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Returning Soldiers Must Be Fairly Treated.

Whatever there may be to be said for party government has been no difference in any country about the necessity of a united effort among all parties to carry on the war to an end.

The returning soldiers will have a great deal to say about the future government of the country. But of its present government they have this one thing to say definitely: They must be dealt with fairly and honestly, and without reference to their politics, their religion, or any other personal consideration.

France has already begun to consider what should be done for the returned soldier, and it has been decided to appoint an independent commission to take charge of repatriation. Another suggestion from France concerns prisoners. It is proposed to give them a furlough equal to the duration of their imprisonment.

Disabled men must also be generally dealt with. It used to be one of the distressing sights of the old country to see men without arms, or legs, or eyes, men horribly disfigured in face, men who were objects of torture to sensitive minds.

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The Proof of the Pudding.

Many who a few years ago scoffed at the idea of the national government operating the railways of the United States are now more or less reluctantly compelled to admit that a return to corporation control is impossible.

Events which have transpired since the armistice have led me to completely change my views toward government control of ownership of railroads and transportation utilities.

Mr. Mitchell says that the roads would have gone into bankruptcy two years ago if the national government had not saved the situation.

Ontario is to have a new school geography. Hon. Dr. H. J. Cody, minister of education, announced yesterday afternoon that the department of education had already taken in hand the question of making the necessary changes in the school geography entailed by the war.

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has made good in the United States. It has made good in Great Britain and would have made good if tried in Canada. None of the grotesque prophecies about government ownership and operation of railroads have been fulfilled.

Proportional Representation.

A correspondent asks for an explanation of proportional representation. There is a proportional representation league at Ottawa, membership in which carries with it a supply of literature. A local league is being organized in Toronto.

The operation of the party system of voting has usually been to extinguish the defeated party so far as any practical service they might render to the country is concerned.

When a really good man has been nominated it has frequently happened that a third man has been put up to rob him of part of his party's support, when the opposition candidate, with a minority of the total vote, has been elected.

But it provides for the representation of minorities by enlarging the constituencies and by electing members by the vote of the whole body. Toronto, for example, instead of being divided up into ten ridings, would have one general election, and there might be forty or fifty candidates nominated.

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There is no difficulty about voting. Any man can say whom he likes best among a list of men and who next best and so on. He numbers them off in the order of his choice, or as many of them as he feels interested in.

Some people object that the counting of the votes is complicated, but it is not in reality. All the first choices are sorted out, and those that have a clear majority over the required quota for election are declared successful.

As every vote counts nearly everybody comes out to vote, which in itself is a great gain for purity and intelligence in elections. The parties also put up the very best men they have so as to attract the second choice votes by the merit of their men.

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REGULATING HINDY'S "WATCH."



THE WIFE

By JANE PHELPS

Brian is Convinced America Will Have to Fight.

CHAPTER XCIX.

As soon as Brian came in, Ruth saw he was laboring under some unusual excitement. He kissed her in an absent-minded way, showing, however, none of the resentment of the morning.

"What is it, Brian? You act as if something had happened." "Read that paper and see what has happened! Those damn Germans have sunk the Lusitania! Hundreds of people drowned; some of the most prominent people in America. Just read that list of names and see what that does to the bottom of the sea, because we trusted those Germans to deal fairly with a neutral nation—trusted them too long."

"Oh, this is horrible! But they don't kill how many may be saved." "Not many, I'm afraid. We'll hear more about it in the morning." "See the flowers and the nice note they sent me from the store, Brian. Had such a headache I called them up after you went and told them I should remain at home today."

"That's good!" "They're awfully nice to me, Brian." "It may be a good thing that you can work," he said grimly. "This will mean war, and war at once, unless I am mistaken. Those Germans have been too leniently treated—and we must—well lick them as sure as shooting—come on in and let's eat. Then if your head is better, we will walk down to the square and see if there is any further news."

Ruth was horrified at the terrible disaster. But a little feeling of joy at Brian's forgetfulness of his anxious morning was also in his heart. They could talk of nothing else there but the dinner but the prominent people who might have lost their lives; and of the unwarranted cruelty of the act.

There was a large and horrid-stricken crowd about the bulletin board, and for the first time many men, on your next trip to Western Canada, why not travel over a new route, using the famous train known as the National on your journey, and traversing some of the most interesting scenery in the Dominion?

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IDA AND THE VIADUCT

By IDA L. WEBSTER.

Twenty years ago it was proposed to build a viaduct over the Don Valley, which it was estimated would be the greatest piece of construction in the history of the city.

Today the viaduct is completed, but the street cars have not yet made their bow. However, at the rate which our friend Holly Harris is going, this little trick should be pulled off within the next week, and indeed we must admit with the rest of the Rosedale and the east ends, that it is almost time.

The work has been held up for one cause or another until the citizens have begun to think that the whole thing was a joke, but now or rather in about seven days' time, they will be made to realize that instead of being merely a myth, the Bloor-Danforth viaduct is the finest improvement ever started or completed by the City of Toronto.

It is also said that Mr. Fleming will use his pay-as-you-enter buses on the new viaduct. There are 50 of them in the hands of the city, and you must admit that it is the very place to try them out. So that in just a few more days the citizens from out that way are going to be riding in new cars, over new rails. All that they will miss will be the bumping and jarring of the old ones, but they will gain the entire world.

A Line of Cheer Each Day of the Year By John Kendrick Bangs.

THE MELLOWING YEARS.

Upon this day fell many a year ago There came into my life a heavy grief, And on my shoulders fell a load of woe That seemed to hold no promise of relief.

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