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## Silk and Linen.

Some initialed, others plain, but all of beautiful texture and quality.

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### Living in the Day.

By RUTH CAMERON.



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"To see one's way clear through the intricacies of life, to be sure of one's next step, and of a few steps to follow—at eleven, or at three score and ten, this is beautiful indeed."—Agnes Repplier.

There are some people in this world who will never look a step ahead, who live from day to day, from hand to mouth, and handicap themselves by this short-sightedness. But I sometimes think that these are no more foolish than the people who are too long-sighted, and who would be happier, and make others so, if they could put some short-sighted glasses on their mental eyes.

The Lady-Who-Always-Knows-Somehow has a friend who is a teacher. This girl accepted a position for the winter which is proving very distasteful. For certain reasons she does not feel that she can give it up. She is trying to make the best of it, but the prospect of a dreary, unsatisfactory winter strikes terror to her heart.

She was pouring out her woe into the kindly ear of the Lady-Who-Always-Knows-Somehow—that is a habit many of us seem to have, and is the penalty of too sympathetic a heart. Is it not rather too bad that we are always penalize sympathy and tenderness when we find it? But that, as Mr. Kipling says, is another story.

"It doesn't seem to me I can ever get through these next seven months," she said ruefully.

The Lady-Who-Always-Knows-Somehow patted her hand gently. "I know it, my dear," she said, "but you get through to-morrow can't you?"

"Of course."

"And then the next day will only be another to-morrow, and so on straight through. Don't bother about the seven months, little girl, don't think about them. Of course they'll weigh you down if you do. Just think about to-morrow. That's only one day and you can get through that very easily."

What good advice that is!

And not only for those who have disagreeable tasks to face, but for most of us.

"I love my work and yet if I looked at it by the year instead of by the day I should be appalled. How can you ever think of three hundred subjects a year," someone said to me the other day. "I couldn't," I answered. "But it is very easy to think of one a day."

If the housemother looked ahead and thought of the innumerable times she would have to do each little task, of the hundreds of stockings she must darn in a year, the thousands of cookies she must bake, the hundreds of thousands of dishes she must wash, how could she help being weighted down with the thought of them? Yet in itself each day is not unbearably hard.

"When the field is hard to hoe, think only of the present row," says the garden philosopher. Except to plan your work, do not think too much of the rest of the field at any time, for he who thinks too much of either past or future is never able to do justice to the present.

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### The German Menace.

German-born citizens in countries at war with Germany cannot complain if they are subjected to close watching. The ramifications of the German system of preparation for war are so puzzling that no measure taken against this measure can fairly be called too strict.

Dr. H. A. Gibbons, formerly Professor of History at Rogers College, Constantinople, and a famous student of European affairs, has just published a book relating to the present war in which he brings out an astonishing fact. He states that on January first last Germany made effective a new citizenship law "sanctioned with practical unanimity by both the Reichstag and Bundesrat," which gives a legal means to Germans naturalized in other countries to retain citizenship in Germany "without the knowledge of the nation by which their oath of allegiance has been accepted in good faith."

Dr. Gibbons states that Article 25, Section 2, of this law reads:—"Citizenship is not lost by one who before acquiring foreign citizenship has secured on application the written consent of the competent authorities of his home State to retain his citizenship."

Dr. Gibbons comments as follows:—"Germans, who have emigrated to other countries, secure the amazing opportunity to acquire foreign citizenship without losing their German citizenship. The result of this law, since the war broke out, has been to place a natural and justifiable suspicion upon all Germans living in the countries of the enemies of Germany. . . . There are undoubtedly many cases where Germans have been honest and sincere in their change of allegiance, but how are the nations where they have become naturalized to be sure of this?"

Germany prepared for war with an ambition for world dominion that was boundless. The more we study this ambitious effort, the more we are able to realize the truth and acuteness of the German menace.—Montreal Daily Mail, Dec. 7.

### Our Volunteers.

Nine volunteers enlisted at the C.I.B. Armoury last night, making a total of 686 to date. The names of those who enlisted are:

Henry Millen (Bonavista)  
Charles Parsons.  
Gordon Ivany.  
Ralph Goff.  
Corbett Pittman (New Perlican).  
Wm. Ollerhead (Heart's Content).  
M. Fleming.  
Hy. Raynes.  
Ernest Noseworthy (Hr. Grace).

