F- S. SPENCE IS DEAD

LODGE NEWS

ENTERTAINED MANY VISITORS.

found it necessary to amalgamate

that 42 out of 46 members had enlist-

bership of 126, has sent over fifty overseas, of whom five have been

killed and over a dozen have been wounded. Addresses were also made by A. E. Fontaine, D.D.S.P., Northern;

Manchester; and E. Boggie, P.P.

Lodge Yarmouth. The following con-

tributed to the musical program: J. Crowson, E. Burley, R. W. Sealy, J. Perraton, H. Critchell, and others.

REV. J. MUIR DIES.

Was Well Known Minister of the

Presbyterian Church.

The death occurred at his resi

dence, 288 Glen road, on Monday night,

now twenty years of age, went over-

seas in May, 1916, with the 86th ma-

chine gun battery. Besides his son

Mr. Muir is survived by his daughter,

Found in Military Hospials

Chance to Get Into Khaki

their membership, owing to the fact

THOUSANDS SEE **MILITARY PARADE**

All the Units Stationed at Hamilton Participate in Route March.

Hamilton, Thursday, March 8.— housands of Hamiltonians were given an opportunity of seeing the troops encamped here in action as the result of a brigade route march that was taken part in by approximately 2000 overseas troops. The parade had a deeper signif cance, for it was likely the ast public appearance of the 184th Halton and Dufferin and the 227th Sault Ste. Marie units before they depart for the east to complete that

Headed by the brigade staff, the units, consisting of the Canadian Mounted Rifles, 164th Battawon machine gun depot squad, 227th Battalion and the Royal Flying Corps, under Lleut. Col. Dan el, assembled in the Gore Park. On the return to the Gore

Gore Park. On the return to the Gore no march past was held, but Brigadier Hendrie swung into the side and watched the troops march by.

The men all carried full marching equipments, and their march and discipline was the subject of much favorable company. The mounted rifles orable comment. The mounted rifles, under the command of Lieut.-Col. Brooks, gave the impression of being a very smart cavalry unit, while the nembers of the flying squad drew considerable attention. Especially in-Earlscourt Lodge, Sons of England Has Fine Record of Enlistments. teresting was the traveling motor acroplane ship carried by this unit. It had the a pearance of being a complete miniature workshop on wheels. Lodge Earlscourt, No. 306, S.O.E. B.S., held a special meeting in the Maltiby Hall, corner of St. Clair and Boon avenues, when a fraternal visit The members of the machine gun squad, who are expected to leave for overseas next week, were given a great ovation by their friends and re-

Essay Contest Winners. essa ycontest on the war, was conducted by the school proceedings were presided over by T. children of the city under the auspices of the Citize's' Service League, 6,000 members of the order had answered the call of the mother country; been concluded, and the winners of the gold medals were Nelson McFarlane, Ryerson School, and Beauford Nally, Anne's Separate Schoolwinner of the silver medal at St. Mary's School was Victor Duffy. dd day will be held in the vicinity of Pleasant View Farm this aftercon for the members of the 227th attalion. Live ammunition will be ed, the remaining four having been re-jected for service as medically unfit. Lodge Earlscourt, out of a total mem-

ssued and tactical manoeuvres on a arge scale will be indulged in. One officer, three non-commission-ed officers and eighteen men from the 122nd Battalion are to be attached to the depot machine gun school.

Convalescent Home in France Looks After Many Canadians

The Canadian Convalescent Home in France has just finished its second winter's work, and the staff has already completed its strenuous spring-cleaning and is facing the strain which the "spring drive" will impose on them. Christmas and the New Year were celebrated in as homelike way as conditions would permit.

Numbers of appreciative letters are
eccived from the patients themselves

and also from the wives and mothers of some. Those in authority, who are the best fitted to judge, always emof the home; they have no other institution giving quite the same kind by and College street homes for rephasize the unique nature of the work of convalescent care, and they are turned soldiers. Recruits physically sure that it is a work that will live unfit for C.E.F. service are accepted and be remembered in every history

The home has always been entirely supported by voluntary contributions, which are received by the honorary treasurer, J. B. O'Brien, K.C., 1006 debarred. Traders' Bank Building.

BODY FOUND IN BAY.

