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The Opinion of the
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Amongst the troubles with which the Army has to cope is the question of sore feet amongst the men. This may sound trivial, but in reality is a matter of the gravest importance. Obviously, to be of use, an army must be in good marching condition, but it is a physical impossibility for even the bravest man to go on if he is suffering from sore feet.

From information which reaches us from the front, however, this difficulty is being met by the use of Zam-Buk, which is proving most efficacious for this painful ailment. We should like to see a box or two of this excellent "first aid" supplied to every soldier. In our opinion it would greatly add to the efficiency of the Army.

on the requirements of the men in the Army will naturally be of interest to those who have relations or friends in the service. The clipping, given herewith, is an extract from this paper and shows that Zam-Buk is regarded by those in authority as indispensable. So much so, in fact, that large orders for Zam-Buk have been received from the Government for the British Army in France. Zam-Buk is put up in boxes of convenient size for carrying in the pocket, so that a man may have it ready to apply at the right moment. Many a case of blood-poisoning has been avoided by the timely use of Zam-Buk. There is nothing can take its place for cuts, burns, barbed wire scratches, blisters, bruises, sprains, rheumatism, chapped hands, cold cracks and sores of all kinds. Don't let your soldier go without his box of Zam-Buk. In the home, also, Zam-Buk is just as necessary for the many little accidents which are of almost daily occurrence, as well as for more serious troubles such as eczema, chronic sores, blood-poisoning and piles. All dealers or Zam-Buk Co., Toronto. 5c box, 3 for \$1.25.

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LONDON GOSSIP.

LONDON, Dec. 24, 1917.
THE GENERALS OF 1914.

It may be of interest to note what has become of the generals of the first armies whose names were read out at the Seven Divisions commemoration. Of the staff, General Haig, General Pulteney, and General Hamilton remain on the front, Lord French and General Murray, Macdowell, and Robertson being in War Office or home commands. The cavalry commanders are all still on the front—Generals De Lisle, Gough, and Byng in the west and General Allenby in Palestine. Of the commanders of the Seven Divisions two are dead, General Hamilton fell in October of that fatal year, and General Capper fell last year. General Lomax was wounded, but is still on the western front. General Monro is in command in India. Generals Snow, Ferguson, and Kell are all on the western front. The generals present at the Albert Hall on December 15th were Lord French and General Smith-Dorrien, General Maxwell and General Shaw.

OUR WAR AIMS.

In view of the representations repeatedly made to the Government within the last few weeks, and likely to be pressed in Parliament, to define our war aims, the statement made by the Allies in January of 1917 in response to President Wilson's Note may well be recalled. The Allies then pointed out that their aims could only be formulated in detail "when the moment for negotiation arrives," but the civilized world knew they included the following:

The restoration of Belgium, of Serbia, and of Montenegro, with the compensations due to them.

The evacuation of the invaded territories in France, Russia, and Rumania, with fitting reparation.

The reorganization of Europe, guaranteed by a stable settlement, based alike upon the principle of nationalities on the right which all peoples, whether small or great, have to the enjoyment of full security and free economic development; and also upon territorial arrangements, so framed as to guarantee land and sea frontiers against unjust attacks.

The restitution of provinces or territories formerly torn from the Allies by force or contrary to the wishes of their inhabitants.

The liberation of Italians, Slavs, Rumanians, Czechs and Slovaks from foreign domination.

The liberation of the peoples who now lie beneath the murderous tyranny of the Turks, and the expulsion from Europe of the Ottoman Empire, which has proved itself so radically alien to Western civilization.

WOMEN PIONEERS.

The lamented death of Dr. Garrett Anderson, the first English woman doctor, has revived curiosity as to who will be the first English woman lawyer. I hear rumors that a well-known young suffragist leader is intending to apply in the new year for admission to an Inn of Court. This lady is a university graduate, the daughter of a deceased barrister (I am not referring to Christabel Pankhurst), and a teacher of history—altogether an admirable woman pioneer in the law. Opinion among benchers and barristers in the matter has grown in sympathy in recent months. The woman lawyer is certainly coming and may arrive before Christmas, 1918.

SMALLER CHEQUE BOOKS.

