KEEN SUFFERING

IN COLD DIP IS

LAID AT DOOR OF

FUEL CONTROLLER

sary to Avert Fuel

Famine.

GAS SUPPLY INADEQUATE

Off to Help Domestic

Supply.

BLIZZARD WAS GENERAL

Requests Pouring In From the

Whole District for Coal

Supplies.

Reports from all over this district

indicate that the fuel controller is get-

ting and is going to get in the next few

hours a great many urgent and em-phatic requests that he do something

fuel, and that people are bitterly blam-

The storm which broke Saturday was

one of the worst in years, and while

of their own, most of the trains running

Urgent appeals for fuel poured in to

called emphasized the seriousness

the situation and the suffering that

flooded the mayor and civic officials

"In the majority of cases the people

had to take their own wagons or secur-

Sweepers Were Out.

day night and Sungay. Continuous

and extra crews were kept on duty all

light to man the big sweepers.

The report of the C.P.R. locally was

nat the greatest trouble had been in

vicinity of that city Around London no

branch lines were blocked, according to

Livestock Suffered.

Shipments of livestock on the rail-ways suffered considerably from the

during winter months, are more or less of hardship on livestock, and with trains

locked and stalled by snow and bliz

were aggravated a thousand per cent

effort to keep the wires up and working

were subjected to the full blasts of the

NO COAL OR GAS.

WINDSOR, Dec. 9.—So serious is the fuel situation in Windsor that Mayor

Tuson has called a special meeting of the council for Monday afternoon to

deal with the situation. There is not

a pound of coal to be in the city at

any price, and the natural gas supply

is weaker than usual due to the large

ncrease in consumption and new customers recently taken on by the

will also deal with measures for the relief of Halifax, Mayor Tuson having

Blames Ottawa.

border cities are without a pound of

"The coal situation in Windsor

consider it criminal on the part of the

the province is practically without fue

tons of coal to be hoarded at the

"I have written to the United States

authorities many times regarding the

shortage of coal in this part of On-

tario, but all the satisfaction I got was

to be referred to the Canadian fue

minion had imported more coal this

ent to sit back and draw fat salaries writing a letter once in a while t

make a showing. That has been my

BAD AT CHATHAM.

CHATHAM, Dec. 9 .- The sudden din

to zero weather caused keen suffering here and the storm tied up the

administrator. I was told that the Do

fall than during all of last winter. "It seems to me the Canadian fue administrator and his staff are con

worse than serious." Peocock said.

Saturday and Sunday, the

Railway and telegraph line

the worst conditions possible

gas company. The council

wind blowing.

experience.'

he tracks could be kept cleared.

the Toronto district and the

Hurry-up calls for fuel

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#### 19 RECRUITS BUT NO HYPOCRISY TO TRENCH RELIGION, CHAPLAIN'S WORD

A Returned Minister-Officer Pays Rare Tribute to Soldiers.

LIFE NEEDS SACRIFICE

Must Teach Rising Generation To Make "Life," Not "Money."

return 'What of the religion of the is religion: It has no hypocrisy and no gion, and it is this, holding by faith the hand of God with one hand and olding out the other hand to help a pal. lave you got a better religion than The foregoing statement was nade in St. Andrew's Church at the orning service yesterday by Rev. N. H. McGillivray, returned chaplain, in the course of a sermon on "The Abundant

ontinuing, the preacher who has had

the years before the war, tested and wanting because our first conerns were money, luxury, pleasure. Willed, and the testing of war is on uday. Where there is abundance of de, disease cannot abide, even the dise of war. Life is continuous, life iven to us as a convention. n to us as an opportunity to grow en we take Hie as an opportunity have no fear of the emergency of th, the revelation of the judgment

