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MISS A. MAUDE FINLAY
who will appear at the G. W. V. A.
concert to be given in the Aylmer
Opera House on Thursday, February
21st. Seats on sale at Filby's store.

THE DOUBLE SACRIFICE

The following lines were written
by Jack M. Patton, of New Rochelle,
N. Y., and the inspiration came from
seeing a photo of Lieut. Albert Eak-
ins of Port Burwell, who met his
death in his country's service.

I saw a picture just the other day,
I glanced at it and laid it in its
place;
I did not know that e'er the week had
passed away,
A martyr's glory should illumine that
face.

Oh! just a handsome face, I thought,
A boy,
Intent upon life's varied daily game,
With tears for sorrow and a laugh
for joy

—A boyish love of praise—distaste
for blame.

Just one of us with all our hopes and
dreams
A will for work, a youthful zest for
play,
A pleasant and a handsome face it
seems

I thought—but that was yesterday,
and now its "killed in action" over
there.

Oh! I honor him, his great and noble
soul,
He played man's hardest game—he
played it fair;

He won, the angles know, man's
highest goal.

Yes, other men have done as much,
tis true;
Great souls have made great sacri-
fice before

Let render unto him the honor due.
No man, not one, has ever yet done
more.

His hero-soul not only man shall
praise,
Not only woman worship and re-
vere.

A higher sanction sheds its hallowed
rays
On him, who, loving life, deemed
right more dear.

Oh, you who moan dark is this hour
of trouble,
We cannot know how cruel it seems,
how grim?

We only know the sacrifice is double,
He gave his life—and you who loved
gave him.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS

Mrs. Stratton and Miss Wood are
in Toronto on business in the inter-
ests of The Big Store.
Born to Rev. and Mrs. G. S. Lloyd
of Glencoe, at Victoria Hospital,
London, on Feb. 17th, a son. Mr. Lloyd
is a former pastor of the Corinth
branch of the Methodist church.

Sergt. Harry Sikes arrived home
from England on the late train last
Saturday night and is spending a
short time with his family here be-
fore reporting at the convalescent
hospital. Sergt. Sikes is suffering
from the effects of gas poisoning and
shrapnel wounds in the leg. He
spent many months in active service
in France and our readers have on
several occasions enjoyed very in-
teresting letters from him which were
published in the Express. He has
been for many weeks in the hospitals
in England.



ANITA STEWART in "THE GIRL PHILIPPA"
Robt. W. Chambers' great Spy Story, Star Theatre, Aylmer, March 12th
and 13th. Vitagraph Feature.

IN MEMORIAM

In memory of Louis Charles Dav-
enport, M. C. R. fireman, son of Mr.
and Mrs. E. M. Davenport, of Ayl-
mer, who was fatally injured and died
at Montrose on Friday, February 1st,
1918, in his 22nd year.

With deep sympathy for the family
in the sad and unexpected loss of
their dear one the following lines
were written and handed to Mrs. E.
M. Davenport by her sister, Mrs. W.
F. Fairbrother.

You mourn the loss of your dead son
and brother,
You grieve when you think of the
past,
The dear one, no more you behold
him,

Your joys were too sweet to last.
Oh, yes, you do miss him, the dear
son and brother,

At morning, at evening at noon,
He was snatched from among you so
quickly,
And hurried away to the tomb.

How little we thought when we saw
him,
Just three short weeks ago to the day
That so cruel a fate would o'er take
him,

And his spirit be called in that way
Oh, death, what art thou but a dart,
That will sting, but a short space of
time,

And hurry us off to the tomb
Though we seem to be just in our
prime

Oh, dear ones, could you but cease
mourning,
For God is the giver of all,
He only but takes what He gave you,
And you know we must all have a
call

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Robertson, of
Tilsonburg, moved last week to the
farm they recently purchased on
Dingle street.

Mr. Wilson Mills, of Sparta, has
purchased the property in Sparta re-
cently owned by Wm. Fishleigh and
will take possession soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Benner who
have spent the winter as residents of
Aylmer, are this week moving to the
farm they recently purchased near
Luton.

Mr. Henry King received a telegram
last week from his daughter in Kom-
oka, Michigan, to come at once, as
his wife, who has been an invalid
for the past ten years, was much
worse. He left immediately to be at
her side. For the past few months
Mrs. King has been with her daugh-
ter.

The heavy rain last Thursday, fol-
lowing the heavy snow fall of the
past two months did considerable
damage in Port Stanley and London,
where people were driven from their
homes and the streets filled with
water. At Port Stanley the ice
jammed the harbor at the bridge and
the rushing water was blocked and
spread over the village, doing much
damage. Several tugs narrowly es-
caped being crushed or swept out
into the lake, and the fishing com-
panies sustained heavy losses.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Stratton have
just received a letter from their son,
Flight Sub-Lieut. K. V. Stratton, R.
N.A.S., who says that he recently
was let down badly in his machine
and was taken to a Quaker Hospital
in France. He was later removed to
Mount Vernon Hospital, at Hampstead
Heights, overlooking London, Eng.,
and is still suffering from shock. Lieut.
Stratton has been in France contin-
uously for more than a year and this
is his first accident. His many Ayl-
mer friends will join us in hoping
for a speedy and complete recovery.
As will be seen by an article sent to
the Toronto Star by their special
correspondent in England Lieut.
Stratton was among a number of
flight officers recently interviewed in
the hospital in England by the Star's
special correspondent.

ATTACKED BY A CAT AGED LADY MAY DIE

Kingson, Ont., Feb. 15. — As the
result of being attacked by her pet
cat, Mrs. (Dr.) Addison, Athens, is
in a serious condition and fears are
entertained for her recovery. She

The Big Store

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well, and they have come to the Big Store in wonder variety
is the news of the day—News that is attracting many women
—and that will attract many many more during the weeks to
come—Never has Fashion given us such a display of color—
never has she spun more beautiful her texture—never treated
more magnetically the individualities that make for vogue—
never has more subtle originality been employed in the tout-
ensemble than is now luxuriating in these very, very clever
Suits, Coats, Dresses, Skirts, Blouses.

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their modes of Silk or Cotton \$1.25 to \$8.50 each

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