The latest piece of paper economy is the issue of smaller cheque books by the banks. The subaltern now carries a very modest narrow book, not large enough to impress his youngest brother when he draws it from his trouser pocket with a flourish. But if cheque books are smaller, cheques seem much the same size. I mean that people seem to spend as much as

ever this Christmas-tide, and it looks as if half the women of London will soon have fur coats.

A RECORD IN FOOD CONTROL.

Lord Rhonda, the Food Controller, has addressed a select little gathering in celebration of a sort of jubilee. It was not a matter of fifty years or fifty months, but even a poor matter of six months, under some circumstances, may be regarded as an occasion for jubilation and gratitude by those whose record it is. Lord Rhonda has been just six months in the office of Food Controller, and he was justified in celebrating the event, for it is a world-record. No other Food Controller in any country has contrived to retain the office for so prolonged a period. Long before the brief term expired the peoples whose dietary it was proposed to control have been fed up with their Controllers and the Controllers have been fed up with their job. It is not quite clear what one ought to infer from the exceptional duration of Lord Rhonda's tenure of office. It might be ascribed to its meritorious character, but one has not heard it generally spoken of as a conspicuous success. It might be argued that it was an evidence of the singular patience of the British people if the outward and visible signs of impatience were not daily in one's ears. It certainly cannot be assumed that he has been forgotten—screened by the imploring figure of Sir Arthur Yapp. It may be simply that the hope which springs eternal in the human breast has been called in to mitigate the diurnal despair of the stomach.

Whatever the explanation, the fact remains that Lord Rhonda has held office for half a year and in defiance of all precedent is still Food Controller. Meanwhile it is also happily the fact that there is still food to control—at the far end of a queue.

WOMEN SMOKERS.

Society women have taken to heart the hint that "soldiers first" should be the rule in relation to tobacco, and smoking among them is on the decrease. But middle and working-class women are not following their example. Tobaccoists say that, on the whole, there is no diminution in sales to women in the City (London's financial and commercial centre) and suburbs. In London the cigarette habit has grown enormously among young girls. You see them smoking in the streets and music halls, and even in the morning and evening trains to and from business.

THE KING AS RANGER.

A good many people have been surprised at King George's acceptance of the office of Ranger of Windsor Great Park. It was generally thought the post would go to the Marquis of Cambridge (formerly Duke of Teck). In that event there would certainly have been an under-current of criticism, as the office is an absolute sinecure. As brought to Prince Christian, the last holder, the delights of a beautiful mansion and additional privileges and

emoluments which probably exceeded £1,000 a year. What the King will do with these proceeds remains to be seen, but they are more likely to be utilised for national purposes by His Majesty than they would be by any other holder, even of the Royal Family. There is partly a precedent for the new Rangership in the fact that it was held during many years by the Prince Consort. With regard to the duties, these remain practically unaffected by the change, seeing that they have all along been efficiently carried out by a deputy ranger, a hunter, a surveyor, and a small army of mechanics and laborers.

PRINCE GEORGE'S BIRTHDAY TREAT.

Besides Princess Mary and Prince Albert, who is now convalescent, the King and Queen have their younger sons with them for the family Christmas at Sandringham, Prince Henry from Eton and Prince George from Osborne. Prince George, a sturdy, handsome lad, who reached his fifteenth birthday the other day, is a merry addition to the Royal circle. It was he who used to remark pathetically that his parents were always away on his birthday. This year he has no cause of complaint; both King and Queen were at home. By way of a birthday treat, the young Prince went to a theatre with the Queen and Princess Mary and Prince Henry. All the young people thoroughly enjoyed the play, Sir James Barrie's fantasy, "A Kiss for Cinderella."

Mother! Give Child
"Syrup of Figs" if
Tongue is Coated.

If cross, feverish, sick, bilious, clean little liver and bowels.

Children love this "fruit laxative," and nothing else cleanses the tender stomach, liver, and bowels so nicely.

A child simply will not stop playing if they become tightly clogged with waste, liver gets sluggish, stomach sour, then your little one becomes cross, half-sick, feverish, don't eat, sleep or act naturally, breath is bad, system full of cold, has sore throat, stomach-ache or diarrhea. Listen Mother! See if tongue is coated, then give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the constipated waste, sour bile and undigested food passes out of the system, and you have a well, playful child again.

