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Saturday, February 24, 1917

THE SITUATION.

The British forces operating in the Tigris region of Mesopotamia have scored another notable success. Two lines of trenches have been taken near Sunnyat, and have since been consolidated. Fierce fighting is still proceeding.

On the Somme front also, General Haig reports that the capture of an enemy trench has served to improve the British position north of Gueudecourt, and further relates that a successful raid also occurred yesterday southeast of Souchez. A number of the enemy were killed and many depots destroyed.

Run submarines yesterday destroyed twelve vessels, representing a total of over thirteen thousand tons. Since February 1st, the tonnage sunk has been 278,105, as against 264,447, previously recorded. Total vessels since the first of this month, 146, British 91, American 2, other nationalities 38, other belligerents 13, unidentified, 2.

It is announced from Ottawa that arrangements have been completed whereby it is hoped to obviate the delay occurring between the stoppage of military pay and the receipt of pensions by incapacitated soldiers.

A MOMENTOUS SPEECH.
 That was an epoch making speech which Premier Lloyd George made in the British House yesterday. It was more a deliverance of momentous import, which should make the entire Empire realize as never before, the enormous crisis fronting the people who are proud to owe allegiance to the British flag the world over.

Things, to those of us remaining at home have gone along in very much the same groove since hostilities started, and there has not, to a very large extent, been a proper realization of the vitally grave nature of the situation, or the fact that much more of down right self-sacrifice and service needs to be in evidence, if final disaster is to be avoided.

The deeply solemn words of Lloyd George should lead to a soul stirring awakening.

Speaking with all the responsibility of his high office, and with a more thorough grasp of the facts than probably any other man, he did not hesitate to declare that there would be catastrophe if the Empire did not make all the additional sacrifices it was absolutely necessary to endure.

"National Grit," he declared, "is going to be tested by the answer that will be given to the statement I make today on behalf of the government." He affirmed that the adoption of "the gravest measures" was an absolute necessity if there was to be any hope at all of victory. The Premier did not deal with military matters at all, in the field apparently he regarded the position of affairs as more or less satisfactory and practically his whole warning was with regard to food supplies. He pointed out that there was a shortage in last year's harvest throughout the world, and that now there was also a shortage of mercantile shipping. As a matter of fact the present state of food supplies was the lowest ever recorded in the British Isles. Some of the remedies proposed are:

- Manufacture of malt and spirituous liquors reduced to 10,000,000 barrels annually.
- Tea, coffee and cocoa imports are now prohibited.
- Importation of salmon is reduced 50 per cent.
- Books, periodicals and other printed matter, cannot be shipped into Britain.
- Minimum wage on farm labor increased to 25 shillings a week.
- The food restrictions will save about 900,000 tons in shipping yearly.
- Prices of wheat, oats and potatoes are guaranteed for a term of years.
- Guaranteed price of wheat will work out at about \$1.35 per bushel for the first year; \$1.70 for the next two years and \$1.40 for the last three years.
- Oats will be worth about \$9.65 per quarter (304 pounds) for the first year, \$8.15 for the next two years and \$6.10 for the following three years.

Potatoes will be \$30 per ton of 2,240 pounds, or about \$1.25 per bag of 90 pounds.

The words of Lloyd George will undoubtedly sink deep into the hearts and the purposes of those at home, and they must equally do so with regard to the residents of Canada and the other overseas Dominions. This war is not won yet by a very large margin, and the foe is still alert and confident in his own beliefs as to the outcome. If his designs are to be thwarted, as they must be if the British Empire is to last, then there must on all hands be a giving, a serving and a practice of economy which will have to cut to the very quick.

To The Editor

THE MARKET QUESTION

Brantford, Feb. 23, 1917.
 I am constrained by the recent action of the Council to make plain my attitude, as the Mayor of this Municipality, on the proposed sale by auction of the market stalls under the market shed.

