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RECOVER FROM THE SHELLING

Scarboro Regains Its Usual Calm After the Bombardment

Graphic Story of the Attack by German Fleet.

[By Special Wire to the Courier] SCARBOROUGH, via London, Dec. 17, 8.15 a.m.—"The queen of English watering places" has recovered to-day from the unexpected bombardment...

The first warning sound of distant firing, which attracted little attention, except from the military authorities, came at 5.30 in the morning. At 8 o'clock three German war craft, which the majority of witnesses agree were one battle cruiser and two lighter cruisers, loomed out of a heavy fog so close underneath the cliffs that they were unable to train their guns on the wireless station on the heights.

However, the big resort hotels on the esplanade and the old town offered tempting targets, and a rain of shrapnel and lyddite shells began to fall in this section, doing great damage to the hotels and destroying houses and shops in the poorer districts. A woman in one of these shops was literally blown to pieces.

Some of the better class of residents now began to suffer, one of the first being the home of Russell Rea, member of Parliament for the district. His life and that of his wife were saved by the fact that they had gone down for an early breakfast and were in the kitchen, the only part of the house untouched, the rest being a total wreck.

During the early stages of the bombardment the screeching shells were heard from the north-west. One battleship and two cruisers did the firing, steaming northward after the bombardment. Not a shot was fired in reply by the city.

WINTER ON THE YSER—NOW THE COLD IS AFFECTING MEN OF BOTH ARMIES.



The despatches from the Yser country have told in detail the suffering of the soldiers of both the allied armies and the Germans. This scene represents the final phase of an encounter in which some Germans were captured, and no better pen picture of the conditions existing on the Yser could be drawn than this one, ably sketched by F. Matania, a special artist for this newspaper, the New York Herald and the London Sphere.

THE MENACE THAT FAILED—BRITISH FLEET STILL BLOCKADES THE KIEL CANAL EXITS TO THE OPEN SEA

THE RAID THAT FAILED

LONDON, December 17.—It has been known that the Kaiser and his advisers have been planning one great coup for the German navy. The bombardment of yesterday is looked upon only as a demonstration made particularly for the purpose of calling off the watch of the British warships from the ships that have been held at Wilhelmshaven and the Kiel Canal.

[By Special Wire to the Courier] YORK, Eng., via London, Dec. 17. Refugees from Scarborough were still arriving at York and Leeds at an early hour to-day, although the bombardment of Scarborough by German warships began at 8 o'clock yesterday morning and lasted but half an hour.

LONDON, Dec. 17.—The news of the German raiders' arrival was promptly sent to the military authorities and steps were immediately taken everywhere so as to be prepared in case a raid developed at other points.

There is much speculation in London as to how far the German raid has succeeded in creating a feeling of uneasiness or panic in other coast towns.

One of the London newspapers telegraphed to the mayors of all coast towns, asking them what effect the news of the enemy's visit had had. All replies received so far indicate that no panic is felt. Among the replies are the following:

Edinstowe: Complete arrangements have been made here for all eventualities. Business is going on as usual. (Continued on Page Four.)

ENGLAND'S HEART IS STIRRED

Naval Raid of the Germans is Entire Topic of Discussion.

May They Come and Come Until it is Once too Often

[By Special Wire to the Courier] LONDON, Dec. 17.—The crippling of a telephone and telegraph wires by the bombardment yesterday of three spots on the east coast of England by German cruisers, together with the precautions thrown about these towns by the police and the military authorities, made it impossible even to-day more than 24 hours after the shelling of Scarborough, the Hartlepool and Whitby, to obtain more than an approximate estimate of the civilian dead and wounded.

According to an official statement given out to-day, a total of 55 persons met their death in the Hartlepool, while 115 were wounded. At Scarborough 17 dead and 30 wounded were the toll. Both official and unofficial estimates placed the Whitby casualties at two dead and a wounded. Of the Hartlepool casualties, 7 of the dead were soldiers, while of the wounded, 14 men belonged to the military.

Through wireless telegraphy Berlin promptly heard of the outcome of this visit of German cruisers to the English coast, and this morning a wireless message from the German capital, picked up here, repeated details of the attack as gallantly laid down his life in South Africa for the Empire, as the chief hero of many a well fought struggle.

The towns attacked yesterday had resumed much of their normal appearance by to-day except in the beleaguered homes and in the hospitals, where the wounded were quarantined. Everywhere the sound of hammering was heard as the damage was repaired.

A BOMBARDMENT ATHENS, Dec. 17.—(Via London, 11.47 a.m.)—A British squadron has bombarded Turkish troops who had concentrated Sunday on the coast of the Gulf of Saros, the arm of the Aegean Sea north of the Dardanelles. This information was received here to-day in a despatch from Mytilene. Details are lacking.

THE "FREEDOM" OF GERMANY London Times—The sin of Germany is that it is enslaved, not to another nation, but to its own desire for victory, and not through misfortune, but by its own choice. And a nation which is so enslaved cannot call itself free, however strong it may seem; and will cease to call itself free as soon as it discovers that its slavery is not even profitable.

NEW STREET CARS TO-DAY MARK NEW ERA FOR THE CITY

This afternoon, upon the invitation of the members of "Brantford's Municipal Railway Commission"—Messrs. C. H. Hartman, A. K. Bunnell and W. R. Turnbull—a number of citizens from Paris, Galt and Brantford, are their guests for the purpose of initiating the new city cars.

The desire for some such means of transportation, had long been in existence. The place had then reached a population of 12,187 and as bicycles were not in vogue, it was a case of shanks mare for the vast majority to reach any section of the city.

BRITISH LION RIGHT WITH US

Mr. W. F. Cockshutt, M.P., received word from the Public Works Department at Ottawa to-day that it had been decided to grant his request for a pair of lions to be placed at the main entrance of the new public building facing Dalhousie street near the fire hall.

Mr. Hamilton McCarthy, sculptor of the monument to Brantford's fallen heroes in the Boer war, has secured the contract. The animals will be of bronze and will cost in the neighborhood of \$2,800 to \$3,000.

The Casualties Were Heavier Than Reported

[By Special Wire to the Courier] LONDON, Dec. 17, 11.45 a.m.—The casualties at Hartlepool as a result of the German naval raid, according to an official bureau statement to-day, were 55 persons killed and 115 wounded.

### BAZAAR HELD AT ST. MARY'S FINE SUCCESS

#### Annual Christmas Event in School Room Largely Attended.

The schoolroom of St. Mary's Church has been put to many and various good uses, but it is doubtful if ever one exceeding the beneficence and excellence of aims of the event which opened there yesterday. It was the annual Christmas Bazaar and the aim is to raise money for the purpose of gifts for the Children's Christmas tree which will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 22nd.

The bazaar, and the attendance yesterday, was a tribute to the splendid spirit in which the effort was got up, and the many buyers seemed to fully appreciate this spirit. It animated the entire throng and hence the success was never for a moment doubted. There were many things to buy in the stalls, of which there were four. Candies, sacred and two fancy work. Besides the actual bazaar features, a fine little sketch was introduced during the evening and it was finely acted, portraying the troubles of a rich aunt whose favors are sought by many penniless nephews. The whole, was a great piece of comedy and was keenly appreciated. It was staged by High School pupils, under the direction of Miss Miriam Waterhouse.

Prettily decorated and tended by a number of diligent and charming workers, the booths did a roaring trade. Misses Gery Kew and Edna Phillips were in charge of the sacred booth, while the candy booth was in the capable hands of Miss H. Smith, assisted by a bevy of girls, who included Misses Marguerite Phillips, Maria Cahill, Marjory Chavers, Clara Cahill, Grace Conroy, and Josephine Kew. The first fancy work stall was in charge of Mrs. Craig, assisted by Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Enoch, Mrs. A. G. Gilling and Miss Quinlan, and the second fancy work stall was tended by Mrs. McKinnon, Mrs. Slattery, Mrs. Fitzgerald, Miss Skelly and Mrs. McCusker. Miss Ken presided excellently at the piano.

As a result of yesterday's work, a goodly sum was realized and it will be submitted by the proceeds of to-day, for the bazaar will again be open to-night.

#### A SONG BOOK FOR THE MILLIONS.

When we joined the syndicate of newspapers engaged in the distribution of "Heart Songs" we had no idea of the immense popular demand for a song book. The work seems to have been fairly carved by the people all over the country. Several hundred thousand have already been distributed, and we are informed that the numerous editions will run into the millions before the demand is satisfied. With a million throats singing from "Heart Songs" every night—the nation is certainly experiencing a genuine song revival. And it can hardly help but improve the taste of the masses in matters musical. For this reason from "Heart Songs" every much thanks! Our coupon published daily in this paper, will run in just a few days more as our supply is nearly exhausted.

#### CHURCH UNION.

TORONTO, Dec. 17.—The committee on church union of the Presbyterian, Methodist and Congregational Churches had a session this morning and discussed the amendments in regard to the appointment of ministers and the legal aspect of the proposed union. At the close the committees of the various denominations met separately to discuss certain points. The financial aspect of union will not be reached to-day.

That cape styles have been accepted so broadly that they have exerted their influence in every detail of woman's dress, from capped collars to capped slipers.

### Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

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## Social Service League Needs Co-operation of All To Carry Out Work

The following statement relates to the work of the Social Service League has been issued by the secretary Mr. H. T. Watt:

It has been deemed advisable to place before you the aims and objects of the Social Service League, and to give you an outline of our organization and mode of operation, of which you no doubt have at present a general knowledge. The Social Service League have made geographical divisions of the city and adjoining suburbs. The ladies' executive have formed visiting committees covering each of these districts.

Applications for relief or assistance are received by the President, Mr. Frank Cockshutt, or by Mr. Nelson (ex. officer in charge at headquarters), Y.W.C.A. building. Such applications are given to the lady visitors, who personally investigate each case, and return a card of information together with a recommendation as to the needs of the case. Full records are kept of all cases, character of assistance, and when given.

In cases of sickness where patients are unable to pay, all the doctors in the city have agreed to co-operate with us, and will give their services free of charge, and any prescriptions for medicine ordered by them, will be filled by any druggist free of charge.