About 240 lads have passed the final examination and are drilling. Yesterday a squad visited the Southside Range for rifle practice. Recruiting will be continued at the usual hour to-night.

**THE TIME IS APPROACHING—Don't Leave It Too Late—If you intend to economize, and make last winter's overcoat do you this winter, have it sent to us to be renovated, a new velvet or cloth collar and generally repaired. Good work and prompt service our motto. SPURRELL BROS., 365 Water Street, or Phone 574 and we will call. DO IT NOW.—nov5.eod.tf**

### T. A. Meeting.

Last night the T. A. Club met at their rooms and the officers for the coming year were installed by Mr. W. J. Ellis, the Society's President, as follows:—

Chairman—G. J. Coughlan.  
Vice-Chairman—T. J. Ryan.  
Secretary-Treasurer—T. J. Murphy.

Following a brief speech from the Chairman who spoke encouragingly to the Managing Committee, Mr. Ellis presented to the Club a set of the latest pocket for each of the billiard tables and which will be placed in position during the next few days. After a card tournament was announced for next Tuesday night the meeting adjourned.

## BLAIR'S Special News Bulletin.

PARIS:—Fashion has decreed that **Imitation Fur Sets** are leaders this season. Of these Blair's had been firing out a lot lately, and stocks were down, but they have just received further supplies. These are Plush makes trimmed with Silk Fringe, and come in Blacks, Moles and Beavers.

PETROGRAD:—Very stormy and snowing hard, looks as if Winter was taking up a strong position. However Blair's are offering their patrons all their stock of **Real Furs at Cost**, which will be welcome news. This includes a lot of Grey Squirrel Scarves at specially attractive Prices. Also included are a few very newest and choicest Fur Sets, at Special Xmas Box Figures, in Mink, Marmots, at \$25.00 and \$35.00 per set, and Northern Sables at \$25.00 and \$45.00 per set, and many Cheaper and inexpensive Furs.

AMSTERDAM:—We don't care a Continental, but Britain has certainly shown her superiority in **Women's and Children's Coats**. Blair's demonstrate this every season. However, now, being the end of this season, they are offering the balance of their stock at Cost, which is their regular procedure, as their motto is: "Nothing but the newest and best each season" (that means British).

COPENHAGEN:—It is our experience that for blustery weather there is nothing better than **Knitted Wool Rinking Caps**. Blair's prices for these now are—Children's, Regular 25c. to 30c. each, only 19c.; Misses' Regular 35c., at 25c. each; Ladies' Regular 50c. and 55c. for 39c. each.

STOCKHOLM:—We have found a Mine. Blair's are selling **Ladies' Buttoned Waterproof Gaiters**, of a Canadian make of Extra Quality at only \$1.50 pair.

ROME:—Another sacrifice reported in **Women's and Girls' Felt Hats**. Blair's are offering all new styles at very greatly reduced prices, and some older styles, at 20c. each.

BERLIN:—We have made excellent progress; we got as far as Blair's and found 3,746,358 Bargains which were then immediately surrounded (by stone walls).

[N.B.—Blair's refuse to guarantee the whole truth of any Berlin Dispatches, but admit of having a very large number of Bargains, besides those mentioned in previous dispatches.]

### Marine Notes.

The S. S. Stephano left New York yesterday forenoon forenoon for Halifax and this port.

The S. S. Durango is due to-day from Liverpool.

The S. S. Tobacco is expected to get away from Halifax to-morrow for here.

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\* BUSINESS AS USUAL \*  
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### Obituary.

There passed away at Channel on Nov. 20th, Ephraim C. Small, Anglo-American Telegraph operator, aged 62, leaving a wife and seven children to mourn the loss of a kind husband and a loving and indulgent father.

The family are all married with the exception of Harvey H., who volunteered with the 1st contingent and is now with his company at Scotland, Joseph H. at St. John's, and with the Postal Telegraph Co. Mrs. Morgan and Mrs. Bradbury also live there. Gower L. and Mrs. Baxter—live at Lynn, Mass.; Mrs. Russ lives with the mother and is post mistress at Channel. Mr. Small was, I believe, the oldest Anglo operator living in this country; he joined the staff as a student in 1869, was sent to White Bear Bay with the late Mr. Garland M. Gaden, and in 1871 took charge. Mr. Gaden going to St. John's. He lived for thirty-eight years at White Bear Bay, and all of his family was born there. In 1907 he was appointed to Channel office, the late Nathan Smith, Esq., J.P., having resigned. During the few years Mr. Small lived there he made many friends and was highly respected by the people, and was a very accommodating and obliging official. The late A. M. Mackay, Esq., looked upon him as one of his boys as he did of others that had been so long with his company, and they regarded him as a father. Mr. Small was a son of the late Captain Small, J.P., of Burgeo, who first came to this country in 1856 and was one of the pioneers of the frozen herring trade, and opened a business at Burgeo in 1860, and removed his family from Truro, Cape Cod, U.S. in 1862.