The body of an unknown man was end floating in the bay at the foot of Parliament street yesterday afterternoon by George Stevens, 3 Lan-caster avenue. He had apparently ness of many months. He was born been in the water for some time and in Dalry, Ayrshire, Scotland, fifty-one He is dark-complexioned, about 5 feet try for twenty-two years, during eightache. There was nothing about the control of which he was paster of the control There was nothing about him John's Presbyterian Church, Grimsby that would give a clue to his iden- Ont. His only son, Pte. William Muir,

HEARD TRAVELOGUE.

A travelogue was given by Mr. M. Parkinson in the Westminster Church. A delighted audience was led by Mr. Parkinson all thru and around the vicinity in the Yellowstone Canyon.

Mr. Muir is survived by Ms daughter, Miss Agnes D. Muir, at home, his mother in Vineland, Ont., and two sistenson all thru and around the vicinity of the Yellowstone Canyon.

Mrs. S. Quig, Hespeler, Ont.

of the towns named are not shown

naissance photography these days.

between Verdun and the Vosges.

* WAR SUMMARY *

THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

(Continued From Page 1.)

The operations in this theatre of the war will possess considerable interest

fortified, during the past two months, near Sheik Nuran, west of Shellal.

British aircraft assisted in the advance by bombarding Turkish troops,

railway trains, rolling stock, and permanent way. The scene of this success

is probably the Smal Poninsula and not upper Egypt, as suggested by foot

notes in the despatches, for no Turkish railway exists in upper Egypt,

neither could the Turks use the railway there if they had seized it. Further

more, in order for the Jurks to reach upper Egypt they would have to go

Week ending March 4, and 14 of these had a tonnage of over 1600 tons gross.

That is, in the last three days of February and the first four days of March

the submarine menace, and to do this accurately requires the lapse of

several weeks. While the enemy destroyed 23 merchant vessels all told in

the week under review, the arrivals and departures of sea-going vessels

at and from British ports aggregated 4905, so the enemy destroyed less than

as an interval between important events, and the British official communication last night merely recorded the silencing of hostile batteries which were shelling Ypres, and of another bombardment of German trenches west of Messines. British aeronlanes are doing a great deal of successful recon

Another lull has come over the battlefield of the Somme and Ancre

Bombardments still characterize the proceedings on the French front. where the allied artillery is proving more than a match for the German

artillery. The chief centres of shell fire are about Verdun and on the front

one-half of one per cent. of the vessels sailing in British waters.

German mines or submarines sank 23 British merchant vessels in the

CTESIPHON RUINS

F. S. Spence, one of the best known temperance men in Canada, died at 1.30 this morning at his residence, 554

British have advanced about 80 miles. They have pushed forward thru coun-They have pushed forward thru country of supreme historic interest towards the great Mohammedan City of Bagdad, terminal of the great Berlin-Bagdad Railway, which Germany designed as a rival to the Suez Canal. The fall of Bagdad, a sacred Mohammedan city, would have tremendous moral effect. The region is one of interest also to Christianity. Fifty miles or so to the southwest lies Babylon. A couple of hundred miles further north, near Mosul, are the ruins of "that great city," Nineveh. The route from the Persian Gulf north, which has been followed by the British, is thru the reputed site of the Garden of Eden.

Ctsiphon itself is the scene of the Garden of Eden.

Sons, Puslinch. J. Wood, Preston, Ont., \$140.

Rcan Rover, roan, calved Oct. 10, 1915.

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Rcan Rover, r was paid by the lodges connected with the eastern district. Representatives were present from lodges in the east, centre and southwestern districts. The H. Warrington, secretary of Lodge St. George, No. 27, who stated that over nearly fifty per cent. of this number representing the Toronto lodges. E. J. Otter, D.D.S.P. (centre district), stated that Lodge Devonia. No. 340, had

thru the reputed site of the Garden of Eden.

Ctsiphon itself is the scene of ruins celebrated the world over as representing the finest specimen of Sassanian architecture; huge buildings of brick, for there is no stone in that country. It was once reached by the British before, late in 1915. On that occasion Bagdad seemed within grasp, but the arrival of strong Turkish reinforcements sent the ex-

W. G. Jones, D.D.S.P., Eastern; Wn. Burley, P.D.D.S.P.; W. T. James, P.D.D.S.P.; Wm. Tyler, P.P., Lodge Todmorden; F. J. Norris, P.P., Lodge

SCORE'S TALK ON CLOTHES.