The stalls were properly placed there in the interests of cleanliness, and a charge of \$1 per week for each stall was to repay the city for the expenditure, and was quite ample for that purpose. But now the Council in its wisdom, seeks to make these stalls a revenue producer, forgetful of the obvious fact that all imposters are necessarily added to the article sold, and must be borne by the persons buying things. This is an undeniable law of economics as immutable as the laws of God and nature. Therefore, this move, if proceeded with as to these meat stalls, will defeat the very purpose of their installation of having a free market to enable the people to buy as cheaply as possible, and put an indirect tax on the people who buy meat from these stalls. No amount of sophistry on the part of those persons who desire to destroy the market, can obscure this fact. However, these wise men have accomplished nothing by this resolution, as a By-Law is required for the purposes sought to be accomplished. Last year I prepared a most carefully drawn By-Law, hoping thereby to bring the producer and consumer together, and thus reduce the high cost of living to our citizens. A certain Alderman, perhaps prompted by interested shopkeepers who wanted to take their toll and make profits between the producer and consumer, took the By-Law I had prepared to the City Solicitor, and instructed him to draw a by-law to confine the foreshadowing of the market to the market square only, the result being that the persons coming to market or those having their things to sell on the streets and sidewalks surrounding the market, were not embraced in the by-law, and any shopkeeper could forestall by buying as much as he liked so long as he did not buy inside the two acres of the square itself, by that means defeating the purpose intended to be gained by my By-Law. I intend to again introduce the by-law I prepared, and the people will be able to see what fate will befall it. I need scarcely add that I will be very much pleased to see once again in our good city a free and open market with no impost on any person other than sufficient to pay the bare cost of maintaining the market and give our people, high or low, rich or poor, a chance to live as cheaply as may be in this, our fair city.

J. W. BOWLBY, Mayor.

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ANGLICAN ST. JUDES.
 Dalhousie and Peel. Rev. C. E. Jenkins, rector. February 25th. 1st Sunday in Lent.
 11 a.m.—Morning prayer and sermon. "Pontius Pilate."
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 Church services:—11 a.m. and 7 p.m.
 Morning sermon: "The Width of Life."
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 Efficient choir. Excellent music. Special soloists. Sunday school 3 p.m. Mr. J. L. Dixon, Supt. Large Adult Bible Class; Mr. H. P. Hoag, teacher. You are cordially invited. Come!

Music for the day includes: Anthem: "Still, still with Thee" (Oley Speaks); "The King of Love," (Shelley); "O Saviour of the World" (Goss). Soloists, Mr. Croker, Mr. Sanderson, Miss Taylor and Miss Phipps.

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 Come and worship with us. Organist and choirmaster, Mr. Clifford Higgin.

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 Morning music; Anthem, "How long wilt Thou forget me O Lord";



INDIAN RULER HONORED
 This is a photograph of His Highness, the Maharajah of Bikaner, G. C. S. I., G. C. I. E. A. D. C., who will assist the Secretary of State for India in matters concerning the prosecution of the war.

News of the Churches

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Presbyterian
ALEXANDRA PRESBYTERIAN
 Rev. D. T. McClintock
 10 a.m.—Brotherhood.
 11 a.m.—"The Cry of a Home-sick Heart."
 2 p.m.—Sunday School and Bible Class.
 7 p.m.—"The Little Foxes Which Destroy the Vines."
 Morning Service—Solo, Mr. Wilson. Evening service, solo, Mrs. E. Barton. Ladies' Quartette, Anthem.

ZION PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
 Darling St., Opp. Victoria Park
 Rev. G. A. Woodside, M.A., Minister
 11 a.m.—Subject—"The Rediscovery of Woman." Special sermon to the "Older Girls Conference."
 3 p.m.—Sunday school and Bible class.
 7 p.m.—Subject: "Gideons." 8 p.m.—Wednesday—Regular meeting. The public is cordially invited.

Non-Denominational
CHRISTADELPHIAN
 Sunday School and Bible Class, 3 p.m.—Lecture 7 p.m., Subject, "The Things Concerning the Kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ."
 Speaker, Mr. H. W. Styles, in C. O. F. Hall, 136 Dalhousie St. opp. the Market. All welcome. Seats free. No collection.

BETHEL HALL
 192 Darling St.
 Sunday, 11 a.m., Remembering the Lord's Death.
 3 p.m., Sunday School and Bible class conducted by Mr. W. J. Craig.
 7 p.m., Gospel address, Dr. T. H. Bies. Subject, "The Second Death." Come.

