

PERT PARAGRAPHS

Gathered by Our Exchange Editor and Condensed Down to Make Spicy Reading.

NIGHT RELATIVES ON ACTIVE SERVICE

Ogdensburg, Feb. 5.—James Bismean caretaker of the National Bank of Ogdensburg, has five nephews in the British service and his wife has three brothers on the firing line. Mr. Bismean has received a vice flag containing five maple leaves, the emblem used in Canada to designate men in the service and he intends to have three adopted, representing his nephews. The nephews are Cutler, Bert Sherry, Geo. and Frank Bismean; and sons of Mrs. Bismean are Joseph and Alfred Jock, were residing in Canada joined the army.

WOMEN WEAR TROUSERS IN OGDENSBURG NOW

Ogdensburg, Feb. 5.—The women employed at the plant of the Standard Shade Roller Company will be the first women workers in this city to don overalls and caps. There are about 150 people employed at the plant of which about 35 are girls and women and they will begin wearing them next week. Manager Charles Pios will furnish the girls with the first outfit. Many of the girls operate dangerous machinery and it is to reduce accidents to the minimum that they have consented to wear the bifurcated garments.

FORM IN RED CROSS ROLL

III, Feb. 5.—Tantanus ran germs on a bit of Ger-sapaper were found in the of a cotton roll prepared in France and received at local headquarters of the Red Cross. Federal authorities are investigating to ascertain the source of the roll. Dr. Walter G. Bain, pathologist, in his report to the United States district attorney, said that in a case infected with the germ, death resulted in five days.

BONE FROM LEG GRAFTED ON SPINE

George Henry Wallace, aged 25 years, left the Sisters' Hospital in Watertown, N. Y., last week after having undergone one of the most unusual surgical operations ever performed in that section of the state, by Dr. F. R. Calkins. The operation was performed on November 30. The man had been suffering from incurable rheumatism of the spine and in order to save the spine and prevent further curvature, it was necessary to remove from his leg a half-inch strip of the tibia eleven inches long and graft it to the spine. The strip was placed at a point a little above the middle of the spine and extended to the neck. The spine in its former condition caused the man intense pain, but now he is in good condition and does not suffer the least pain. His back also has been greatly strengthened.

EMBARGO ON "OLEO"

It is rumored that the United States food controller has placed an embargo on shipments of oleo-margarine to Canada. The packing houses have received no definite word, but they state that if the embargo is enforced, oleo-margarine will have to be taken off the Canadian market. "We're unable to supply the demand from our own plant," said one abattoir official.

AVIATOR'S BURIAL IN DENMARK

A. W. Miles has returned from New York City, where he had to appear before the Danish Consul, the American Consul, the British Consul and the war board, making application to be allowed to place the body of the late Flight-Lieut. A. G. Bendix, R.F.C., on board a steamer for internment in Copenhagen, Denmark. The Danish Consul placing a final seal on the casket, permission was granted.

REFUSED TO JUMP—DEAD

Winnipeg, Feb. 1.—Starting apparently from an overheated cook stove on the third storey, fire this morning completely gutted the C. P. R. Telegraph Block. One Chinaman refused to jump into the life net from the top floor and was apparently burned to death. There were no other casualties although four firemen were on the roof when it collapsed from the weight of ice which accumulated in the intense frost. The damage is estimated at \$500,000. Chrysler & Sons, furriers, had a stock valued at \$200,000, while other tenants carried between them \$100,000 worth of goods.

SMALL BOMB SCARE

Washington, Feb. 5.—There was a small bomb scare at the Civil Service Commission today, when a charwoman found a small nickel shaving stick box in the coal hole filled with a mixture of dynamite and giant powder and with a fuse at the bottom. The police said that had it exploded some of the windows might have been broken and expressed the opinion that some employee who expected promotion by "discovering" it, was responsible.

EXPLOSION AT BELOIT

Montreal, Feb. 1.—Rosario Menard, son of Police Captain Menard, was seriously injured by the explosion of a nitrate at the Canadian Explosives Company's plant at Beloit this morning, and John Wilson, another employe, was badly burned about the upper part of his body. There are 900 employes of the company and the explosion caused a good deal of alarm. It did little damage to the plant. The cause of the explosion is not known.