### THE KIDDIES' CHRISTMAS

#### Now is Your Chance to Help—Organized Effort to Give Good Cheer to Little Ones Who Might Miss the Joys of Yuletide.

Still more money is requested for the Kiddies Christmas Tree fund. The amount originally asked for has been more than subscribed, but the number of children to be provided for has also greatly increased, and the committee can use to splendid advantage all the money that can be subscribed. While toys are to be given to all the younger children, very little money is being spent in this way, the larger part of the funds being used to purchase useful presents, such as stockings, sweaters coats, booties for the babies, etc., etc. Dozen of letters addressed to Santa Claus have been received from kiddies, and it is remarkable that nearly all the requests

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### Social and Personal

The Courier is always pleased to use items of personal interest. Phone 276.

The Echo Place Social club held their semi-monthly meeting Tuesday evening at the home of the Misses Cowherd. Progressive games and contests were the order of the first part of the evening, after which a jolly good fellows' and everybody dainty lunch was served by the hostesses. Then a very enjoyable hour was spent in listening to two of the club's talented elocutionists, Miss Mazie Walton and Miss Mary Edmondson, who did exceptionally well with the different selections. After tendering a hearty vote of thanks to their hosts, the gathering broke up with the singing of "For they are jolly good fellows" and everybody satisfied that they had had one of "the best times yet."

Our experience has shown, and it is to be regretted, that there is a class ever ready to impose on benevolence. By co-operation only can we avoid overlapping and duplicating.

You can help us by giving us names and addresses of those you are assisting, and by so doing greatly enhance the value of your own work. We feel that by this co-operation only will we have reasonable assurance that the greatest number of deserving people are being cared for.

We therefore urge upon you the necessity of acting at once along the lines suggested herein, and shall be very glad indeed to have you communicate with us at your earliest convenience.

### IT'S REAL PLUCK

#### Terrace Hill Man Takes Operation in Order to Go to the Front.

To show the indomitable pluck and spirit of some men who are anxious to serve their country at the front, Terrace Hill, in the St. George street, was volunteered for the battery a few weeks ago, but owing to a varicose vein in his leg was turned down. Mr. May promptly went to the hospital where an operation was performed and is now again volunteering for service.

### HEART SONGS

The following is a sample of the letters received by the Courier from those fortunate enough to secure heart songs at this office:

Paris, Ont., Dec. 16, 1914.  
Dear Sir,—I received the book and am well pleased with it.  
Yours truly,  
MRS. SINCLAIR THOMPSON.

The book, which consists of over 500 pages of the words and music of the well known melodies of days gone by, is handsomely illustrated. It contains full page pictures of Adeline Pattie, Jennie Link and other famous singers. The sale has been exceedingly large.

### PARASOLS FOR XMAS

Ladies' Parasols, steel rod, patent barrel runners, silk and wool tops, elegant assortment of handles, with sterling silver mounts. Special at \$1.00, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$3.75.

Suit Case Parasols, \$3.50, \$4.00.

### ENEMY'S SHIPS WERE GIVEN HAMMERING

#### One Cruiser Was on Fire When it Steamed Away.

LONDON, Eng., Dec. 17.—The Daily Telegraph's correspondents in the three bombarded towns give the following details of the action of the German ships in their localities:

Hartlepool—The enemy's ships were damaged by the coast batteries, which did considerable harm. One German light cruiser was afire as the fleet steamed away to the north.

One of the killed at East Hartlepool was Adjutant William Avery, of the Salvation Army, which has headquarters near the sea front.

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## Only Seven More Days to do Your Christmas Shopping

### Shop Early—Shop in the Mornings

Carpet Sweepers \$2.75 to \$4.00 Children's Parasols 75c

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Silk and Wool Mufflers, Silk Ties, Braces, Kid Gloves, Mitts, Shirts, Suit of Underwear, Sweater, Coats, Umbrellas, Handkerchiefs, Smoking Coats. All these to be seen in the GENTS' FURNISHING DEPARTMENT.

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Another lot of Fancy Silk Ribbons in Dresdens, Roman Stripes, etc. From \$1.50 to \$2.75.

### Fancy Neckwear

Elegant range of Xmas Neckwear in sheer organdie, satins, etc., many styles. Prices 25c, 35c, 50c to \$2.00.

### Furs Make Good Xmas Gifts

If you are wanting Furs for Xmas, just have a look at our stock of Furs. They are all first class styles. Furs in ladies, misses and children's.

### Parasols for Xmas

Ladies' Parasols, steel rod, patent barrel runners, silk and wool tops, elegant assortment of handles, with sterling silver mounts. Special at \$1.00, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$3.75.

### Suitable Gifts for the Ladies

Nice Silk Waists—They come in Black and colors, in many styles. Prices range at \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00, \$4.50 and \$5.00.

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### Handsome Linens for Xmas

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shy - The vessels steamed
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and much damage was done to
houses in Fishburn Park, half
inland.

the damage at Meddowfield, a
was chiefly to Curry's school,
the boys just commenced their
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quarter section of available Dominion land
in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta.
Applicant must appear in person at the
Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-Agency for
the District. Entry by proxy may be made
at any Dominion Lands Agency (but not
Sub-Agency) on certain conditions.
Duties-Six months' residence upon and
cultivation of the land in each of three
years. A homesteader may live within
nine miles of his homestead on a farm of
at least 80 acres, on certain conditions. A
habitable house is required except where
residence is performed in the vicinity.
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standing may pre-empt a quarter-section
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three years after earning homestead patent;
also 50 acres extra cultivation. Pre-
emption patent may be obtained as soon as
homestead patent, on certain conditions.
A settler who has exhausted his homestead
right may take a purchased homestead
in certain districts. Price \$3.00 per
acre. Duties-Must reside six months in
each of three years, cultivate 50 acres and
erect a house worth \$300.
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reduction in case of rough, scrubby or stony
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THE SOLDIER'S FEET

Great Care Must be Taken to Prevent
Lameness-Boots Must be Large

One of the lessons taught Great
Britain by the South African War was
that sound feet are of the highest
military importance. That she benefited
by the experience obtained in that
campaign is indicated by the fact that
the British army in France has shown
itself capable of marching long
distances and of fighting splendidly
without time for rest. Yet a number
of wounded soldiers returned home
suffering from footsore, so that the
following hints may be of value to
those men who have offered their
services to their country:

- 1. The soles of marching boots
should be thick but flexible and hand-
sewn, and not riveted or machine
sewn. The latter form a rigid sole,
which is uncomfortable.
2. In order to avoid the difficulty
of new boots, which draw the feet
by extracting rain from the leather,
the boots should be a size larger, and
have a loose sole of thick wool, which
will prevent the tannin being ex-
tracted from the leather.
3. A thick woolen sock will ab-
sorb the perspiration and form a pad
for the foot. If the boots are hard
they should be rubbed with castor oil.
4. All boots should be ventilated
and this can be done by punching a
row of small holes just above the
vamps; not too numerous for the water
to get in. These holes can be pro-
tected from rain by having a slip of
leather a little full to cover them,
to run the wet off.
5. The following powder is found
useful for chafed, sore, and tender
feet: Three parts of salicylic acid, ten
parts of starch, eighty-seven parts of
pulverized soap stone.
6. Blisters should be pricked with
a clean needle at the furthest end
pressed out, and then coated with
collodion with a camel's hair brush,
which can be purchased for a few
cents.
7. The feet should be washed
every night. Nails are useful on
grass to prevent slipping, but on
stones they are slippery and dan-
gerous.

CANADIANS OFFER HOMES

People of Wealth in Britain Show
Splendid Spirit

Canadians in England are no less
backward in their offers of help than
those at home. Among the many
"stately homes of England" that are
at the disposal of the government for
service as hospitals, convalescent
homes or for the aged, there is one in
Sussex owned by Mr. W. G. Trethe
way of Toronto. It will make an
ideal convalescent home, for it is
situated in a healthy spot on the hill
Sussex downs, and is surrounded by
park and large grounds that fit it
splendidly for the purpose. It was
not to be supposed that Lady Strath-
cona would be behindhand with her
assistance, since her father, it is al-
lowed, would certainly have paid for
the park and so on. She has placed
her Scottish home at the disposal of
the authorities. Lady Strathcona
gave \$25,000 to the Prince of Wales
fund, and \$5,000 to the Red Cross
Society.

SOLDIER'S GALLANTRY

Wounded French Officer Insists on
Assault Being Spared

Stirring accounts of the skirmishes
at the front occasionally get before
the public in the form of letters home
from soldiers.
Here is one from a young French
cavalry officer in Alsace: "I had to
leave my station to patrol some wood-
land in front of our line. In the middle
of the wood we saw a clearing in
which stood a dismounted section of
German cavalry at the gate of a large
farm.
"The lieutenant in charge of our
party at once made up his mind. He
took half of the troop to make a de-
tour and approach the farm from the
opposite side, while he left me in
charge of the rest of the men to attack
from the front.
"In a few minutes we galloped on
to the farm from both sides. The
Germans, hearing the noise of horses'
hoofs, ran out of the farm and tried
to remount, but we were on them too
quickly.
" My lieutenant fell with a bullet in
his thigh. 'Never mind me,' he
shouted, 'into the farm quick, and out
there again.' We rushed into the farm-
yard after the foe.
"The Germans took refuge in the
byres, and hiding behind the cattle,
fired revolvers at us. We soon finish-
ed them off. The last, however, was
a German sergeant who had shot the
lieutenant. He hid behind a cow. I
fired two shots, and the animal fell
dead.
" It was about to shoot the German
when our lieutenant, who had been
carried in, said, 'Spare him; he is my
prisoner.' We quickly desarmed all
the prisoners."

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matic and tonic, whose merit has been every-
where established.

HEAVY CANNON FIRE USUALLY BRINGS RAIN

Downpours Have Followed Most of
the Great Battles Since Large
Guns Were Introduced

It is one of the extraordinary things
of warfare that a big battle invariably
produces torrents of rain.
History contains innumerable in-
stances, both on land and sea, and on
more than one occasion the storm or
showers that followed an engage-
ment had no small influence upon
the life of nations.
The soldiers who fought so bravely
under the leadership of Marlborough
at Blenheim in the year 1704 had to
suffer the misery of successive down-
pours after their brilliant victory.
Marlborough was anxious to follow
up his victory without delay, but his
men were so worn by the fatigue of
the battle and the discomforts caused
by heavy rains and the contingencies
of warfare that he was unable to push
on for several days.

On June 16, 1815, the British de-
fended their column on behalf of
the Emperor Napoleon against the
armies of the Duke of Wellington,
and Napoleon worsted the British
at Ligny, both within measurable
distance of Waterloo. The heavy
rains which followed these engage-
ments made the clayey soil almost
impossible for cavalry maneuvers at
Waterloo (fought on June 18), and so
crippled the tactics of Napoleon and
greatly assisted those of the Duke
of Wellington.

