

Terrific Battle Along Hindenburg Line Germans Struggle Desperately to Hold On

ST. QUENTIN IN GRAVE PERIL OF CAPTURE BY ALLIED TROOPS

Important Gains by British and French--Two Railway Lines Leading to St. Quentin Captured by British--French Capture Coucy-le-Chateau--Other Positions Held by Germans Are Taken--Germans Strive Desperately to Regain Lost Ground at Cambrai--4000 German Soldiers Cross Into Holland--General Hughes Recommend U.S. to Make Villa Brigade Commander--Great German Offensive Preparing Against Italy.

TO INVESTIGATE ILLEGAL ACTS OF EX-MINISTERS

PETROGRAD, March 27.—A special commission has begun an investigation of illegal acts committed by former ministers and government officials. About six hundred machine guns have been found hidden in different parts of Petrograd.

FIFTY MILLION POUNDS IN TREASURY BILLS

LONDON, March 27.—It is announced that tenders for treasury bills to the amount of fifty million pounds will be received by the government.

MARINE INSURANCE RATES DROP

NEW YORK, March 27.—Marine insurance rates on transatlantic vessels have declined two points here since the government announced its measures for the protection of U.S. shipping.

SIR SAM SUGGESTS VILLA AS GENERAL AGAINST HUNS

ROCHESTER, N.Y., March 27.—General Sir Sam Hughes, speaking at the Chamber of Commerce dinner last night, said the United States should offer Villa command as a Brigadier General of 50,000 Mexicans and send him to Europe to fight with the Allies.

ITAL READY FOR FOE OFFENSIVE

ROME, March 27.—Information received here from Switzerland indicate that a great Austrian-German offensive on the Italian front has been planned by the Central powers for this spring. Italy however, is fully prepared.

FRENCH GAINS AT VARIOUS POINTS

PARIS, March 27.—The war office reports that south of the Oise the French continue to make progress in the lower forest of Coucy, all the northern part of which now occupied by the French troops. South of the forest the French in a brilliant night attack drove the enemy beyond the Berisis-Servais line and captured Coucy-le-Chateau which was stubbornly defended by the Germans. North of Soissons, a point of support near Margival strongly held by Germans was also taken.

FIERCE FIGHTING ALONG HINDENBURG LINE

LONDON, March 27.—British headquarters report both open and massed fighting of most violent character at several points on the Hindenburg line, particularly west of Cambrai, which the Germans are still striving desperately to regain.

Allies are driving forward north and south of St. Quentin and have cut two of the four main railroads which feed the city, while a third is well within reach of the French guns, making the German position in the opinion of the army men as one of grave peril.

4000 GERMAN SOLDIERS FLEE INTO HOLLAND

THE HAGUE, March 27.—Frontier reports received here say that four thousand German soldiers have crossed the line into Holland seeking food and have been interned at Zwolle.

FRENCH CAPTURE TWO BIG TOWNS AND BRITISH ONE

PARIS, March 26.—Though strongly opposed by the Germans, the French troops today occupied the towns of Folembray and La Feuillie, south of the Coucy forest, says the official statement issued by the war office tonight.

Progress has also been made by the French north of Soissons in the neighborhood of Vregny. The text reads: North of the Somme there have been no essential changes.

Between the Somme and the Oise our artillery dispersed enemy assemblies between Benay and Urvillers (St. Quentin sector).

South of the Oise we made important progress in the Bassee Foret de Coucy. Notwithstanding the difficulties in terrain and the spirited resistance of the enemy our troops occupied Folembray and La Feuillie.

North of Soissons we made progress in the region of Vregny Belgian communication: Last night a Belgian detachment entered German trenches near Steenstraete. After inflicting losses on the enemy and destroying his works the detachment returned to the Belgian lines with some prisoners. Spirited artillery actions occurred today in the direction of Dixmude and Steenstraete.

The British this morning attacked and captured the Village of Lagnicourt, according to the official report from British headquarters in France this evening. North of the Bapaume-Cambrai road 30 prisoners and a machine gun were taken. During the afternoon the Germans delivered counter-attacks from the east and northeast. The attacks, the statement says, were repulsed.

RUSSIAN WAR MINISTER AT RIGA

LONDON, March 26.—Reuter's Petrograd correspondent announces the arrival of Alexander J. Guchkoff, Russian minister of war, at Riga.

FRENCH LOAN HEAVILY SUBSCRIBED

PARIS, March 26.—The credit foncier new loan of 600,000,000 francs, 5 1/2 per cents, issued at 280 francs 40 centimes for a 300 francs bond, closed today. The subscriptions exceed 4,000,000,000 francs.

PRUSSIAN PRINCE'S INJURIES FATAL

LONDON, March 27.—The Daily Express says it learns that Prince Friedrich Karl of Prussia, who was reported in a Madrid despatch as having been shot down by artillery while flying in an aeroplane over the British lines near Peronne, has died of his injuries.

ARGENTINA BARS GRAIN EXPORTS

BUENOS AIRES, March 26.—A presidential decree just issued forbids the exportation from Argentina of grain and flour. The object of the measure is to assure stocks necessary for the country.

LOAN OVER-SUBSCRIBED BY A HUNDRED MILLION

OTTAWA, March 26.—The third Canadian war loan has been a third magnificent success. It has been over-subscribed by one hundred million dollars. The loan was issued on March 12, and in less than a fortnight applications aggregating over \$250,000,000 reached the minister of finance. As a result the banks will not receive any part of their sixty millions of subscriptions. The following statement was issued by the minister of finance:

"While it will be some days before all applications in the mails and now on their way from all parts of Canada will come to hand, we are able to announce officially that the loan has been over-subscribed by one hundred million dollars. This means that the banks will receive no part of their sixty millions of subscriptions, and that the other large subscriptions will be substantially scaled down on allotment. This will make for a very strong financial market situation as Canadian liquid banks funds will be conserved for the general purposes of the community and the unsatisfied demand for the loan should more than maintain the issue price. Applications will aggregate over forty thousand, and it is particularly gratifying to note the increasing number of small subscriptions."

LT. E. D. WALLACE KILLED FLYING

Belleville Boy in Fatal Accident at Oxford, England This Morning.

Mrs. Robert Wallace, 132 Church St. received a Government cable today announcing that her son Lieut. E. D. Wallace, had been killed in an aeroplane accident this morning. The message came from the School of Aeronautics, Oxford, England.

Lieut. Ernest D. Wallace enlisted with the First Contingent and went to England with the 2nd Battalion. For a time he remained in England and then went overseas with a machine gun battery.

Later he had gone in for aeronautics and attended an aviation school in England.



Lieut. Ernest D. Wallace, Killed in Aeroplane Accident

At one time he was collector for the Bell Telephone Company at Belleville and later became inspector. From Belleville he was removed to Port Hope where he remained for three years. At the time of enlistment he was local manager at Port Perry and a Captain in the 34th regiment.

The news of his death came as a great shock to his relatives. He has a brother Fred in France and another Capt. Harry L. Wallace in the 25th, Lieut. Wm. H. Wallace and Sergt. Claude Wallace now at the front are cousins.

MR. G. W. ELLIS BOYS' SECRETARY

Gordon W. Ellis Takes Charge of Department—Experiences in Port Arthur and Toronto.

Mr. Gordon W. Ellis, the new Boys' Secretary for the Belleville Y.M.C.A., arrived yesterday from Toronto to take up the position vacated by Mr. Allin, now overseas.

Mr. Ellis was assistant secretary at Port Arthur from 1912 to 1914 and for the next two years attended McMaster University, taking an art course. For two summer vacations and for the past year permanently he has engaged in park recreation work under the direction of the Parks Commission of the Toronto City Council. For the past year he has been in charge of Moes Park recreation centre.

The new boys' secretary comes from Paris, where he started in at Association Work.

The boys' department over which Mr. Ellis presides number about 177 members. Mr. Brockel, the General Secretary, has been handling this work since Mr. Allin's departure. Mr. Ellis will begin organization for the season's work at once.

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FRENCH TAKE POSITIONS WITHIN TWO MILES OF ST. GOBAIN

PARIS, March 28.—The war office announces that the advance of the French north of Ailette river and east of the Leuilly-Neuville-Margival line where important German positions were taken. The French forces are now within less than two miles of St. Gobain. Heavy artillery fighting is in progress on the Champagne front.

GERMANY'S FOOD SUPPLY OVERESTIMATED

AMSTERDAM, March 28.—A Berlin despatch says the German food dictator admits that there has been an overestimate in the amount of Germany's food supplies.

GREECE SENDS PROTEST TO ITALY

LONDON, March 27.—A despatch to Reuters from its Athens correspondent states that Greece has presented a note to Italy regarding the withdrawal of Italian troops from Epirus to Avlona.

DISMISS TWO THOUSAND GERMANS

SAN LUIS POTOSI, Mex., March 27.—More than 2,000 Germans who have been working in the oil fields at Tampico and Vera Cruz have been dismissed by the oil companies. Many of these men have arrived here. They are without employment.

INVESTIGATING CANADIAN'S DEATH

LONDON, March 27.—In the house of commons tonight J. L. Macpherson said an inquiry was being held into the death of Pte. J. F. Mitchell, aged 20, a Canadian, from alcoholic poisoning at Surrey camp. A private member protested against drink temptations put in the way of young Canadians in camps. Mr. Macpherson said wet canteens were introduced into the camps at the request of the Canadian authorities.

PEACE OFFER TO RUSSIA RUMORED

LONDON, March 27.—A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Amsterdam says: "According to a Berlin telegram received by the Amsterdam bourse Berlin is filled with rumors that Germany has offered a separate peace to Russia. The terms are said to be complete autonomy to Poland, the internationalization of Constantinople, the evacuation by Russia of Austrian territory and a Russian protectorate over Armenia."

FRENCH ADVANCE IN MACEDONIA.

PARIS, March 27.—A French official communication issued tonight says: "Eastern theater: After efficacious artillery preparation a French battalion captured 400 metres of enemy trenches in the direction of Cervraigna Crest, taking about 100 prisoners. In the Cerna bend Italian troops, supported by our artillery, checked a Bulgarian attack. Great aerial activity has occurred along the whole front. A German aeroplane was brought down near Lake Presba, the pilot and observer being made prisoners."

WILL REPORT ON THE DEVASTATION OF FRANCE

PARIS, March 28.—Gen. Nivelle, at the request of Rene Besnard, under secretary for war, has appointed an officers' commission to report on the devastation caused by the Germans in the evacuated portion of France.

MOHRAT OPPOSES OFFENSIVE AGAINST RUSSIA

BERLIN, March 28.—The idea of a great offensive against Russia in order to take advantage of her supposed demoralization is opposed by Major Mohrat, military expert of the Tageblatt. The foreground of interest in Major Mohrat's opinion still lies in the situation on the Western front.

HOSPITAL SHIP SUNK

LONDON, March 28.—The survivors of the British hospital ship, "Asturias," were landed at a village on the shore of an unnamed estuary. The refugees said the torpedo, which sank the ship which was blazing with light and easy to identify, struck near the stern and almost missed.

REDUCTION OF 50 CENTS IN COAL PRICES

NEW YORK, March 28.—The Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company today announced a reduction of 50c a ton in the price of coal, to become effective April 2. The reduction applies only to stove, egg, and nut sizes.

DIABETES THREATENS EMPEROR WILLIAM

BERNE, Switzerland, March 28.—Wireless advices state that Emperor William is suffering from a mild form of diabetes and is undergoing treatment at Hamburg. Worry is said to be retarding his recovery.

SWISS RECOGNISE RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT.

BERNE, Switzerland, via Paris, March 27.—The federal council has instructed the Swiss minister in Petrograd to enter into diplomatic relations with the new Russian Government.

BRITISH TAKE BOYELLES WITH ARMORED CARS AND CAVALRY

LONDON, March 28.—British headquarters report the capture of the town of Boyelles, three miles west of Croiselles, by a British force of armored cars supported by cavalry. The Germans holding the position were overwhelmed and retreated. The British are now holding the town in great strength. The weather continues bad.

STRAIGHT FRONT NOW FROM AISNE RIVER TO SOMME

PARIS, March 27.—The French made a substantial advance today south of the Somme, moving forward in places as far as three miles from their positions yesterday, with the result that the big bulge in the line formed by the lower Coucy forest has disappeared and the front runs continuously straight from the Somme to the Aisne.

Coucy-le-Chateau, which is perched on a height could not be attacked from the front, and the French, following Napoleon's maxim of going around an obstacle that cannot be surmounted, cleared the Germans out of the lower forest. The operations were carried out with skill and despatch and Coucy, turned on the right, fell into their hands like ripe fruit.

The Germans naturally did not place their main position on the automatically outflanked Coucy plateau, and it evidently lies farther in the rear. Behind the lower forest and plateau is a vale passing from Anizy-le-Chateau through Quincy-Basse and Auliers to Fresnoes. On the upper side of this natural moat, rising abruptly to a height of 650 feet, lies the upper Coucy forest, from which artillery can sweep the plateau on which the old tower of Coucy stood.

It is there that the enemy's main position will be found. It is a most formidable position and admirably adapted to defence and it is to be foreseen that the French who are acting with the great prudence that the situation demands, will mark time here as on the more northerly sections and give the columns operating between the Ailette and the Aisne time to work up toward Anizy and threaten the position from the left flank.

WILSON PLANS FIRM MESSAGE FOR CONGRESS.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—With army, navy and industrial preparedness measures to meet German aggression going forward as rapidly as possible, President Wilson and his cabinet today took up consideration of further steps to follow the convening of congress in extra session next Monday.

The president has not yet written the message which he will deliver Tuesday or Wednesday, and is said to have reached no final conclusion as to just what recommendation to make. Because of possible changes in the situation, he is not expected to put the address in final shape until the last moment.

There is no doubt in the minds of administration officials that whatever may be its details the policy laid before congress will be both vigorous and comprehensive. The general opinion after the cabinet meeting apparently was that the program most likely to be followed by congress will include a declaration that a state of war exists between the U. S. and Germany, an authorization for the president to use the armed forces of the nation to protect its rights, the granting of a large credit to the government to carry out its policy, passage of censorship and espionage bills, and provision for the employment of additional secret service agents.

No final decision has been reached as to whether financial assistance should be given the entente allies, though a strong sentiment for such a step exists among government officials. If this is done the government probably will deal directly with the other governments concerned and not through agents.

Col. E. M. House, the president's personal adviser, arrived at the White House tonight from New York. He is expected to stay several days.

Senator Hitchcock, a member of the senate foreign relations committee, conferred with the president during the day, and later he said that he believed Mr. Wilson still had an open mind regarding recommendations to congress. Personally, Senator Hitchcock thought that the passage of a resolution by congress endorsing the president's armed neutrality stand would be better than a declaration of war, or a declaration that a state of war exists. Afterwards the statement was authorized at the White House that the president had invited suggestions, but he had not committed himself to any course in his talk with Senator Hitchcock. Senator Hitchcock said he called to impress the president with the western sentiment against "precipitate action." "I wished the president to know," he explained, "that I believed my own state and most of the people of the western states are most desirous of avoiding a declaration of war, or a declaration that a state of war exists, until no other course remains open. I approve and I believe the country approves of the steps taken toward defence—of complete preparation looking to war, if it becomes necessary."

WOUNDS ARE NOT SERIOUS

Belleville Nurses in Hospital Where Belleville Boy is Lying Wounded

Pte Arthur Ferguson, who was reported wounded in the side some time ago, has written to Mr. G. G. Taylor, North Front Street, giving an account of his wounding. A high explosive shell from the German lines fell where Pte. Ferguson and some other Canadian Highlanders were and exploded. One of the men was killed and three besides Pte. Ferguson were wounded. Pte. Ferguson's wounds are not serious. He writes that he is in the ward where Nursing Sister Mastin of Belleville is in charge. Two other Belleville ladies are in the same hospital Miss Jenkins and Miss Waters.

TRESPASSERS HEAVILY FINED

Youths Who Rode on G. T. R. Train Without Tickets in Court Today.

The Grand Trunk passenger train No. 16, from the West early this morning carried in five men who did not pay their fare. They rode from Toronto on the coal tender. At Belleville, Constable John Trausack rushed at the bunch and got two of the five without assistance. Had he had help he would have landed the rest.

The two captives were John Wade 17 years, and Philip Bellefontaine 19 years. Both pleaded guilty in court to entering on the train without knowledge or consent of railway officials with intent to ride thereon fraudulently without paying fare for the trip. "We had no money, sir," Wade told Magistrate "and we were trying to beat our way home." They had come up from Halifax and reached Collingwood last Friday. They admitted having beaten their way to Collingwood.

The Magistrate, "It's pretty tough Spring coming on and no money." Both men were accordingly fined \$35 and costs of 6 weeks in jail.

FORTY HOURS' DEVOTIONS

A Number of Priests From Surrounding District Were at St. Michael's Church

The "Forty Hours' Devotion" which began at St. Michael's church on Monday morning at nine o'clock, were concluded this morning at the same hour. Rev. Father Killen and Rev. Father Hyland were assisted by Rev. Fathers O'Riordan, of Madoc, Carson of Picton, Meagher, of Marysville and Connolly of Trenton. St. Michael's parishioners were faithful attendants at the devotions.

TORONTO DOES WELL IN LOAN SUBSCRIPTIONS

A summary of the subscriptions to the war loan thru Wood, Gundy and Company of Toronto, whose subscriptions total almost one quarter of the amount set for the entire loan shows almost twice as many subscribers as the last loan. The actual number of subscriptions exceed 2500, aggregating \$34,562,000. This compares with subscriptions of \$22,000,000 to the second loan, and \$7,000,000 to the first Canadian war loan. Of the total amount subscribed \$33,250,000 or over 96 per cent, is new money.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. Nell S. McEachren, Owen Sound, announce the engagement of their only daughter, Annie Jean, to Mr. James Joseph Wilson, B.A., of the Belleville High School. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson are well known in Belleville. The marriage will take place early in April.

TO INCORPORATE GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION

An application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at the present session for an act incorporating the Dominion Council of the Girl Guides Association having for its primary object the instructing of girls in the principles of discipline, loyalty and good citizenship and to obtain the sole and exclusive rights to have and use all emblems, badges and decorations, descriptive or designating marks and titles now or heretofore used by the association and the title "Girl Guides." Lt.-Col. W. N. Fenton, K. C., is solicitor for the application.

Mrs. W. A. Lingham, of Halifax, N. S., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Job. Lingham, George St.