FIFTY MILLION PLANT TO SUPPLY POWDER TO ALLEES

Washington, Feb. 5.—Production will begin not later than August in the government's big fifty-million-dollar smokeless powder plants to be constructed at Charleston, W. Va., and Nashville, Tenn., the war department revealed tonight, formally announcing the project.

STATEMENTS UNFOUNDED

Ottawa, Feb. 5.—The charges about "slackers in uniform," made in an open letter to the Premier by Lt. John Quinney, will probably be the subject of an official statement, particularly as the same allegations have been made from time to time. While it is not custom to controversy on such matters with correspondents to the press, it is learned authoritatively that Sir Edward Kemp, Overseas Minister of Militia, has assured the Government that statements alleging that large numbers of men who might be in France are holding soft jobs in England, are entirely unfounded, and that an analysis of the disposition of the various officers bears out that contention.

plants had been constructed for. Each of the plants will employ from 10,000 to 15,000 men. Much of the output of the new factories, the department's statement said, will be made available for the allies, as it is deemed more expedient to ship the finished product abroad instead of supplying raw materials.

MUST SELL BOND LIQUOR

That the liquor which is in bond in the province will not be permitted to be sold after April 1st, and that it will have to be disposed of to the vendors authorized by the Ontario License Board in some other manner, is the opinion of Chairman Fivelle, of the Ontario Board of License Commissioners. "The only way that a liquid could be placed on the amount of liquor that is received by the residents in the province before April 1st would be by action of the Provincial Government," stated the chairman, "and I doubt whether the Government would be justified in taking such action."

PRISONERS TO SAW WOOD

Kingston, Ont., Jan. 31.—As men confined in the county jail have no work to do outside of shovelling snow around the court house, the chief industry, the making, having been abandoned, there is a move on foot to have the nineteen prisoners now confined put to work sawing wood for fuel. There are many trees in the parks and around the city that could be used.

COAL REPLACES WOOD

Wood in Toronto has become even more expensive than coal, and the Board of Education officials have ceased to burn wood in the portable school buildings and are using anthracite. A common price for wood has been \$18 and \$25 has been asked. The officials are criticizing farmers who are holding wood for high prices.

UP TO RETAIL FISH MEN

Ottawa, Feb. 1.—The campaign for increasing the consumption of fish in Canada is being seriously hampered in many places by the indifference or lack of enthusiasm on the part of dealers. The Food Controller said today that under the arrangements made by his office to assist in prompt distribution of Atlantic fish to markets in Eastern and Central Canada, the public should be able to secure an ample supply at reasonable prices, if the retail dealers were doing their part.

WINNIPEG TO USE SOFT COAL

Winnipeg, Feb. 1.—In the coldest January weather of years, coal men announced to day that they will no longer use soft coal during the remainder of the winter.

WANT INCREASED SPEED

General legislation providing for an increase in the automobile speed limit upon country roads and for carrying lights upon all vehicles will be proposed to the Government as a result of the conference held yesterday between the Toronto-Hamilton Highway Commission and representatives of the municipalities along the highway. The Government will be asked to allow a speed limit outside cities, towns and villages of 30 miles an hour, the limit within such municipalities to remain as at present.

DUKE TO OPEN LEGISLATURE

The Duke of Devonshire, Governor-General of Canada, will open the Legislature at Queen's Park on February 6th, and present military decorations won by the sons of Ontario at the Parliament Buildings the following day. It is only one instance, that of Major D. M. Metherton, D. amb. Military Hospitals Commission, will the decoration be presented to the man who won it.

B. C. LABOR MEN FORM PARTY

Vancouver, B. C., Feb. 1.—The decision to organize a Labor political party was decided yesterday by the British Columbia Federation of Labor Convention.

COAL OIL FAMINE

Twoed.—A coal oil famine is in progress in town. There is so little in town that the store-keepers who have any on hand are only selling it in half gallon quantities and the price has gone up to 30c per gallon.

BISHOP HORNER ILL

Bishop R. C. Horner, Ottawa, one of the leaders in the Holiness Movement Church, is critically ill.