During the early weeks of the
siege of Sebastopol, in 1854, the roar
of cannon and explosion of bombs
was followed, day by day, by heavy
downpours of rain, until, as we read,
the British soldiers stood in the tre-
mendous knee-deep mud. A terrible
gale broke over the Black Sea and
caused great disaster to Britain's
transports, and on the heels of this
tempest came a heavy, steady down-
pour that led to the death of hundreds
of gallant fellows.

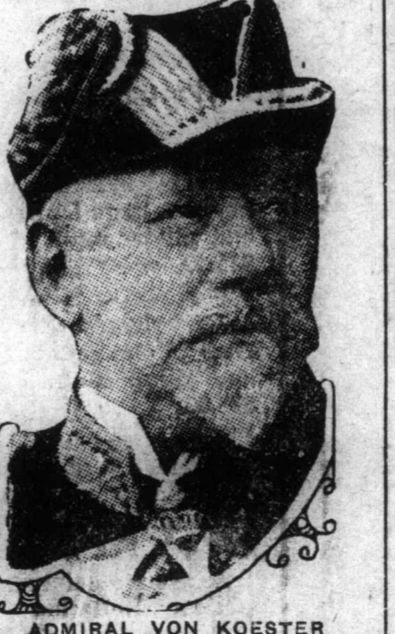
In yet another instance the heavy
cannonading of a siege brought in
its train a disturbance of the ele-
ments. This was just prior to the
capture of the city of Vicksburg, in
1863. The clouds were so thick with
moisture that the clouds were turned
to snow as it fell, and, by increasing
the sufferings of the besieged, helped
to make Osman come to the deter-
mination to try a last chance for free-
dom.

The explanation of the rain is com-
paratively simple, and has been made
use of for the benefit of agriculture
in various parts of the world. The
atmosphere is laden with moisture,
a concussion caused by loud reports,
or noises will often burst the clouds,
with the natural result that the drops
of water fall to the earth. This has
been practically tested when farmers
have been groaning over the drought,
and scientists have induced the de-
sired rainfall by causing cannon to
be discharged at altitudes varying
with the locality. When, however,
the discharge is continuous, as in
battle, it is obviously more effective.
-Pearson's Weekly.

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Von Koester the Human Dynamo Be-
hind the Navy League

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the secret of the conversion of the
nation once known as the land of
thinkers and poets into a race of naval
enthusiasts. It is the Navy League
which has driven the doctrine of sea
power so deep into the German mind
that it has become a religion and
Admiral von Koester is the person-
ality which has been behind the
league. The methods of a predecessor
in office brought the organization to
the brink of disintegration. The



ADMIRAL VON KOESTER

Imperial Admiralty was face to face
with a calamity. The break-up of the
Navy League threatened danger to
the whole future of German naval
policy.
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commandership-in-chief of the high
sea fleet with the rank of grand ad-
miral, which corresponds to the high-
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formed children, not only in Toronto,
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This coming year, of all the years
in the Hospital's history, has a more
serious outlook, as regards funds for
maintenance, than any year that has
passed its calendar.
So many calls are being made on the
purses of the generous people of To-
ronto and Ontario, to help the soldiers
of the Empire, that as I make my
daily rounds through the wards of the
Hospital, and see the suffering chil-
dren in our cots and beds, the thought
strikes me as to whether the people
will be as old, with all the demands
made upon them, answer our appeal
and help to maintain the institution
that is fighting in the never-ending
battle with disease and death, in its
endeavor to save the stricken little
ones in the child-life of Ontario.

Last year there were 394 in-patients
from 210 places outside of Toronto,
and in the past twenty years there
have been 7,000 from places in the
Province and outside of Ontario.
It costs us \$2.34 per patient per day
for managements. The municipalities
pay for patients \$1 per patient per
day; the Government allows 20 cents
per patient per day; deducting \$1.20
from \$2.34, it leaves the Hospital
with \$1.14 to pay out of subscriptions
it receives from the people of Toronto
and the Province. The shortage last
year ran to \$10,000.
Since 1880 about 1,000 cases of club
feet, bow legs and knock knees have
been treated, and of these 900 had
perfect correction. Nearly all these
were from different parts of the Pro-
vince outside of the city of Toronto.
Remember that every year is a war
year with the Hospital; every day is
a day of battle, every minute the
Hospital needs money, not for its own
sake, but for the children's sake. The
Hospital is the battle-ground where the
Armies of Life have grappled with the
Hosts of Death, and the life or death
of thousands of little children is the
issue that is settled in that war. Will
you let the Hospital be driven from the
field of its battle to save the lives of
little children for the lack of money
you can give and never miss?
Every dollar may prove itself a
dreadnought in the battle against
death, a flagship in the fleet that fights
for the lives of little children.
Remember that the door of the Hos-
pital's mercy is the door of hope, and
your dollar, kind reader, may be the
key that opens the door for some-
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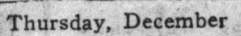
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THE SITUATION.

As the Courier opined, the sporadic attack by German ships upon British sea coast towns was more or less of a "flash-in-the-pan" affair, but it was serious enough, for all that.

The prime object was manifestly that of drawing off vessels from the blockade of the main navy, so as to warrant a rush via the North Sea into the Atlantic. That decoy failed.

Another object doubtless was to hearthen the German people with an offset to the recent naval disaster sustained by them. In any event, the exploit was daringly carried out, and has served to demonstrate the unprotected nature of Britain's shore points—an unprotected doubtless largely due to John Bull's faith in professions of German friendship.

The progress of events in France and Belgium is still slow but satisfactory, and the plucky Servians announce that they have cleared the Austrians out of their territory.

SOME EXPOSITORISMS.

The aldermen are again after the Brantford Gas Company, and this time are threatening to put it out of business. It is not likely they are altogether sincere, or that they are unmindful of the near approach of the first Monday in January and the desirability of doing something to get in right with the electors.

The above sneers at the members of the existing City Council are totally unfair and likewise totally unwarranted. They are born of the spite of women, and conceived of the desire of the organ to try and stir up a bitter civic fight this coming January.

A skilled mechanic may be able to handle a shovel on a piece of road-work. But he won't do it as well as the man that's brought up on the shovel. His power to work depends on the thing he does. When he's at a job that doesn't suit him he wastes his labor.

The whole thing is just about on a par with its stultified attitude regarding Canada and the war. It has claimed, with other Grit sheets, that a truce existed between the two parties as to comments touching the naval policies of both parties prior to the outbreak of hostilities—although when such a truce was ever entered upon there is absolutely not one scintilla of evidence.

In any event Liberal sheets have not kept it, and the Expositor least of all. As Mr. Cockshutt, M.P., pointed out in a recent speech, it has been fring from behind the hedge right along. Take its Saturday issue, for example. During the course of an editorial it said:

"Those Canadian Conservatives who lauded the Borden naval policy, and charged with disloyalty those who did not sing Te Deum in its honor, must feel pretty cheap these days."

How is the above for an exhibition of consummate gall and bold effrontery? The Laurier naval policy, forsooth, was a nebulous, impracticable and utterly fatuous scheme. It was to build dreadnoughts in Canada, when no plant existed for such a purpose, and could not for years, and to man the same with Canadians, when anybody who knows anything about the matter is well aware that man-of-war training has to be from boyhood up.

Premier Borden, after personal consultation in the Old Country with Premier Asquith and First Lord of the Admiralty Churchill, was informed that an emergency existed—the present European war was then foreseen by those in the know—and that a direct contribution would be the most acceptable plan. Mr. Borden, of course, could not go into details as to the apprehensions held, but his word should have been sufficient.

Not so for the Expositor or other Grit sheets of that ilk. They constantly sneered at any idea of "emergency." Said day after day that it was a myth; lost, stolen or strayed, silly, a bogey, childish, and a lot more guff of like ilk.

The House of Commons did a plain duty, and then at a word from Laurier the servile Senate pole-axed the proposed and needed help of Canada. The Expositor, prior to that, in an editorial, intimated that the Upper Cham-

ber should not interfere, that the Liberals in the Old Land had fought against that kind of thing on vital points, and it would be unwise to take a different course in the Dominion. They did take it, though, and the Expositor dutifully swallowed the dose, as it has so many others.

Because of the action of the Liberal hidebounds of the Senate, the British taxpayers had to put their hands in their pockets for the building of the dreadnoughts for whose construction the Conservative Government had promised the money in good faith, and put the grant through the Commons also in good faith.

What's more, and to the everlasting shame of the Grit Senator pole-axe artists, the turning down of Canada's grant in the Senate was one of the incidents which led the Kaiser and his war lords to believe that the overseas dominions were none too keen to help the old lion. As for Laurier's puerile scheme, it was as silly as it was impracticable, and our cotem would show its good sense by leaving it severely alone.

Meanwhile, with regard to the gas matter, Mayor Spence and the aldermen of 1914 have been thoroughly consistent and active, and have strained, and are straining, every possible effort to a successful conclusion.

CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY

Every city and town hall should have a bureau to encourage Made-in-Canada goods. Money spent by public officers for the good of the public should serve the good of the public by being invested in what makes work for Canadians. There are caves in this country of councils and boards of works turning down Canadian tenders even when they were lower than foreign tenders; or because they wanted to try experiments; or because they figured that the factories which paid taxes into their own civic treasury could afford to beat up business abroad. Happily, such cases are not now as frequent as they used to be.

The civic employers and spenders of Canada as a whole have got it strongly into their heads that it's far more important to have labor busy in factories and able to spend wages for Made-in-Canada goods, than to have labor tramping the streets looking for charity or work. It's better to have men busy on something that represents a fair investment of labor than busy on work that's done by a corporation just on purpose to keep men from being idle.

A skilled mechanic may be able to handle a shovel on a piece of road-work. But he won't do it as well as the man that's brought up on the shovel. His power to work depends on the thing he does. When he's at a job that doesn't suit him he wastes his labor. The civic government that doesn't help to keep labor busy in its own factories, or factories elsewhere in Canada, is neglecting a golden opportunity to help along a movement that keeps civic governments from having had economic problems on their hands. Every municipal government in Canada should be a civic headquarters for the purchase of Made-in-Canada goods.

THE WORK OF THE ROYAL NAVY.

The British Board of Trade on November 26, issued a statement showing the state of British and German shipping respectively after sixteen weeks of war. The total number and tonnage of steamships exceeding 100 tons gross owned by the two countries at the outbreak of the war were:

Table with columns: British, German, Tons, Ships. Rows include total ships, ships rendered unavailable, and ships in German ports.