RECORD BUDGET FOR PROVINCE
 Toronto, Feb. 23.—Ontario's third war budget presented to the Legislature by the Hon. T. W. McGarry yesterday will bring relief and satisfaction not only to the people of the Province, but to the war-worried men in authority in England, who are turning more and more to the overseas Dominions for assistance. The Provincial Treasurer laid before the House a record of the largest total ordinary revenue in the history of the province, a surplus of well over a million of dollars, and a reduction in the net debt of the province of close upon a million preceding as it did his announcement that the province had been appealed to for aid by the British government, it prepared the members for the Treasurer's announcement that the government would seek legislative authority to raise \$17,000,000 this year to retire Ontario's bonds now held in England.

Mailborough St. Church
 Rev. John E. Peters, Minister
 11 a.m., Mr. John Greet.
 2:45 p.m., Sunday School.
 7 p.m., "My Church."
 Mr. Stubbins will sing "The Holy City," illustrated by a set of 16 colored lantern slides.
 You will receive a hearty welcome at all our services.

Wellington St. Methodist
 Rev. Geo. W. Henderson D. D., Pastor
 10:00 a.m., Brotherhood (Speaker, Mr. J. W. Harris of Brant Ave.) Class and Junior League Meetings.
 11:00 a.m., Public Service. Sermon by the Pastor, "The Runaway Slave."
 Anthem "O Saviour of the World" (Goss). Mr. J. W. Stubbins will sing.
 2:45 p.m.—Sunday School for old and young, Mr. W. G. Ranton, Supt.
 7:00 p.m.—Public Service. Sermon by the Pastor, "What the Church has a Right to Expect from the World." The choir will be assisted by an orchestra consisting of the following: 1st violin, Mr. J. W. Swinton; 2nd violin, Mrs. Donaldson and Miss S. Darwin; Cornet, Mr. Brooker; Clarinet, Mr. W. B. Shaw; Euphonium, Mr. L. E. Mason; Bass Viol, Pto. Jas. Darwin. Anthem, "Sun of My Soul," (Turner). Duet, "Love Divine" (Stainer) Mrs. L. Hubbard and Mr. J. B. Pickering. Mrs. Frank Leeming will sing. Thomas Darwin, A.T.C.M., Organist and Choirmaster. Welcome to all!

Never Lost a Man
"Absolutely Unsinkable"
 In the Submarine Warfare 500 ships have gone down during the last 90 days. Can you name a great ship which was built absolutely unsinkable? Its design, captain, log, cargo and passenger list are all a matter of history.
 Come and hear about it Sunday evening next, February 25, 7 p.m. at the

First Baptist Church
 West Street
 "Time and tide wait for no man." Then be on time Sunday evening.
Always Good Music
 Hear the Male Quartette sing "The Lost Chord."
The Strangers Sabbath Home
 Where a glad-hand welcome awaits you. Workingmen and their families specially invited.

"I have set watchmen upon thy walls, O Jerusalem, which shall never hold their peace day nor night; ye that are the Lord's remembrancers keep not silence, and give him no silence, till he establish, and till he make Jerusalem a praise in the earth. Isaiah 62.

Park Baptist Church
 Is easily found and not easily forgotten
 Pastor Wm. H. Wrighton will preach
 11 A. M.—
"Assured Victory"
 In these days of depression and uncertainty the note of certitude in this sermon will help you.
 7 P. M.—
"The Shirkers"
 An ancient story with a modern significance. Come and hear this message.

Salvation Army Citadel
Special Visit of Commissioner Mapp Late of Japan
 Saturday 8 p.m.—Lecture, "India and China, Their Relationship to the West."—Chairman J. F. Shultz, Esq.
 Sunday 3 p.m.—Lecture, "Japan Our Far Eastern Ally."—Chairman Alderman MacBride.
 11 a.m.—Holiness meeting.
 7 p.m.—Salvation meeting.

Children Cry
 FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

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 DON'T you think you will enjoy your Saturday afternoon recreations and Sunday rest more if your mind is fairly at peace?
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SLEIGH RIDE.
 Monday evening last of Alexandra Church for the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fulton, Cainsville, where a joyable time was spent, a turn was made in the early morning.

RETURNED HOME.
 Two returned heroes, L. Anthony, 251 Brock St. Private Nutcombe, 444 Street, arrived home last the 6:50 G.T.R. train from A deputation from the 50 Commission was at the welcome them home and them to their homes.

MARKET.
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