CAN BELGIUM ARISE FROM HER ASHES?

Extinction Now Threatens Gallant Nation Which Saved Europe Because of Pitiful Need of More Food Contributed From Canada and Elsewhere.

Montreal, Mar. 28.—"One of those chosen spots where civilization blossomed out as by some mysterious spontaneous process." Such was the description of Belgium given before the Women's Art Society of Montreal, by Philip J. Turner, in an address on 'Belgium, its Art and its People.' He declared that to no small nation had civilization been more deeply indebted than to the people of Belgium, for ever since the Middle Ages they have achieved conspicuous and almost continuous triumphs in all the arts of peace. They had also been again and again the champions of political liberty. The last heroic stand which they have made today, and which has saved Europe from an appalling catastrophe, is but the concluding chapter of a stirring and inspiring national history.

Mr. Turner aroused great enthusiasm in his audience by a series of limelight views of some of the more wonderful examples of architecture in Belgium. These, he said, were monuments of those times when the rich and powerful inhabitants of the great trading towns were enabled to make displays of wealth and magnificence which might vie with the grandeur of princes, and by their collective influence and authority often resist that oppression which the feudal lords sought to exercise. Such monuments belonged to the history of civilization.

"But now," said Mr. Turner, "this beehive of industry is destroyed, the market gardens and flower gardens are ravaged, the thickly-populated country is deserted, its property ruined. The busy people have become a nation unemployed. Those peaceful plains have become the theatre of the most appalling war in history. Everywhere the Belgian people are sorrow-stricken, panic-stricken, famine-stricken. But the final ordeal is certain. From this awful ordeal a greater and nobler Belgium will emerge. The Belgian people have emerged from the modern history, have remained true to the traditions of their past. They have added a stirring chapter to the annals of human heroism, and have triumphantly proved the value of small nationalities. Belgium has saved Europe, and what the day of settlement comes, Europe will not repudiate the debt she owes to the small nation that saved her."

To this it may be added that meanwhile the Belgian nation is in the gravest peril of extinction. War-torn France and England have given largely to the Belgian Relief Commission, which is the only agency supplying the Belgians with food. But the need is greater than they can meet. Hundreds of thousands of Belgians are now on a daily ration that simply keeps body and soul together, and 1,250,000 growing children—the hope of the Belgian nation—are on the edge of irretrievable physical ruin unless larger rations can be given them. Canadians are earnestly asked to help in this work by sending contributions to the Central Belgian Relief Committee, 59 St. Peter Street, Montreal, or to any branch committee throughout Canada.

ABSCONDER BAGGED AT PETERBORO

James A. Hird, treasurer of St. John's Anglican Church, Toronto, was arrested in Peterboro, Wednesday, on a charge of absconding with the funds of the church, amounting to \$1,408. He left Toronto early in December, since when the police have been searching for him. It was believed that he had crossed the border and the police distributed pamphlets, describing the man, all over Canada and the United States, that a man answering to the wanted man's description was arrested in Peterboro. The latter admitted his identity.

NO MORE C.E.F. COMMISSIONS

It is published in district orders that there are in Canada many Lieutenants who are qualified and awaiting appointment in the Canadian Expeditionary Force, who have no chance of going overseas unless they are either seconded or resign their commissions, and if they select to enlist, they will not need to serve with units in Canada, but will be collected at convenient centres and sent over to England as special drafts as soon as troop-ships are available. On their arrival in England, arrangements will be made, if possible, to allow them to be posted to any unit they prefer (subject to the exigencies of the service) and with the qualifications they possess, their advancement should be rapid.

Commanding officers will submit the names of all Lieutenants in the unit under their command, who are likely to avail themselves of the opportunity above offered. The intention is that in the future, no more commissions will be granted in the C.E.F. in Canada.

'TODDIE' STRIKES BELLEVILLE

Class of Twenty-Four Instructed in Going through the Measures Last Evening.

The "Toddie" has struck Belleville. The question among some of the young people is now "Can you 'toddle'?" The toddle is the latest dance from New York.

Twenty-four young people in Belleville have taken the new terspichorean to heart. Last night Mr. Albert Johnston led them through the measures at the Johnstone Academy, Front Street.

How do you toddle? The toddle is danced to music in the same tempo as the old schottische, which is an innovation in modern ballrooms, but in the theaters and music halls has set the feet of the audiences tapping for generations. The new dance consists of a few walking steps, some turns, several running steps and a jump in the air. The formula is four steps forward by the man, four steps backward by the lady, pivot, sway and turn on one foot.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Young visited his father on Saturday and Sunday. A number of the members of the Ladies' Aid Society, including Mrs. J. Young, spent the week-end at the home of Mrs. J. Young, who is now in the hospital. A goodly number of the members of the Ladies' Aid Society, including Mrs. J. Young, spent the week-end at the home of Mrs. J. Young, who is now in the hospital.

Services were held at the home of Mrs. C. R. Clarke on Sunday last. The funeral services were held at 10 o'clock at St. Paul's church. Mrs. Clarke was the widow of Mr. C. R. Clarke, who died on Sunday last. Mrs. Clarke was born in Scotland and came to Canada in 1870. She was the mother of five children. She was a member of the Presbyterian church and was active in the work of the church. Her husband died on Sunday last, after a long illness. Mrs. Clarke is now residing at her home in Belleville. She is the mother of Mr. C. R. Clarke, who is now a member of the Belleville police force. Mrs. Clarke is also the mother of Mrs. J. J. Young, who is now a member of the Belleville police force. Mrs. Clarke is a devoted mother and a faithful member of the church. She is now 70 years of age and is in good health. She is the mother of five children and is the grandmother of twelve grandchildren. She is a member of the Belleville Presbyterian church and is active in the work of the church. She is a devoted mother and a faithful member of the church. She is now 70 years of age and is in good health. She is the mother of five children and is the grandmother of twelve grandchildren.

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From the Countryside

WEST HUNTINGDON.

Mr. and Mrs. Rollins, of Cooper, visited his uncle, Mr. Geo. Post, on Saturday and Sunday.

A number from here intend taking in the Box Social at the Ridge Road School House, on Friday night March 30th.

Mr. J. York, of Campbellford, spent the week-end at Mr. R. Hagarty's.

A goodly number from here attended G. M. Sharpe's services in Stirling on Sunday night.

Mr. Percy Ashley has ordered a new car.

Mr. G. Dafee spent Sunday P. M. on the Ridge Road.

The W. M. S. held a quilting at the parsonage on Thursday. A dinner was served by the Ladies. Proceeds amounted to \$4.50.

Misses Lulu and Gladys Searles visited at Minto last week.

CARMEL.

Services were well attended on Sunday last.

The funeral of the late Mr. H. Homan took place on Wednesday at Carmel church. Interment took place at Elmwood cemetery. Rev. D. P. Wilson, Belleville, conducted the services, assisted by Rev. Huffman, of Plainfield, Rev. Hopper, of Belleville, and Rev. Wilson, Carnifon. The sympathy of the neighborhood is extended to the sorrowing friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Glover visited friends in our neighborhood last week.

Mr. Rowland has moved into our midst. He intends working Mr. Clark's farm.

Mrs. C. R. Foster spent the week-end at Mr. E. S. Gilbert's.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Vandewater spent Sunday at Mr. VanAllen's at Plainfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Hagerman, Foxboro, took dinner at Mr. Patterson's on Wednesday last.

Rev. Huffman, Plainfield and Mr. H. K. Denney, Belleville, also Mr. and Mrs. Mowat, Halston were at Mr. E. S. Gilbert's on Wednesday last.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Vandewater spent Sunday at Mr. VanAllen's at Plainfield.

Miss Mac Clarke made several flying calls through this district on Friday.

Mr. Frank met with a painful accident while falling a tree. He was struck by a heavy limb, causing a severe laceration and requiring medical attention.

STOCKDALE.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Bates entertained a few friends on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. V. Osterhout spent a few days at Mr. A. E. Wood's the past week.

Mr. J. Williamson visited at Mr. Harry Crowe's on Tuesday.

Owing to the illness of Miss Davidson our junior teacher, there was no school in her room for a couple of days last week.

Quite a number from the village attended the Women's Institute at Mrs. Jas. Bateson's.

Mrs. G. Sanbourne is visiting with friends at Mount Zion.

Mrs. Harry Orr and Mrs. J. T. Collier visited Miss M. Hudgin's on Wednesday.

Mrs. G. H. Davidson is visiting friends at Warkworth.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. H. Pitcher spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. N. Bates.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Foster took dinner at Mr. Jas. Foster's on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Osterhout entertained a few friends on Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Frost spent Sunday at Mr. W. H. White's.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Osterhout, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bryant, Mr. and Mrs. M. Davidson and Mr. and Mrs. L. Bryant took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. N. Bates on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fox spent Sunday with his father, Mr. S. Fox. Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson, of Belleville called at Mr. T. Sargent's on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walt spent Sunday at Mr. Jas. Bates.

Miss Gertrude Keene took tea with Miss Mabel Walt on Sunday.

The robins are coming in plenty and the fine warm days tell us that winter is defeated and Spring is here to stay.

The water in the creek is quite high at present, but the ice has not broken up.

Don't forget the concert on Friday, April 6th. A treat is in store for all who come. Popular prices of admission.

No surgical operation is necessary in removing corns of Holloway's Corn Cure be used.

THIRD LINE THURLOW.

We are enjoying a few days of Spring. The snow has disappeared very quickly.

Sawing wood is the order of the day.

Mr. Goodfellow was through here with his gasoline outfit.

Mrs. Frank O'Carroll's oldest boy had convulsions, but is getting better.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Rutan entertained Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tiddell and Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Clapp one evening this week.

We are sorry to report that Mr. Robert Wilson is very poorly, yet we all hope for a speedy recovery.

Our pastor, Rev. A. E. Wilson gave an excellent sermon last Sunday at Bethany church. There was a fair attendance.

Mr. Samuel Dean has our milk route this season.

We expect the factory to start early owing to the high price of cheese.

Mr. Charles Haight is quite feeble.

Mrs. David Clapp is visiting her daughter Mrs. Wm. White at Corbyville.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McCreary of Halston visited at Mr. and Mrs. A. Rutan on Sunday.

CARRYING PLACE.

Sawing wood and making Maple Syrup is the order of the day.

We all take much pleasure in listening to the Spring birds and frogs.

Miss G. Mabey from Trenton, spent Sunday with Miss Gussie Wammanaker.

Miss Myrtle Waller from Trenton is spending the week-end at home.

Quite a few from here attended Trenton Market on Saturday.

Master Charlie Laws, invited a few of his boy friends to dinner on Sunday.

All of those who attended the dance on Thursday evening in the hall report a good time.

The Ladies Aid meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Francis Weese on Thursday afternoon. The next meeting will be held at the home

CHAPMAN.

Sawing wood is the order of the day in our vicinity.

Mr. Harry Coulter spent a few days with Belleville friends.

Miss Helen Emerson left on Wednesday to spend a few days in Belleville.

Mr. Patrick Hart of Stoco, is in our midst this week busy sawing wood.

Whooping cough and la-grippe are still raging in our locality.

Mrs. Stephen Fluke spent a few days last week with her daughter Mrs. W. Laughlin, Marlbank.

Bethel League attended the reception given at Thomaburg in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Percy McTaggart, who were married at the Methodist parsonage on Wednesday morning of last week.

Mr. Joseph Emerson spent a few days last week attending Lodge in Belleville.

VICTORIA.

We were pleased to have our pastor out to church on Sunday after an illness of a few weeks. Service will be held next Sunday at 2.30.

The Ladies Aid quilting was well attended on Thursday at the home of Mrs. Lorne Brickman. Red Cross collection \$3.05. Our next meeting at the home of Mrs. Fred Bonter on Thursday, April 5th.

The S. S. Class was entertained at the home of our teacher, Mrs. H. Pulver. All enjoyed a fine evening.

Miss Ruth Pymmer spent a few days with her sister, Mrs. H. Pulver.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Fox spent Sunday at Mr. Will Alvey's.

Miss Vera Brickman is visiting Mrs. Geo. Fox, Missionary Supt.; Mr. Ralph Doolittle, Sec.; Mrs. Harry Bracon, Organist; Miss Rosemond McHenry, Asst. Organist; H. Had-den, Miss R. Fenn, Miss M. Moon, Teachers.

BLESSINGTON.

Syrup-making is the order of the day, but indications point to a very short season.

Mrs. Clara Jeffery spent Monday P. M. at Geo. Badgley's.

We are glad to see Mr. G. Cole and Mr. G. Badgley able to out again.

Mr. and Mrs. P. McLaren, Mr. and Mrs. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. F. Corrigan and Mr. and Mrs. A. W. McLaren spent Tuesday evening at Walter Siler's.

Miss Alva Hagerman has returned from Stirling after spending a few days with her mother and father.

Mrs. Geo. Badgley spent Wednesday evening at Alva Hagerman's.

Miss M. Blakey spent Sunday P. M. at P. McLaren's.

AMELIASBURG.

Syrup-making is the order of the day.

We are sorry to report that Mrs. P. Carley is on the sick list.

Miss Ruby West visited in Trenton a couple of days last week.

Mrs. Fred McConnell of Wellington, is visiting relatives here.

Mr. Delbert Snider attended the sale at Belleville on Saturday.

Mr. Geo. Alvey is confined with la-grippe.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Dempsey entertained several friends on Saturday evening.

The members of the Maple Leaf Club were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Brown on Saturday evening. All report a splendid time.

Worms cause fretfulness and rob the infant of sleep, the great nourisher. Mother Graves' Exterminator will clear the stomach and intestines and restore healthfulness.

BETHANY.

The hum of the wood-saw is heard in our neighborhood.

Mr. and Mrs. Easton Attended the funeral of Melville Hagerman in Belleville on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Latta and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Swain spent Sunday at Mr. D. Shorey's in Sidney.

Mrs. E. E. Reed spent the week-end at the home of her parents at Wellman's Corners.

Mrs. J. A. Cox and children are spending a week with her aunt Mrs. Lucas in Belleville.

Miss Annie McCullough and Mrs. M. Denton spent Monday last at Mr. Geo. Hamilton's.

A new baby has come to brighten the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Easton spent Sunday at Mr. Wm. Clark's.

CROOKSTON.

The snow has gone and every one seems glad to see spring come once more.

On Wednesday, March 21, the young ladies organized class was entertained at the home of their teacher, Mr. Frank Geary. Their work in the afternoon was the making of sheets, towels, etc. for the Red Cross. Tea was served, after which the evening was spent in playing games and music.

The young ladies extend to Mr. and Mrs. Geary and mother a hearty vote of thanks for their hospitality.

Death has again visited our vicinity and taken from us Mrs. E. White-sall. Her relatives have the heart-felt sympathy of the community.

Mrs. Scarlett of Wellman's Corners, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. Downey.

Miss Lena Tammon spent a few days visiting relatives at Tweed. A number of Orangemen attend-

of Mrs. H. Meyers.

Mrs. Edwin Rowe took dinner with Mrs. Smith Rowe on Thursday.

The At-Home that was held at Mrs. Herb. Herrington's was quite well attended.

Mrs. Frank Hall went to Belleville on Friday.

Mrs. Gilbert Weller and son from Belleville are visiting Mrs. James Weller for a few days.

Mr. W. McLaughlin has returned home after spending a few days at Belleville attending the Orange Grand Lodge.

Mr. Francis Weese is suffering quite a lot of pain with his broken leg.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bonter called on Mr. and Mrs. Francis Weese on Saturday evening.

BURR'S.

Messrs. Willie Burkitt, Bride Hough, Joe Moon, Walter Nelson, and George Fox attended the sale held in Pictou on Friday.

Mrs. Frank Burkitt, Mrs. Frank Carter and Mrs. Richard Parks were the guests of Mrs. George Fox on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Basil Ainsworth and family, Mrs. Emma Ainsworth and Mildred visited at Mr. Joseph Moon's on Wednesday.

Mr. Ewart Horn is very ill with appendicitis.

Mr. A. Sanderson, Trenton is the guest of his sister, Mrs. Basil Hough.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe. Moon and Miss Myrtle visited at Mr. C. McPaul's on Sunday.

Mr. Walter Nelson purchased a new horse on Friday.

Burr's S. S. reorganized on Sunday with Mr. C. C. Peterson as Supt., Mr. Harry Hodden, Asst. Supt.; Mr. Ralph Doolittle, Home Dept. Supt.; Mr. Fred Moynes, Cradel Roll Supt.; J. W. Boyd, Temperance Supt.; Mrs. Geo. Fox, Missionary Supt.; Mr. Ralph Doolittle, Sec.; Mrs. Harry Bracon, Organist; Miss Rosemond McHenry, Asst. Organist; H. Had-den, Miss R. Fenn, Miss M. Moon, Teachers.

OAK HILLS.

Evangelist Sharpe gave his farewell sermon on Monday night to a crowded audience. He made many friends while here although he laid bare the sins of the people without fear or favor.

Mr. Geo. Clarke is on the sick list.

Mr. Mick Welsh saw a flock of wild geese on Friday.

Mr. Jas. Stapley had a cow give birth to a calf weighing 103 pounds.

Mrs. J. W. Richardson and little sons of Deloro, have returned home after visiting friends here.

The teacher and pupils of Eggleston school were badly frightened when at the noon hour they found one of the pupils, Ernest Allen, on the school grounds in an unconscious condition. He was picked up and taken to his home and Dr. Zwick summoned. The young boy regained consciousness in about two hours. We are glad to hear that he is gaining slowly.

Mrs. A. W. Andrews, who has been confined to her bed for several weeks, was removed to Belleville hospital on Thursday. We hope to hear of her speedy recovery.

Mr. Jones Jarvis, Madoc, visited his brother, C. A. Jarvis, last week. The stork visited our Hills and presented Mr. and Mrs. Sam. Danford with a beautiful son. Congratulations.

We are sorry to hear that Mrs. Palm Cook is not improving.

Mr. Miller Jones, Sidney, is enjoying himself undergoing a small operation in his throat and is spending a few days with friends here.

Mr. Jack Gallivan has returned home after spending the winter in Toronto and vicinity with the Bell Telephone Co.

Now for the maple syrup. Who will be the first?

GRAND LODGE AT BELLEVILLE.

of Grand Lodge at Belleville last week.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Smith were in our village on Sunday evening calling on relatives.

Mr. Chambers and family have moved to their new home at West Huntingdon. We extend a welcome to our new neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. Mahar.

