

# SPANISH INFLUENZA RAGES IN CANADA

Thousands of Cases Reported With Many Deaths.

## THOSE WHO ARE MOST SUSCEPTIBLE TO IT

### "FRUIT-A-TIVES"—The Wonderful Fruit Medicine—Gives the Power To Resist This Disease.

The epidemic of Spanish influenza which played such havoc in Europe, has reached this continent. Thousands of cases of the strange malady have appeared and many deaths are already reported. Surgeon-General Blue of the United States Public Health Service having stated that "Spanish influenza will probably spread all over the country in a few weeks."

Practically every ship which touches our shores from abroad brings those infected with the disease. Surgeon-General Blue urges that "the individual take all the precautions he can against contracting the disease by using personal hygiene." Plenty of exercise should be taken; the diet should be regulated, etc.

Spanish influenza affects most severely elderly persons and others whose powers of resistance are weakened by illness, wear or worry, especially those who are "run-down" or "not feeling up to the mark."

The really great danger from the disease is not so much in the disease itself, as that it often develops into pneumonia. What everyone needs now is a general tonic like "Fruit-a-tives." This wonderful fruit medicine is not a germ-killer. It is a body-builder; a strength-maker; a blood-purifier; a power in protecting against the ravages of disease.

"Fruit-a-tives" regulates the kidneys and bowels, causing these organs to eliminate waste regularly and naturally as nature intended. "Fruit-a-tives" keeps the skin active and purifies and enriches the blood.

"Fruit-a-tives" loosens up and strengthens the organs of digestion, insuring food being properly digested and assimilated.

Everyone can take ordinary precautions, avoid crowded places, and use "Fruit-a-tives" regularly to insure sound digestion, keep the bowels and kidneys regular and the whole system in the best possible condition. Then we are safe from disease.

"Fruit-a-tives" is sold by dealers everywhere at 50c a box, 6 for \$2.50, trial size 25c or sent postpaid on receipt of price by Fruit-a-tives Limited, Toronto, Ont.

## White Ribbon News.

Woman's Christian Temperance Union first organized in 1874. Aim.—The protection of the home, the abolition of the liquor traffic and the triumph of Christ's Golden Rule in custom and in law.

Motto.—For God and Home and Native Land. Bacon.—A knot of White Ribbon. Wagoner.—Agnate, educate, organize.

OFFICERS OF WOLFVILLE UNION. President—Mrs. B. O. Davidson. 1st Vice President—Mrs. G. W. Miller. 2nd Vice President—Mrs. McKenna. Recording Sec'y—Mrs. Ernest Hodgson. Cor. Secretary—Mrs. W. O. Taylor. Treasurer—Mrs. H. Pinnock.

SUBSTITUTES. Evangelistic—Mrs. George Bishop. Labor Meetings—Mrs. J. W. Fielding. Red Cross and Lumbermen—Mrs. J. W. Vaughn. Press and Willard Hall—Mrs. M. P. Freeman. White Ribbon Bulletin—Mrs. Hutchison. Temperance in Sabbath-schools—Mr. C. A. Patrician.

## The Gigarette Evil Among Boys—and Girls.

The tobacco trust is using fraud, cunning, dishonesty and lawbreaking methods to "get" the boys. The cigarette is the only kind of a smoke which really does "get" him. Allow him to begin its use while young and two results are certain. First, he will inhale the fumes and thus damage his health, morals and intellect most seriously. Remember that since the advent of the cigarette the average age of beggars has fallen from twenty-two to eleven years, which means that thousands are smoking as early as age seven or eight years.

Here is one of the greatest perils America is facing today—the speedy and almost utter degradation of her youth through the cigarette habit begun at the very dawn of the most important period of life. The method of inhalation, so commonly practiced by boys, carries the nicotine almost immediately to the brain, affecting those centres where reside the better and nobler qualities of man, the latest to develop and the first to be affected by either alcohol or tobacco. Thus, at the very time when all his higher centres are most attractively developing, the boy may entirely prevent development of all the higher attributes. In other words, put them to sleep. This explains the rapid moral decline and the amazing inefficiency noted in the cigarette smoking boy.

The second result is that the boy will use twice as much tobacco during his lifetime and so pay twice as much money to the tobacco trust. Thus, every boy the enemy can victimize in worth from \$1,000 to \$1,500 in future years.