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MONTREAL

The "Advocate"
and Recruiting.Editor Evening Telegram.
Dear Sir,—

The Advocate, last Wednesday evening stated that 500 men had been raised by the Minister of Militia during the recruiting campaign inaugurated by him and which existed in the months of October, November and December, and that because of this it would be unnecessary to take extreme measures to ensure a flow of men in the Regiment. It may be pointed out that there is the Department of Militia with John R. Bennett, Esq., at the head of it as Minister of Militia. There is no reason why we should deal with other than actual facts as they can be supplied by Mr. Bennett. The public has the right to know the exact position of affairs with regard to the Regiment and we would call upon the Minister of Militia to supply, publicly and immediately, the following information:—

The exact number of men sworn in to the Regiment from October to the end of December, 1917. The strength of the Regiment in France at the end of the year. The number of men available for reinforcements in the United Kingdom up to the end of the year. The total number of men fit for active service in the whole of the Regiment at the end of the year.

We presume, also, that the Minister of Militia is in close touch with the War Office and has advice from them how many men per month are required to keep up a reserve for the Regiment. The Minister might also give us the total number of men sworn in during January, and whether he is of the opinion that the present method as tried out by him will keep the Regiment up. There must be no political juggling of figures in this matter. All that is asked for is the simple facts, which we shall have, and we will then be able to make our own decision on the matter.

Since the formation of this Department we have not seen any figures published with regard to the actual position of the Regiment and we consider it high time that we should know just exactly how we are.

Secondly, it is quite evident that the present Government in any circumstances does not intend to make any improvement on the present methods or look into in any way, the question of Military Service. The Advocate of Wednesday evening shows this definitely and clearly. It being the case, it behoves all of us who are interested to be "up and doing," in St. John's, especially, we have a vital interest in this matter. We have contributed far and away the greatest proportion of men in the Regiment, and irrespective of race or creed the young men of this District have flocked to the colours. There are few families in this community who have not been touched by the War and who have not freely given of their best blood for the cause of the Empire. There are also in our midst a great number of returned soldiers, men who went away and did their part well and who are now back, incapacitated for further work. Is the work done by these men to count for nothing. Surely it is time for every member of this community to rise up and make their views heard on the matter. We have in the Legislature two representatives for St. John's, John R. Bennett, Esq., Minister of Militia, one who has always professed to be the close friend of the soldier, who has made speeches to returned soldiers, praising them for their efforts, and who is responsible for the carrying out of military affairs in the Colony.

There is also W. J. Higgins, Esq., a prominent young man, well known in the sporting world, many of whose young friends and admirers were among the first to enlist. These men represent the District of St. John's which has so much at stake in this matter and as the elected representatives of the District of St. John's, we ask them to come out immediately, and inform their constituents at once as to their position on this matter. In a few months the most critical period in the War will be at hand. No time must be lost in handling this matter if it is to be handled at all, and in view of the importance of the position and of the tremendous interest that St. John's District has in the matter, their representatives must immediately make a pronouncement, so that we may know where we stand in relation to the matter of the Regiment and Recruiting.

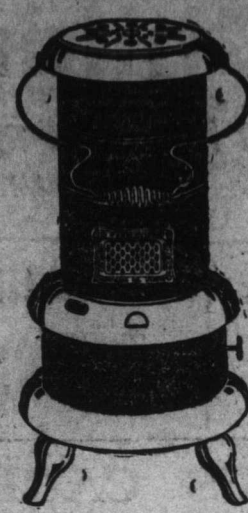
January 31st, 1918. VOLUNTEER.

Here and There.

CARD PARTY.—Over 130 players took part in the card tournament at the C. C. C. Hall last night. The following were the prize winners:—T. Nottall, half a ton of coal; P. Purcell, a tub of butter; H. Keen, a briar pipe; P. Ryan, \$2 gold piece, and W. Keefe, a special prize.

When you want Roast Beef, Roast Veal, Roast Mutton, Roast Pork, try ELLIS.

BODY ON TRAIN.—The remains of the late Miss Joan Crosbie, daughter of Hon. J. C. Crosbie and Mrs. Crosbie, who died at Lake Saranac last week, are on the incoming express. Miss Marshall, the deceased's aunt, is on the express accompanying the body home.



Coming To It.

With the short coal supply and the increasing cold weather, home heating is now a stern reality; but there is only one way to combat this hardship, and that is by getting an OIL HEATER.

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