We have just received from Military Hospital requires 20 men for shipment of Irish duty as orderlies at the Spadina, Whit- blue serge, guaran-Under the existing conditions, real very for this work. This call offers a good opportunity for men who want to get into khaki but have thus far been blue serge scarce and difficult to procure. We are, in being able to of-

therefore, fortunate fer a suit of clothes made from a dependable cloth at \$32.00. Come, see R. Score & Son, Ltd., Tailors and Haberdashers, 77 King street west.

CANADIENS GAIN THREE GOAL LEAD

Ottawa Fails to Show Form in First Game of Final Series.

Montreal, March 7.—Canadiens secured lead over the Ottawa Senators in the cries for the championship of the N.H. here tonight that will serve as a eavy handicap against Ottawa in the at the capital on Saturday night. game at the capital on Saturday night. Canadiens tonight won a gruelling contest by a score of 5 to 2, the winners having the edge on their opponents at almost all stages of the game. The Canadiens held a great advantage in weight and used it to good purpose in checking the rushes of the lighter opponents. There was considerable rough

play.
Frank Nighbor, formerly of the Coast League, who scored Ottawa's first goal tonight, near the end of the third period was laid out by the butt-end of the stick of Newsy Lalende, captain of the Cana-

The operations in this theatre of the war will possess considerable interest of the next week or two.

The British Egyptian forces continue to score successes over the Turks.

Their approach has caused the enemy to evacuate a strong position, heavily fortified, during the past two months, near Sheik Nuran, west of Shellal. The teams: Ottawa (2)—Goal, Benedict; defence,

Merrill and Shore; centre, Gerard; wings, Nighbor and Darragh.
Canadiens (5)—Goal, Vezina; defence,
Corbeau and Mummery; centre, Lalonde;
wings, Pitre and Noble
Officials—John Marshall and J. Brenby aeroplane. Owing to imperfections of existing maps, the exact positions can. -First Period .-

Nighbor 17.00 That is, in the last three days of February and the first four days of March
the British mercantile marine experienced an average loss of two oceangoing steamers a day. In the same period the enemy unsuccessfully attacked twelve British merchant vessels. Thus the rate of sinkings in this
new campaign had considerably declined by the end of last week. Only by
weekly comparison of the lists issued by the admiralty can the student of
the war arrive at any definite conclusion on the progress towards mastering
the war arrive at any definite conclusion on the progress towards mastering
the day of March
Contained Period.—
Canadiens. Smith 0.20
Canadiens. Lalonde 2.00
When Lalonde laid out Frank Nighbor in the closing minutes of last night's
match, he was given a match foul, which
puts him out of the game against Ottawa on Saturday night. Lalonde drew a match foul earlier in the season, and, with two match fouls to his credit, he is automatically suspended. President Robinson of the N.H.A. stated last night that he would enforce the rule, and that Label was under suspension. The loss of onde was under suspension. The loss of alonde in the return game will detract from the chances of the Flying French-men winning the N.H.A. title, and the right to defend the Stanley Cup against

COAL SITUATION RELIEVED.

The coal situation in Weston, althroute, will probably be relieved very hortly. Mr. Rudolf of the Weston coal yards has returned from Scranton mines, where he succeeded in placing orders for 17 cars of coal, with the premise of im-

BRITISH DRAW NEAR AVERAGE PRICES ARE HIGHER AT GUELPH FAT STOCK SHOW Files Answer to City's Application

September 18th, 1915. Bred by S. Dyment, Barrie; contributed by E. D. Mc-Phedran, Kockwood, Robert Heron, Assourn, Ont., \$126. Gen. Maude's Cavalry Reaches

Point Not Far From

Bagdad.

FIGHT REARGUADS

Engagement Proceeds at Laji

Advance Eighty Miles

Special to The Toronto World.

Guelph, March 7.—The third annual auction sale of registered stock, held under the anspices of the Onbarto Department of Agriculture and the management of the Guelph Fat Stock Club, took place this afternoon in the large horse arene at the winter fair buildings and proved to be the most successful sale held in many years. The catalog contained the names of fifty-four of the finest animals over offered for sale at one time, and their excellent quality attracted buyers from all parts of Ontario, as well as several from the western provinces.