The proportion of ships rendered unavailable was 58.4 per cent. The proportion of tonnage rendered unavailable was 89.2 per cent. The number of British ships plying on November 26 was 9,928, or 98.1 of the whole. Their tonnage was 20,122,173 gross tons, or 97.1 of the whole.

The statement of German merchant ships, either plying or not accounted for is as follows: Known to be at sea, 10; Ships over 500 tons not accounted for, 125; Steam trawlers not accounted for, 353; Small coasters not accounted for, 1.

Total number of ships, 869; Total amount of tonnage, 549,794; The proportion of ships plying or not accounted for is 41.6 per cent; of

tonnage only 10.7 per cent. Only ten German steamers known to be at sea, as against ten thousand British steamers.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

Those German vessels were missed in the mist. All aboard for the Brantford Street Railway cars.

Once more it is non-combatants on whom the disciples of Kultur have made a small-sized score.

Don't forget that the main German fleet still remains as it was—bottled up.

Bourassa was howled down in an attempt to address a meeting at Ottawa. Just what he deserved. Students tried to make him wave a flag, but he refused.

The death of Senator Jaffray, President of the Toronto Globe Printing Company, removes a man of marked success and personality. Although 83 years of age, he was in harness, as he wished, within a few days' of the close. Incidentally his departure leaves eight vacancies in the Upper Chamber and reduces the Liberal majority there to eleven.

In King Albert's book published to help aid Belgian Relief fund receipts there is the following message from Premier Borden:

"For the crime of defending its territories against unprovoked invasion by a power pledged to hold them inviolate, Belgium has, with supreme fortitude, endured sufferings and sacrifices almost unsurpassing the imagination, moving all humanity to infinite compassion. As long as the love of liberty shall endure, and the character and greatness of a nation shall be measured by its ideals, the valor and heroic faith and devotion of the Belgian people and their King shall dwell in the memory of men and shall be an exemplar and inspiration not of Belgium alone, but of the world."

THE MENACE

(Continued from Page 1) over and there was no panic. The guns engaged in the attack were evidently of small calibre, as the damage done by each shell was confined to a small area, while some of the shells merely cut clean small holes in buildings, passing on harmlessly.

"My hotel was struck by several shells, but nobody was injured. One shell wrecked two rooms but fortunately neither of them was occupied."

Another passenger from Scarborough was a cool young housewife, who said: "I awoke I glanced out of my kitchen window and saw three warships lying quietly in the haze a mile or two off shore. It never occurred to me that they were anything but English ships, so I went quietly about my preparations for breakfast."

"About 8 o'clock I heard the sound of guns, but pair no particular notice. A few minutes later there came a shell which struck the roof of the house and passed straight through the room I was in."

"I was peaching eggs at the time. I looked up and saw great holes in the walls near the ceiling, indicating the course of the missile. I was puzzled for a moment and then suddenly realized that the Germans were shelling Scarborough."

"I took the family to the cellar where we remained for an hour, during which one more shell struck the roof and fell into the drawing room, smashing up the furniture. Another shell ploughed up our garden."

(Continued from Page 1) caused an indescribable pandemonium. Later the people became as still as death under the thunder of the guns which rose to a tremendous crescendo when the full broadsides were used. When the ships drew off the sad search for killed and wounded began. At the hospital, when the wounded began to arrive, the large entry hall witnessed many pitiable scenes as anxious relatives awaited the result of the surgeons' examination. Among the wounded were many women and children, one an infant of four months having had its skull fractured by a bit of shrapnel, while in the arms of its mother, who escaped unscathed. A surgeon at the hospital also had a marvellous escape when the casing of an eight-inch shell burrowed into the ground at his feet.

The military authorities, assisted by the police, directed the exodus of the townspeople from the city. Women were favored with seats on the trains with the result that but few men departed from the town.

The pathetic helplessness of the refugees brought home the reality of war to this part of England. Many poor people whose homes were destroyed sought refuge in nearby towns. Crowds of these waited about the station, thinking that the scenes of the morning were about to be re-enacted.

One of the first notices posted instructed citizens to bring to the police station all unexploded shells. Among such finds was a live eight-inch explosive projectile which was hastily put in a bucket of water when a policeman strolled in with it carelessly tucked under his arm.

By nightfall the town bore an outward appearance of calm, but anxious groups lingered about the streets. Many of the persons in these groups

were unsparing in their expressions of resentment because the town was helpless to retaliate on the raiders.

Kitchener's Men Were Under Fire

(By Special Wire to the Courier) HARTLEPOOL, via London, Dec. 17, 7.25 a.m.—The first men of Earl Kitchener's new army to come under fire were the local militia who were sent out to man the defence trenches on the sea front when the German raid appealed. They were shelled by the enemy who had the range of the new defences with accuracy, which suggested information by spies.

The militia men stood their baptism of fire splendidly, especially when it is considered that they were powerless to make a reply as the firing had to be left to the heavy guns. The officer in command had a narrow escape when a shell struck the earth mound, burying him and three men in the trench. Fortunately all four were unhurt.

The casualties in the trenches were seven killed and fourteen wounded, most of these in a single company.

SAME OLD GAME. LONDON, Dec. 17.—A despatch to the Daily Express from Hartlepool

That Mrs. Winston Churchill has just opened a social club for the wives and mothers of sailors and soldiers on Harrow road, London.

That a woman who has a white satin or lace skirt for evening and a black skirt of cloth or satin for day wear, together with varied blouses, can achieve almost any toilet.

THE WORK OF THE BIG GERMAN GUNS IN FRANCE.



SCENE IN SENLIS, FRANCE, AFTER BOMBARDMENT BY THE GER...

WHAT SHALL I GIVE?

This Perplexing Question Can Easily be Solved if Only You Will Let Us Help You—Will You

Advertisement for Boudoir Caps, Children's dresses, Men's Ties, and Fancy Linens. Includes prices and descriptions for various items.

Advertisement for a Silk Special dress, described as the most serviceable gift of all, priced at \$1.25.

Advertisement for Furs, including Christmas Handchiefs, Ladies' and Gent's Parasols, and more Furs. Includes prices and descriptions.

Advertisement for Fur products, including a Marmot Set, a Very handsome Black and Grey Goat Set, and a Black Sealette Set. Includes prices and descriptions.

Advertisement for TOY LAND, featuring THE CHILDREN'S DELIGHT and ALL DRESSED DOLLS HAVE BEEN REDUCED. Includes the name Ogilvie, Lochead & Co.

LOCAL NEWS

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FEW ARRESTS. A tribute to the efficiency of Chief Slemin's police force in the city is the fact that very few arrests are made. "Crime prevention" is the motto, and the timely detection of suspect will obviate the necessity, perhaps many arrests. Many of the local constables have had no arrests for over two months, and the majority of the city never was without a police officer.

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A PUBLIC SERVICE. The good work being done by the industrial home, now running under the auspices of the Salvation Army and Adjutant Hargrove, has filled very much needed part in the city's social work. Many sources of contribution have been opened up, and the least of these was the contribution of the teachers and pupils of Ontario Sunday school number 6. For their efforts the Adjutant is very grateful, and without trespassing on the goodness of people in the city, would esteem it as a favor if they would let him know if they have any magazines, newspapers, etc. If by phone, a wagon will call immediately and remove the same. The work of this home is growing daily, and will be at its greatest pressure from now until spring.

Advertisement for NEILL'S Store Open Christmas. Includes text: Many useful at Bargain Prices. See our stock and SUIT CASES Xmas lines. A large assortment lowest prices.

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SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

The school children will be given holidays for the Christmas and New Year celebrations on Tuesday next.

PUDDINGS FOR THE SOLDIERS

Christmas puddings enough for 200 soldiers have been made to the order of the Y. M. C. A. chapter of the I. O. D. E. for Brantford contingent, at the Toronto training quarters. Russell and Company have completed the order excellently, and the puddings are ready for despatch.

MUCH ANXIETY

Much anxiety was expressed by people making enquiries over the phone to the Courier to-day, as to the casualties incurred on the Yorkshire coast by the cruiser raid. Many people resident in the city have relatives in Whitby and Scarborough. So far, no casualty lists have been announced.

CARPETBALL

The bricklayers and Liberals No. 2 played a game on the Borden floor last night, and the bricklayers won their first battle of the season by 131 to 126 in a hand fought game. The bricklayers were captained by Jas. Townsend, and the Liberals by Mr. F. Brooks. C. Wilkin refereed and kept the game well in hand.

OFFICERS ELECTED

The election of officers of 408A C.O.C.F., took place in their lodge room in the Heyd Block on December 15th as follows: Chief Councillor Mrs. Anna Craig; Vice-Chief, Mrs. R. Hill; Prelate, Mrs. T. Hanes; Recorder, Mr. J. Wakley; Treasurer, Mr. J. Mysur; Marshall, Mr. H. Smith; Warden, Mrs. Geo. Huiston; Guard, Mr. J. Crow; Sentry, Mrs. Smale; organist, Mrs. Mulligan; medical examiner, Dr. E. R. Secord; trustees, E. Sherry and A. S. Pitcher, Rep. to Grand Council A. S. Pitcher and Jos. Johnson.

THE SOLDIERS' CHOCOLATE

The soldiers' chocolate boxes were to-day mailed to the following: celestries of the allied forces and the Royal representatives to the Dominion were not forgotten: To Duke and Duchess of Connaught and Princess Patricia; to Sir John Fisher and Commander Jellicoe; to Lord Kitchener and Generals Joffre, French and Alderson. The object is that this historic action will be commemorated by the placing of the letters received in reply in care of the Brant Historical Society while duplicates will be placed in each school.

NEW STORM SEWER

A new storm sewer is being laid from the new Post Office building to the Darling Street sewer in preparation for heavy winter weather.

RECEPTION FOR RECTOR

Rev. E. Softley and Mrs. Softley will be the guests of honor at a reception given to-night by the members of the St. James church congregation.

DRAGOONS OFFICERS

The officers of the 25th Brant Dragoons will to-night confer together at the Burford Headquarters. The subject will be militarism and active service recruiting.

THEIR WINTER REST

The road roller, the road machine, and the steam shovel are at rest for the winter and owing to this fact it was impossible for the boiler inspector, A. E. Edkins to make his usual inspection.