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Mr. R. J. Thompson, of Uxbridge, Tells the Story of His Terrible Trouble and Almost Miraculous Cure.

Uxbridge, Ont.—March 26th (Special)—Mr. R. J. Thompson, living near here, had fourteen convulsions in one afternoon. The doctors did not think he could live. To-day he is well and strong. He says Dodd's Kidney Pills did it. But let him tell his own story:

"I am delighted with Dodd's Kidney Pills," Mr. Thompson states "I have only taken eleven boxes and I feel like myself again.

"I was taken ill very suddenly I ate my dinner and went to take a man home. I just got about three-quarters of a mile when I was taken with a convulsion. It had fourteen that afternoon and the third day I had nine more.

"The doctors said I could not live and if I did I would never be able to do anything again, as I had chronic Bright's Disease. But, thank God, I am doing my own work once again, by the use of Dodd's Kidney Pills."

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KALADAR-DENBIGH HIGHWAY

Addition Deputation Is Assured of Help From Government

Governmental assistance towards the construction of an automobile highway from Kaladar to Denbigh in the county of Addington, was practically assured a large deputation headed by W. D. Black, M.P.P., and W. J. Paul, M.P., by Hon. F. G. McDermid, Minister of Public Works, recently.

The deputation was thoroughly representative of the county affected, and included in its personnel Mr. Bowerman, Mr. Graham, and Dr. Dwyer, of the Bon Echo Mines; Mr. Dorcas, representing the Ore Chimney Gold Mines and the Golden Fleets; Messrs. Howard and Snell of the Can. Pac. Ry., and Mrs. Glasgow, who owns a private resort on the Michaw water; C. G. McKnight, Warden of Frontenac; W. Kimberly, Warden of Lennox and Addington, and W. W. Pringle, Colonization Road Inspector.

The length of the proposed road, it was pointed out, would be about forty-five miles, traversing one of the most picturesque sections of the province. All interests present expressed their willingness to pay a substantial portion of the cost of construction, which they believed would be a benefit not only to the immediate neighborhood, which was now without road facilities, but would open up a large and delightful tract of country. Mrs. Glasgow was perhaps the first woman appearing before the minister on such a deputation, and her remarks were listened to with much interest and carried considerable weight. It was pointed out that the road could be built at a moderate cost, the proposed route winding around the Bald Mountains, through which a pass had been found. The highest part of the route being only 700 feet above sea level. The route from Kaladar through the Bald Mountains has already been surveyed and part of the line passes through the eastern forest reserve.

Besides having a large agricultural area awaiting development, the district is a sportsman's paradise, and abounds in game and fish.

Hon. Mr. McDermid confessed himself impressed with the remarks of the deputation. He was gratified at the willingness of those interested to contribute towards the cost of the road, and so far as he could see at present there was no reason why the Government should not be willing to make a substantial grant and have the work proceeded with during the coming season.

The proposal to construct the highway has a certain interest to Belleville, as a large number of people who frequent the great northern resort, call at Belleville on their way to and from the lake.

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Since the above shipment Queen Alexandra School had a soap shower of over 200 cakes.
Queen Mary school also gave 230 cakes and a miscellaneous shower from St. Michael's Academy, of soap, tobacco, cigarettes, towels, chocolates, gum, tooth paste, wash brushes, stationery, candies, soap, oxo, cards, 460 articles in all.

From the four schools,—Queen Victoria, Queen Mary, Queen Alexandra and St. Michael's has been contributed over a thousand cakes of soap—avery generous response to the request made for soap. A commitment was received by the Chapter from the Quinte Ramblers Patriotic on March 17 of 7 suits of pyjamas, 2 rolls old flannel, 32 scrap books, 13 pairs socks, 4 shirts and 24 comfort bags, each containing—brush, comb, soap, towel, wash cloth, chocolate, tobacco, cigarettes, stationery, pipe and handkerchiefs.

PORT HOPE MAN BURIED ALIVE FOR THREE DAYS

Breathed Through the Barrel of His Rifle—Badly Wounded

Pte. Mark E. White, of Port Hope, who some time ago was reported wounded, writes his wife giving the particulars of his experiences.
engaged at 'listening post duty.' He was crossing 'No man's land,' when he was struck by a bursting shell and thrown into a shell hole and was completely buried. Fortunately, Pte. White was able to get his rifle above the earth and he breathed through the rifle barrel. He remained in the perilous position for three days and three nights before he was discovered and taken to a dressing station. He was in a very critical condition, and up to his time of writing, had been tapped four times and a total of 118 ounces of fluid removed. Pte. White was treated showed another piece of shrapnel in the wound. This piece was buried so deep that it had to be allowed to remain. The doctor expects that it will probably work to the surface. Pte. White is quite jolly and expects to be out of bed in a couple of weeks.

BIG ISLAND

Mrs. S. Hollingsworth and son, of Picton, spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Williams.
Miss Helen Peck spent several days last week with her aunt, Mrs. Harold Barker, of Northport.
Mr. and Mrs. Beth Barker, of Fairmont spent a few days last week at Mr. Wm. Peck's.
Mrs. Sherman Mills and baby spent a few days recently with friends in Belleville.
Mr. and Mrs. S. Sills, of Belleville, returned home on Saturday after spending several days at Mr. Wm. Peck's.
Fred and Ross Sprague visited recently at W. Wrightmyer's and A. F. Wrightmyer's, Bethel.
Little Miss Mary Sprague spent last week at Mountain View with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Sprague.
Miss Anna Thompson left on Wednesday to spend the summer with her father in Saskatchewan.

NILES CORNERS

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Benham and daughter, Dora spent Friday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ellis, percent.
Mrs. Murphy and Mrs. Clarke, who are very sick with quite a severe attack of grippe.
Mrs. C. Ryan is ill with heart and nerve trouble.
Mrs. W. Thompson, who has been confined to her couch through lameness for a couple of weeks, is still unable to walk at time of writing.
The Jesky brothers of Pondview are breaking a fine colt.
Mr. and Mrs. Claude McCartney, of Rose Hall, visited relatives at the Corners on Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. David May and two sons were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. Ryan on Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ellis and daughter, Gladys, visited friends at Pleasant Bay on Sunday.
Spring can't be far away when robins have appeared.
Many of our neighborhood are afflicted with colds.

NOTICE

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A SUNDAY TO THEMSELVES

WRITTEN FOR THE ONTARIO

"Well, Charlie, I am going to have a good sleep after dinner as this is Sunday and we will have the day all to ourselves until evening. Then we will take a good long drive before bed-time. I am glad there aren't any visitors here."
"So am I," said Charlie. "I am tired of visitors. We never have much time to ourselves lately."
("Charlie was her husband.")
"No indeed," then she said, "I don't know why so many people persist in calling. It is very annoying—the door bell! oh, who can it be?"
"I hope it is not anyone to stay," enters Mrs. Delorne.
"Oh, how are you, dear; I am so glad to see you."
"Thank you, Mrs. Jones. How are you? I do hope you are well. And you also, Mr. Jones, are you in good health?"
"I am quite well thanks, Mrs. Delorne. Won't you take off your things and stay?"
"Oh no, I have only a moment."
"Oh, do take them off for a while."
"Well, I will just for a few minutes only, as I cannot stay long."
Two hours later—"Well, I will be going. I did not intend to stay so long."
"Why, you are in such a hurry. Come again soon as we are always glad to see you. Good-bye."
"Well, Charlie, did you ever see it fall? Just when you think you are going to have a while to yourself, that old thing must drop in. I'll tell you what will do. Just put our things on and get out somewhere, or there will be somebody else come in. Here, Charlie, hold my coat please. There, thank you. Now, we are ready. Hark! there is the door-bell, again."
Enter Mrs. and Miss Smith. "Oh how are you, Mrs. Jones?"
"How are you, Mrs. Smith and Miss Smith?"
"Well, quite well, thank you. And I see Mr. Jones is looking well."
"I'm first rates thanks."
"Mrs. Smith, I am so glad you dropped in, as it was so dull all by ourselves, you know."
"Yes, I know, and as we were just out for a stroll, I said to my daughter, 'My, what a nice day. Mrs. Jones is!'"
"Oh, thank you, it is very kind of you. I am so glad you did. Take off your things, Mrs. Smith, and you also, Miss Smith."
"Well, yes, thanks. Just for a few minutes, as we can't stay."
Three hours later. "Well, Charlie, what do you know about that? The check, to come in and stay all after noon—and they knew we were going out as I had my coat on when they came. Now, it is tea time and we will have tea and go for a drive as I am tired in the house all day."
"Plague on that old door-bell! Who in the world is it now?"
Enter Mrs. Brown and the twins.
"Oh, how are you, Mrs. Brown?"
"How are you, Mrs. Jones; and Charlie, how are you? Yes, I think I will take off my things as it is quite warm in here. And what do you think of my babies? Do you think they are growing?"
"Why, yes. Aren't they the darlings? And they look so much alike. You will stay and have supper with us, Mrs. Brown?"
"Oh, I think I'll be going."
"No, no, you will have to stay and have a cup of tea."
"Well, since you insist."
Two and a half hours later. "Charlie, I am just disgusted with this day. People calling and staying so long. But it is a blessing that we can go for a short drive yet before bed-time. So let us go—and hurry, dear, or somebody else will come in. Great snakes! There is that door-bell. Who can this be?"
Enter Mrs. Reid and four small children. "I am so glad to see you and the children. My, how they are growing."
"I am well, thank you, Mrs. Jones. And Mr. Jones, how are you?"
"Quite well, thanks, Mrs. Reid."
"Oh, Mrs. Jones, I hope it will not be any trouble for you to mind the dear little children for me for a little while, as I am going out to Mrs. Keane's for the evening, and you set and the prayers and singing and know I can not very well take them with me. They are not rude children, you see. They will be real good, now, splendid. Mrs. Sprague pre-vent you, darling? Thanks, Mrs. Reid, you are so very kind. Good-bye. I must hurry for I am late as it is."
The children were very good of course, all children are—Still there were some of the furniture and dishes in Mrs. Jones' house that weren't broken when, three hours later, Mrs. Reid took them home. And by increasing religious interest twelve o'clock Mrs. Jones had tidied up after the children.
"Well, Charlie, how about it?"
But Charlie only said a few words politely under his breath to relieve his mind. And though Mrs. Jones doesn't, as a rule, approve of such language, this time I think she did.

THE CHILDREN IN HEAVEN

In loving memory of little Howard Clarke who died Dec. 22nd, '16

Oh, what do you think the angels say,
Said the children up in heaven
There's a dear little boy coming to-day.
He's almost ready to fly away
From the earth we used to live in
Let's go and open the gates of joy
Open them wide for this dear little boy.
Said the children up in Heaven.
God wants him where his little ones meet
Said the children up in heaven
He shall play with us in the golden streets
He has grown too fair, he has grown too sweet
For the earth we used to live in
He wants the sunshine, this dear little boy
That glids this side the gates of joy
Said the children up in Heaven.
So the King called down from the angels' dome
Said the children up in heaven
My little boy, arise and come
To the place prepared in thy Father's home,
The home that My children live in
Let's go and watch at the gates of joy
Ready to welcome this new little boy
Said the children up in Heaven,
Far down on earth you hear them weep
Said the children up in heaven,
For the dear little boy has gone to sleep.
The shadows fall and the night clouds creep
O'er the earth we used to live in
But we'll go and open the gates of joy,
Open them wide for this dear little boy,
Said the children up in Heaven,
Fly with him quickly, oh angels fair,
See he is coming, look there, look there
At the Jasper light on his sunny hair
Where the veiling clouds are driven
Oh hush! hush! all the swift wings
Furl
For the King Himself at the gates of joy
Is taking his hand, dear tired little boy,
And leading him into heaven.

FOUR FINED FOR INTOXICATION

Forty Dollars in Fines Levied Today—All Found Guilty

Today was a regular field day for charges of intoxication in Belleville police court. Four fines were levied of \$10 each and costs.
John Benip admitted that he was intoxicated. He had had some liquor to drink at a celebration in Belleville yesterday. The usual fine was levied.
Youth Carr, denied the charge of being intoxicated.
Constable Ellis said just before one o'clock this morning he saw Carr come out of the Empire Cafe. Carr was staggering and smelt of whiskey. Carr had said he had been at plumbing and would get a lot of fixtures for nothing for the officer. He had said he knew the constable for three or four years.
Carr in his defence said he took two drinks out of a bottle in the house which he brought from Ottawa months ago.
The magistrate found Carr guilty and fined him \$10 and costs. "You know there has been considerable change in the law since Sept. 16th."
Robert Burke and Thomas Cornell pleaded not guilty to being drunk contrary to the city bylaw. They were represented by Mr. W. D. M. Shorey.
Constable Ellis testified that before one o'clock this morning he saw Burke and Cornell come out of the restaurant now in the Victoria block. They went in twice when they saw him coming. He walked up street, again. Out they came staggering and crossed over to the market. There he arrested them. At the station both had strong traces of liquor on their breath. About five minutes to one Burke and Cornell were standing in a doorway. Burke said something and Cornell said "What the h— are you going to do that for?" Burke said "It may save us three months."
They walked to the Victoria gangway and the constable heard a bottle smash. He examined it, found it was a new one and said there were traces of whiskey about it. It was a Gooderham and Worts bottle.
Cross-examined by Mr. Shorey—Carr, Cornell and Burke were arrested at the one time. Liquor was smelled from each of them at the station. On the street the three staggered more before they were arrested than after. When the bottle was heard smash, the constable was at the Molsons bank corner. The noise was heard a moment after they left the walk and went into the gangway. They then stepped out again.
Serge. Harman saw the three men at the station. All three were staggering and all smelt strongly of whiskey. Cornell was staggering so much while bearing searched that he fell back into a chair at the station. The officer had a conversation with Burke and let him out of the cell. Burke smelt very strongly of liquor and his staggering was particularly noticeable.
Carr and Cornell staggered more than Burke.
Cornell in defence said he did not have any liquor to drink last night. He did not see Ellis until he met him on the market. He did not smash a bottle in the gangway nor did he see nor hear Burke smash one. He never had a bottle of G. and W. nor did Burke. During the day he had two or three drinks of older and local option port. Yesterday morning he had a drink of whiskey. He was not staggering last night. He thought he sat down in a chair at the station. He was not under the influence of liquor when arrested.

To the court—He did not make a remark to Burke about destroying a bottle. He did not hear Burke say it might save them 3 months. During the day he had about 6 or 7 drinks of local option stuff. In the evening he had two or three. He did not put anything in the local option drinks.
Robert Burke also denied the charge of drunkenness. He had one drink of liquor yesterday morning and none since. He saw Ellis in a restaurant he had two drinks of two per cent. at night. He saw an Indian earlier going up into the gangway with a G. and W. bottle and saw him break it. This was about 9 o'clock in the evening. Burke made no remark about destroying a bottle. When arrested he was sober as ever in his life. He was not under the influence of liquor.

To the Court—He got one drink yesterday morning at Thos. Cornell's house.
Magistrate Masson found them guilty. He said "I believe the officers. I've never had reason to doubt them. I'd give the defendants the benefit of the doubt if I had any. He felt like imposing a heavier

SPECIAL SERVICE AT BRIDGE ST.

The heart of Rev. Dr. Scott the pastor of Bridge Street Church must have been gladdened last evening by the large attendance at the special services.
Sunday evening the members of the Quarterly Officials, Board met in the Church Parlors after service and spent an hour in earnest prayer for the success of the special meetings. Committees were appointed and arrangements made for good organization and effective work.
Prayer service is held every evening before the regular service in the Church Parlors at 7.30, which is conducted by the officiate of the church and to which everyone is invited. Song service is held from 7.45 to 8 o'clock and the regular service commences at 8 o'clock.
Last evening a large number of the business men of the city were present. The address of Rev. Dr. Scott was received with great interest and the prayers and singing and know I can not very well take them with me. They are not rude children, you see. They will be real good, now, splendid. Mrs. Sprague prevent you, darling? Thanks, Mrs. Reid, you are so very kind. Good-bye. I must hurry for I am late as it is."
The children were very good of course, all children are—Still there were some of the furniture and dishes in Mrs. Jones' house that weren't broken when, three hours later, Mrs. Reid took them home. And by increasing religious interest twelve o'clock Mrs. Jones had tidied up after the children.

WE HAVE EASTER FOOTWEAR FOR EVERYONE

Either Man, Woman or Child, who wants to look nice on Easter. And one of the biggest helps towards a well dressed appearance in a neatly fitting stylishly made pair of shoes or pumps. You will find it easy here to get just what you have in mind, or if you haven't fully decided the Footwear problem, come let us show you the various styles we have.

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CANADIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY REPORT

Belleville Ch. se Board District Branch.

The following Branches of the mout wipes, 12 personal property Belleville Cheese Board District have been contributed to this month's shipment.

St. Alban's Red Cross Branch, Ameliasburg—Mrs. File, President, 43 Pillow Covers, 16 pairs Socks, 67 Mouth Wipes, 5 Floor Cloths, 1 Sling.

Allisonville Sympathizer's Society—Mrs. L. Drummond, President, Mrs. Chas. Thomas, Sec'y-Treas., 8 pairs Socks, 14 Shirts, 21 Towels.

Bayside Woman's Institute—Mrs. C. Hall, President, Mrs. F. A. Gardner, Sec'y, 24 Sheets, 12 Pillow Covers, 18 pairs Socks, 12 Cheese Cloth Suits, 24 Turkish Towels, 2 Feather Pillows, 1 doz. Khaki Shirts, 12 Hookback towels.

Centenary Red Cross Society—Mrs. Milton Vandewater, Pres., Mrs. R. Hart, sec.—39 pairs socks.

Chatterton Women's Institute—Miss Giffin, Pres.; Miss Sadie Boardman, Sec.—30 pairs socks, 6 personal property bags, 1 doz. khaki shirts, old linen.

Frankford Women's Institute—Mrs. J. B. Lowery, Sec.—38 suits pyjamas, (32 hospital shirts omitted Feb.).

Plainfield Women's Institute—Mrs. Peter Hubel, Pres.; Miss Annie Hamilton, Sec.—29 pairs socks, 57 Turkish towels, 1 quilt.