Engagement Proceeds at Lajj

—Advance Eighty Miles

in Week.

London, March 7.—British cavalry had advanced within nine miles of Ctesiphon and about 28 miles from Bagdad on the Tigris front, on Monday afternoon, it was announced today, the official statement being as follows:

"On Monday afternoon British cavalry were engaged with the Turkish rear guard at Laji, nine miles southeast of Ctesiphon, Mesopotamia.

"Owing to the fact that the war material abandoned by the enemy is strewn over eighty miles of the country, it is not yet possible to give an accurate and full list of our captures. The collection of booty and the salvage of guns, etc., which were thrown into the river, is being proceeded with, and up to the present 38 guns, including those on captured river craft, have been collected, exclusive of machine guns and trench mortars."

Since the fall of Kut on Feb. 26 the British have advanced about 80 miles. They have pushed forward thru country of supreme historic interest to-stream of the present Mohammedan City of State of State of State of Sons, Puslinch. J. Wood, Preston, Ont., 1945. Bred by P. J. McLean & Sons, Puslinch. Geo. Martin, Paris, Ont., 2205.

Viotorious (108589), roan, calved Feb. Roan Royer, roan, calved Oct. 10, 1915.

Roan Royer, roan, calved Oct. 10, 1915.

Turkish reinforcements sent the expedition hurrying back to Kut, where it was besieged and finally forced to surrender.

On account of the nature of the ground between Kut-el-Amara and Ctesiphon, which is but porly adapted to defensive purposes, it has been predicted by military writers that the Turks (would make no serious attempt to halt) their retreat until Ctesiphon was reached, and that a decisive engagement probably would occur at that point, white, caived April 20th, 1916. Bred by J. J. Elliott, Guelph; contributed by Gordon Auld. F. E. Barker, Guelph; \$152.50. Oxford Ringizader (106132), red, little white, caived May 29th, 1915. Bred by J. J. Elliott, Guelph; contributed by J. J.

Elliott. Robert Millar, Stouffville, Blythwood King (109762), dark roan, calved April 24th, 1916. Bred by C. M. Blyth, Guelph; contributed by C. M. Blyth. Wm. Marritt, Keswick, \$336. Fragrant Commander, red, calved September 3rd, 1914. Bred by A. F. & G. Auld; contributed by A. E. Ramsay, Campbellville. S. H. Pugh, Milverton,

Ont., \$180.

Poan Wing (109081), twin with (109080), roan. calved January 20th, 1916. (109080), roall. calved January 20th, 1955.

Bred by Daniel Wright, Ariss; contributed by Daniel Wright. P. Crimless, Guelph, \$97.50.

Red Wing 2nd (109080), twin, red, calved January 20th, 1916. Bred by Daniel Wright, Ariss; contributed by Daniel Wright. O. H. Patrick, Calgary, Alta.,

Village Nonparell 4th (122401), white, calved December 15th. 1915. Bred by Alex. Young. Mount Hope, Ont.; contributed by Alex. Young. O. H. Patrick, Calgary. Alta., \$225.
Grey Knight (109894), roan, calved September 6th, 1915. Bred by Daniel Talbott & Son; contributed by Daniel Talbot & Son. G. Newman. Cottam, \$207.50.

& Son. G. Newman, Cottam, \$207.50.
Lavender Duke (102044), red, ,calved

Red Royanal (19948), dark, red, cal-ted September 2010, 1910. Bred by Sam-uel Smith, Gueiph; commonted by Samuel Smith. H. Mainey, Grand Vamey, Ont., 2000.

V. Thompson, Guelph; contributed by E. V. Thompson, Guelph. H. Haion, Guelph Ont., \$116. Gallant Marquis (110016), red and

white, calved December 20th, 1915. Bred oy Donald Crerar, Bright, Ont.; contri-outed by Donald Crerar. Geo. Judge, East Caledon, Ont., \$127.50. Mina Geraldine (122864), roan, calved November 16th, 1915. Bred by Irvin B. Weber, Waterkoo, Ont.; contributed by Irvin B. Weber. Geo. Pritchard, Elora, Matchless Hope (109733), red, calved March 30, 1916. Bred by Irvin B. Weber, waterloo, Ont.; contributed by Irvin B. Weber, G. W. Sutton, Hillsburg, Ont., \$137.50. Unt., \$162.50.