## A Cure for Bad Breath

"Bad breath is a sign of diseased teeth, throat, stomach, or bowels." If your teeth are good, look to your digestive organs at once. Get the famous "Little Blue Devils" of Winnipeg, and doing his bit with the best. Kenneth was born in Wiedor, his parents having resided here for some years. Their money home friends extend best wishes for the brave lad's complete recovery.—Tribune.

## Agriculture Aided By Victory Loan

### Wonderful Trade Expansion Due to Success of Canada's Loan Issues

Since the war started Canadian agriculture has grown in importance as a national industry. More than ever it is a source of strength to the country. The demand for Great Britain for food, not only for her soldiers but for her civilian population, has opened a market of tremendous possibilities. In 1915 our total agricultural exports amounted to \$209,000,000. At the end of the fiscal year of 1917, the total had jumped to \$740,000,000.

This wonderful addition to the National wealth, to a large extent due to the Victory Loan of 1917, it was so in this way: Great Britain found that, owing to her vast expenditures on her army and navy, the necessity of giving monetary aid to some of her sickle allies, she was no longer able to pay for her purchases of food with ready cash. Rather than see our products lose a sure market, the Dominion Government decided to advance such sums out of the proceeds of the Loan issue to pay for food part of the food that was sent to Great Britain. The farmers had been asked to "produce more food" and they had responded with a will; it was of course for the Government to see that the increased production was not lost.

In this way Canada's entire exportable surplus of wheat, cheese, bacon and other commodities was financed. This year there will be exported possibly 100,000,000 bushels of wheat valued at \$225,000,000. If the proceeds of the Victory Loan had not been available, the Government's export of wheat will be over \$40,000,000, and of butter, eggs and condensed milk another \$10,000,000. Bacon runs into millions. In the past twelve months the Government has advanced nearly \$100,000,000 to finance exports of live stock products.

Minard's Liniment Co., Limited, Centlemen.—I have used MINARD'S LINIMENT on my vessel and in my family for some years, and for the every day ills and accidents of life I consider it has no equal.

I would not start on a voyage without it if it cost a dollar but a cent.

CAPT. F. R. DESJARDINE, Schr. "Storke", St. Andre, Kamouraska.

## VICTORY LOAN AND CANADIAN INDUSTRIES

Last Year's Subscription of Great Benefit and Bigger Work Will Follow This Year.

The Imperial Munitions Board receives advances of \$25,000,000 a month from the Dominion Government.

It has received over \$50,000,000 in advances from the Dominion Government and the Canadian banks.

It has received over \$100,000,000 worth of war orders in Canada for the British and other Allied Governments.

An advance of \$10,000,000 enabled the Board to begin the manufacture of airplanes in Canada; 2,000 have been built to date of a value of \$50,000,000.

Between 250,000 and 300,000 people are working in Canada on war orders obtained through the Board. It has \$500,000,000 of war orders in sight for 1918.

To carry out this program will require millions in advance which must come from the Victory Loan.

BE A SOLDIER AT HOME. Canada's 1918 Victory Loan is making for \$500,000,000. These dollars are needed to win the war. You must do your share to help them by buying as many Victory Bonds as ever you can. Invest every dollar you have in them. Borrow to buy more.

Your money will be absolutely safe. The security is the finest in the world. It is all Canada. In addition, you will be paid 5 1/2 per cent. Then you will be able to protect your home, your safety, your freedom, your family and yourself. Did you ever hear of a safer investment plan—or one so supremely advantageous to the investor? Never, in your life, invest in your life.

Then do your share. Sacrifice something—anything—everything—to buy Victory Bonds. Be a soldier at home. Act at once. BUY!

IN FLANDERS FIELDS. In Flanders Fields, the poppies grow between the crosses, row on row. That mark our place; in the sky The larks, still bravely singing, Scarce heard amid the guns below. We are the dead. Short days ago We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow, Loved and were loved; and now we lie In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe. To you, from falling hands we throw The torch. Be yours to lift it high. If ye break faith with us who die, We shall not sleep, though poppies blow In Flanders fields.—Buy Victory Bonds.

Your Thousand Dollar Victory Bond Will:

Buy 200 gas masks, or 300 pairs of soldiers' boots, or 400 bushels of wheat, or 500 steel helmets, or 1,000 pairs of soldiers' socks, or 1,000 lbs. of high explosives, or 4,000 lbs. of cheese, or 25,000 lbs. of carriage, or 35,000 revolver cartridges.

Everything Canada has depends on the success of the Victory Loan. The \$500,000,000 wanted must be subscribed. The responsibility rests upon all to see that the money is raised.