Queen Alexandra Red Cross Soc.—Mrs. Angus M. Lawrence, Pres.—30 pairs socks, 20 day shirts, 2 trench boxes, 6 feather pillows donated by the following: Mrs. A. M. Lawrence 1, Mrs. S. Barker 1, Mrs. J. Kelly 1, Mrs. Geo. Westover 1, Mrs. H. Hubble 1, Mrs. J. Martin 1, Mrs. W. Yateman 2, Mrs. O. Penn 1, Mrs. A. Page 1, Mrs. Chas. Hess 2.

Roslin Women's Institute—Miss A. Rutherford, Pres.; Miss A. Fargy Sec.—14 feather pillows, 42 pillow covers, 14 sheets, 17 pairs socks, 48 towels.

River Valley Women's Institute—Mrs. Mary E. Vandervoort, Pres.; Miss F. Rosebush, Sec.—9 night shirts, 13 helpess shirts, 2 sheets 27 pillow covers, 14 prs socks, 9 suits pyjamas, 1 hot water bag, 10 Easter boxes to home boys overseas.

Shannonville Red Cross Society—Mrs. W. Reid, Pres.; Miss Ina Lidelle, Sec.—48 pairs socks.

Shannonville Women's Institute—Mrs. Dies, Pres.; Mrs. Fred Wilson Sec.—12 khaki shirts, 60 pairs socks, 10 sheets, 1 prs pillow covers.

Stockdale Women's Institute—Mrs. Frank Terry, Pres.; Mrs. Percy Way, Sec.—8 hospital shirts, 20 suits pyjamas, 20 prs socks, old linen.

Tweed Red Cross Society—Mrs. C. W. Huyck, Pres.; Mrs. C. F. Tucker, Sec.—95 soldiers' parcels, 36 doct. towels, 17 1/2 doz. towels, 6 doct. dressing gowns, 15 prs socks, 6 rolls absorbent cotton, 3 quilts, 1 bag

Wallbridge Women's Institute—Mrs. Clement Ketcheson, Pres.; Mrs. John Phillips, Sec.—36 pairs socks, 12 pyjama suits, 1 flannelote quilt, 2 feather pillows, 12 personal property bags, 12 khaki shirts.

Wooler Red Cross Society—Mrs. M. E. Maybce, Pres.; Mrs. S. L. Terwill, Sec.—treas.—42 prs. socks, 8 hospital shirts, 8 suits pyjamas, 3 service shirts.

Wicklow Women's Institute—Miss F. E. Hall, Sec.; Miss Florence Usher, Paeker.—3 dressing gowns, 12 hospital shirts, 3 scarfs.

West Huntington Red Cross Society—Mrs. Geo. Post, Sec.—53 service shirts, 38 prs. socks.

Total—Absorbent cotton, 12 cases cloth suits, 26 comfort bags, 9 dressing gowns, 5 floor cloths, 1 hot water bottle, 167 individual boxes, 2 bags mouth wipes, 9 night shirts, 2 bundles old linen, 24 feather pillows, 139 pillow covers, 30 personal property bags, 87 suits pyjamas, 5 quilts, 461 prs. socks, 1 sling, 59 sheets, 3 scarfs, 36 helpess shirts, 39 service shirts, 48 khaki shirts, 372 towels.

Twenty five cases are being shipped to the following hospitals and Associations:—Canadian War Contingent Assn., London, Eng., 12 cases; No. 7 Canadian General Hospital, Section 13, Queens University, France, 9 cases; Canadian Military Hospital, Hastings, Eng., 4 cases; Dublin Castle Hospital, Dublin, Ireland, 2 cases; Ontario Government Hospital, Orpington, Kent, 3 cases; St. Johns Ambulance Assn., London, Eng., 1 case.

Next packing days Monday and Tuesday, April 23 and 24.
Agnes A. McPeck, Pres.
Stella C. Blackburn, Treas.
L. Maude VanBuskirk, Sec.

DEATH OF FORMER RESIDENT
The many friends in this city will regret to learn of the death of a former and highly esteemed resident, Mr. J. T. Burns, who died at the home of his son, Fred W. Burns 1645 North 6th Street, Terre Haute, Ind.
The funeral services were held at 2.30 p.m. Tuesday, Mar. 21st Burial in Highland Lawn cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS
Mr. S. Hagerman and sons wish to thank their friends for their kindness and sympathy in their recent sad bereavement in the death of son and brother.

How Two Women Said Good-Bye

WRITTEN FOR THE ONTARIO

"Good Evening, Mrs. Quinn."

"Good Evening, Mrs. Delore, I see you are busy in your garden, Mrs. Quinn?"

"Yes, I am getting some vegetables for tomorrow. Won't you come in, Mrs. Delore, and rest?"

"Oh, no, I can't, I am in a dreadful hurry as I have to go through that big bush and it is getting dark now and it is a mile to walk so I must say Good-bye."

Well, I am sorry you are in such a hurry, Good-bye."

Mrs. Quinn, I forgot to tell you that Elijah Wood and Maria Forest are going to be married soon."

"Are they like that? They are such a pair."

"Yes, but they say that they are not like that. My goodness here I am talking and it getting dark! So, Good-bye, Mrs. Quinn."

"Good-bye, Mrs. Delore, I hope you won't be lonesome."

"Oh, I can go pretty fast and it is not so very far so Good-bye."

"Good-bye, Mrs. Delore, come soon and see me when you can stay for a while."

"I will, Mrs. Delore, I am sure it is nice."

"Yes, it is, but sometimes I think it is too dark for a dining-room and dear me it cost enough to be nice. Of course I got it for 30c a role at Drake's, and Wannamaker's asked 40c for the very same paper. So you see in the ten rolls I saved one dollar and that will buy a lot of things for the house and now that Blanche is sixteen you know I want to get her a few things that I hate, to bother her father to get, as sometimes men don't understand why girls want so many things, although I have as good a husband as ever was he takes a sup once in a while but that is not here nor there as the saying is, but just look at me staying here talking and it getting dark I must hurry, Good-bye, Mrs. Quinn."

"Good-bye, Mrs. Delore, come soon."

"Oh, yes, but if this wedding comes off soon we will be busy as of course we will be invited as you know Maria Forest is a second of

my husband's on his mother's side. And I am glad she is getting married. You know that she is not getting any younger she is turned twenty-six and now that a girl don't gain in looks. So after I must go. Good-bye, Mrs. Quinn."

"Good-bye, Mrs. Delore, I am afraid you will be lonesome."

"Oh, no, I will just aim along look in the bush, so Good-bye."

"Well, Good-bye."

"Well say, Mrs. Quinn, as I think of it if they say Elijah Wood is going into business as soon as they are married and I think it is a diry shame to think that her people are against the match as it is so much better for a woman to be in some business than on the farm. What with getting up early every morning to get breakfast and milk cows, skim the milk and churn, then washing and scrubbing, ironing and raising chickens and turkeys and you have pigs to feed and the morning is gone before you can turn around then house-cleaning and putting down fruit for winter and after a while you will have children to take care of and take up your time—and a farm wife never has a minute to herself, but God, this won't take me home, so, Good-bye, Mrs. Quinn."

"Good-bye, Mrs. Delore, you are sure you won't be lonesome."

"Oh, no, I don't think so, I'll hurry on now."

"I am sorry it is so late, Mrs. Delore, as I would like to show you my patch quilt, I just took it out of the frames and I really think it is fine. I wish you could see it."

"Oh, I would love to see it as I know it is a beauty, for Mary Donaldson told me about it, she said she helped you a day when it was in the frame."

"Yes, Mrs. Delore she did and do you know, of course I hope you will not breathe a word of what I am telling you, but Miss Donaldson is not a good hand at quilting, in fact I had to rip out most of what she did sew, I know you won't mention it because I know she would feel hurt if she heard that I said this."

"Indeed, Mrs. Quinn, you need not fear I won't mention it. Let's make it a mutual secret, so, Good-bye, Mrs. Quinn."

"Good-bye, Mrs. Delore, I do hope you won't be lonesome."

A FOREWORD IN EXPLANATION

Red Cross Penny Bag collection tomorrow, Wednesday. Please leave your bags ready with as many pennies as you feel you can spare—in them. This month we are again aiming at \$300. Last month some of the collectors in going their rounds, met the charge in a very few instances that "the Penny Bag people were too grasping, that they were doing very well indeed, and should be satisfied instead of aiming at more each month." Those in charge of this fund have been so delighted at and grateful for the generous response of our interested citizens and for the interest which has increased, rather than diminished as the months passed in this simple means of raising money to expend for our brave soldiers.

The need is so great, the money so well expended, we don't want one cent given grudgingly, but we would like to feel that every man, woman and child in our city was each month trying to do their bit—no matter how small, if it is all they are able to give—towards supplying the needs of those who are suffering so much for our safety and peace. Many questions have been asked about the Red Cross Penny Bags. About a year ago, Miss Greene, Superintendent of the Belleville Hospital instituted this plan of raising funds towards providing materials for the supplies, which a number of faithful workers, met twice a week at the hospital to make up into "hospital supplies" for the wounded soldiers in the overseas hospitals. The penny bags were at first used only by these workers and their friends.

The plan appealed to everybody, as the simplest way of raising money, a way in which everyone, down to the smallest child, who would forego sometimes a picture show, some candy or other treat, could participate in without feeling any real pinch. After the first month—Miss Greene passed it over, a committee was formed, and the entire city was divided into districts look-

ed after by various collectors. Anyone who has done collecting, knows that it is by no means a pleasant task, and much gratitude is felt for those who have undertaken this part of the work.

Will anyone who has not already read the secretary's last report of the Women's Red Cross and Patriotic Association in the "Intelligencer" or "Ontario" please get a copy of March 22nd please get one of those papers and read the list of contents in the last shipment of eleven boxes, to a Canadian hospital in France. Every bit of material for these supplies (except for a few donations) was paid for out of the Penny Bag collection.

The balance of money was turned over toward the buying of wool in the "circles" are knitting up into socks. From \$200 to \$300 are expended for wool every month. Since the beginning of the war Miss Greene and her workers have sent eight shipments of hospital supplies overseas and over 12,000 pairs of socks have been sent by the Association. 831 pairs of socks were handed in from the circles in January and the wool for these costs almost double what it did at the beginning of the war. The socks are sent to our own and other Canadian men at the front, to the Belleville boys in all battalions in Canada and every Belleville boy in each battalion which has left Belleville has been given a pair of socks. In each case the quartermaster has also been given from 100 to 150 pairs for emergency purposes, for those boys who have not friends to supply them. The money for all this must be raised, and the Penny Bags help towards it.

So will everyone who cannot go overseas to help with the war do all he or she can to help raise the funds to supply the wounded and fighting soldiers?

MARRIED

THOMAS—HEYWOOD—At the Tabernacle Methodist parsonage, Monday evening, March 26 by the Rev. S. C. Moore, Miss Nellie Heywood, of Madoc to Mr. Geo. Wesley Thomas, of Eldorado.

THURLOW RED CROSS SOCIETY

The society has the best report it has ever had. The workers started in with good New Year's resolutions and in the first three months have knit 1384 pairs of socks. Mrs. Jas. McCreary of Halston won the silver teaspoons donated by Dr. J. A. Faulkner. She knit 24 pairs of socks entirely by hand in the month of February. Mrs. Harry Frederick won the cheese knife donated by Mrs. Jno. Hoard. The bag of flour given by Mr. Wm. Lingham of Cannifton, was drawn for and won by Mr. Henry Fenn. He very kindly gave it back and it was auctioned and brought \$9. The flour and Mr. Lingham's gift was very much appreciated.

The ladies are now busy selling tickets on the table cloth donated by the Ritchie Co.

The following cash donations have been received: C. A. Palmer, \$1; Wm. Clarke \$5, Richard Clarke \$5, W. B. Northrup, M.P., \$10, Wm. Tufts \$25, N. Vermilyea \$25, A friend at Carmel \$5, 2 hot water bottles donated by Miss M. Fairman.

From Phillipston Institute. — 26 suits pyjamas, 17 vermin suits, 27 pairs socks, 9 wash cloths, 18 towels, 18 shirts, 20 con. robes.

From Phillipston Red Cross. — 22 suits pyjamas, 140 towels, 34 shirts, 30 robes, 111 pairs socks, 27 pillow slips, 1 quilt, 9 bed pan covers, 5 rolls absorbent cotton, 32 ends cotton.

From Zion's Hill, 60 pairs socks, 20 towels, 27 shirts, 17 pillows, 29 suits pyjamas, 1 quilt.

From Halston Inst., 98 pairs socks, 34 suits pyjamas, 19 towels, 680 handkerchiefs, 2 quilts, 11 robes, 1 day shirt, 3 jara. fruit, 10 pillows donated by Mrs. J. W. Hall, 2 cans of fruit from Mrs. Joe Barnhill.

Birds Eye View, 12 suits of pyjamas, 8 pairs socks, 8 cans fruit.

From Halloway, 22 vermin suits, 36 pairs socks, 18 suits pyjamas, 25 towels, 10 cans fruit, 2 quilts.

From Foxboro Inst. — 287 pairs socks, 113 shirts, 479 towels, 14 suits pyjamas, 213 wash cloths, 18 con. robes, 12 jara fruit, 1 pillow.

From Carmel Red Cross, 8 quilts, 19 prs socks, 21 towels, 72 wash cloths, 16 robes, 16 suits of pyjamas, 6 robes, \$5 given by Young People's society, \$2.35 collected at quilting.

Gilead Union Jack, 36 suits pyjamas, 29 pairs socks, 30 towels, 4 quilts \$6 donated by Gilead school, Cannifton Maple Leaf, 46 pairs of socks, 40 suits pyjamas, 60 towels, 17 jara fruit, \$4.01 Red Cross bags, \$1 Mrs. C. Callery, Detroit, \$5 Mrs. Callery, Cannifton, 1 pr wool-en lights, Mrs. Logan.

From Pleasant View, 59 pairs of socks, 44 towels, 10 suits pyjamas, 16 shirts, 18 qts fruit.

From Queen Mary Club, 63 suits pyjamas, 88 pairs socks, 48 towels, 1 con. robe, 3 quilts.

From Quinte Inst., 25 suits of pyjamas, 29 pairs socks, 125 face cloths, 2 robes, 1 pillow, 1 quilt, 2 towels.

From Spencers' Ladies' Aid, 32 shirts, 23 suits pyjamas, 62 towels, 178 wash cloths, 10 pair socks, and \$2.75 from pupils of S. S. No. 4 of Thurlow.

Front Road Ladies' Aid, 18 suits pyjamas, 8 doz wash cloths, 41 towels, 12 prs Sox, 6 pillows, 1 pair socks donated by Miss Nicol, teacher, Clazie School. \$5.50 cash.

From Point Anne Red Cross Society, 18 fannel shirts, 8 suits of pyjamas, 13 con. robes, cash \$9.83.

Sunshine Knitting Circle of Point Anne, 77 pairs Sox, \$14.42 Red Cross money.

Bay View Girls' Club, Point Anne 45 towels, 48 wash cloths, \$20.00 raised at tea.

H. A. Faulkner, President.
M. VanAllen, Secretary.

LAI D TO REST

The funeral of the late Mrs. Sarah Jane Donoughy, widow of the late Richard Donoughy took place this morning from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Samuel Leavitt, Bridge Street West, Rev. Dr. Scott officiating. Interment was made in Belleville Cemetery. The bearers were Messrs Wm. Weese, John Coon R. W. Adams, T. George, G. L. Sills and J. L. Tickell.

SERGT. JONES MAY RETURN

Belleville Boy of 21st Battalion Likely to Transfer to 354th

It is expected that Sergeant Ewart Jones, of the 21st Battalion, son of Mr. Nelson Jones, Yeomans Street, will soon return to Belleville and be transferred to the 354th Battalion. Sergeant Jones was home some months ago on leave and has received his discharge papers in the Old Country.

Other Editors' Opinions

MALE VERSUS FEMALE TEACHERS

Discussing the Teachers' Pension Bill, The Kingston Standard says that while the services of women as teachers are available to the public, it is yet a question whether men are not more desirable as instructors for grown boys.

That question has been settled to the satisfaction of the expert educationalists for a number of years. There is no doubt concerning the fitness of women as teachers of young children. Until the child reaches the school age, he has been almost entirely under the care of his mother. There is no one so well qualified as a woman to lead him over the first stages of his academic career. No man can understand child nature so well, no man can be as patient with the caprices of childhood. Placing women teachers is but carrying out the plans that nature has designed.

The boy, when he reaches years of manhood, will in the duties of life find himself associated almost entirely with men. It is essential, then that men and the rising generation acquire an understanding of each other. No further argument in favor of male teachers for the higher grades in our schools is required. —Peterboro Review.

TELLING TALES

Children come out with the funniest things sometimes, and many have been the troubles started and the families divided over the things that children repeat and say. One good one came to light the other day. A little girl, being invited to a child's party, was cautioned by her mother when she could say "Yes, please," and take a piece; also the second time of asking she was to refuse any more cake and say "No, thank you." The next morning the mother asked her little girl how she got on at the party. "Well, mother, I did as you told me; but they brought the cake around the fourth time, and you didn't tell me what to say. So I looked at the lady and said, 'Take the damned thing away'—like pa says." —Guelph Herald.

NEGLECTFUL PARENTS

Fathers and mothers alike assume that their sole duty is to feed and clothe their offspring, send them to school and perhaps to church for the moral instruction they get no where else. Who their playmates are, where they spend their hours of leisure—such important things as these are ignored. Is it any wonder that more and more American children are growing up without manners, without morals, running into mischief if not into crime, and losing the grades if not the virtues of what should be the age of innocence. —Philadelphia Ledger.

PULVERIZED FUEL

It was a cheering announcement that was made the other day by the new National Research Committee that the abundant supplies of inferior coal in Canada might be utilized by a process of pulverization. Today a letter comes to The Herald from a Montreal man, J. S. Coffin, who says that the company which represents has been for years experimenting with the pulverization of fuel and has evolved a process which makes the inferior grades of coal suitable for burning in pulverized form. It is, as he says, the cost of the process is only 10 to 20 cents a ton, and if it is true that "experiments with lignite and other Canadian coals demonstrate the practical and economic usefulness of these Canadian fuels in pulverized form," a new factor has been discovered in the future prosperity of the country. For there are billions of tons of lignite and other inferior grades of coal in central and western Canada, lignite having been found even in northern Ontario.

But the process of pulverization can be applied to peat as well as inferior coals—and this province is very rich in peat deposits, some of them being quite close to Hamilton. Industrially, Canada's weakest point has been her dependence upon the United States for a large part of her coal supply. But if by pulverization of lignite and peat, which we have in plenty, a fuel can be produced which burns without smoke, soot or cinders, Canada can become industrially independent, and with all the resources within her own borders for unlimited industrial expansion. —Hamilton Herald.