\$137.50.

Matchless Guard (109730), red, calved Oct. 23, 1915. Bred by Irvin B. Weber, Waterloo, Ont.; contributed by Irvin B. Weber. Chas. R. Brythe, Guelph, \$170.

Prince V.ctorlan (108620), dark roan, calved Sept. 28, 1915. Bred by George Hossfeld, Walkerton; contributed by W. R. Elllott & Sons. J. A. Henry, Thornton, \$175.

English Lady 45th (124121), red, calved Now, 19, 1915. Bred by John Currie, Rockwood; contributed by John Currie, J. Kean, Guelph, \$425. White Chief (110107), white, calved June 4, 1915. Bred by John Dickieson, Guelph, Ont.; contributed by John A. Dickieson, E. W. Giennie, Breton, Ont., 2150.

Col. Ramsden (109606), roan, calved March 28, 1916. Bred by John L. Howard & son, sutton, Ont.; contributed by John L. Howard & Son. A. Smith, South Woodsiee, Ont., \$160.

Victor Ramsden (109605), red and white calved April 14, 1916. Bred by John L. Howard & Son, Sutton, Ont.; contributed by John L. Howard & Son. A. Turnbull, Galt, Ont.; \$127.50. Gait, Ont., \$127.50.

Remsden Chief (19607), red and white, calved March 14, 1916. Bred by Wm. Railton, Sutton West, Ont.; contributed by John L. Howard & Son. Don McCasg, Puslinch, Ont., \$107.50.

Prince of Eden, calved Dec. 15, 1916.

Bred by Wm. Argo, Guelph; contributed by Wm. Argo. C. B. Swackhammer, Acton, Ont., \$162.50.

ton, Ont., \$162.50.

Eden Duke, red, calved March 10, 1576.
Bred by Wm. Argo, Guelph, Ont.; contributed by Wm. Argo. E. W. Graham, Carp, Ont., \$145.

Mina Chief (106325), roan, calved May 6, 1916. Bred by Samuel Harrop, Milton, Ont.; contributed by Samuel Harrop. A. Carey, Briton, Ont., \$167.50.

Countess Grey (120454, roan, calved March 10, 1915. Bred by Geo. Amos & Sons, Moffat, Ont.; contributed by A. F. Auld, Guelph. R. D. McClelland, Fergus, \$130.

Beauty's Pride (123876), dark red, little white, calved March 8, 1916. Bred by Wm. S. H. McDonagh, Port Robinson, Ont.; contributed by Wm. S. H. McDonagh. W. E. Turner, Streetsville, Ont., \$127.50. Telluria Duchess 26th (123875), dark red, calved March 15, 1916. Bred by W. S. H. McDonagh, Port Robinson, Ont.; contributed by Wm. S. H. McDonagh, G. L. Smith, Meadowville, Ont., \$105. Royal Butterfly (108588), roan, calved Jan. I, 1916. Bred by John, Brantford, Ont.; contributed by P. J. McLean & Sons. James Tolton, Walkerton, Ont., \$85. Beauty's Pride (123876), dark red, little

\$85.
Hill Crest Wonder (109929),roan, calved April 20, 1916. Bred by J. K. Campbell, Palmerston; contributed by James K. Campbell & Son. F. Smith, Port Bur-

ville, Ont., \$100.
Cranright, (93700), white, calved March 22, 1913. Bred by Mitchell Bros., Burlington, Ont.; contributed by Wm. Coon. Tottenham, Ont. A. Barber, Guelph, \$197.50.
Lucy White (124410), white, calved April 20, 1916. Bred by Frank Smith, Guelph, Ont.; contributed by Frank Smith. F. W. Beeforth, Waterdown, Ont., \$112.

\$112.
Ramsden Chief (108816), light roan, calved April 10, 1916. Bred by T. W. Foran, St. George, Ont.; contributed by T. W. Foran R. R. R. Rudd, Guelph, \$127.50. Prince Royal (105057), red, little white, calved Oct. 4, 1915. Bred by J. J. Elliott, Guelph, Ont.; contributed by G. S. Harding, Guelph. Robt. Miller, Stouffville, Ont., \$155.

Swandon (109205), roan, calved May 16,

Ont., \$155.
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FARMERS' WEEK drudgery. The speaker observed when high prices PROVES SUCCESS

Series of Meetings by Department and Business Men Well Attended.