SUCCESSFUL CLASSES

The Collegiate School evening classes have completed a very successful half session of study and great progress has been made. The half term will be celebrated by social evening at the school to-night when an "at home" will be held.

NASTY FALL

Coming from the Chinese restaurant on Queen street last night, Neil Gilan slipped and sustained a nasty cut on the back of his head, from which blood oozed freely. He was medically attended and the wound was found to be less than the flow indicated.

FIREMEN OUT

The Firemen were called out to the Bunnell residence upon Wellington street this forenoon. They took the chemical apparatus and found the house full of smoke. The register of the furnace was found to be scorching and burning some wood work, but there had not been an outbreak. This matter was speedily remedied.

NEW ORCHESTRA

An open meeting was held last evening in the Conservatory rooms, which has been kindly loaned by the Borden Club, for the Orchestra's weekly practice. A good number were present while Mr. W. J. Sweetman presided, pointing out the object of the meeting and to find ways and means for organizing a symphony orchestra. It was unanimously agreed that Mr. J. R. Cornelius be invited to take charge of the baton. It was also decided to hold another open meeting the first Tuesday after Christmas, when the officers will be elected and installed. Several new members were enrolled, but still need several more in the string section, particularly viola and violin. It was also decided to commence rehearsals immediately after the New Year holidays and will be given early in February in aid of local charities. It was felt that to make the orchestra a success, that we must have the public confidence and support.

HAVE GIVEN IN GOOD CAUSE

The Children's Aid Society depends largely upon contributions received during the Christmas season and this year is more than ever dependent on their past friends and many ones for the support of this important work.

The society like hospitals, churches and other such organizations, depend each year upon grants and contributions and is one of the foundation stones of every day life in our year out. During the past year the society maintained 135 children at the S. M. Thomson Home, corner of Chatham and George Sts., being twenty more than ever before cared for. Three hundred and thirty children were benefited and protected from neglect by the outside visits of Mr. Axford. This alone is worthy of support and it is hoped the public will give a very ready response this year as the battle is an every day one.

The following subscriptions are to hand. Be sure you have don eyour share: J. G. Cohoe, \$100.00; Chas. Kelly, Cathcart \$1; Mrs. Geo. Winter \$1; Mrs. Smith Echo Place, \$1; Duff Williamson \$1; Little Gretchen \$1; E. L. Gould \$1; Lyman Heyd \$5; E. L. Gould \$1; Marsden Gould \$1; Brant Lodge A. F. and A. M. \$5; Gore Lodge, I. O. O. F. \$5; Wolfe Lodge, S. O. E. \$5; Onondaga Township Council \$15; J. A. Walker, Onondaga, \$8; T. H. Preston \$5; Mrs. John McGear \$1; Miss E. Witty \$5; Commercial L.O.L., No. 2425, \$10; G. H. Muirhead \$10; Mrs. Moyle, \$1; H. B. Gardner \$5; G. H. Malcolm \$5; Mayor Spence \$12; A. K. Bunnell \$5; J. W. Shepper \$10; John Ham \$5; J. L. Axford \$5; Mrs. S. A. Pierson, Cainsville, groceries \$5 Total, \$246.00

THE JOB IN EAST AFRICA Westminster Gazette—We have the power to reinforce our troops by sea; the Germans have not. We shall presently have forces in British East Africa sufficient not only to clear the Germans out of our territory, but to proceed to the conquest of the neighbouring Germany colony.

ITALY'S DECISION. London Standard—Italy has still to decide finally on her attitude toward the belligerent Powers. But the decision is for her Government and people to make; and it should be enough to say that we desire nothing better than that it should be arrived at without anything in the shape of pressure from outside, but solely in accord with Italian interests.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

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Fur Coats, Fur Lined Coats, Heavy Driving Coats with Fur Collars

Done up in a Pretty Gift Box if desired

- Storm or Driving Coats, full length, in fine quality of beaver or broadcloth, Black only, quilted or wool plush lining, large fur collar and lapel, semi or loose styles. Special.....\$21, \$23.50, \$26.50
Black Broadcloth Coats, number one rat-lined Alaska sable collar and lapel, full length, semi style, set-in sleeve. Special price.....\$50
Muskrat Coat in finest quality of rich dark skins, best of satin linings, collar rolls high and fastens well at neck. Reg. \$68.50. Special \$53.50
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The Youngsters Are Now Counting the Days on Their Fingers

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Whitewear: So New and Pretty That You'll Buy For Gifts and for Yourself

A constant succession of newness in the Whitewear Section makes it a treasure house for gift hunters in search of the unusually dainty. Fine Corset Covers of nainsook, with yokes of embroidery insertion, combined with cluny, valenciennes or linen lace, necks all finished with lace drawn with washable ribbon, several styles.....75c to \$1.25 Corset Covers of fine nainsook, with shaped yokes of embroidery insertion and valenciennes laces, dainty frill finishes the top, which is drawn with ribbon, 12 different styles. Choice.....50c Fine Nightdress with pretty yokes of several rows of valenciennes insertion, with insets of embroidery, neck and sleeves finished with valenciennes lace and ribbon draw. Prices.....\$2.25 and \$2.50 Fine Nightdress, Slipover style, dainty yoke of eyelet embroidery finished with lace. Price...\$1.75 Nightdress, fine quality, with deep yokes, made entirely of lace or lace and embroidery combined, with short sleeves trimmed to match, lovely styles.....\$3 to \$5 —Queen Street Annex.

Notes On the War

By An Unmilitary Critic

Figures show the temperance movement is very rapidly gaining ground in the States. Germany, no doubt, looks upon this as another glaring breach of neutrality.

ONE GREAT FAMILY.

(Sydney Bulletin). Smith—I say, Isaacs, these Russian ren were benefited and protected from neglect by the outside visits of Mr. Axford. This alone is worthy of support and it is hoped the public will give a very ready response this year as the battle is an every day one.

GERMAN NAVY DASHES OUT OF THE KIEL CANAL

North Sea to

The Kaiser made a bad guess hitching up with the Sultan of Turkey. He should have fallen in love with somebody who had a navy.

COUPON

Thursday, December 17, 1914 Heart Songs

Your Money

can purchase genuine bargains —IN— Chinaware —AT— VANSTONE'S CHINA HALL

Thousands of pieces of this year's importations will be offered in this great clearance sale. Open Evenings, 19 George St

Fire trouble Headache Measles Scarlet fever Up to time of going to press the spavin was worrying him a little and the housemaid's knee was also bothersome, but his rheumatism improved, and he was also suffering less pain from his left elbow. Pulse, 27,643. Respiration, 99,808. Temperature, 808 below zero. (Signed) Fritz von Carvehimupberg, M. D. Ralph von Pilleaterberg, M.D. Perhaps the Germans are now feeling a little sorry that they didn't build the Kiel Canal about 400 miles further inland. However, the German people are still happy. At 3.16 p.m. to-morrow the Berlin War office will probably tell them that the Scharnhorst, Leipzig, Gneisenau and Nurnberg have just captured Canada and are now swooping down to blow Australia full of holes. The Kaiser's dear old cultured friend the Sultan of Turkey seems to be about as useful to him as a fried pancake in a landslide. Although wood is getting scarce in Germany the supply will not be totally exhausted so long as the contents of the Crown Prince's head are available.

Christmas Gifts

"Keen Kutter" Safety Razors. "Enters" Safety Razors. Pocket Cutlery, in great variety. Carving Sets to suit all buyers. Scissors, style and prices unequalled.

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Chocolate Marshmallows

OUR CHOCOLATE MARSHMALLOWS will make your enemy your lifelong friend. Try them.....50c pound OUR PRIDE OF BRANTFORD CHOCOLATES turn Sadness into Gladness.....60c pound OUR CHOCOLATE TID-BITS are a Dairy Cream, Coconut Caramel, dipped in Chocolate. De-licious, Dee-lightful.....40c pound PICK OUT YOUR CHOICE OF OUR XMAS BOXES OF CHOCOLATE AND YOU WILL MAKE A WINNER! MAKE A WINNER? WELL, I GUESS YES!

COME TO KANDYLAND!

TREMAINE THE CANDY MAN 50 Market Street

"USE COURIER" WANT ADS.

Cainsville News

From Our Own Correspondent
Missionary sermons were preached last Sabbath morning and evening. Rev. Mr. Cowers preached in the morning, and Rev. Mr. Pleyley conducted the evening service.

ONONDAGA COUNCIL

ONONDAGA, Dec. 14.—The council met in the town hall for the final meeting of the year. All the members present, the Reeve in the chair. After the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved, a communication from the Canadian Suffrage Association was read and ordered filed.

NURSES IN BATTLE

Most people know the story of the late Miss Florence Nightingale's acceptance of probably the most responsible mission ever undertaken by a member of the gentler sex during modern times, when she set out with a small body of co-workers to nurse about order and comfort in the chaos of the fever-stricken military hospitals of the Crimea.

BOWLING

The following scores were made in the Y. M. C. A. Bowling League last evening. H. Preston was high man for the Expositor with 506, while Phillips led for the Dormitory Night Owls with 476. The Night Owls won two, while the Expositor won the other game.

Real German Work is This!

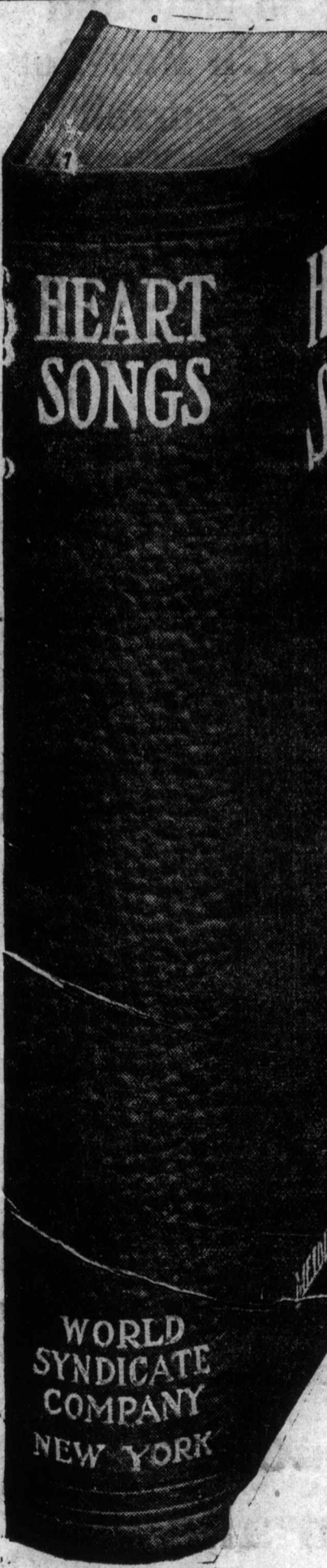
Rev. A. Bowers occupied the pulpit on Sunday evening and gave an excellent talk on missions. Miss Annie Emmott spent the week-end with her parents.