Miss Rose Bailey, 90 West Mohr Street, is spending the evening in Trenton.

Canada's Railway Problem And Its Solution

Presented to the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers, Mr. W. F. Tye, formerly Chief Engineer of the Canadian Pacific, gives a masterly analysis of the railway situation in this country.

From his years of experience thinking and solving railway problems as one of the outstanding railway engineers in Canada, Mr. Tye has had not only the attitude of the engineer but that of the economist as well.

Amongst Mr. Tye's summarised conclusions are:

The National Transcontinental, the Grand Trunk Pacific and the Canadian Northern Railways are unable to earn their operating expenses and their fixed charges. Canada has built, and is operating, the first of these roads, and Canada and the various provinces have guaranteed the principal and interest of most of the bonds of the other two. As the roads are unable to earn their fixed charges, they must, of necessity, be paid by the country.

The failure of these roads is due to the duplication of lines by all the railways encouraged and bonused by the Government; to the excessive cost of the Grand Trunk Pacific and National Transcontinental Railways; to the failure of the Grand Trunk Pacific to provide itself with an adequate system of feeders in the West and to the construction, by the Canadian Northern, of the long and unproductive stretches of road across British Columbia and Northern Ontario, without feeders, terminals, etc.

If these railways are to be maintained in two separate systems, it will cost at least \$400,000,000. It will be necessary to build five to six thousand miles of feeders in the West, and two to three thousand miles of feeders in the East, and terminals costing many millions.

A consolidation of the Grand Trunk, the Grand Trunk Pacific, Transcontinental and Canadian Northern Railways would give a well-balanced system. Such a combination would not require more than \$100,000,000 to put it in proper physical condition.

Including operating expenses and fixed charges, it costs the Canadian Pacific about \$70 to do \$100 worth of business, and it costs the Intercolonial and the other Canadian Government roads from \$200 to \$250 to do \$100 worth of business.

Canada should follow the wise example set by Sir John Macdonald when dealing with the Canadian Pacific in 1879-80, and form a new private corporation, with sufficient power and the necessary safeguards, to take over and consolidate the Grand Trunk, Grand Trunk Pacific, Transcontinental and Canadian Northern Railways, and develop other Canadian Pacific.

Such a combination would start with gross earnings of at least \$100,000,000 per annum, with a probable average increase of \$25 per annum, and probable net earnings of from \$25,000,000 to \$30,000,000 per annum, and a net revenue from other sources of about \$2,800,000. Its fixed charges at consolidation would be about \$35,000,000 and it would be under the necessity of spending, in the first five to seven years, at least \$100,000,000 to provide rolling stock, and to put its properties in good physical condition.

In order to control its policy, and to share in its certain prosperity, Canada should have an interest in the new corporation, the Dominion Government should furnish 40% of the money required, own 40% of the stock, and appoint 40% of the Directors, but take no part in the actual management. This would give all the advantages of Government control, without any of the manifest disadvantages of Government management.

Legislative Snap Shots

(By Don Hunt.)
SCOTT DAVIDSON, M.P.P. for North Brant. He's a roarer; he's a roarer. When he talks — Cyclones blow. Sand flies. The government ducks its head This time it was for money Spent on luxuries For Government House; Relish jara and garment rods, Grate blowers and pokers, Mounting up into the hundreds "B-r-r-r" growled Scott, The watch dog of the funds.

Miller's Worm Powders destroy worms without any inconvenience to the child, and so effectively that they pass from the body unperceived. They are not ejected in their entirety, but are ground up and pass away through the bowels with the excreta. They thoroughly cleanse the stomach and bowels and leave them in a condition not favorable to worms and there will be no revival of the pests.

NEW GERMAN CAMPAIGN CAUSES NO MISGIVING IN PETROGRAD.

PETROGRAD, March 26.—The news that Field Marshal Von Hindenburg was planning a campaign against Petrograd was received here with surprisingly little consternation, unshakable confidence is felt in the loyalty of the troops and the ability of the army to protect the city from the new danger.

HINDENBURG LINE HAS BEEN PIERCED

PARIS, March 25.—Another important advance has been made by the French in their movement against the strongly-defended town of St. Quentin, the war office reporting tonight that the position embracing Castres and Essigny-le-Grand, extending over a front of about two and a half miles, has been taken.

Heavy fighting has been in progress in various sectors, and the French report large German losses. The text of the official statement reads:

"From the Somme to the Aisne our troops continue their offensive movement. During the course of the day a desperate struggle followed a strong defence by the enemy, but our soldiers, aroused by the spectacle of the ravages committed by the Germans everywhere, drove back the adversary, who suffered serious losses.

"Between the Somme and the Oise we drove the enemy out in the important position of Castres-Essigny-le-Grand and Hill 121. A violent German counter-attack, debouching on the front between Essigny and Benay, was broken down by our fire.

"South of the Oise our troops penetrated several points in the Basse Forêt de Coucy, and reached the outskirts of Folembray and Coucy-le-Chateau. German troops on the march in the direction of Folembray were caught under the furious fire of our batteries and dispersed with heavy losses.

"North of Soissons we increased our gains and repulsed two counter-attacks directed against the Vregny-Margival front.

"Active artillery fighting on both sides took place in the region of Craonne (northeast of Soissons).

"On the Verdun front our batteries effectively shelled the German organizations north of Hill 304 and northwest of Bezanvaux.

REFUSES REQUEST MADE BY GERMANY

WASHINGTON, March 24.—The United States has formally refused Germany's request to modernize and extend the old Prussian-American treaties of 1799 and 1828. The state department has replied through P. Ritter, Swiss minister, in charge of German interests, refusing to accept the protocole sent through him to the United States government on Feb. 10.

The reply states that the United States, considering the treaties in force in their original form, is entirely unwilling to accept Germany's interpretation of them as provided in the protocol, which extended the exemption from seizure of "merchants and their effects" in case of war between the two countries into a general exemption, including enemy ships in port at the outbreak of war, which must either be left free or given safe conduct, for their home ports, even through hostile blockades.

U. S. IS URGED TO BEWARE OF SECURITIES GERMANS OFFER

WASHINGTON, March 25.—France's protest to neutrals against devastation wrought by the retreating Germans was received by cable at the French Embassy here today, with instructions that the American government be requested to warn American banks and citizens against any transactions in securities with Germans or their agents without proof of the origin and ownership of the securities. The note and instructions will be delivered to the state department tomorrow by Ambassador Jusserand.

ARTILLERY KEEPS UP FIRE NEAR MONASTIR

PARIS, March 25.—Heavy artillery activity continues in the region of Monastir, according to a French official communication on the Balkan operations issued today. The communication follows:

"Eastern theater: The day was calm save in the region of Monastir, where the artillery displayed its usual activity. The enemy communique concerning the engagements of March 20-21 is false. We have maintained all the important positions conquered north of Monastir."

Saturday's official communication said: "No event of importance has occurred. On March 21 a violent bombardment on both sides took place. The enemy directed numerous incendiary shells against Monastir. British hydro-aeroplanes bombarded Pradeshta, Kenalf and Orfano."

GERMANY REVIVES TALK ABOUT PEACE

BERNE, via Paris, March 25.—"If peace negotiations were begun today," says the Journal de Geneve, which does not reveal the source of its information, but declares it is absolutely reliable, "Germany would offer to restore the territory she occupies in France, except in the mining district of Briey, in exchange for a channel port, Calais or Dunkirk, and an indemnity of 15,000,000,000 francs."

"Germany would also offer," says the newspaper, "to restore the territorial integrity of the sovereignty of Belgium, on condition that Belgium would not be allowed to maintain a national army and that Germany would be permitted to garrison Namur, Liege and Antwerp perpetually."

It is added by the newspaper that Germany must be given control of the Belgian railroads and ports and be favorably treated in an economic treaty. This is not the program of pan-Germans, but the actual terms of the German government, says The Journal de Geneve.

NO AMERICAN ARMY IN NEAR FUTURE SAYS VON STEIN

AMSTERDAM, March 26.—A Berlin despatch says that Gen. Von Stein, Prussian Minister of War in an interview said he did not know whether the American fleet would support the British fleet but there could be no question of an American Continental army in the near future.

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Canadian Military Hospital, Dublin, Ontario Government on Kent, 3 cases; Once Assn., London.

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A. McFee, Pres. C. Blackburn, Treas.

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FORMER RESIDENT

nds in this city will of the death of a badly esteemed resident, who died at Burn, Fred W. Burns Street, Terre Haute,

services were held at Tuesday, Mar. 21st and Law. cemetery.

F THANKS

man and sons wish friends for their sympathy in their bereavement in the death of her.

The Home Vegetable Garden

By W. T. Macon, Dominion Horticulturist

We take pleasure in reproducing the following article by W. T. Macon, Dominion Horticulturist. Mr. Macon is a native of Belleville and a son of Prof. Macon who spent many years as a teacher here before his removal to Ottawa to become chief botanist for the Dominion Government.

In view of the fact that Belleville Board of Education has entered upon an active campaign to interest the school children in growing vegetables and will distribute generous prizes, this splendid article will be read with all the more interest.

Vegetables fresh from the garden are much more appetizing than those which have been gathered for some time. More vegetables would be eaten if grown at home, and there would be less desire for the more expensive kinds of food, which would result in considerable saving by the end of the year.

Many persons in cities and towns who have no gardens could produce some vegetables if they would, and it is to try to induce everyone to grow vegetables who can that this little pamphlet has been prepared.

Preparation of the Soil

To get the best results the soil should be brought into good till. When beginning gardening in cities and towns it is often found that many difficulties have to be overcome before the soil is really in good condition.

Old cans, stones, bricks, pieces of wood, broken toys and many other things must be removed or buried so deeply that they will not be troublesome. Then it often happens that the subsoil from the cellar of the house has been thrown over the yard in order to level the ground.

This subsoil is usually either a stiff clay or sand. Clay, while it will give more hard work, is usually a much better material to start with than sand. If there is much coal ashes in the yard most of them should be removed together or buried in one corner of the yard.

A little ashes mixed with the clay will help to make it more friable or more open, but there is little plant food in coal ashes and there should be a minimum of them in good garden soil.

A mixture of sand and clay makes a soil of better consistency than either one of these alone. An application of lime to clay at the rate of about two tons per acre or about 100 pounds to a garden 25 by 40 feet in size, or even half that quantity and thoroughly mixed with the clay, will help in breaking it up, but the most important thing of all is the manure, preferably rotted stable manure, if it can be obtained.

This should be well worked through the upper foot of ground whether it be loamy soil, clay, or sand. If the manure is strawy it should be well dug in so that the straw will not be pulled out when the soil is raked.

The great advantage of the soil into such a condition that it will neither bake nor become hard in a dry time, nor dry out readily, and both of these conditions will be brought about by the liberal use of manure which adds plant food in an easily available form and helps to form humus which is so essential to a good physical condition of the soil.

Clay soils should not be dug when they are very wet as this will cause them to bake badly; if waiting until they are fairly dry they can be worked more easily and without fear of doing any harm.

A spade, a hoe, a garden rake, and a digging fork are the four chief tools needed in gardening. Narrow hoes and rakes are best for small gardens, or well-made children's tools but with long handles. The surface soil should be made as level, smooth and as fine as possible. If the soil for two or three inches down is in good condition a quick germination of the seed will usually be assured.

List of Best Vegetables

Asparagus—Palmetto is proving a better variety than Conover Colossal for general planting, as it is not so subject to the disease known as Asparagus Rust. Argenteuil is also a good variety.

Beans—Round Pod Kidney Wax and Wardwell Kidney Wax are two of the best yellow-podded or wax bush beans, and both are early. Floodan Wax has a large pod. Stringless Green Pod, Early Red Valentine and Early Refugee are three good, green-podded varieties. Refugee or Thousand to One is one of the best later sorts. Among lima beans, the dwarf or bush forms are the most satisfactory.

Beets—Meteor, Detroit Red, Crosby Egyptian and Eclipse are some of the best.

Borecole or Kale—Dwarf Green Curled Scotch.

Brussels Sprouts—Improved Dwarf

The Dwarf varieties have been found more satisfactory than the tall-growing ones.

Cabbage—Early Jersey, Wakefield, Copenhagen Market (early), Succession (medium), Danish Ball, head, and Drumhead Savoy (late), Red Dutch (red) is a good list.

Cauliflower—Early Dwarf Erfurt and Early Snowball.

Celery—Golden Self-blanching (Paris Golden Yellow) (early), French Success, Noll Magnificent, Perfection Heartwell, Triumph, Winton Queen are all good, late varieties.

Corn—Early Malcolm, Malakof, Peep O'Day (extra early), Early Fordhook, Early Cory (early), Golden Bantam (second early), Golden Evergreen and Black Mexican (medium), Stowell Evergreen, Country Gentleman (late).

Cucumbers—Peerless White Spine or White Spine, Davis Perfect, Cool and Crisp, and Giant Pera are some of the most satisfactory.

Egg Plant—New York Improved and Long Purple succeeded best.

Lettuce—Grand Rapids, Black-Seeded Simpson (early curled), Iceberg, New York, Giant Crystal Head, Crisp as Ice, and Improved Hanson (curled cabbage), Improved Salamander (uncurled cabbage), Grand Rapids is the best variety for forcing.

Melons, Musk—Long Island Beauty and Hackensack are two of the earliest and best of the nutmeg type. Montreal is later but of larger size and finer flavor.

Melons, Water—Cole Early, Salsify Earliest, Ice Cream, Phinney Early are some of the most reliable.

Onions—Yellow Globe Danvers and Large Red Wethersfield are two of the best and most reliable. Australian Brown is also good.

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The Busy World's Happenings Carefully Compiled and Put Into Handy and Attractive Shape for the Readers of Our Paper—A Solid Hour's Enjoyment.

WEDNESDAY.
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Welland County Council has decided to build no new highways this year.

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Miss Helen Hughes, bookkeeper for Windsor firm, was fatally injured by being struck by a street car in Detroit.
It is officially announced that British subjects embarking for United States or Canadian ports must have passports endorsed or issued within 30 days of sailing.
Sir Robert Borden has declined to accept Hon. Mr. Blondin's resignation, asking him to remain in the Government, and commending his decision to raise a battalion for overseas service.

Thirteen locomotives which were used on the Welland Ship Canal construction, work on which has been stopped till the war is over, have been secured by the Dominion Government to be sent to France.
At the meeting of the Executive of

NEWS TOPICS OF WEEK

The National Council of Women in Ottawa a report by Miss Constance Southon, Toronto, favoring military and naval drill for boys in Public schools was vigorously opposed by Mrs. Adam Shortt of Ottawa, who championed physical training for boys and girls.

SATURDAY.
The Kai-Loi is reported to have suffered a nervous breakdown, and a score of miles away.
The embargo on plows has been lifted, so far as Canada is concerned.
The Teutons are now vigorously retreating to the fire of the Canadian artillery.

Britain, France, and Italy have recognized the provisional Government of Russia.
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RUSSIA'S NEW DANGER

Germans Are Planning a Large Invasion.
Drive Will Have Petrograd as its Objective, Say the Military Experts—The Free People of Russia Await Attack on Their Northern Front in Near Future.

PETROGRAD, March 27.—From internal troubles and the problems of reconstruction the attention of Russia has suddenly been diverted to a new danger which threatens from without. There is now indisputable evidence that the Germans are massing great numbers of troops along the northern front ready for an effort against Russia's capital.

The country has been apprised of the new menace by a series of proclamations from its Ministers of War and the Interior. The Minister of War Guchkof has issued a proclamation warning the people of the menace of spies seeking to uncover secrets of the national defence.

The concentration of the German army in the vicinity of Vitebsk and the counsel of workmen and soldiers' delegates, concerning the German concentration along this front, and a great meeting of soldiers was held on the Riga front, attended by General Dimitriof and Ministers of the Duma, at which it was resolved unanimously to strain every effort for the defence of Russia.

War Minister Guchkof's statement that the foe is at the gate is no mere figure of speech. The slightest relaxation of vigilance and the enemy would be at Petrograd.
The effect on the troops of the "consciousness that the army has been the arbiter of Russia's destiny has manifested itself in demands incompatible with military discipline, and already there is news from various fronts of the prevalence of "second thoughts." But where the men respect their chief and their country, fortune in its commanders it is unlikely that persistence in untoward claims will be allowed to prejudice the spring and summer campaigns.

Moreover, reassuring reports have been received from General Ruzsky and General Judentich, who commands the Caucasian army.
The retirement of Grand Duke Nicholas from his post as the commander-in-chief of the Russian armies is officially confirmed. Pending the appointment of a successor, General M. V. Alexieff, chief of the general staff, will act as commander-in-chief.

UNCLE SAM AT WAR.
May Send Small "Sentimental" Force to France.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—President Wilson's plans for the army are more far reaching and elaborate than generally realized, according to General Staff officers who are in a position to predict with some degree of accuracy. It can be stated that the general program which the President is now considering includes the following salient features:
The immediate raising of a volunteer army of 500,000 men, bringing the National Guard up to its maximum strength, taking into the regular army without delay the second increment of army reserve, thereby raising the military strength to 1,985,000. Recruiting of navy to full authorized war strength of 37,000.

Employment of the regulars and the National Guard to take care of the situation at home.
Possibly an early despatch of a small force to France in order that this Government may, for sentimental reasons, be represented "on the field of honor."

Arrested in Windsor.
TORONTO, March 27.—Word was received by the police Saturday night that Miss Frances L. Sawyer, aged 17 years, had been arrested in Windsor on a charge of fraud perpetrated by her on a Toronto contractor. The amount estimated as necessary to put the Canadian Northern on a running basis is \$50,000,000.

Cost of British Army.
LONDON, March 27.—(Through Reuters' Ottawa Agency.)—The immense military effort which Great Britain is putting forth is strikingly illustrated by the army appropriation account for 1916, which shows that the total expenditure for the army was \$548,187,548. This amount includes: Pay, \$28,157,158; supplies and clothing, \$212,860,816; quartering, transport, and accounts, \$59,878,107, of which the sea transport of troops cost \$30,687,382.

The sum of \$5,570,320 was credited to the Indian Government for ordinary expenses of the Indian Expeditionary forces.
Jews Get Rights.
WASHINGTON, March 27.—Absolute equality of Jews in Russia with all others to own property, to reside in any city, to serve the army and navy, to participate in educational advantages and at the polls, has been proclaimed officially, say advices received at the Russian Embassy.