chaplains' fund, indorsed by the meral Assembly of the Presbyterian urch, to provide comforts covering saturdays. nces, etc., for our soldiers in England nd France. Envelopes were placed in he pews for offerings to the fund for rhich the objective is \$15,000 for the resbyterian Church in Canada. Coneming this, Mr. McGillivray said: Sometimes the boy is entirely out of News. Sometimes the boy is entirely out of money, his box, his letter, or even his money order fails to reach him. Whom is he to go to? The padre. The padre isn't by any means the highest paid officer, but I knew from experience that he is always riad to help. It would have been impossible for me many times to have given the help needed were it not for kind friends in my own county, Elgin comforts and conveniences. You may think you have to work hard and make sacrifices here but I tell you, the one that has the hardest position here has an easier one than the one who has the least difficult over there. On a stormy, cold, wet night, when you go home after your hard day's work, go right through the house, take 'wo blankets and sleep outside in your woodshed. That will give you some idea of the least more interesting in your woodshed. That will give you some idea of the least more interesting in the cause of the plane out to with the more useful things, you'll not make a mistake. If he were in frequently than he does from his own home town. He has written to the cablent now, the free Press would be shouting its fool head off about him. If some people in London follower had a mistake some of your subscribers through your than the one who has the hardest position here has an easier one than the one who has the least difficult over there. On a stormy, cold, wet night, when you go home after your hard day's work, go right through the house, take 'wo blankets and sleep outside in your woodshed. That will give you some idea of the life of the men over in France."

Plea From England for Home Town is headed his finger on the cause of the slatent of voluntary endition of Toronto, now in the 20sth Battalion of Toronto, now in the 20sth Battalion of Toronto, now in the 20sth Battalion of theorem for the above from his own home town. He has written to the cause of the singure of the cause of the singure of the cause of the singure of the cause of the soft had a mistake. If he were in the cable town the free Press would be shouting

## Badge of Honor Eagerly Sought By Many Here

Offers To Buy Buttons Bring Greatest Indigation on Part of Returned Men.

There is a little button with the men in the city. Some have offered reasoning. to buy the aforementioned button at prices ranging from \$20 to \$50, but the wners who have risked their lives on the battlefields of Europe would not part with one of their most precious

ctory Loan. Secretary Ed. Lance of the S. A. C., ated today that a number of return-l soldiers had reported being ap-oached on the streets and asked how uch they would take for their re-rned badges.

"Most of the boys who were ap-

soldiers who could put up a fight. The taking, boys were furious, and it is safe to say that the next man who tries to buy a The l

ONLY TWO OTHERS EXAMINED IN CITY

Saturday's Work of Medical Boards Light.

Only two men underwent medical examination at the armories by orier of the exemption tribunals on Saturday. One of these was in category B, fit for non-combatant service overseas, and the other in category C, fit for service in Canada. Thirteen men were examined by order of the deputy registrar. Three were in category A, one was in category B, three were in category C, one in category D and the category E, unfit. James Anderson reported for service and was sent to the 1st Depot Battalion, Western Ontario Regiment.

Nineteen recruits were examine the majority being from the Unit States. The men, their birthplace, t eneer. You see him just as he is. His edigion would perhaps be difficult to lefine according to theological and ecclerate according to the logical according C. Neville, Canada, Detroit, W.O.R.;
E. Misener, Canada, Detroit, 63rd attery; J. F. Andrew, Forestry; J. England, Detroit, W.O.R.;
Ames, Canada, Grand Rapids, Forparis, Paris, L. Dir. Property of the control of the

R.
Today one medical board is acting stranger of the two which have been in peration for the past few weeks. The reater part of the work entailed in alling up the first class has been finalling up the first class has been

Rev. H. T. Crossley Gives All Receipts to Charity and Patriotic Objects.

he famous evangelist, in advisin eople to be their own executors, dis ributing to benevoient purposes while living, announced that hereafter, as ong as the war lasts, he will give to patriotic, benevolent and religious ob ects every gollar he may receive from his evangelistic work. For over thirty years Mr. Crossley has distributed to from 40 to 50 per cent of his evangelis

Mr. Crossley, who has conducted many evangelistic campaigns in this d we must have the exercise of sacri-o and service. Only in this way can have the fullest, highest and best tall until November 25th, he has held An appeal at the close was made for Allenford and Tillsonburg, conducti

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## BETWEEN THE ELECTION ACTS

The Globe describes what is an an optimist. It should describe pessimist. It's one of the latter right

H. J. Pettypiece is such a Liberal British flag on it worn by hundreds that he voted against Hon. N. W. Special Trains May Be Necesyound measure by a number of young A fish is a bird, according to that

> The Borden Government is as dead as a last year's bird-nest. Everybody is invited to the funeral on December 17. There will be no complaints.