Special to The Toronto World.

Orangeville, March 7.—The series of meetings announced under the caption of meetings announced under the caption of er's Week," which were arranged for with the co-operation of the various branches of the Omtario department of agriculture, assisted by the Business Men's Association of Orangeville, got of to a good start on Tuesday afternoon. District Representative H. A. Dorrance arranged the meetings, which will con-

clude Thursday evening.

The egg and wool exhibits of the Dominion department of agriculture were on display in the market hall of the Opera House building, and the local hydro commission and local dealers co-operated in giving an exhibition of the various uses certain appliances could be put to by the employment of electricity, such as washing, the running of cream separators, chopping machines end the like.

The ladies' meeting in the Public Library auditorium on Wednesday afternoon was addressed by Miss Campbell of Towas addressed by Miss Campbell of To-ronto, and on Thursday afternoon and

ronto, and on Thursday afternoon and evening Miss Yates of Port Credit will be the speaker.

After the opening remarks by District Representative H., A. Dorrance on Tuesday afternoon, Mr. George Hogarth, chief engineer of the highways branch, delivered an address, speaking on "Good Roads and the Problem of Transportation."

Mr. F. C. Hart followed with an address on "Marketing Problems." He said that the field cross in Dufferin Mr. F. C. Hart followed with an address on "Marketing Problems." He said that the field crops in Dufferin County amounted enmully to three and a half million dollars, and the live stock production to one and a half million dollars, and the live stock production to one and a half millions, or \$13.30 for each acre under cultivation, while \$21.50 per acre was the average for the province.

Dr. Creelman's Address
On Tuesday evening the opera house held a large audience to hear Dr. G. C. Creelman, president of the O. A. C., Guelph, the newly-appointed commissioner of agriculture for Ontario, who said in part: The real need today was rural leadership. City people were talking about "country life" and the solution of the "rural problem". There was no deterioration or degeneration in the country, where people were better housed, better clothed and better fed than ever before. They were also better educated and better two years. . -

informed than formerly, and the farms were more productive every year. They had better implements and the women

The speaker observed when high prices prevailed there were good wages in the cities. Rural residents must cultivate the new view point, a wider and more vital outlook, new practical ideas were wanted. Dr. Creelman said fathers should give their boys an interest in the farm and and said that farmers instead of retiring to cities and towns might find a more ideal condition on the old place if they built a new and modern home for themselves there and remained near at hand to help and overseer their own boys in the ration and management of the home.

It was the meagreness of life were 232 carloads of coal and 25 carhelp and overseer their own boys in the stead. It was the meagreness of life which drove people to the cities. Farm life should be made attractive.

WILL HEAR CASES TOGETHER. Judge Coatsworth, in general ses-

sions court yesterday, decided to hear evidence in the case of William Pellatt, charged with criminal negligence, when Ernest Riley, who is also charged in the same case, is aralso raigned for trial. The two men were driving motor cars which collided at Christie street and Yarmouth road, Dec. 19. Both cars swung around after the impact, and it is declared that Riley's car going backward struck a boy named George Fegan, inflicting serious injuries. Miners' Demands Are Refused

By Western Coal Operators

operators in session here have been Master Walter Tuthill in a patriotic refused by the operators. The latter's representatives stated today that they would consider no demands from the mineworkers until the latter gave church, rendered an especially fine some tangible promise that any agree- number. In the absence of the pastor, ment entered into would not be vio- Rev. Dr. Wilson, Mrs. Wilson spoke lated. while ers refuses to make any statement as

to what they will do.

lothed and better fed than ever before. has been on the firing line for almost

METROPOLITAN'S CASE

tion in City Limits.