Therefore, it is understood there will be no further restrictions upon the issue of passports to Russian or American Jews who desire to visit Russia than those common to other persons.
George Vanux Bacon, an American newspaper man, was sentenced to prison in the United States for spying for Germany.

TWO TOWNS CAPTURED.
French Make Progress Against Strong Resistance.

PARIS, March 27.—Though strongly opposed by the Germans, the French troops Monday occupied the towns of Falmbray and La Feuillie, south of the Concy forest, says the official statement issued by the War Office Monday night.

Progress has also been made by the French in the region of Soissons in the neighborhood of Vreney. The text reads:
North of the Somme there have been no essential changes. Between the Somme and the Oise our artillery and the dispersed enemy assemblies between Benay and Orville (St. Quentin sector).

South of the Oise we made important progress. The Basse Forêt de Concy, notwithstanding the difficulties in terrain and the spirited resistance of the enemy our troops occupied Falmbray and La Feuillie.

North of Soissons we made progress in the region of Vreney. Writing from the French front on Sunday a correspondent for the Associated Press says:
French troops had a chance to-day to show their mettle in semi-open fighting and took ample advantage of it. At the southern pivot of the so-called Hindenburg line, which is supposed to be about at Nally, they came to grips on several occasions with the Germans, who attempted to make a stand on the edge of the Crouy Plateau, which is a strong offshoot of the still larger Leon Plateau.

The Associated Press correspondent watched to-day's engagement from a nearby height and saw the French soldiers gradually push away the German opposition and attain the points they were seeking to occupy with a precision little short of marvellous. The French had kept close on the heels of the retiring Germans since they quit Soissons, never giving them a moment's respite until the pursuers occupied the sort of triangle formed by the three points of Crouy, Misy-Sur-Aisne, and Pont Rouge, on the Maugeuge road. At the last named the Germans evidently expected to cause their retreat, as was shown by their abandoning their useless work of sawing down fruit trees.

It was this wanton devastation by the Germans in the country around Soissons and other places which so incensed the French army, composed mostly of peasants and farmers, that they could scarcely be restrained from a desperate rush forward after the retreating foe. But prudence prevailed, and careful handling enabled them eventually to capture the Germans many positions which had been prepared for stern defence, such as Vullery and Pont Rouge.

TWO NATIONAL ROADS.
Important Suggestions Made Regarding Railway Systems.

OTTAWA, March 27.—That, in connection with the Canadian Northern and Grand Trunk Railway systems, the country is faced with two alternatives; either to continue for several years more the system of subsidies and loans in vogue for the past few years, or to nationalize the roads—is said to be the outstanding conclusion to be drawn from a majority report of the Commission recently appointed to make a survey of the whole railway situation of the Dominion. The report, it is understood, favors nationalization. A minority report, on the other hand, favors the retention of the roads under corporation control.

BRICK HOUSING

A good years old, foal to a pair—also a large lot, 9 years worker. Apply R. No. 6, Brantford.

No. 1 bushel. No. 2 dollars a bushel. Terms on order.

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THE MARKETS

TORONTO, March 27.—The Board of Trade official market quotations for yesterday: Manitoba Wheat (Track, Bay Ports), No. 1 northern, \$2.02...

WINNIPEG GRAIN MARKET. Winnipeg, March 28.—The last hour wheat market under the previous level of realizing sales...

Table showing market prices for Wheat, Corn, and other grains with columns for Open, High, Low, and Close.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET. J. P. Beckel & Co. report: Prev. High, Low, Close. Wheat, Corn, etc.

CATTLE MARKETS

UNION STOCK YARDS. TORONTO, March 27.—Receipts of live stock at the Union Stock Yards yesterday consisted of 189 cars...

MINERS BURIED IN SLIDE. VANCOUVER, B.C., March 27.—Nine men were buried in the slide at the Pueblo Copper Mine...

MOVE CLOCKS FORWARD. LONDON, March 27.—All clocks in the United Kingdom, it is announced officially, will be moved forward one hour...

CHANGING SEASONS. That Love has passed away as dreams so bright. Pass, in the dawning of the morning light...

MILLER'S WORM POWDERS DESTROY WORMS WITHOUT ANY INCONVENIENCE TO THE CHILD, AND SO EFFECTUALLY THAT THEY PASS FROM THE BODY UNPERCEIVED.

EVANGELISTIC SERVICES CONCLUDED. Evangelist G. M. Sharpe and Mrs. Sharpe were in the city today en route home to Galt after having brought to a conclusion a series of three weeks of most successful services at Stirling...

ONE RECRUIT IN SIX WEEKS. Pte. W. A. Clarke, of Kingston, who enlisted in the 253rd battalion yesterday, is the first recruit for that city in about six weeks.

A Cure for Rheumatism.—A painful and persistent form of rheumatism is caused by impurities in the blood, the result of defective action of the liver and kidneys...



CHILD'S EYES. child's EYES the benefit of my experience—as an Eye-Sight Specialist. I render reliable aid.

FRANKFORD. Mrs. Harry Coyle and children of Albion, are the guests of Mrs. Ed. Prentice.

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A NUMBER OF PURE BRED ANGUS cattle. Registered, apply to W. H. C. Robin, Ameliasburg.

The Argyle, Quinte and St. Julien Chapters I. O. O. E. and the Red Cross and Patriotic Association, acknowledge thanks of Mr. Sinclair's generous donation.

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SINCLAIR'S ALL MONEY LOOKS ALIKE TO US ONE PRICE TO ALL—NO REBATES AT SINCLAIR'S

During the past few days, we have been frequently asked by customer from surrounding Towns if we would allow them the price of their return railway ticket, provided they purchased a Suit or Coat in our Store.

Here's an experience we had recently: A customer from Stirling was buying a \$15.00 Rain Coat and asked for a rebate of 95c the price of her railway ticket, because she said she could get it elsewhere, it being so advertised.

Ours is a Woman's Store and our Business, one of the largest of its kind in Central Ontario, has been established by the ever increasing patronage of Hastings and Pr. Edward Co Farmers Wives and Daughters, and we want our Customers both Old and New to know that ALL MONEY LOOKS ALIKE AT SINCLAIR'S.

We Treat All Our Customers Alike

EASTER SUITS AND COATS We are now making the greatest display of Ladies' and Misses' Suits and Coats, that we have ever offered for your inspection, and our styles, cloth and prices are the admiration of all our Customers.

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singing, and those when they came to the services for first time go away after carrying deep thoughts of the message which Mr. Sharpe gives each Wednesday night. Prof. Staples, of Belleville, was present to aid in the singing of the Gospel, the soldiers of the 254th batt. in training marched to the church in a body, occupied the choir gallery and sang their own song, the "Roll Call." Mr. Sharpe's subject was the Unclean Man.

WALLBRIDGE MARYSVILLE

Our Ladies' Aid and Red Cross meeting was held at the home of Mrs. John Hinchcliffe last Wednesday. Some spent their time knitting while others quilted.

The monthly meeting of the Women's Institute will be held at the Wednesday, Mar. 28. Subject, "Our flag and what it means," by Miss V. B. Graham.

Miss Clara Lane is spending the week with friends at Verona. Mr. Page, of Albert College, occupied the pulpit on Sabbath morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Chisholm, who some eight years ago removed to the West and settled near Lethbridge, Alta., in a letter to friends state that they have been wonderfully blessed with crops the last two years.

The Mission Band will meet next Sunday morning after S. School. Services in the evening by our pastor, Rev. L. M. Sharpe.

MOIRA

The meeting of the Red Cross and Institute held on Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. Fox, was well attended. It was decided that a box containing a shirt, socks and goodies to eat, to the value of \$8 each, be sent to each of the nine boys at the front from our neighborhood.

We are sorry to hear of the illness of Mrs. M. Hudgins who is at present in Toronto. We hope for a speedy recovery.

Miss Violet Jenkinson spent a few days last week visiting friends at Caniffon.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvine Eggleton, of Stirling, took dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Salisbury on Friday.

Miss Bessie Ketcheson spent Sunday with her cousin, Miss Lily Ketcheson.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Ketcheson, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Welsh, also Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Salisbury attended church in Stirling on Friday night to hear the evangelist, Mr. Sharp.

Some of the young folks from here took in the box social at West Huntingdon on Friday night.

Mrs. Harry Foster is among those that are sick in our town.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vandewater attended special services at Stirling on Tuesday night last.

Mrs. B. C. Salisbury visited Mrs. F. Salisbury one day last week.

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HOW MRS. BEAN MET THE CRISIS Carried Safely Through Change of Life by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Nashville, Tenn.—"When I was going through the Change of Life I had a tumor as large as a child's head. The doctor said it was three years coming and gave me medicine for it until I was called away from the city for some time. Of course I could not go to him then, so my sister-in-law told me that she thought Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound would cure it.



It helped both the Change of Life and the tumor and when I got home I did not need the doctor. I took the Pinkham remedies until the tumor was gone, the doctor said, and I have not felt it since. I tell every one how I was cured. If this letter will help others you are welcome to use it."

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If there is any symptom in your case which puzzles you, write to the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass.

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Considerable effort had been spent on the decorations of the Madoc Armories, and they never presented a handsomer appearance than of the evening of March 17, when the full regimental band of the 254th Batt. C.E.F. under the auspices of the Madoc Women's Patriotic League, presented to the people of Madoc and to the many who drove over from Marmora, Tweed, Stirling and Eldorado, a program of great excellence.

The duties of chairman were ably performed by Mr. Thompson, Reeve, and the selections by this band and many times encored. Bandsman Bell and the band choir also contributed to the success of the evening.

SUCCOMBED TO BURNS

Plame From Gas Jet Set Fire to Clothing of Little Marion S. Patterson

The terrible burns which Marion Estella Patterson, three year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Patterson, 42 Porin Street, sustained last Wednesday morning, have resulted fatally the little victim being unable to withstand the shock. She and her five year old brother had gone downstairs on the morning in question to light a gas stove. The children both wore flannel night clothes and the spurt of flame from the gas jet as the brother applied a burning match, reached the little girl's clothing, with the result that she was enveloped in flames almost immediately. The burns were almost entirely on the body. From the first it was not expected that the little girl would live. The bereaved parents have the sympathy of a wide circle of friends in their loss.

CAPTAIN KENNY WILL RESUME PASTORATE AT COBOURG

Capt. H. Bruce Kenny, pastor of the Methodist church here and ex-president of the Bay of Quinte Conference, will resume his work here as pastor of the Methodist church at the beginning of next Conference year, in July. Capt. Kenny has been associated with Lt.-Col. Williams, Chief Recruiting Officer for Canada, in his work for some months, where he has given valuable service, but has decided to return to his pastorate here, from which he had leave of absence for the year.

LT.-COL. ADAMS GETS PROMOTION.

It is reported from London, England, under date of March 16, that Lt.-Col. M. K. Adams, who went overseas in command of the 155th Battalion, has been appointed Commandant of the Eastern Ontario Regimental command depot in England. This is a well-deserved promotion, as Col. Adams is not only a

FINANCE AND PUBLIC PROPERTY COMMITTEE.

At a meeting of the Finance and Public Property Committee of the County held in the clerk's office on Saturday, Mr. B. Mallory, County Treasurer was appointed to the office of Clerk from April 1st until a clerk is appointed at the June Meeting of the County Council.

DIED

DONOUGHY.—In Belleville on Sunday, March 25th, Sarah Jane Donoughy, aged 73 years.

BURIED AT STIRLING

Remains of Late Melville P. Hagerman Laid to Rest Today

The funeral of the late Melville Parry Hagerman took place this morning from the family residence, Bridge Street West. Rev. J. N. Clarry of the Holloway Street Methodist Church conducting the last sad rites in the presence of a large number of citizens. The remains were then removed to the hearse and the funeral cortege passed along Bridge, Coleman and North Front Streets and thence by the Foxboro road to Stirling where the interment took place. The bearers were three representatives of Holloway Street Church, Dr. G. O. Dupran, F. G. Brower and Roy Bird and three members of the post office staff, F. V. Buckley, R. G. Cronk and J. C. Waddell.

A JEWISH CEREMONY

This afternoon at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tanover, Front Street, the Jewish Ceremony of circumcision was performed. There was a large gathering of Jewish and Christian friends to celebrate the event. A rabbi from Toronto was present for the occasion and an orchestra furnished music for the attending festivities.

Mr. Jesse Carr, of Frankford, was in the city yesterday visiting Corp. Ernest Carr.

WE USE THE ALEX RAY SYSTEM

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ALEXANDER RAY, Belleville's Eye-Sight Specialist.

TODAY'S CASUALTIES

Today's Casualty list contains a good many names. 787678, A. Z. Tufts, of Tweed, formerly reported missing is now reported killed in action. G. D. Friend, Trenton, formerly reported missing, is now reported killed in action. 463460, C. F. Knight, of Deseronto, is reported as seriously wounded. 412108, C. R. Fisher, Belleville, Infantry wounded. Of The Canadian Mounted Rifles 113409, D. D. Mossman, Ridley Street, Belleville, is now presumed to have died.

WONDERS AWAY FROM REFUGEE

An aged inmate of the County House of Refuge got a touch of the Spring fever and the ancestral spirit and wandered away from the institution during the night. As a result today the authorities are looking for H. Lake.

IS NOW PRESUMED DEAD

No. 118409 D. D. Mossman, whose relatives reside on Ridley Street, is now supposed to have fallen in action. He has been missing since the battle of Zillebeke, which took place June 2nd 1916. Pte. Mossman was a member of the Canadian Mounted Rifles.

Corp. Carr, Melville Sprague and Pte. Gifford, three returned wounded soldiers, of this city, spent yesterday afternoon in Trenton.

Mothers can easily know when their children are troubled with worms, and they lose no time in applying the best of remedies—Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator.

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Major D. R. Green is expected home on Saturday evening, and the public will welcome him home by a serenade on arrival of the train.

It is interesting to know that the Ladies of Hawdon Branch, Red Cross Workers have since the war bogan raised over \$4,000 for Red Cross work.

World has been received this week. That Pte. Albert Lawrence, formerly of Hoards, has been killed in action.

Pte. Lawrence worked four years for Wallace Hoard and was very highly respected and well liked in the community. He went overseas with the 80th Battalion and has been in France since November last. His parents lived in Colchester, England.

The evangelistic services being conducted in the Methodist Church here by Rev. G. W. Sharpe of Gall were meeting with remarkable success. The church is well filled at every service and usually crowded. Sunday night there was the largest crowd ever seen in Stirling Methodist Church. The attention given by such a crowd of people was marvellous.

Mr. Sharpe led the song service up stairs on Sunday for the men; O. M. Alger, of Tweed occupied the chair and spoke to the men for a few minutes, on the first things. Rev. Mr. Smith, Belleville, impressed all with his address (Royal Manhood).

Sunday night is long to be remembered by many. Never has Stirling witnessed such a grand sight. Monday night when Mr. Sharpe spoke on amusements, the church was again crowded many having to stand during the whole service. Mr. Sharpe sang for the first time in Stirling the great temperance piece "The Brewer's Big Horse can't run over me," the choir joining in the chorus.

The singing is enjoyed by everyone young and old join together in hearty

From the Countryside

FRANKFORD

Mr. Moorman, of Belleville, and Mr. Ed. Ketcheson, life assurance agents, had a busy week.

Mr. Edward Rose, returned from Buffalo last week looking hale and hearty.

Pte. Roy Saries left with the 235th for Ottawa.

Mr. James Hurst, Belleville, spent the week in town.

Mr. Bill Rose left for Brampton where he has secured a good position.

Mrs. J. B. Lowery is very much improved.

Mrs. Dr. Malone and son, Mix, are spending a couple of weeks with the Dr., in Renfrew.

Moving pictures are the order of the day.

Mr. Frank Sales left for Minneapolis after spending a week at home.

Mrs. Richard McMurray of Elizabethtown is spending a week with her sister, Mrs. Addie Hough.

Glad to report Mrs. M. Saries as better.

Some of the 254th boys were home for Easter Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Ponell, Mrs. Walter Windover, Rev. Knox and Mr. Giles took in the lectures in Stirling on Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Harrison spent over Sunday at home.

Mr. Walter Wannamaker, who was seriously ill, is improving.

Pte. Lorimer, of Belleville, a returned soldier spent the week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cory.

Pte. E. H. Saries, of 176th Batt. left for Bridgeburg after two weeks' visit here.

Mrs. T. H. Foster is spending a few days at her home in Castletown.

Mrs. H. Migart has been on the sick list.

Mrs. William Bush is recovering from pneumonia.

Miss Cecil Welbourne has returned from Toronto.

Miss Edythe Bell has returned home from Campbellford.

Miss M. Doyle and Mrs. Mackay are in Trenton visiting their mother, Mrs. Whitton.

Coal is in great demand here.

Mr. Grant Simmons and sister, Mrs. G. M. Rogus, Peterboro, spent the week with their grandfather, Mr. Arnold, of Murray.

Miss Annie Caskey spent a few days with her sister, Mrs. Arthur Perry.

Early to report the deaths of Mr. Jordan and his son Fred, both of whom died in Winnipeg last week, both are widely known here.

Dr. Jack Simmons was home for over the week-end.

Mrs. G. E. Sine has returned from visiting in Lakefield.

Mrs. D'Arcy Ketcheson gave a shower for the bride-to-be, Miss Orpha Hubble.

Don't forget the patriotic concert on Friday night the 23rd. The Village Doctor, under the auspices of the Women's Institute.

The library received their usual grant from the council.

Nurse Perkins and Nurse Stryker are very busy these days.

The Guild of Trinity church met at the home of Mrs. H. T. Miller on Thursday. A good number turning out for it.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Denno spent Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ford.

Mrs. Chas. Rose spent a couple of days in Toronto last week.

Miss Bowen spent a week in Belleville visiting friends.

Houses are the cry here.

HAROLD

We are enjoying the spring-like weather.

The people of Harold are attending Evangelist G. M. Sharpe's revival services at Stirling.

Mr. Edwin Faulkner, of Holloway, was visiting his son Blake and lost a fine young horse.

Mr. D. A. McAdam, of Mt. Pleasant, visited friends at Harold on Sunday.

Mr. Albert Thompkins lost a horse also.

Mrs. Geo. Cotton is visiting in Stirling the guest of Mr. T. J. Cook.