The Free Press has made its first of Factories at Chatham Cut a series of apologies. There will be many more to come, possible with dollar marks all over them.

The Borden apologists claim they are very fair. They are quite as fair as Gyp the Blood and his pals. They are murdering reputations as a life's under-

The Liberal party in Ontario is very fortunate in the enemies it has made. The Borden Government might well pray to be saved from its friends

So a business partner of Hon. Newton Wesley Rowell is mixed up in that C. N. R. munitions contract, given out of the Victory Loan. Oh, ho, also oh, hum! A great light is dawning on Not a few unkind things have been said

The tide is turning towards Laurier still stronger. The Borden Government Ottawa. The blizzard which raged Sat. is tied to Flavelle, Mackenzle & Mann, urday evening and all day Sunday re Allison, the profiteers, and the rest. sulted in a great deal of suffering !
That's the only "tide" it knows.

Western Ontario. The outlook shoul That's the only "tide" it knows.

the way of a stronger man, it is scores of the towns and villages all stated. That's what he is doing now, through this district there is hardly in and that is what he has been doing. He ing the fuel co cannot recognize strength at all. Sir Robert Borden stated that by

Sir Robert Borden will not stand in ful. It was stated last evening that it

purchasing the C. N. R. the people the lowest point reached by the mer would get rid of Mackenzie & Mann cury in London was zero, the cold was was forever. He is getting rid of them by driven in by a piercing wind and was paying still greater tribute to them.

There are some members of the many hours late. Borden Government lamenting over Sir Wilfrid Laurier. The lamentations are heartfelt—they know what is going to from all over the district. Those who

Just to expedite matters, why not Would longw unless that the inadequate What they said about the inadequate turn the government of Canada over fuel control at Ottawa would not to Mackenzie & Mann and Joseph passed by the censor. In order to aver offin, Canada, London, G. W. Ross, Flavelie and save the salaries of a lot an absolute fuel famine in some to of men who are doing their work? it may be necessary to run special B. What's the use of duplicating staffs trains.

> panicky state that every effort is being made to keep off the lists thousands during the day. of voters disfranchised by unscrupulous that he was enabled to fill these orders

> James M. Ross, in East Middlesex, drays to get the coal, but so far as we will defeat the Brave Fireman of Par- know all emergency calls were liament Hill on December 17. The met," declared the mayor to The Adver attempt to make a traitor and a pro- tiser German out of Mr. Ross, who has his only two sons at the front, is reacting don street railway were kept in service

The Free Press says that The Adver- snow drifted back on the tracks almost gelistic meetings in Tilisonburg, after the final offering had been taken a lew evenings ago, Rev. H. T. Crossley, he famous evangelist, in adverted to speak their mind in the speak the speak the speak their mind in the speak the sp tiser is still yammering about the Ross as fast as removed by the sweepers.

> The Borden Government organ here All trains, however, on Saturday and gives the Laurierites twelve seats in m Ontario. It will have to have about one hundred sure seats from Ontario, eighteen more than the law allows, to get an even break with the Liberals.
>
> They are doomed, are Borden and his

If the kaiser will vote for the least effectiveness in the war, he will vote for the bad shoes of the Borden Government, the improper binoculars of the Borden Government, Foster's spavined horses, the blunders and the plunder of the Borden ministers, and storm, and were forced to work under the spineless leadership of Sir Robert Borden. Wilhelm is strong for that

The Free Press has actually said a nean thing about Sir Sam Hughes. That journal never criticized one of his fool acts during his administration, nor did it oppose him. Only when he placed his finger on the cause of the

If some people in London followed the tactics of "The Tattler" they might give some interesting information as to the attitude, the real attitude, of Sir Adam Beck toward the Borden Government. However, they consider themselves as gentlemen, not as cads.