Hospital in Malone, N. Y. Bishop Horner is 64 years of age and is widely known.

FIFTEEN THOUSAND BALLOTS OF SOLDIERS IN CANADA SPOILED

Ottawa, Feb. 2.—Fifteen thousand of 54,500 soldiers' votes cast in Canada will be thrown out, according to the latest estimate. W. F. O'Connor, K.C., chief returning officer, has set aside, as contravening the soldiers' vote which were cast for constituencies to which men so voting had no claim.

LABOR CONFERENCE IS CONCLUDED

Ottawa, Feb. 2.—The representatives of Labor who have been in conference here for two days, again met the War Cabinet this evening in an informal conference which did not conclude until after 11 o'clock. They presented their suggestions as finally agreed upon by them, and after an informal discussion in regard to the same, the Government promised earnest consideration of their recommendations.

POULTRY AND AUTO SHOW

Pictou, Feb. 2.—Prince Edward County Poultry and Pet Stock Association and the automobile show are holding a three days' exhibition at the Armories, with record results. The entries number more than ever, the birds shown are of an excellent quality and the attendance is larger. Special prizes were offered by the local merchants.

MUSKRAT THE FEATURE

New York, Feb. 2.—Muskrat was far and away the feature of the third day of the annual winter sale of furs here, due to a forty to fifty per cent shortage in the season's catch. More than half the entire collection was bought by a local dealer, who paid the top price of \$5 cents for natural and \$1.65 for black. Over four hundred thousand muskrats were sold in all. The best minks brought \$12.70. For leopards, \$18 was top price. Large domestic moles brought 58 cents each, due to their exceptional value for summer wear. Compared with the October sale these advances were shown: Leopards, twenty per cent; minks, ten per cent; northern mink, sixty per cent; southwestern mink, twenty-five per cent; natural muskrat, sixty per cent; black muskrat, fifty per cent. Total of the three days sales is about \$2,000,000.

FIFTH CO. COUNCIL GRANTS LARGE AMOUNTS

St. Mary's Feb. 1.—At a meeting of Parish Council, a grant of \$80,000 was made to the Canadian Patriotic Association to be paid \$5,000 per month, commencing January, 1913, and continuing until three months after peace. Nine thousand dollars was granted to the British Red Cross, to be paid in October; \$2,000 to the Soldiers' and Sailors' Relief Fund, to be paid next December; \$18,000 to the Women's Patriotic Leagues in the county, to be paid \$150 per month for five months, with further appointments at the June session.

FREIGHT WRECK ON G. T. R.

Brookville, Feb. 2.—The wreck of a Grand Trunk freight train west of here this afternoon held up traffic for several hours, including three passenger trains, two for Montreal and one for Toronto. More than twenty-five cars were derailed, tearing up a mile of track and causing much loss to rolling stock. It is thought a broken rail was the cause of the mishap.

SHANNONVILLE

Mrs. (Rev.) Jones spent last week in Kingston with friends. Miss Doris Sparks and Miss Marjorie McDonald attended the convention at Melrose on Tuesday night last.

OPERATION ON CORPORAL CARR

Belleville Artillery Man Cheerful After Ordeal. Corporal Ernest Carr, of the C.F.A. who lost both legs in battle in Belgium and who returned to Canada about one year ago, underwent a very serious operation in Toronto last Wednesday when five inches of his left limb was amputated. The young man, who was wounded and left for the first time, is now quite cheerful in spite of his sufferings. Ernest's host of friends here will hope for his speedy recovery.

ital is improving nicely. Mr. J. Keen is moving into Mr. Harry Barlow's house.

CARMEL

Services were well attended on Sunday evening, conducted by Rev. McCallan. The Sunday school convention was well attended on Thursday. The addresses of the evening were much appreciated.

AMELIABURG

The roads in this vicinity are badly drifted in many places and it is impossible to get through the drifts. Owing to the continual cold that a few of the farmers are kept busy shovelling snow and drawing water for their stock.

STOCKDALE

Mrs. P. Way and children visited at Mr. Arthur Chase's a few days of last week. Mrs. E. Wall spent a few days with Mrs. Percy Lochin at Zion last week. Miss Florence Osterhout took dinner with Mrs. Morley Davidson on Thursday.