Thos. Young a returned soldier is in our midst, having lost his right leg above the knee.

Mr. and Mrs. David Cotton and Mr. and Mrs. Blake Faulkner were to Stirling Monday night to hear Evangelist G. M. Sharpe and report a good meeting.

Mr. J. A. Potts had a wood bee one day last week.

Mrs. George Dafoe visited Mrs. J. A. Potts on Friday last.

Mr. Harold Runnells spent the week-end in Belleville.

GRAVELROAD

Mrs. M. Cassidy spent Sunday with friends on the 5th line.

Miss J. D'Arcy has returned to Peterboro after spending a month at Mrs. Maggie D'Arcy's.

Mrs. J. Toppings and Mrs. J. F. O'Sullivan called on Mrs. J. C. Meagher on Sunday last.

Will and Francis Cahourie spent a few days with their uncle, Mr. J. F. O'Sullivan before leaving for their home in the west.

Miss M. Williams, Belleville, spent a few days with her niece, Mrs. R. Kennedy.

Mr. J. S. Meagher spent Saturday in Napanee.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Clark have moved up to Mr. Archibald Campbell's farm, Archie McGuinness, who is working in Trenton, visited his father recently. Quite a number are ill with influenza.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. L. Curry and Mr. and Mrs. R. Bower, for a little soldier has taken a stand in each household.

BLESSINGTON

Spring seems to be near at hand as the crows are getting very numerous.

Mr. Sterton Badgley left for Saskatchewan on Tuesday. We all wish him success.

Mrs. Gabree and children of Madoc who have been spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. F. Corrigan, left for her far western home at Camrose. Children who have been suffering with whooping cough are all on the gain.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Corrigan spent Sunday at R. Miller's.

Miss Bess O'Sullivan, who has been spending a few days at F. Corrigan's, is now nursing at Wes. Copland's on the eighth line.

The concert given on Friday eve by the Farmers' Club in aid of the Red Cross, was a decided success. Some of the ladies not wishing to lose any time from working for the Red Cross, took their knitting along.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Sparrow spent Friday eve at P. Milligan's.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Henderson entertained a number of their friends to tea on Wednesday evening.

Mr. Haight and Mrs. McKenney spent Monday the guests of Mrs. P. McGeara.

Mrs. Alva Hagerman was at home to a number of her friends on Monday evening.

SALEM

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Parliament and children visited the friends and mother, Mrs. M. Hawley, at Roblin's Mills, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Youngs of Carrying Place, spent a recent Sunday the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Kemp.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hennessey and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hennessey were on Tuesday evening the guests of Mr. George and Miss Alma Sager, of Victoria.

A fine baby girl arrived on Tuesday to gladden the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Simonds.

Mr. and Mrs. Elin Parliament visited friends in Sidney on Tuesday.

Mrs. Victor Brown took tea with Mrs. Chas. Dolan on Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Ayles, of Wellington, are staying with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Spencer.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Huycke of North Lakeside, were on Sunday the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gibson visited at Mr. Egerton Wannamaker's on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Parliament spent Tuesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Boyer.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Vanocott spent Tuesday with friends in the Carrying Place.

Mr. Geo. Sager and sister, Alma, were on Monday evening the guests of Mr. Chas. Sager and family.

Mrs. Jas. McDonald, of Trenton, is spending the week with her daughter, Mrs. Chas. Dolan.

BURR

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hough, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Clarke and Samuel visited at Mr. Sidney Fov's, Big Island, last Tuesday.

Mrs. W. B. Hough and Mrs. M. Moon visited the latter's daughter, Mrs. Emma Ainsworth, at Mr. Lorne Burr's on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Doolittle entertained a number of friends on Monday evening.

Mrs. John Tice entertained a number of friends at dinner on Tuesday. Owing to the inclemency of the weather on Wednesday, the Allisonville Sympathy did not meet until Thursday.

The sawing machine is busy in our midst.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Morden were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Moon, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pine visited at Mr. Frank Burkitt's on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Willet Valteau were

guests at Mr. Herb Brason's on Friday.

Mrs. D. S. Doolittle, Mrs. I. Clarke, Mrs. Carter, Mrs. W. Nelson and Mrs. B. Hough were guests of Mrs. Geo. Rox at a quilting on Friday.

Our S. S. Supt., Mr. C. C. Patterson is a proud man these days. He is a grandpa now; as a little boy has come to live at Mr. Fred Maynes'.

FRANKFORD

Miss Cecil Welbourn returned home on Tuesday after spending some time visiting in Toronto.

A "shower" was held on Monday evening at the home of Mrs. D. Ketcheson in honor of Miss Orpha Hubble, who was married on Wednesday. A large crowd was present and a very enjoyable time was spent.

The regular meeting of the W. M. S. was held at the home of Mrs. Geo. Poiter on Thursday afternoon. After the business part of the meeting a lunch was served and a social half-hour spent. Mrs. Geo. Benedict was elected as the delegate to the Branch Meeting to be held in Bowmanville.

The Guild of Trinity church met at the home of Mr. H. T. Miller, at The Willows on Thursday afternoon.

Miss Jessie Smith returned home on Thursday after spending some weeks visiting.

Quite a number has been attending the Evangelical Meetings which are being held in Stirling by Rev. Sharpe the Evangelist.

Rev. J. D. P. Knox's brother who has been visiting in and around Frankford left for his home in the West on Monday last.

Corns cripple the feet and make walking a torture, yet sure relief in the shape of Holloway's Corn Cure is within reach of all.

AMELIASBURG

The Red Cross Society will meet this week with Mrs. Morley Carrington.

Our Sunday School was pretty fully represented at the annual convention held in the Methodist church at Roblin's Mills last Friday afternoon and evening. Mr. Jas. Dempsey, our efficient secretary, gave a very encouraging report from the school. Particularly instructive and helpful were the able addresses delivered by Mr. H. K. Denyes, Belleville, also by Mr. P. C. McLaurin, the principal of Belleville High School.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sager and Mrs. J. Sager, Victoria, also Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Ayles, spent a pleasant evening with Mr. and Mrs. S. L. DeLong and Mrs. Gamble last Tuesday evening.

The special services conducted by Rev. Mr. Gall in the school house were closed last Thursday evening.

Mrs. C. N. Adams and Miss Olive spent Saturday in Belleville.

Mr. Geo. Gall re-organized our Sunday school last Thursday evening at the close of his service. Mr. Evans Blakely, who has so efficiently filled the position of superintendent for the past two years, was almost unanimously re-elected. The remaining officers and teachers were also re-elected.

Mrs. W. Richardson, of Toronto, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Owen Cork.

Mrs. S. L. DeLong entertained the Salem W. M. S. Auxiliary on Wednesday afternoon last. At the close of a very interesting programme the hostess served a very dainty lunch.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Adams visited in Belleville on Thursday last.

Mr. Owen Cork is wearing a broad smile. The stork has left a baby girl at his home. Congratulations.

Mr. C. N. Adams took a load of dressed hogs to Belleville on Tuesday. Mrs. Ezra Carrite has been visiting friends in Brighton and vicinity.

MELROSE

Pleased to have Mr. Walter Sills again in our midst.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Sills, Jr., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ross McLaren on Sunday last.

Our cheesemaker, Mr. Anderson, has moved to his home in Melrose. We join in extending both him and Mrs. Anderson a cordial welcome in our midst.

The Farmers' Club held their concert on Friday evening last in Melrose Town Hall, which was well attended. Proceeds \$50.00 to be given for Red Cross purposes.

Major Osborne, son of the late Mr. Samuel Osborne, visited relatives and friends for a few days last week. Great credit is due Mr. Osborne's family as two of his sons and two grandsons are serving at the front.

Mrs. L. Symington visited relatives for a few days in this vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ross were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Simpkins on Sunday last.

Pleased to report Mrs. John McFarlane slowly improving after a short but severe illness.

BANCROFT

It's on orders that the local recruits of the 254th Batt. will be

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moved to Belleville on Saturday.

Mr. Hedley Jarman, of Vancouver, B. C., who has been east on business, spent a few days in town with his parents.

Betting when the next train will get in is a favorable pastime among the boys around town. It offers a wide range for speculation.

Mr. R. W. Robinson is in Belleville this week attending the annual meeting of the Orange Grand Lodge of Ontario East.

We were shown a very fine sample of molybdenite last week by Dr. Waring of Madoc, who is interested with Mr. A. Stoughton in a property in the 16th con. of the twp. of Dunganon, which gives every promise of being a producer.

The C. N. R. train due here at five o'clock on Monday, did not reach town until about two o'clock on Tuesday afternoon. It got stuck in a snowdrift some place down the line and had to wait there until a plow was sent out from Trenton. These delays are not due to adverse weather conditions, but to the bungling management of the men who draw a fat salary in the head office of the system in Toronto. They were told from this end of the line that the train would never get through unless a plow was sent out ahead, but they disregarded the warning, and case of saving at the spigot and wasting at the bung-hole, a line of reasoning that has been followed out by the management ever since they took over the C. O. line. If there is another village in Ontario that has a worse railway service than this Banerof, we would like to hear from it.—The Times.

NAPANEE

Mr. C. A. Walters spent Thursday in Belleville.

Mr. Geo. O'Neill has been appointed Landing Waler at the Napanee Customs House.

M. S. Madole, Recording Secretary of Grace Church, Napanee, has received word from Rev. W. P. Rogers of Port Perry, accepting the invitation to become the pastor of Grace Church for the next conference year.

Mr. Will McLaughlin had the misfortune to break his ankle while transferring mail at the C.N.R. station, on Friday last. He jumped off a truck and his foot turned on the round edge of the pavement, breaking a bone.

The name of Mr. W. A. Grange has been mentioned as a possible Conservative candidate for the coming by-election. Mr. Grange would be a splendid candidate; he has both the experience and education to fit him for legislative honors.

The Imperial Munitions Board intends to establish at Deseronto, an aeroplane industry and training camp, which will be practically an exact duplicate of the works at Camp Borden. Negotiations are now under way for a tract of land known as the flats. Accommodation will be provided for five squadrons of one hundred machines. The contracts will be placed in a few weeks, and the camp will be operated together with Camp Borden, flights from one to the other being planned.—The Express.

TRENTON

Mr. Russell Haines was in Belleville yesterday.

Mrs. Archie Abbott, of Belleville, was in town on Tuesday.

Mr. D. J. Barker, Deputy Sheriff of Pictou, was in town last Thursday.

The Chemical Works have been manufacturing gun cotton for some time past.

Mr. and Mrs. "Doc" Acker have moved into their new home on Marjora St.

The many friends of A. E. Bywater are delighted to see him again after six months spent in France and England. The major expects to return in six week's time.

Pte. Cyril Hatchard, who left with the 25th Battalion and transferred to the 39th overseas, and who served several months in the trenches, was wounded in the neck by shrapnel. Previous to returning, he spent several months in the hospital at Epsom, England.

He is home on leave of absence and will report at Kingston in two weeks. He is looking well with the exception of being very nervous from shell shock.

Major Bywater, of the 4th Batt., but who left with the 39th as Major, reached St. Johns, N.B., on Friday, and arrived in town on Tuesday morning, the 20th, on the 4 o'clock train, thus avoiding any public reception. The Major will be with us until May, then he will report overseas for duty again. He is looking well after recovering from a very severe wound. His many friends and fellow citizens are pleased to see him upon our streets again.

—The Courier.

LETTERS FROM OUR SOLDIERS

The following letter received by Mrs. Hill, was written by C. C. Bradley, formerly of the 80th Battalion. Before leaving England for France, he was transferred to the bombing section of the 102nd Batt. He comes from the village of Edwards, near Ottawa.

France, Feb. 23, 1917.

Dear Mrs. Hill,—

Received your very welcome letter of Jan. 23, and was very pleased to hear that you had received my letter. I feel fine except for a little cold which is unavoidable under such circumstances as we are in at times. But apart from colds, I have spent a very healthy winter, but the winter is all over for this year. We had some dandy cold weather with quite a lot of snow this year; it certainly was a relief after the muddy season, but I guess we are in for more mud now since the frost is gone.

Say, some of those people of Belleville certainly take an interest in the welfare of the boys of the old 80th Battalion. They sent Capt. Sharpe (Y. M. C. A.) one barrel of jams to divide among the boys, and they have several times donated enough money to give the boys a spread one in a while when out of the trenches. I was lucky enough to get in on one on Wed. eve, and, believe me, it was the first 'D. C. M.' (decent Canadian meal) I have enjoyed for some time. We collected nineteen 80th fellows in our Batt. I am not quite sure who the donors are, but I believe it is the ladies of the Khaki Club; but thanks to them anyhow. They have a horse railway service than this Banerof, we would like to hear from it.—The Times.

They are sure having some trouble in fixing up the old Battalions in Canada. The 207th must be fixed at last, for my brother has moved from Ottawa to Amherst, N. S. They are doing garrison duty. I hope it only lasts until duration, but I suppose he is as foolish as I was to get over to the fray.

Well, Mrs. Hill, I don't know when that pass is coming, but perhaps soon—at least I hope so. I believe there are places, however, where we can get snapshots taken, and I will try to get one next time out—don't long-promised photo. No, I don't believe I ever received that snap which you mentioned. I guess it went south, as an odd letter can not be accounted for. I would be pleased to receive one.

Well, I don't believe I have any more news, so, wishing to be remembered to the rest of the family, and hoping you are again enjoying good health, I am

Yours very truly,

C. C. Bradley.

THE POLICE RAIDED A PORT HOPE RESIDENCE


Found Four Cobourg Men Visitors and a Bottle of Whiskey.

Monday's Port Hope Guide says: Four young men who visited here last evening in an automobile, are not likely to retain pleasant memories of that sad visit. The quartette visited a residence centrally located, and were having a regular jollification when the police dropped in. One of the men was under the influence of liquor and had a bottle of whiskey which he brought from Cobourg. He was placed under arrest and pleaded guilty this morning to having liquor other than at his private residence, and was fined \$200, and \$3.20 costs.

It was whispered in the court room that the woman will be summoned to appear on a charge of keeping a house of ill-repute, and that the other three men from Cobourg will appear for being frequenters. Further, there will be another charge against the owner of the automobile for allowing his car to stand on the highway without lights. All told, it looks like an expensive evening.

POLICE COURT

Fred Gervaise, a French-Canadian was arrested by the police and fined \$10.00 and costs for being drunk.



Get a good Umbrella and Cane.

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A cane or an umbrella, such as we can supply, makes a most acceptable present for a gentleman.

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This week we purpose adding some extra numbers to this Sale in order to make it a week not soon to be forgotten. Every day will reveal great bargain specials, that you can't afford to miss.

Come—See the display of the many new things, it will be time well spent.

MANUFACTURER'S SAMPLE WHITEWEAR

has been added to the Whitewear Sale which means you can save 25 per cent on your Whitewear needs.

This comes from the biggest Manufacturer in Canada and represents the Newest and Latest to be had in Whitewear of every description.

This gives you an opportunity of having the finest under-clothing at the price of the ordinary kind—Don't delay come at once.

LADIES' NAVY AND BLACK SERGE SHIRTS

in a wonderful assortment of Newest Styles special values this week at \$3.50, \$4.50 and \$4.75.

Undershirts that you will like to wear and be in keeping with that new suit—Perfect fitting finest materials very special at 97c up to \$3.50.

GIFTS TO CHILDREN'S SHELTER DURING FEBRUARY

The management board desire to thank the kind donors for the following gifts which is greatly appreciated by them. Trusting that others will be encouraged to remember the Shelter children. Our needs are great.

Thos. D. Ruston, Inspector.

Mrs. Charles Jeffries, parcel of clothes.

Mrs. O'Flynn, parcel of clothes.

Mrs. Wallace, 5 doz buns.

25th Batt. Serge's Mess, bread, butter and sandwiches.

Mrs. Holmes, clothing.

Mrs. I. Huffman, stamp and pad for marking linen.

Mrs. F. S. Deacon, 50 spools of hasting cotton.

Mrs. Howie, clothes and 5 dolls.

High School, sandwiches and coffee.

Patriotic Tea Y.M.C.A., bread and butter and cake.

Mr. J. J. Haines, 3 doz tins of shoe blacking.

GANG OF YOUTHS ON RAMPAGE

Invaded Premises on Sidney Street on Sunday With Ferrets, Firearms and Hounds

A gang of youths took advantage of the fine day yesterday to invade the Western limits of the city. They were hunting rabbits and carried two ferrets, a shot gun and were accompanied by hounds. They tramped through several gardens on Sidney Street destroying berry bushes and scaring the barnyard fowls and actually tore open the side of a barn in the effort to get at some rabbits which have been running wild in that section.

The names of the barbarians are known and it is possible prosecutions may follow, for trespass and illegal carrying of firearms on Sunday.

PRESENTED WITH HUMANE SOCIETY MEDAL

To Trainman, D. H. Bulbit of the Canadian Pacific Railway Staff, Friday afternoon, came a very signal and well merited honor. At Belleville Hospital, where he has been confined for the past three months and he was presented with the medal of the Humane Society by officials of the railway.

The act for which he received this token was performed last summer, while his train, a heavy C. P. R. freight was speeding along in the vicinity of Lonsdale station a young child was perceived playing between the rails, all unconscious of the deadly peril to which it was exposed. It was too late to halt the train. Young Bulbit was in the cab of the engine, sensing the situation and slizing it up in an instant he made his precarious way along the rail at the side of the engine, descended to the platform above the pilot and then reached down just in time to grasp the child by its clothing and lift it to safety.

It was a deed that for daring is seldom paralleled on the battlefield and Friday came its formal recognition.

The following officials of the C. P. R. visited the hospital and took part in the presentation ceremony.—R. W. Scott, divisional superintendent, Trenton, A. H. Binns, divisional master mechanic, I. G. Rogers, yardmaster, Trenton, J. H. Davidson, secretary of the order of trainmen, West Toronto, W. J. McDiarmid, local foreman, Trenton.

Cure for Rheumatism.—A painful and persistent form of rheumatism is caused by impurities in the blood, the result of defective action of the liver and kidneys. The blood becomes tainted by the introduction of uric acid, which causes much pain in the tissues and in the joints. **Farmetec's Vegetable Pills** are known to have effected many remarkable cures, and their use is strongly recommended. A trial of them will convince anyone of their value.