## COAL! E. B. SHAW

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FOR SALE.

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R. S. CHESLEY, G. W. MUNRO, Trustees.

Ask for Minard's and take no other.

## TO LEVY A LUXURY TAX.

Purchases Made in England to Be Taxed 4c in Quarter.

The new British luxury tax of 2d. in the shilling, will affect everybody's shopping. It will be levied: On all purchases of luxuries, such as jewellery, watches, and articles costing only a shilling or £100.

On all articles above a price which is regarded as extravagant; and on luxury establishments, hotels, and restaurants.

Schedules of luxuries and of extravagant prices for necessary articles are to be drawn up by a committee of the House of Commons.

Levying the tax on hotels and restaurants means placing dining out on the same level as an evening at a theatre as will have to be paid. The tax will be collected in each instance by stamp duty.

Under the French plan, which Mr. Bonar Law is basing his, a smoking jacket or frock or morning coat is to be a luxury, if it costs no more than £5. But a small piece of china, costing more than 2s. is a luxury.

On this basis a woman's frock worth £10, or a man's suit for £15, might cost an extra 21 1/2s. 4d., if the tax is levied on the whole. It would be £15 10s. 4d. for a £10 frock until the luxury price operation.

A £20 fur coat might mean £3 15s. 8d. extra.

A piano costing £50, and coming under the head of luxuries would yield £5 10s. 8d. A pipe costing £1 might come under the extravagant price tax, but one costing 2s. 6d. might be tax-free.

Details of the taxes to be levied will be worked out by a committee of the House of Commons.

More of King Lobengula's quaint letters to Queen Victoria were read before the Privy Council the other day.

The question at issue is the ownership of certain lands in Africa captured by the British from Lobengula. A letter from the "Great Queen," as she was referred to, was read, telling Lobengula that it was impossible to exclude white men from any place where gold was to be found.

To avoid trouble with his countrymen, Lobengula had granted a royal charter to certain white men, who were pledged to act lawfully and keep the peace.

But Lobengula complained that when his cattle were stolen white men, without any cause, shot and killed his army when he sent to fetch them back. His letter went on:

"The white men told my people that they had bought the country and the people who live there are my people. What I want to know from you is if people can be bought at any price?"

Another letter Lobengula wrote:

"Tell Capt. — he is like some of my young men. He has no holes in his ears and cannot or will not hear."

The hearing was adjourned.

A Van Power Scheme. The British Government, through its Transport Board, is planning a "van power scheme" for the control of every kind of road transport in Canada.

The object of the plan, it is stated, is to enforce every conceivable economy in road transport, and to put every vehicle engaged in road transport to the most efficient use.

The country is being divided into thirteen districts, with a divisional board in each composed of experts in the transport trade. Every vehicle will be registered and will carry a number which will indicate its capacity and character, and which will be issued showing the purposes for which the vehicle may be used.

The whole scheme will go into operation this summer.

The British Spirit. During the British retreat before the German drive in the Somme, a private, foot-sore and weary, struggled along a shell-hole towards the rear. His horse of will was all that kept him from falling.

For several days he had been marching, snatching a few hours of sleep when the opportunity presented.

Sir Douglas Haig, commander of the British forces in France, rode past and charged to notice the tired soldier. Without a moment's hesitation, Gen. Haig dismounted, insisted on the private taking his horse, and strode on ahead until he was supplied with a new mount.

The story was told for the first time at a dinner given at Newport by Corp. Spencer, who was a witness to the incident.

Better Education in England. England is beginning to recognize the importance of intellectual training for a growing democracy. A bill will abolish all exemptions from school attendance until the completion of the fourteenth year, will power granted to local authorities to raise the age to fifteen. Pupils will only be permitted to enter or leave at stated periods in the day, and a rigorous system of school attendance will be maintained by strict limitations on the labor of children during their attendance in the elementary schools, and by compulsory school attendance of the future until the age of sixteen and more practical.—The New Republic.

A "High" Sea. Readers of the despatches of Gen. Allenby, unfamiliar with the peculiarities of the Dead Sea, were puzzled by his description of British airplanes flying 400 feet below the surface of the sea.

But reference to a geographical map will show that the Dead Sea lies 1,200 feet below the surface of the Mediterranean, so that airplanes sailing 400 feet below sea level were still at an elevation of 800 feet.

## THE POSSIBILITIES OF IRRIGATION

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