If you are thinking of what you'll Scoring the Canadian fuel controller for lack of action in dealing with the choice among the more useful things, coal shortage in Windsor and other you'll not make a mistake. There are Ontario cities, George Peocock, manreasons for this, but we will not dwell on that We want to tell you of the fine collection of beautiful slippers of all kinds and a local control of the winds and control of the winds are control of the winds and control of the winds are control of the winds and control of the winds are control of the winds and control of the winds are control of the winds and control of the winds are control of the winds and control of the winds are control of the winds and control of the winds are control of the winds and control of the winds are control of the winds are control of the winds and control of the winds are control of the winds and control of the winds are co nisses and tots we are showing at

You can't make a purchase of any of them without pleasing the one you ould make happy with a present There is nothing that pleases a person more than something which adds to eir personal comfort, and a nice pair slippers does contribute very much one's comfort after a few days' work op in and see them in most interestng variety. There are velvet and felt Juliets, Kozy and high-cut Kozys for the ladies; Romeos, Operas and Everetts for Nen, and others for others. So easy to choose what will please if you come soon. Why not today?—Casselman

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..... \$1.50 to \$2.75 each Ladies' Pure Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, initialed..... \$1.25 for box of 6 Same quality and style 75c for box of 3 Pure Linen Handkerchief, hemstitched. dainty embroidered corner, assorted patterns in box. Price \$1.25 for box of 4 Children's Pure Linen Handkerchiefs chiefs, colored border 45c for box of 3 colored border ..... 45c for box of 3 Handkerchief Sachets, daintily embroidered, very pretty and useful gift, pure linen . . 65c, 75c, 85c and \$1.00 each

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to be most unsatisfactory. Owing to SHIVERING AT SARNIA. Chatham-Wallaceburg and Lake Erie lack of fuel the C. W. and L. E. Railway SARNIA, Dec. 9.—With the mercury ning many hours late. Electric Railway completely. As a re- people were unable to generate enough at zero and the gas pressure so low sult of the coal shortage and the in- power to keep their cars moving and that many houses cannot be satisfac-

sult of the coal shortage and the inadequate supply of natural gas many

adequate supply of natural gas many

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several of them remained out in the blizzard at various points completely families are shivering. The supplies of storm of the season struck St. Thomas two zero below. The freight traffic is homes had insufficient heat. In an stalled. Mayor Kerr has been urging coal are anything but what citizens the fuel controller at Ottawa for some would like to have on hand, and if the fuel controller at Ottawa for some would like to have on hand, and if the fuel controller at Ottawa for some would like to have on hand, and if the fuel controller at Ottawa for some would like to have on hand, and if the fuel controller at Ottawa for some would like to have on hand, and if the fuel controller at Ottawa for some would like to have on hand, and if the fuel controller at Ottawa for some would like to have on hand, and if the fuel controller at Ottawa for some would like to have on hand, and if the fuel controller at Ottawa for some would like to have on hand, and if the fuel controller at Ottawa for some would like to have on hand, and if the fuel controller at Ottawa for some would like to have on hand, and if the fuel controller at Ottawa for some would like to have on hand, and if the fuel controller at Ottawa for some would like to have on hand, and if the fuel controller at Ottawa for some would like to have on hand, and if the fuel controller at Ottawa for some would like to have on hand, and if the fuel controller at Ottawa for some would like to have on hand, and if the fuel controller at Ottawa for some would like to have on hand, and if the fuel controller at Ottawa for some would like to have on hand, and if the fuel controller at Ottawa for some would like to have on hand, and if the fuel controller at Ottawa for some would like to have on hand, and if the fuel controller at Ottawa for some would like to have on hand, and if the fuel controller at Ottawa for some would like to have on hand, and if the fuel controller at Ottawa for some would like to have on hand, and if the fuel controller at Ottawa for some would like to have on hand, and if the fuel controller at Ottawa for some would like to have on hand, and if the fuel controller at Ottawa for some would like to have on hand, and if the fuel contro citizens last night and continued throughout practically tied up. were notified that their supply of nawere notified that their supply of nadays to get busy, but has had no satisfaction. Many citizens are loud in their trouble. As might be expected the fuel
trains. Michigan Central Railway unable to make any deliveries on

from eight to twelve hours late.

tural gas would be cut off and the supply turned in for domestic purposes. In the supply turned in the supply turned in for domestic purposes. In the supply turned in the supply turned in for domestic purposes. In the supply turned in for domestic purposes are supply turned in the supply turned in for domestic purposes. In the supply turned in

zxy Even then the pressure was so poor as civic protest may be sent to Ottawa. | lake has caused a cessation of naviga is the heaviest in New York State ex- from reaching here for a few days.

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