NEUTRAL OBSERVER MAKES BOLD PROTEST

Resigns His Commission in United States Army in Order to Speak Freely of German Barbarism
Major Louis Livingston Seaman is not only a military man, and a medical man, but a traveller and journalist of international repute.

Drawing to a Close

Our Great Heart Songs Distribution The Brantford Courier
is today compelled to announce the early closing of its campaign in the most startling distribution of a book ever undertaken by a newspaper.



HEART SONGS has become the most famous song book in the world!
A volume of 400 priceless songs, out of the Long-ago into the Now. The songs to which your cradle rocked the time; the lullabies of centuries; old love songs that stirred the hearts of sixty years ago; the plantation melodies of Dixie; hymns hallowed by age. Songs of land and sea; war; peace; home; travel; youth and beauty; age church, state, nation. 20,000 people put them all into this great book of songs.

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**STORY OF THE RAID ON THE BRITISH COAST**

**Unprecedented Event in British History—Much Damage Done—Raid Failed in Its Object to Draw off the Blockading Fleet.**

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Hartlepool and Scarborough are 42 miles apart, with Whitby about midway between them. Obviously the Germans had organized the raid perfectly. Their squadron of eight cruisers divided before approaching the coast. The cruisers took station off Hartlepool, two lay off Whitby and four made the attack on Scar-

borough. It was also apparent that the raiders were supplied with most important details, such as the necessary range, the location of railway stations and wireless plants, and the position of public buildings. Having that information, they were able to accomplish a tremendous amount of destruction in a few minutes. No time was wasted. They came out of the night with terrible suddenness, struck with all their power and slipped away like ghosts.

**THE MAIN ATTACK.**  
Their main attack was against Scarborough. At this point they came startlingly close to the coast line, as near as they dared to risk the grounding of their cruisers.

**ROWS OF HOUSES RAZED.**  
Whole rows of cottages along the Stalby Road were razed to the main purpose of the bombardment was to destroy the wireless plant and railroad station, but the wireless apparatus escaped injury, and the station was only partly damaged.

The shells made holes in the ground big enough to hold railway coaches. The famous Grand Hotel, perched on the cliff head, was partially demolished. Half a dozen gaping holes show in the walls of the upper storeys, while the walls of the lower storeys on the seaward front, including the large dining room and restaurants were shattered. A picture palace suffered heavy damage. A portion of the cliff tramway was destroyed. The cable end of the town hall, situated on the cliff, was shot to pieces.

**CAME AT DAWN.**  
It was not yet clear daylight, since the sun does not rise along that part of the coast until 8 to 9 a. m. and there was a haze out at sea. The people were rushed from their homes startled by the first roar of cannon and the explosion of the shell that dropped near the railway station could not yet make out the German ships. They

could see the flashes that stabbed the darkness when the guns were fired. Many persons unaware of the real nature of the firing imagined for the moment that a British squadron was at target practice off the coast. Then the shells came thick and fast, causing loss of life and ruin to property. Roofs were smashed in houses where the people were hardly awake. The Balmoral Hotel was hit and quickly took fire. This was the first intimation that many persons in distant parts of the town had that the Germans were attacking. The hotel is in Westborough, where the destruction was very great.

The bodies of the dead were taken to the mortuary, while the injured, many of whom were hurt seriously, were hurried to hospitals. This work was carried on in a continuous rain of shells. Special constables at great personal risk conducted the old and infirm to places of safety underground. The hospital itself was struck but no one was injured. The sea bath infirmary attached to the hospital was badly damaged, but the patients, who included a number of Belgian soldiers, escaped injury.

Very fortunately few people were in the streets when the German warships opened fire without notice or warning. Many were still abed and rushed forth in scanty attire to learn the meaning of the crash of guns and the shrieks and screams they heard from all directions. For some time there was a very real panic, as the town was utterly helpless, and it was believed that the Germans would continue the attack until all Scarborough was battered to pieces. There the interior took place almost at once. Thousands rushed into the country, running breathlessly when they could not find a conveyance. Many went to Hull, spreading the alarm and carrying the news.

After the bombardment ceased and the Germans sped away, hundreds of persons came to Scarborough from interior cities, eager and curious to survey the damage and get the thrilling but alarming details. They made a tour of the health resort. They saw that in nearly every street the damage was great.

**CALLED BY VICAR.**  
"Scarborough, the queen of English watering places," as the town is called was in the line of the German bombardment directly across the harbor as far as the wireless station, and then along the coast to the suburb of Falgrave. There was a large chimney on the brickworks which was razed to the ground, and damage was done to the gas works. A hole was blown in the roof of All Saints' Church at Falgrave. A noteworthy incident of the attack was the conduct of worship-

pers at St. Marten's Church. These had gone early to the church to participate in a communion service. Two shells ripped through the roof and walls. A few persons were injured, but the clergyman quickly calmed the congregation, and there was not the vestige of a panic. The people left the church in an orderly and quiet fashion, and scattered to their homes.

**LEFT ON LINE.**  
Wm. Lamb, a guard on the first train which reached Hull from Scarborough, said that he had been walking along the shore some time before his train was due to depart.

"It was very misty," he said, "and I could not make out any vessels out at sea. So far as I know the first shell fell at 8.05 a. m., and when our train left at 8.25 a. m. the shells were still coming. I saw one strike a chemist's shop near the station, and the shop simply went to pieces and spread out on the ground."

Another refugee gave the following account of the bombardment: "More than fifty shells had fallen in Scarborough up to the time I left, and part of the city was burning when our train pulled out of the station. Many of the German shells fell near the railway station, where great numbers of people had gathered to take early morning trains. Some fell upon the roofs of houses and hotels, and these took fire at once. As the people fled through the streets shells burst over their heads, and many were struck down by flying particles of iron. The shock of an exploding shell which burst high in the air killed one woman."

**AT HARTLEPOOL.**  
The bombardment of Hartlepool lasted at least 25 minutes. A Press Association despatch from Middlesboro says that from two to three warships were engaged in shelling West Hartlepool and the fort. The time given of the attacks at Scarborough and Whitby makes it certain that different ships participated in the three attacks. For the 25 minutes the bombardment lasted at Hartlepool shells fell in all parts of the thriving industrial city, which has a population of 25,000.

Apparently the German ships at this point shelled the fort at the mouth of the Tees and the city itself simultaneously. The firing of the big guns was heard along the coast for a distance of 20 miles, and many persons inland believed that a great naval battle was being fought between the British and German fleets. Shortly after 8 o'clock the people in Redcar, ten miles from Hartlepool, were aroused by the noise of heavy firing, and they saw, far off the coast, three warships in action. These appeared to be throwing shells at the fort on the Tees but the local military authorities drove all civilians from the seaside promenade before it could be ascertained what target the ships were shelling.

The first stages of the bombardment were especially severe. Toward the end of half an hour the German fire weakened considerably, and the gunners fired much more

slowly, apparently taking careful aim. It was shortly after 8 o'clock when the squadron appeared off shore, and immediately opened a violent bombardment, the result of which was that portions of the town were considerably damaged and many women and children were killed.

**FLEW BRITISH FLAG.**  
Hartlepool was bombarded on three sides, and it is said that ships came within half a mile of the shore line, and that they flew the British flag. The land forts replied vigorously. Some unexploded 12-inch shells were picked up after the bombardment. One shell struck the gas works which was damaged.

Two ladies named McKay, living on the cliff terrace, sent their servant to safety, but they remained in the house. The shells came through the roof of their bedroom and both were killed. In Dean street, a family father, mother and six children, were killed. Only one child in another family escaped. A father, mother and two children were killed by shells which went through the roof of a church. The rector, Canon Armaby, was in bed when the bombardment began. With his household he took refuge in the cellar. His house was unroofed, and most of the rooms were damaged, but no one there was injured.

Among the victims were a number of children on their way to school. A shell fell in the midst of the group of children and the group of children was killed. The group of children was killed. The group of children was killed.

The ships appear to have made a target of the lighthouse, which escaped severe damage. The town was almost in darkness last night, as a result of the shelling of the gas works. The electric light station escaped attack, which was witnessed from several places on the Durham coast.

**ENEMY'S SHIPS DAMAGED.**  
At Blackhall Rocks, five miles from Hartlepool, spectators saw the ships firing broadsides, then wheeling around and firing broadsides from the opposite batteries. Flames could be seen as though some buildings were on fire, but these died down. After the guns of the forts replied, the Germans departed, and were lost in the mist. Some of them are believed to have been hit. At Redcar, the noise of the bombardment was like a continuous thunderstorm. The sudden cannonading drew thousands to the waterfront, but there was too much mist to enable them to see what was going on. Three shells fell near the

railway station at Seaton Carew. Great holes were made in the ground but nobody was hurt.

**IMPETUS TO RECRUITING.**  
The general belief in London is that the German attack will give impetus to recruiting, as it will show the country what the war means. Yesterday was one of eager waiting after the Admiralty bulletin was issued shortly before noon, saying: "Our flotillas have at various points been engaged. The situation is developing."

Rumors of various kinds were spread broadcast from m. mouth to mouth. The first was that two German cruisers had been sunk. Many thought that the long-expected general naval engagement between the British and German fleets was progressing and that the shelling of coast towns was merely incidental to this.

The Admiralty's report, issued at 9.30 o'clock last night, giving the news that the German ships had eluded pursuit and were returning safely to their home waters, caused keen disappointment.

**BEALTON**  
[From Our Own Correspondent]  
A few from here attended the missionary meeting at Mrs. Wilfred Anderson's at Wilsonville on Wednesday last.

Don't forget the Christmas entertainment on Tuesday night. A number from here attended the party at Miss V. Renner's at Hartford on Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. McField visited at Vanessa one day last week. Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Smith and Miss L. Smith visited at Mr. G. Davis' on Wednesday.

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WOLGAST BEST MONEY MAKER

Ad Wolgast, who strove to regain his title from Freddie Welsh several weeks ago, has earned more money in the ring than any lightweight in the history of the game.

Of this vast sum Promoter Tom McCarey chipped in over \$90,000 in the form of purses.