By way of answer to the city's application to the legislature for power to expropriate that portion of the Metropolitan Railway within the city limits, W. H. Moore, general manager of the company, has written a lengthy letter to Hon. I. B. Lucas, attorneygeneral and chairman of the private bills committee of the legislature. In this letter Mr. Moore takes each of the statements made in the city's bill of following officers for A Company of Simcoe, for 35 years from Feb. 2, 1894. In recent litigation, says Mr. Moore, the city attacked the company's franchise without success. The city now is asking power to expropriate a portion of the company's lines, "small but vital," as it includes the terminus and entry into Toronto. Mr. Moore adnits that the legislature has power to authorize the expropriation of any kind of private property, but contends that an application for the right to expro-priate a "small but vital" portion of a private undertaking should only be considered, if at all, when grounds of overwhelming public necessity are advanced. The city, it is claimed, has not submitted the existence of any

such grounds.
Some of the facts set forth in the city's application, says Mr. Moore, are intersection of streets; no bonuses ever were received from local municipaliwere received from local municipalities; the railway is not responsible for the fact that Yonge street remains a side; the only reason that Yonge street remains as it is is because the municipalities, including Toronto, have not been willing to spend money on properly paving the street.

It is pointed out that the company, by an act passed in 1913, has the right

to operate double tracks on Yonge street, in the city of Toronto, subject to an agreement to be entered into with To date the city not only has failed to approach the company with a view of an agreement, but has persistently repelled the efforts of the company to initiate negotiations with that end in view. In addition, no cemplaint has been brought by city to the Ontario Railway Board as to inadequacy or insufficiency of service, and the legislature cannot consider or adjudicate upon, questions of that kind. In concluding his letter Mr. Moore

calls attention to the fact that many of the company's bonds are held in England, and that the legislation contemplated by the city would have a very unsatisfactory effect upon Eng-lish investors in Ontario and Canadian

SUIPHUR FUMES CASE IS STILL PROCEEDING

Testimony which, according to the plaintiffs' counsel, J. H. Clary, refutes evidence submitted two weeks ago by experts, was given yesterday afterwell, Ont., \$230.
Right Stamp (110391), roan, calved Mar, 9, 1915. Bred by Wm. Coon, Tottenham, Ont.; contributed by Wm. Coon, Tottenham, Ont. James Kennedy, Campbell-ville, Ont., \$100.

Consider (32700) white calved March of the company of the c company from further operations and claims for damages to crops and vege-

tation on neighboring farms. The testimony, which was submitted by F. Harper and Watson W. C. Orr, showed that the land in question was so well drained by a live creek to the west and by a steep slope to the east of the Wahnapitae River that it would be a waste of money to at-T. Jarvis and Mr. tempt drainage. Morehouse, experts of the copper company and the Mond company, according to Mr. Clary, testified two weeks ago that it would cost \$45 per acre to drain the forty acres involved. One of the witnesses yesterday was W. A. Macdonald, cashiel of the Mond

company, who related discoveries made by him during a visit to the Clary farm in company with Sheriff Irving. Miss Fullerton, Miss Robertson, F. He said he had found evidence of sul-Gould, Whitfield Ashton and J. Cog. phur burning on the grain and hay hill. Addresses were also given by crops. He declared there was no sign of disease in the potato crop. of disease in the potato crop. Macdonald denied offering \$750 to Andrew Ostrosky for the damage done

to the Ostrosky garden truck. He said Ostrosky valued his crop at approximately \$1,350. Hearing of testimony will be continued this morning.

Railways Are Now Moving

Reports from the Toronto railway loads of coke on hand. There are 66 cars of hard coal and 40 cars of soft coal in the G.T.R. yards at Mimico, while five trains are en route from Fort Erie to Mimico. The report of the C.P.R. Company showed that that road had 30 cars of

merchants' coal and eight cars of coke on hand. There are also 96 cars of merchants' coal and 17 cars of coke en route from the Aberdeen yards in Hamilton to Toronto. Splendid Concert Held in High

Park Presbyterian Church The concert given under the auspices of the Girls' Club in High

Park Presbyterian Church last night was a great success, the auditorium being crowded to the doors, while the concert thruout was of a high order. M. Parkinson was the chairman, and a Cangary, Alta., March 7.—The defeature was the presentation of two mands formulated by the coal miners sketches, "Vice-Versa" and "The Fasand presented yesterday to the coal cinators," by Mrs. James T. Pattison. solo, and Miss Mildred Dane in a reading were well received, while Mrs briefly in relation to the work. Secretary Carter of the minework- funds raised will be devoted to comforts for the men overseas, and the concert will be repeated tonight.

in three weeks. The men are

AGAINST EXPROPRIATION Q. O. R. BATTALION STAFFS A COMPANY

Four Thousand Names Selected for Special Recruiting Canvass.