LETTERS FROM SOLDIER'S

Mr. George Elvins received the following letter from his son Frank R. Elvins, who enlisted with the 38th Battalion as private for overseas, close to three years ago:— Somewhere in France, Jan. 18, 1913.

MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION

On the Fuel Situation—Union Prayer Services. Re the fuel situation the following resolution was unanimously agreed to by the Belleville Ministerial Association: "That the members of this association respecting the churches of this city recognizing the shortage of fuel have discontinued the holding of services in the main auditorium of their churches, as far as possible and are willing to still further curtail their use of fuel if thought necessary by the fuel controller, at the same time we would urge that co-operation in this movement should be extended to include all public institutions, especially our picture shows and other places of public amusement."

PARENTS GET MILITARY MEDAL

The parents of Pte. James Keegan, who went overseas with a Hastings County battalion, have just received the Military Medal which he won in France. "Jimmy" as he is best known here, was wounded and is now in England. He is another of the Belleville boys to win glory overseas.

McIntosh Bros. Great Alteration Sale Continues all This Month Remarkable Bargain Offers are to be had at every counter Buy Your Cottons, Flannelettes Embroideries etc., etc., Now And Save Money

Dear Father, Sisters and Brothers.— Just a few lines to let you know that I am still alive and well and that I have sent me. I hope you all enjoyed your Xmas. We had a very nice time. We have been out of the front line about three weeks now on rest so we are going in again in a couple of days. I will be home for next Xmas dinner bright, at least I hope so. I received three nice boxes from Belleville. There was one box from Mrs. Eugene Hyman, 187 Charles St. and one from Miss Luella Currie, 44 Victoria Ave. and one from Mrs. Stewart, West Bridge St. I also received a box from Jim and Molly last night. Please don't send any more tobacco, as we get lots of it. The celery was fine also the cake and the tonic. I have received all the cards and letters from Wilred and Bob's old folks and Evolee. Flo is getting her education. Allowance at last. I expect to be going on soon. I don't think she will be home now until I get my pass. She has had a hard time of it. We may come home together yet I wish we were on our way now. It is pretty cold here now and we had a big fall of snow here today. Say, that is too bad about Jack Clarke and Willie Hogan. I met Patsy Devise's son the other day. He is in the artillery. I have not heard from Spike or Bill Miles. Remember me to all my old friends and also daddy and Johnnie Devise. How is Bob and Lawrence getting on? I would like to hear from them and my father. I would like you to thank these ladies for the boxes they sent me in any way you can if you have time. I appreciated them I can tell you and felt very grateful for them. Well La, I will close for this time and will write you later and father I will write you again soon. Don't worry about me so bye bye from Frank.

LINDSAY CRAWFORD SAYS DRAFT FAILS

Montreal, Feb. 5.—Lindsay Crawford, of the editorial staff of the Toronto Globe, in an address to the Reform Club of this city Saturday on "Canada as a Nation," referred to the recent general elections, and said: "The object of the elections was to isolate Quebec, but this Province is not isolated."

He declared conscription a failure, and said that not more than 10,000 men had been secured by it, whereas double that number could have been obtained under the voluntary system. He charged that the Government intended to replace Canadian farmers with Americans, and he said Liberals who had supported Union Government now saw their error.

A domestic case in which a husband is charged with threatening his wife, was today further enlarged for a week, pending arrangements.

At Kingston last evening in the Ontario Amateur Basketball Association games, Kingston Juvenile High School defeated Belleville Juvenile Y.M.C.A. by 39 to 18 and Kingston High School won from Belleville High School by 28 to 20 in the first round.

The funeral of the late Harry Weeks took place on Friday afternoon from the family residence, Mohr St., Rev. J. N. Clarry, officiating. The remains were deposited in Belleville Cemetery vault.

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Mr. George Palmerston to with old friend Mr. Hiram Ed Clerk of the Marysburg.

Mr. and Mrs. son, Jack of guests at the age. Mrs. Ke pastor, Rev. A who is on the Detroit Free nual vacation. Mr. John A. celled a telegr