The largest lump sum Wolgast ever received for one battle was \$47,000 for his fight with Jose Rivers, at Vernon, Cal., July 4, two years ago.

Wolgast has engaged in no fewer than 11 fights in which the receipts aggregated over \$25,000.

Little Ad has never suffered the ignominy of a knockout, and has been floored but twice in his ring career.

Adolphus has the betting fever in the most aggravated form.

MACK WILL KEEP HIS OTHER STARS

In his championship battle with Nelson, Wolgast backed himself to the extent of \$8,400, which he won, and he lost \$7,000 in wagers when he passed over the title to Ritchie.

And all this despite the fact that Wolgast's hands are brittle. The definitive Michigander is the unluckiest first-rank fighter in the game and he has lost close to \$100,000 through injuries sustained just prior to big battles.

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Feds, and denounced the story that he had negotiated with the St Louis Feds as pure fabrication.

"There has never been any disagreement between Connie and myself," Baker said. "and we parted last season the best of friends.

Mack also intimated that he contemplated no further changes in the club, and that Stuffy McInnes and Jack Barry, as well as Baker, would fill their familiar infield posts next season.

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JAIL IS CONDEMNED BY THE INSPECTOR DR. R. BRUCE SMITH

The County Council met yesterday to clear away all matters that lay, for the new year and they did not succeed in accomplishing this task yesterday and will meet again today.

Once again Inspector R. W. Bruce Smith has issued a condemnation of the Brantford jail at the County Court House in his annual report.

His condemnation deals principally with the structural defects of the building which are, he says, very marked. Indeed, he classifies the cells and corridors as among the very worst in the province.

The Social Service League asked that the County Council urge forward all works possible for the relief of prevalent distress.

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[From Our Own Correspondent] A very pleasant time was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Renner on Thursday evening of last week when a large number of young people gathered to give Asa Walker a party in the form of a surprise before he leaves for other parts.

Mr. H. Potts of Lynnville spent last Thursday at George Townsend's.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lutes and Master Keith spent Saturday and Sunday with the former's parents at Vanessa.

A number from here attended the Fat Stock show at Guelph.

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parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Walker.

A large number of the ladies of this neighborhood met at the hall on Tuesday last where a very busy day was spent knitting socks, quilting and making caps.

Mr. R. R. Richardson of Toronto, was calling on friends in the village on Thursday.

A number from here attended the anniversary services at Round Plains Sunday.

Rabbit hunting is the order of the day.

Mission Band was held in the church Sunday afternoon.

A good programme was given also an address by Mrs. H. Kener on Christmas.

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## Graphic Incidents of the War, Told in Soldiers' Letters and by Wounded Men From the Front.

A General officer commanding a brigade writes:

"We have a weary time of it with this trench work, shot at all day and night by bullets and shells. The latter do far the most damage, but the bullets are particularly deadly, being all fired by picked marksmen, who lie in wait to pick off heads moving in trenches. They have done us much damage. The German artillery is extraordinarily good; their observation is most close, and their shooting accurate beyond anything I had ever dreamed of. They are, too, most prodigal of shells, and think nothing of throwing a couple of hundred into an area at any time of the day or night; and they search out roads and farms far in rear of our trenches, so that it is never safe from them, and find it very difficult to know where to put transport, horses etc., to say nothing of myself.

"I am disgusted by the accounts

I see in the papers of the inferiority of Germans as soldiers; don't believe one word of it. They are quite splendid in every way. Their courage, efficiency, organization, equipment, and leading are all of the very best, and never were surpassed by any troops ever raised. They come on in masses against our trenches and machine-guns, and come time after time, and they are never quiescent, but always on the offensive. I am full of admiration for them, and so are all who know anything about them. It is a pity that such fine soldiers should have behaved so badly in Belgium and here; they have behaved badly, there is no doubt about it, but nothing like what is said of them—any way in parts I have been through."

"So the duel went on. But soon a new danger appeared; a factory near the right of our line, with a huge chimney was taken as a ranging mark by the enemy, and his shells began

to fall upon and around it with clock work regularity and accuracy. And on each side in front of the factory fifty yards away were our trenches. Just beyond them was the very point of the wedge. And beyond the point there were no more of our own troops, only the enemy, almost on our flank. He had found our weak spot and meant to make the most of the discovery. To that end he proceeded to pound the right of our line. With aim on the factory chimney he hurled enormous shells with the guns we call 'Mr. Wump' from a distance of three or four miles. He threw shrapnel from two miles away, and now and then he brought machine guns and rifles into action at 1,000 yards. Our guns replied, but it seemed that at this point we had no shells that could compete with 'Mr. Wump's.' Our machine guns opened whenever they could find a target, and our infantry carried on an independent fire at places likely to hide advancing infantry. So we fought during the 22nd, 23rd and 24th. By the last day the factory had been smashed to ruins, the roof had fallen in, and the walls had great gaps in their sides. Shell holes were all around us, some of our trenches were blown in by the great masses of metal from 'Mr. Wump's.' More than once he hurled whole sections of men in the earth of the parapet. Some of these took no harm, and we dug them out and used them again. Others died, being torn to fragments. Shrapnel killed others, and then as the infantry crept nearer rifle bullets made their mark. Towards the end of the day the enemy came closer still and dug trenches within a hundred yards, while we lay helpless under their fire. But we came out when the guns ceased and drove the riflemen back. And then night fell and we counted the dead.

"That night our position was considered by the General, our trenches on the right were almost demolished and rendered quite untenable. We must move back and take up a fresh position in the rear. So section by section, we withdrew in the darkness and dug new trenches for the morning; and it is no easy task to select a position at night. This the enemy knew, and gave us little time for the work. Before dawn he began. Big guns and shrapnel, then a pause, and it began to grow light. And suddenly from the dimness in front of us there was movement, shadowy forms 400 yards away appearing over a rise in the ground. An infantry attack.

"We were ready at once and fired into the moving target as well as sleepy eyes and hands weary with digging would allow. And then there were shouts from the front, and the word was passed down our line to cease fire, that those in front were English, not Germans, that we were firing into our own men. But they lied. Our men were deceived again, as they have been a hundred times in the war. So the officers yelled, and ordered fire to be continued, and the men obeyed. But meanwhile the enemy had taken advantage of the lull and had occupied cover in front from which they poured in their fire, whilst others rushed a weak spot in our line, where a road insufficiently barred offered an easy passage. And then each man fought for himself, judging his own target and firing as he thought best. And this is where discipline, or in some cases the call of the blood, will tell. Men may be out of reach of their officers, everyone is equal. And thus suddenly discipline failed, and I saw men retiring away from the right, pressed back by a sudden onset of the enemy. And word came to me that there remained only a small party holding the road, and these were cut off from the rest. So we hurried to fill up the gap. And there was no time to lose. The party were still holding on to their position though some were dead and others dying, but not a German had got through alive. We passed over their bodies, friend and foe, where they lay about the path, and crossed to the other side, linking up thereby the two sections of the defence; and so we fought. But the tide had turned, for the enemy began to retire behind the



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houses thirty yards to our front, and there was still no break in our line."

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# WAR STORIES FROM FRONT

The following—by turns amusing and pathetic—picture of life behind the German front is given by Herr Bongrad, one of the correspondents of the Berlin Zeitung am Mittag, at the main German headquarters.

In the main street there is a small and simple pastrycook shop, where coffee is also served. The shop is full of soldiers, who are seated at tables drinking or buying coffee. The coffee is cheap—2d. a cup, with milk and sugar, but the pastries are dear, because flour is scarce.

Excellent as our arrangement of field kitchens is, the usual fare on peesausage and bacon becomes gradually a bit monotonous, and so it is that a cup of hot coffee with milk and cake appears to our brave fellows the grandest of all delicacies.

Of course the men exchange their experiences and views:

"We have real mattresses," said a Saxon fellow in his hearing, sipping his coffee—"mattresses and a soft sofa which we have obtained from a village deserted by the inhabitants and destroyed by French artillery."

"That is nothing," replied a Badenese soldier; "we have a piano and each time a shell strikes near us or a shrapnel bursts over our heads our acting officer plays a march."

"We also sing to the accompaniment of the piano—especially during the evening." "We have indeed entered into a tacit agreement with the French to stop all fire between 12 and 1 o'clock so that they and we might not be disturbed when we feed."

The crown, however, was set upon these stories by the narrative of a Landwehr man who boasted that in their trenches they had formed a quartette. He played the mouth organ and another possessed a clarionette, a third used an old door as a drum, while a fourth one turned a poker into a triangle. Recently when they had been playing during the dinner hour the Blue Danube valise the inmates of the other (the French) trench started a dance.

# FATHER MEETS HIS SON

Suddenly in the midst of this conversation, there is a tramp of horses and a patrol comes on the scene. The Field-greys look out with curiosity. Then all of a sudden a crash. One of the marble tables is upset with a bang, the cups fly on the floor and are broken into bits, the chairs are pushed back, and a Landsturm man who had been sitting in a corner rushes out into the street.

"Fritz, Fritz, sonny, here I am—your father!" One of the riders stops the horse—he has recognized his father. Hundred and one questions burst forth—after mother, after sisters, after brothers. But the leader of the patrol is already calling, "Come we must go further."

The young man turns for the last time in his saddle and waves his lance. The father remains standing still at the door, and large tears fall upon his grey beard. We stand silent and deeply moved, and the young Frenchwoman (the proprietress of the shop) rushes with a loud sob into the little room behind the shop.

# THE SIKH'S TERRIBLE WEAPON

The steel arrow used by German military aviators is an interesting reversion to mediaeval methods. But the most remarkable of hand-thrown steel missiles is the disc of the Sikhs. Formerly this was the most terrible weapon of that warlike people, though various Hindu races have thrown it for centuries. Vishnu himself is sometimes represented holding a disc in each hand. The disc weighs eight ounces; it is a sixth of an inch thick, and its diameter is eight inches. The edge is as keen as a razor. It is thrown as one throws flat pebbles to make ducks and drakes. Its trajectory is flat, and its rotation during flight causes a terrible wound. Sir Ralph Payne Gallwey has experimented with it. He has thrown it two hundred yards and it can sever an inch thick branch without losing any perceptible velocity. In old days the Sikh soldier carried a dozen.