Lt.-Col. G. C. Royce, commanding officer of the 155th Queen's Own Overseas Depot Battalion, announced last night the appointment of the statements made in the city's bill of application and answers it at length. Before doing so he refers to the fact that Mr. Lucas asked him to state the position of the company. He reminds Mr. Lucas that the company has an exclusive franchise on Yonge street, from its southern terminus to Lake from its southern terminus to Lake Simces for 35 years from Feb. 2, 1894. platoon sergeants, O. D. Stevenson, J. H. Douse, H. A. Bishop, J. F. E. Dixon, C. W. Jarvis, G. E. McConvey, A. L. Barrett, W. R. Howard; corporals, R. Dalby, C. Simpson, S. Shields, F. W. Mills, E. W. Clark, M. C. Willer, P. C. McMillan, A. Stewart Sullivan, D. C. McMillan, A. Stewart, M. Weinberg and C. Chandler. The signaling section staff has already qualified. The staff consists of Lieut. N. G. Duffett, Sgt. A. B. Mackenzis and Corp. W. C. Thurgrland. Capt. Patterson of A Company and Capt. John Bartlett, who will command B Company when formed, are now qualifying for field officers' rank.

The 255th has selected 4000 of 12 .-000 names sent in to be canvassed.

An order just issued states that owing to surplus paymasters in England and in the field, due to reorganization of paymasters, no new will be sent overseas except with comincorrect and distorted. For instance, plete battalions, and even in this case. no fatal accidents have resulted at the will be returned to Canada if their Col. S. C. Mewburn, A.A.G., has gone to Ottawa in connection with the reorganization of the militia, and country road with ditches on either his duties have been assumed in the meantime by Lt.-Col. H. C. Osborne, D.A.A.G. Major E. P. Healey has taken up the former duties of Col.

Osborne. Capt. E. Trump will also go Ostorie. Capt. B. Transport of the Capt. B. each, 208th, Cyclists, V. of T. Co.,

each 1.
No. 2 Forestry draft passed the 100 mark in recruiting yesterday, bringing in three men from Sudbury, two from Hamilton and one from Guelph. Hamilton and one from Guelph.

Four more members of the C.E.F.
have joined the air service. They
are Sgt. R. W. Hopper, B.F. and P.T.
School; Ptes. R. K. Armstrong and
W. C. Gibbard of the University Training Company, who joined the Royal Flying Corps, and Pte. A. G. Beattie, University Company, who joins the Royal Naval Air Service.

CHAIN STORE SYSTEMS AND LIVING EXPENSES

The system of chain stores and the relation they have to that old ques-tion of the high cost of living was touched on in an address given by T. P. Loblaw at the annual dinner of the employes last evening at 893 West Queen street. The president. T. P. Loblaw, was in the chair, and about fifty sat down to the banquet. his idea to make the other fellow come to him rather than the old-fashioned family store, and that was the chief reason why the system of

chain stores was started. By eliminating the delivery charges and selling for cash it had been found possible to offer a great reduction on the prices. "Three years ago I took a trip to the States," he said. "And there I had a fair idea of the possibilities attached to this system, and I made up my mind to inaugurate such a system here, altho it was repeatedly pointed out to me that there would be no great future for such a system. The thing today is to cut the high cost of living, and this system. I am sure, will in a great measure do this." During the evening a Victrola was presented to Mr. Loblaw by S. Score on behalf of the employes. The following contributed to the musical program: Miss MacInnes, Miss McLeod,

RETURNED MINISTER LOST A LEG FIGHTING

to be the first active service minister to return to Canada, and who lost his left leg in the fighting at St. Eloi, has Fairly Large Amounts of Coal arrived in Toronto to obtain an artificial limb. He is in the military hospital, College street, to undergo a second operation Rev. Lambert is 25 years old and

Pte. (Rev.) Sydney E. Lambert, said

was pastor of the Methodist church in Parkland, Alberta. He enlisted in the 50th Calgary Battalion, known as "Mason's Man-Eaters." He entered the trenches in June and fought until August, when an explosive shell shat-tered his leg, necessitating amputation. The soldier said yesterday that he believed ministers should fight and that there was no better place under some circumstances for them than in the trenches. He plans to continue his work in the Alberta church.
"I never took my rum ration," said he, "but I was not blind to the great good that little bit of rum did. It bucked the men right up and put new

life into them."

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