J. Cook while in town attending their silver wedding.

Miss E. Dignam who has been the guest of her uncle, Dr. Goulds, has returned to her home at Brooklyn, New York.

Miss Edith Teach of Toronto, was visiting in town last week. Miss P. Nelson, of Hamilton, is visiting her sister, Mrs. T. J. Dunn, William St.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Inketer and two little sons, James and Don, have returned from a motor trip spent at St. Catharines. Mrs. John R. Howard and family of Toronto, are visiting her father, Mr. T. Shawcross.

The British Columbia Fruitgrowers' Association will give 100,000 barrels of apples for the British troops in the field.

LOCAL

They Number Thirteen There are thirteen prisoners at present incarcerated in the Court House gaol.

Hospital Account The Toronto Hospital for Inebriates has forwarded an account to the city for the maintenance of Thos. Turner, of this city, for 35 weeks amounting to \$175.

New Board Room The new board room of the Public Library is almost completed and ready for use. It is situated in the wing and is prettily finished in with quartered oak furnishings.

Farwell Smoker All members of "A" Company especially requested to attend a "farewell smoker," to say good-bye to the officers, n.c.o.'s and men of A who are leaving for active service the front. In the men's mess room 8 o'clock to-night, Tuesday, Aug. 18th.

Arbitration Proceeds An arbitration now proceeds at Court House, the parties being owners of the Joseph Stratford property in the Township and the Erie and Northern Railway. The board of arbitrators are Judge Eringer of St. Thomas; A. E. W. appointed by the Railway and Royce of Stratford, appointed by Stratford owners.

A Maltese Reservist A sterling example of patriotism revealed at the sergeant's office morning when a Maltese native and asked them to direct as papers he had received instructed him to send to the front. He was an army reservist and papers were his summons to the front with his ticket and transportation papers. He is a young man and had been long here and could not English. He knew the purport of papers and was anxious to go and leave to-day to join the forces at front.

Laborer Broke Leg John Compton, a laborer, employed at the Waterworks pumping station in Holmedale, met with a very peculiar and serious accident yesterday morning about half past nine o'clock. Compton was employed in excavating a trench when a piece of clay very large, but solid, fell over on striking the right leg just above ankle, snapping the leg bone. He attended by Dr. Palmer and removed to the general hospital. Compton only been employed at the station five days.

They Departed Four pickpockets of international repute paid a brief visit to the during the Old Home Week, and transferred their presence when discovered one or two things. They hailed from Chicago and arrived one morning at the beginning of week. Making inquiries they found that Inspector of Detectives Call of Niagara Falls was here keeping watchful eye for them and others knowing the reputation of Call they quietly took their departure Brantford was relieved of four welcome visitors.

OGILVIE, LOCHHEAD & CO. Wednesday Morning BARGAINS Unbleached Table Damask 39c 2 PIECES ONLY 60-INCH LINEN TABLE DAMASK (UNBLEACHED). AN EXTRA GOOD BARGAIN AND A RARE CHANCE FOR YOU TO SAVE. Just take a good look through this paper and see if you can find a better bargain than this. We think not. Remember, there are only two piec es, and will only be sold at this price WEDNESDAY MORNING, Per Yard

Heavy Linen Crash Towelling, with colored border. A BIG BARGAIN	62c
Turkish Towels Good size heavy Turkish Towels, in white or brown with red.	19c A PAIR
Tartan Plaids Tartan Plaid Dress Goods for children's dresses, double fold, all plaids. A grand BARGAIN.	15c A YARD
36-inch extra fine White Cotton, no dressing and a perfect washer. A BIG BARGAIN	82c
Beautiful striped and fancy Ribbons, 4 1/2 to 6 inches wide. Regular 75c	25c TO CLEAR
Silk Bargain 10 pieces of Jacquard and Striped Lining Silk, in all colors—a little line we want to clear out.	19c WEDNESDAY MORNING
Gingham Bargain 4 pieces of Checked Gingham, in brown and blue, small check, good for children's dresses.	5c WEDNESDAY MORNING

We are offering some bargains in READY-TO-WEAR that you should not miss. Come early to-morrow morning. We promise you great things. Come!

Ladies' Parasols Ladies' fine Black Parasols, "gloria" top, good strong steel frame, natural wood handles with silver and gold mounting. Our regular \$1.75 Parasol. Wednesday Morning \$1.19

Black Silk Bargain 1 piece only Black Silk Peau de Soie, guaranteed to wear and not to cut (guaranteed). Regular value \$2.25. WEDNESDAY MORNING \$1.49

Untrimmed Shapes We have about 40 untrimmed straw shapes—shapes that were as high as \$6.00, and all this season's. 50c

LOOK HERE! Your choice of our stock of Trimmed Hats (straw). Hats that we have been selling from \$4.00 to \$9.00. WEDNESDAY MORNING—\$1.98

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