FOR MEN there are Dressing Cases, Cigar Cases, Cigarette Cases, Tobacco Pouches, Purses, Pocket Books, Loose Leaf Note Books, Shaving Sets, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Military Brush Sets, Smokers' Sets, and Show Case after Show Case filled with just the things a man would appreciate.

FOR THE BOYS AND GIRLS and for the LITTLE ONES we have a wonderful range of books, all the favourite Annuals and over 1000 other volumes that would make most appropriate Xmas Gifts. You are cordially invited to come early and often.

### Xmas Suggestions

First—See our Showroom, our Toy Department, and our Book-Stands, Cases and Shelves, for here will be easily found the solution to most of your Xmas Gifts problems.

FOR LADIES there are The New Stirrup Hand Bags, Manicure Sets, Dressing Cases, Glove and Handkerchief Sets, Stationery Cabinets, Brush and Comb Sets, Card Cases, Purses, Blouse Sets, Trinkets, and a hundred and one other things in Leather, Silver and Cut Glass, any of which would make glad the heart of a lady.

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### WILL HAVE TO REMAKE ROADS IN BELGIUM.

London, Dec. 14.—A despatch to the Times from Boulogne says that one of the greatest obstacles to the advance of the Allied forces in Belgium and Northern France is the extremely bad condition of the roads. The efforts of an army of French soldiers, working in the mud up to their knees, to repair them during the past week having proved futile, it has been decided to remake the roads. Orders have been sent to England for 1,000 tons of spades, picks and wheelbarrows. The surface of the roads will be formed of timber similar to railroad ties.

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Terms: CASH.  
**J. McNEIL,**  
Waterford Bridge Road.

### Turkeys, Ducks, Geese & Chicken

To arrive this week of early next. Orders booked now shall receive first attention on arrival of stock.

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| Citron Peel . . . . . 23c. lb.   | Shelled Walnuts . . . . . 45c. lb.      |
| Seeded Raisins, 1 lb. cartons, 14 & 15c.   | New Dates.                              |
| Cleaned Currants, 1 lb. cartons, 7 1/2c.   | Cleaned Sultanas, 1 lb. pkg.            |
| Flavoring Extracts, 1oz., 7c.; 2 oz., 10c.   | Loose Sultanas, Turkish, 15c. lb.       |
| TABLE RAISINS, 3 lb. boxes, Crystal Bunches and by the lb. CRANBERRIES . . . . . 40c. gallon | NEW SEASON'S EVAPORATED APPLES JUST IN. |
| PURE SPICES IN DREDGE TINS, 7c. up.  | Christmas Crackers, 15c. box up         |
| Crystal Domino Sugar, 2 lb. pae. Tate's Cube Sugar, packages.                                | Pure Maple Syrup, bottles.              |
| Prepared Icings . . . . . 12c. pae.  | Christmas Non-Alcoholic Wines.          |
| Potato Flour, 1 lb. pae. . . . . 12c.  | California Navel Oranges.               |
| Pure Irish Butters, 1 lb. blocks and by the lb.  | Florida Oranges.                        |
| Fresh P. E. I. Eggs.   | Crystallized Ginger.                    |
| 3 lbs. "HOMESTEAD" 50c. TEA for \$1.25   | 3 lbs. "STAR" 40c. TEA for \$1.00       |
- This offer good up to and including Xmas Eve.

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- for Xmas Trade:
- SELECTED TURKEYS and GEESE.**
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- 15 cases Fresh Eggs (not limited).
  - 160 brls. Assorted Apples.
  - 60 kegs Grapes.
  - 30 cases Onions.
  - 20 bags Onions.
  - 30 brls. Green Cabbage.
  - 600 brls. P. E. I. Potatoes.
  - Carrots, Parsnips, Beet.

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