# PORTUGUESE ARMY AND NAVY

The army of Portugal is a militia raised by conscription. It is in three categories, the active army, the reserve and the territorial army. The active army consists of thirty-five regiments of three battalions, 11 cavalry regiments of four squadrons, and eight field artillery regiments. The peace establishment of the active army has been fixed of late years at 30,000 men. The total effective force on a war footing, inclusive of reservists, municipal guards and fiscal guards, is something about 150,000 men. The reserve army is to consist of thirty-five regiments of infantry, eight squadrons of cavalry, and twenty-four field batteries, with other units. Portugal's navy comprises 1 armored vessel, 5 protected cruisers, a third-class cruiser, 19 gunboats, 1 torpedo gunboat, 4 torpedo boats, 16 river gunboats, 3 transports and 3 training ships. Twelve other vessels, including two submarines, were under construction. The whole fleet was manned by 5,000 men. Missed by the cables.

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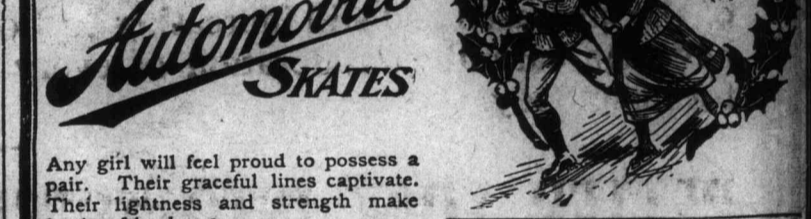
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Ladies' Boudoir Slippers of any color and size, made in kid leather or that beautiful soft ooze which clings to the foot like a stocking. Just the thing for a handsome Christmas gift. Selling at <b>79c to 98c</b>	Boys' Leather Slippers, Boys' Felt Slippers, Boys' Carpet Slippers. Selling at <b>35c to 98c</b>	Men's Two Buckle Overshoes selling at... \$1.89 Men's Rubbers from... 75c to 98c Women's Rubbers from... 53c to 68c Boys' Rubbers... 65c Youths' Rubbers... 55c Misses' Rubbers... 48c Child's Rubbers... 42c Stocking Overs... 90c	Men's Leather Slippers, either low or high styles, something that is sure to please. Selling at <b>50c to \$1.29</b>
Ladies' Patent Leather, Gun Metal or Vici, button or blucher Slater Shoes. Regular \$4.00, \$4.50 and \$5.00. Selling at <b>\$2.98 to \$3.74</b>	Girls' Felt Slippers of most any color and in sizes from large 2 to baby's sizes 2. Selling at <b>25c to 75c</b>	Misses' Patent, Tan or Vici, button or lace Shoes. Regular \$1.75, \$2.00 and \$3.00. Selling at <b>\$1.28 to \$1.98</b>	Men's Felt House Slippers, low and high styles, just the thing to slip your bare feet in. Selling at <b>50c to \$1.19</b>
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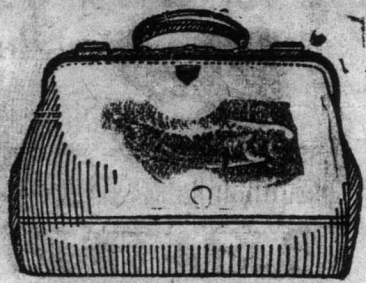
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## BURFORD

(From our own Correspondent) Mr. A. Henderson, of Dover, is home for a visit.

Miss Hattie Bates has returned from a few months visit to her brother in Manitoba.

Mrs. Worboise of Cathcart, visited friends in the village last week. Mr. and Mrs. Matthews are moving into Mr. Ruske's house at the west end. Mr. and Mrs. H. Stuart spent over Sabbath at Galt.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Caven are visiting the parental home.

A very successful recital was held by the pupils of Miss White and Tucker, at the home of Mrs. A. D. Muir, on Tuesday evening. The collection taken will be sent to the Belgium relief fund.

## VANESSA

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Several are on the sick list: Henry Bartholomew, W. H. Bartholomew and Mrs. John Melles are still under the doctor's care.

George and Mrs. Lutes of Hartford, spent Sunday with his parents and also Milton and Mrs. Proper.

The funeral of the late Albert Bartholomew, who died so suddenly on Wednesday, took place Saturday afternoon, at Scotland Masonic Lodge having charge, a large number of people attended. The family have the sympathy of their many friends.

## IMPORTANT CHANGES

CANADIAN PACIFIC TRAIN SERVICE—EFFECTIVE ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13

The attention of the travelling public is respectfully directed to the improved train service via "Lake Ontario Shore Line" in connection with Toronto-Montreal Route.

Commencing Sunday, December 13, the following fast trains will be operated via Oshawa, Port Hope, Cobourg, Trenton and Belleville instead of Peterboro, Havelock, and Tweed, as heretofore.

Eastbound—Train No. 20, "The Canadian" leaving Toronto 9.00 a.m. daily, arriving Montreal 6.10 p.m. Train No. 22, "The Wolverine" leaving Toronto 11.40 p.m. daily arriving Montreal 8.55 a.m.

Westbound—Train No. 19 "The Canadian," leaving Montreal 8.45 a.m., arriving Toronto 5.40 p.m.; Train No. 21, "The Dominion" leaving Montreal 10.00 p.m., arriving Toronto 7.35 a.m.

Commencing Monday, Dec. 14, train No. 38, leaving Toronto 8.05 a.m., and Train No. 37, arriving Toronto 6.50 p.m., will run only between Toronto and Trenton, also Smith's Falls and Ottawa. Train 604 for Trenton and intermediate points will leave Toronto 5.20 p.m. Further particulars from Canadian Pacific Ticket Agents, or write M. G. Murphy, District Passenger Agent, Toronto.

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# Sir Nigel

By A. Conan Doyle

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It was bitter to draw back; but it was madness to remain. Nigel looked round and saw that half his men were down. At the same moment Raoul said, "I have a bolt for you," and he gave it to the archer through the links of the chain which guarded his neck. Some of the archers, seeing that certain death awaited them, were already turning back to escape from the fatal passage.

"By Saint Paul!" cried Nigel, "would you leave our wounded upon them? Let the archers shoot inwards and hold them back from the ditch. Now let each man raise one of our comrades, lest we leave our honor in the hands of the castle."

With a mighty effort he had raised Raoul upon his shoulders and staggered with him to the edge of the ditch. Several men were waiting below where the stone bank abutted from the arrows, and to them Nigel went back until no one lay in the tunnel save seven who had died there. Thirteen wounded were laid in the shelter of the ditch, and as they must remain until night came to cover them. Meanwhile the women on the farther side protected them from attack, and also prevented the escape of the archers. The gaping smoke-blackened arch was all that they could show for a loss of thirty men, but that at least Knolles was determined to keep.

Burned and bruised, but unconscious of either pain or fatigue for the turmoil of his spirit within him, Nigel knelt by the Frenchman and looked at the girl's face. The young Squire was white as chalk, and the haze of death was gathering over his violet eyes, but a faint smile played round his lips as he looked up at his English captives.

"I shall never see Beatrice again," he whispered. "I pray you, Nigel, that when there is a truce you will journey as far as my father's chateau and tell him how his son died. Young Gaston will rejoice for to him come the land and the coat, the war-cry and the profit. See them, Nigel, and tell them that I was as forward as the others."

Indeed, Raoul, no man could have carried himself with more honor or won more worship than you have done this day. I will do your behest when the time comes.

"I surely you are happy, Nigel," the dying Squire murmured, "for this day has given you one more deed which you may lay at the feet of your lady-love."

"It might have been so had we carried the gate," Nigel answered sadly; "but by Saint Paul! I cannot count it a deed where I have come back with my purpose unfulfilled. But this is no time, Raoul, to talk of my own affairs. If we take the castle and I bear a good part in it, then perchance all this may indeed avail."

The Frenchman sat up with that strange energy which comes often at the hour of death. "You will win your Lady Mary, Nigel, and your great deeds will be not three but a score, so that in all Christendom there shall be no man of blood and costarmer who has not heard your name and your fame. This I tell you—I, Raoul de la Roche Pierre de Bras, dying upon the field of honor. And now kiss me, sweet friend, and lay me back to bed. Who is close round me and I am gone!"

With tender hands the Squire lowered his comrade's head, but even as he did so there came a choking rattle of blood and the soul had passed. So died a gallant cavalier of France, and Nigel as he knelt in the ditch beside him prayed that his own end might be as noble and as debonaire.

## CHAPTER XXI

Under cover of night the wounded men were lifted from the ditch and carried back, whilst pickets of archers were advanced to the very gate so that none should rebuild it. Nigel, sick at heart over his own failure, the death of his prisoner, and his fears for Aylward, crept back into the camp, but his cup was not yet full, for Knolles was waiting for him with a tongue which cut like a whip.

Who was he, a raw squire, that he should lead an attack without orders? See what his crazy knight errantry had brought about. Twenty men had been destroyed, and he nothing gained. Their blood was on his head. Chandos should hear of his conduct. He should be sent back to England when the castle had fallen. Such were the bitter words of Knolles, the more bitter because Nigel felt in his heart that he had indeed done wrong, and that Chandos would have said the same though, perchance, in kinder words. He listened in silent respect, as his duty was, and then having saluted his leader he withdrew apart, threw himself down amongst the bushes, and wept the hottest tears of his life, sobbing bitterly with his face between his hands. He had striven hard, and yet everything had gone wrong with him. He was bruised, burned and aching from head to foot. Yet so high in the spirit above the body that all was nothing compared to the sorrow and shame which reached his soul.

But a little thing changed the current of his thoughts and brought some peace to his mind. He had slipped off his mail gauntlets, and as he did so his fingers lighted upon the tiny bangle which Mary had fastened there when they stood together upon St. Catharine's Hill on the Guildford Road. He remembered the motto curiously worked in filigree of gold. It ran: "Fais ce que dois, advienne que pourra—c'est commande au chevalier."

The words rang in his weary brain. He had done what seemed right, come what might. It had gone awry, it is true; but all things human may do that. If he had carried the castle,

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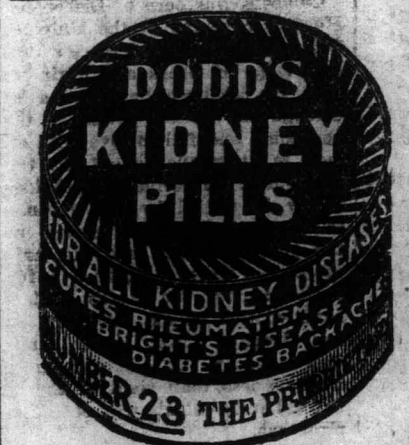
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