HULL'S FIGHT AGAINST BOOZE

Important Strategic Battle Now on in the City Opposite Ottawa

One of the most important fights for prohibition is at the present time going on in Hull, Que., and there is wide-spread interest in temperance circles in the struggle, and much speculation as to the probable result, as its strategic importance is great and it is believed that if Hull votes 'dry' it will greatly influence other large centres in the province and encourage them to make a similar fight.

A month ago there was not the slightest intention on the part of the temperance party to attempt a contest to secure prohibition in the near future, as the efforts previously made were with the view to getting a poll under the Canada Temperance Act which could not be brought on till fall.

An effort has been made by the County Union of the W. C. T. U. to get the local temperance workers to have a campaign conducted by Mr. Tennyson Smith in Hull, but the local people were not willing to accept the responsibility. Mr. Tennyson Smith, realising the need of the work, determined to undertake it and made all arrangements personally for his campaign.

Mr. Tennyson Smith was encouraged to press the question of taking a vote in Hull, owing to his success in this work in other places. He was invited in January to Buckingham, Que., to conduct a campaign under the auspices of the W. C. T. U., but there was not the remotest intention on the part of the temperance people of the town to have a vote taken, but the lecturer aroused so much enthusiasm that he was able to form a strong men's committee to undertake the necessary arrangements, and as a result a poll was taken on March 3, and Buckingham and Masson both went 'dry.'

Theodore Parks. A number of friends surprised Mr. and Mrs. J. Carter, last Tuesday night when they were presented with a very nice address and a purse. Although taken by surprise both Mr. and Mrs. Carter made very appropriate replies, followed by short addresses by several of the gentlemen all saying how sorry we were to part with them and wishing them happiness and success in their new home.

ANNUAL MEETING The annual meeting of the Ladies' Benevolent Society of St. Michael's Church was held on Monday evening, March 12. The following officers were elected for the coming year:—Hon. Pres., Mrs. St. Charles; Pres., Mrs. L. P. Hughes; 1st Vice Pres., Mrs. T. Collins; 2nd Vice Pres., Mrs. T. Cushing; Sec., Miss Hurley; Treas., Mrs. F. Daly; Hospital Visitor, Mrs. D. Cotter; Auditor, Mrs. J. Foltz and Mrs. F. S. Anderson.

VICTORIA Mr. and Mrs. H. Montgomery and children spent Sunday at Mr. H. Weese's. Mrs. Will Bush and little son, Kenneth, have returned home after a few weeks visit under the parental roof.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hall, Bayside, Mr. and Mrs. Rae Fox, Sunday at Mr. S. Foxes. Mr. and Mrs. Norman Weese spent Sunday at Mr. John Weese's. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bonter and children, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Hennessy and children and Mr. and Mrs. Grant Gibson spent Sunday at Mr. D. Calnan's.

Mrs. Francis Brickman, Brighton, is visiting her niece, Mrs. Harry Friel for a couple weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wannamaker of Rednersville, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wannamaker.

Mr. and Mrs. David Vandervoort of Wellington, spent the week-end with the latter's daughters, Mrs. Lorne Brickman and Mrs. Fred Bonter. Miss K. Burns, spent Sunday evening with Miss Beryl Weese.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Brickman and Audra, took dinner at Mr. Everett Brickman's on Sunday. Miss Carrie White, spent last week with her sister, Mrs. Will Bush.

Mr. and Mrs. Morton Weese, entertained about thirty to tea on Wednesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. E. Brickman and children, Mrs. F. Brickman and Mr. and Mrs. Will Habbe, spent Tuesday evening at Mr. B. L. Redner's.

Mrs. H. Pulver, entertained her E. S. Class on Wednesday evening March 21st. Mr. and Mrs. N. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Will Elliott and children spent Sunday at Mr. John Weese's.

Mr. Hugh and Miss Marie Weese took tea at Everett Brickman's on Monday evening, the latter is visiting Miss Vera Brickman, for a few days. Mr. and Mrs. H. Weese and Miss Minnie, entertained company on Thursday evening.

GREAT BRITAIN AND THE TRAFFIC

Important Messages From Lords Lytton and Curzon

Editor Ontario,— I have been struck with speeches recently made by two ministers of the Crown, Lords Lytton and Curzon. It seems impossible to escape the conviction after reading these speeches, that something like the entire abolition of the manufacture and sale of ardent spirits is imperatively demanded in the interests of Great Britain and very much that has been stated by these cabinet ministers applies to Canada. I beg to give a few extracts from these speeches for the benefit of your readers as contained in an article from that great newspaper, The Spectator.

I am yours, John J. B. Flint. We have never had the case stated so plainly before. The words of both Lord Lytton and Lord Curzon are so important that we must extract two passages textually from their speeches. Lord Lytton said:— "It is now true to say that it is an absolute condition of our success that the whole available cargo supplies of the available ships shall be given up to absolute necessities only. Some of the commodities carried cannot be reduced. The supply of munitions of war to our Allies cannot be reduced. Everything that can be dispensed with must give place to 'absolutes necessities.' That would remain true if all the submarines were destroyed tomorrow. That is the reason for the food restrictions which have been lately issued by Lord Devonport. I wish to say, from the point of view of the Navy, how essential it is that these regulations should be adhered to in the strictest possible manner. Every act of self sacrifice at this moment in the matter of food consumption is a direct and very valuable assistance to the work of the Navy is doing. It must not be forgotten that this is to a large extent not merely a war of armies, but a war of peoples, and ultimate success will be achieved not only by the armed forces of the belligerents, but by the civil population behind them. It is upon their endurance, courage and determination that the whole issue depends."

The doctor was a well-known and popular man, who had just returned from a year's service with the Hospital Transport; and in addition to picking up his practice he was doing a good deal of patriotic work, being a capable public speaker with a long municipal record. In the ordinary course of business, Capt. Wiggins, a general insurance agent in Sarnia, got the doctor's application for a 20 pay policy, \$2,000, in the Great West Life. Finding that Dr. Henderson passed an excellent medical examination, he urged him to increase the amount to \$3,000, or even \$5,000, and got the usual sort of answer—that he would think it over.

On the strength of this, the agent asked his company to send two policies, one for \$2,000, and another for \$3,000, stating that there was a good chance of placing the larger amount, or even both of them. When they came in, he called up the doctor, who said: "I'm going out into the country but if you run over to-morrow I can give you a cheque."

What is notoriously by far the most expensive source of waste in the country? Drink. What is the one unnecessary item in our national consumption by comparison with which, everything else shrinks into absolute unimportance? Drink. What is the one article by means of using which, or refusing which (if the words of Lord Curzon and Lord Lytton are true), the people have it in their power to turn the scale against or in favor of our arms? Drink. What is the one article of consumption which causes ninety percent of the troubles that harass Provost-Marshal and the Military police? Drink. What is the one article of consumption which is a distillation from food deliberately destroyed? Drink. These are simple answers to very elementary questions, and nobody who reads statistics, or the reports of Police Courts or of Military Courts, could possibly give any other answers. We do not write as advocates of teetotalism in normal times. We write as plain men who

want to win the war, and who take the words of Lord Curzon and Lord Lytton as 'sincerely' intended and 'literally true.' It may seem astonishing that neither Lord Curzon nor Lord Lytton thought it worth while to mention drink. But for our part we assumed that they took the Prohibition of drink during the war for granted till we read the report of Wednesday's debate in the Commons. What a bathos was there! Surely the words we have quoted above are almost meaningless except on the assumption we made. They cannot literally mean that while unnecessary things in general are to be prohibited, the greatest of all unnecessary things is to be treated to a special dispensation and allowed still to occupy to some considerable extent the holds of ships, to block quays and roads and to take up freight-room on railways. For that is what the Government will be consenting to if they do not intend later to introduce Prohibition for the war or undertake State Purchase. The greater part of the materials of the Trade comes in ships in the form of good food; but on arrival this good food is not conveyed to the people to be eaten, but is transformed into drink at such a high loss of nutritive value that the good food may be said to be in effect destroyed. Then other ships have to be employed to bring more food in the place of the destroyed food. Thus is the work of the Navy and the Mercantile Marine undone in precisely the fashion against which Lord Curzon and Lord Lytton most earnestly warned us. Lord Curzon is a master of language, and we shall refuse to believe that he failed to make his meaning clear unless the event proves us in the end to be wrong. We cannot think that either Lord Curzon or Lord Lytton expects his words to be stultified. We refuse to abandon hope.

ST. OLA The weather has taken a change and looks a little more like spring. Mr. Robt. Casement, purchased a new horse while working in Trenton and has been busy breaking his team at home getting ready for spring work.

QUICK ACTION ON A LIFE POLICY

If an insurance agent went about with a story of a client who dropped dead within an hour of paying the first premium on a policy, he would be told that the market for action is overstocked. Yet that is what happened to the late Dr. Henderson, of Sarnia, who fell back unconscious while driving his car to visit a patient, and died in a few minutes.

Mr. J. B. Haight, Cannifton, has received the following very interesting letter from his son, Lieut. M. C. Haight, now with the overseas forces in France.

LIEUT. HAIGHT VISITS LONDON

Cannifton Boy Visits World's Metropolis and Gives His Impressions. Mr. J. B. Haight, Cannifton, has received the following very interesting letter from his son, Lieut. M. C. Haight, now with the overseas forces in France.

to feel Fresh and Fit —you must keep your stomach well, your liver active, the bowels regular, and your blood pure. Your physical condition depends on the health of these organs. When anything goes wrong just take a few doses of Beecham's Pills and avoid any serious illness. They are a fine corrective and tonic for the system, and a great help in maintaining good health. A single box will prove the remedial value of Beecham's Pills.

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THOMASBURG Mrs. Kingston has returned after spending five or six weeks with her sister, Mrs. R. Downey, who we are glad to report is getting along nicely after her recent illness.

THE REBECCAS meet in Crescent Rebecca Lodge on Monday March 26th to bid Mr. and Mrs. J. Sayers, good by prior to their departure for their home in the West. They presented them with silver knives and forks. We join in wishing them happiness and prosperity in their Western home.

THE FUNERAL of the late Mrs. Mary Elliott took place in Thomasburg on Thursday from her late residence, Thurgemore. Rev. C. Coon of Tweed officiating. Interment took place in Thomasburg cemetery.

OUR SCHOOL is opened again after being closed for a week on account of the teacher, Mr. R. Morton being sick with La Grippe.

MISS MAGGIE MITTS of Belleville, spent Sunday under the parental roof.

MR. H. MITTS of Ivanhoe, spent Sunday at Mr. M. Mitts.

MR. W. HARRISON, spent Sunday at Mr. W. Holbert's.

MR. W. VANCE, is spending a few days under the parental roof.

Mrs. W. Maynes is able to be out again, after having the misfortune to break her arm.

MR. FERRY McTAGGART and Miss Eva Jones, were quietly married at the parsonage on Wednesday, to Rev. R. Richards.

MISS ROLLINS is visiting at Mr. W. Holbert's.

SICKLY BABIES—little ones who are troubled with their stomach and bowels; whose teething is painful; digestion bad and who cannot sleep well—can be made healthy and happy with Baby's Own Tablets.

THE TWENTY-FIFTH BIRTHDAY Grand Secretary F. M. Clarke of the Grand Orange Lodge of Ontario East was last night elected to that office for the twenty-fifth time.

THE FAIRIES AND THE MUSIC In the production "Where the Shamrock Grows," which was given at St. Michael's Academy, the acting of the Fairies and their beautiful garb were much praised. Those who played the parts of the elves were Marjory Lynch, Margaret Smith, Marie Cummins, Evelyn McCourt, Violet De Marsh and Marjory Dean.

Advertisement for Beecham's Pills, including text about health, digestion, and physical condition. The ad features the brand name in large letters and describes the benefits of the pills for various ailments related to the digestive system.

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GRAND ORANGE LODGE OF ONTARIO EAST WELCOMED

Grand Master McLean's Report-References to Home Rule, Bilingualism and the War--The Order's Honored Dead--Greetings From Loyal True Blues.

(From Thursday's Daily)
The fifty-eighth annual convocation of the Grand Orange Lodge of the Province of Ontario East opened Wednesday afternoon in the City Hall, Belleville, the Right Worshipful Grand Master, Capt. Ewan H. McLean in the chair. The Grand Lodge opening in the royal scarlet, Sir Mackenzie Bowell, representing the Triennial Council of the world declared the Grand Lodge open in due order by virtue of his authority. Fraternal greetings were received from the Grand Master of Manitoba, W. Bro. John Eaton. There is an exceptionally large attendance of members of the order.

Bro. Berny, Munroe, Boyce, Baylea and A. R. Walker were appointed a committee to appoint standing committees.
Owing to sickness the Grand Auditor, Walter Wiggins of Bancroft was unable to be present. It was decided that Bro. Wm. Joint, P.C.M. of Carleton act as grand auditor for the session.

Greeting from True Blues
District Deputy Grand Master T. D. Raston of the Loyal True Blues bore the greetings of that Association:

"On behalf of the Loyal True Blue Lodges of Belleville it affords us much pleasure to extend to you a cordial and fraternal welcome to this beautiful city.

"We regret very much that the season of the year will not permit you to see the beauties of our city which has a good claim to the title we give it the Beautiful City of the Bay."

"Since last year we have had what changes have taken place and are taking place. We are now in the midst of a world struggle. Right against wrong. Freedom and liberty against bondage and militarism. We welcome you because your order has done nobly in this great war giving of your best and we pray that those of your noble order who have suffered loss will be sustained of God. We welcome you because we recognize that we are all one family and as brothers we desire to manifest that spirit of brotherly feeling which you know we all feel. We are working to advance the one great and glorious cause of Protestantism.

"It is with pleasure we note that unity exists between your noble order and the Loyal True Blue Association and we trust the same harmonious feeling may exist and that our Orange brethren will as ably assist us in the future as in the past in the good work of rescuing the Protestant orphans from the church of Rome. In conclusion we earnestly hope that the officers and delegates may be guided of God in their deliberations and that they work in harmony in the advancement of your noble order. We trust the delegates will all enjoy themselves thoroughly so that they will look back with pleasure to the time spent in Belleville, so that in the near future we shall have the pleasure of again welcoming your Grand Lodge."

Mayor Ketcheson and Ald. W. B. Deacon, representing the Belleville Council, appeared before the Grand Lodge and were introduced by Bro. W. C. Mikkel, K. C., who paid tribute to the valor of the mayor's sons at the front. The deputations was received with the usual honors and was invited to the platform. Mayor Ketcheson read the address of welcome as follows:

"To the Right Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Ontario East.
Gentlemen,

"It affords us great pleasure as representatives of this city, and on behalf of our citizens, to welcome to this distinguished gathering as you assembled here. When we knew that you had chosen our city for your annual meeting, we felt that you had displayed good judgment in the selection, and at the same time, felt that you had bestowed an honor upon us of which we feel justly proud. It is many years since your Grand Lodge met in this city, and many changes have taken place since then, all of which we believe

have been for the betterment of our city and country. Our city has grown in population and importance and your splendid order has largely increased its membership since your previous visit here.

"Orangeism occupies a large place in the esteem of this community. This is based upon the manner in which your lodges and your individual members who compose them, carry out the principles and tenets of your order.

"We were pleased to observe, that when the Empire of which this Canada of ours forms no unimportant part, was plunged into the great war in which we are still engaged, how loyally and nobly the members of your association responded to the call of King and Empire.

"It must be a source of pride to your membership that there are lodges which are almost out of existence owing to their members being on active service, doing their bit for the principles of truth, justice and righteousness, and to destroy the force of autocracy and oppression.

"We feel that your coming among us will further stimulate our loyalty. We hope that your deliberations will be profitable to your association, and that your delegation will spend a pleasant time in our city.

"Right Worshipful Sir and Gentlemen, we bid you a hearty welcome and extend to you the Freedom of the city."
(Signed)
H. F. Ketcheson, Mayor.
W. A. Woodley, Alderman.
W. B. Deacon, Alderman.
O. A. Marshall, Alderman.

At the request of the Grand Master, the mayor said a few words: "I'm a brother among you, and have been for many years (applause)." He referred to a remark of Bro. Mikkel's about his three sons, one of whom is seriously wounded. "I'd rather have a boy of mine buried in France than shirking at home." Once again he welcomed the Grand Lodge to Belleville.

Ald. W. B. Deacon reiterated the sentiments of the mayor. Belleville would do its best to make the stay of the visitors happy. The citizens were at their service.
The Grand Master referred to his happy winter in Belleville with the 236th Battalion. On behalf of the Grand Lodge he expressed appreciation of the welcome extended by the mayor and Ald. Deacon. All would hope and pray that those dear and near to the Chief Magistrate would emerge safely from the great struggle in Europe. As far as Orangemen were concerned, the country need feel no fear that returning will not be properly cared for. There should be no place for the slacker in Canada and an effort should be made so that those who had left Canada to escape service, should be forced to return or forever be kept outside the borders of Canada (cheers).

Bro. Berny, of Kingston, congratulated Belleville on having a mayor who was an Orangeman. The honor of the Orangemen was safe in his hands. Orangemen everywhere are loyal to the Empire today.
Bro. L. E. Stanley, of Ottawa, also spoke appreciatively of the city's welcome, and said that in Ottawa and in fact all over Canada, the prominent men of the country were associated with Orangemen.
After three cheers, which was roundly given by the members of the Grand Lodge, the civic delegation retired.

Grand Master's Address:
The Grand Master, Capt. McLean, in his address to the Grand Lodge, said:
"Brothers,
"Through God's good Providence we are allowed to join today in the 58th Annual Meeting of this Grand Lodge.
"We meet in the city of Belleville, a city among the oldest of the Orange Fraternities in Canada. One where the faith has been kept pure and unadulterated for many years, and whence have

come many men who have risen to the highest honors of the Orange Order.
"I have had the good fortune in the near past to make an extended stay in this city, and I am able to vouch for the patriotism, the generosity and the open-hearted hospitality not only of the brethren of Belleville, but of all its citizens.
"Beautifully situated on the broad stretches of the Bay of Quinte, with its splendid streets, its beautiful trees and its rugged, free people, it presents a spectacle of quiet, solid prosperity that should well be the lot of those whose forefathers gave up all they had to come to Canada, that there they might find that freedom which only can be found under the broad folds of the British flag.
"The people of Canada have at last come to understand that the Order stands exactly for what it professes to stand for—loyalty to the King and Empire and to the Protestant Faith.
"We are determined that our glorious order shall continue to make progress, so that when our Empire emerges victorious from this titanic struggle, it may have ready to its hand an instrument capable and prepared to see to it that human liberty is to be had by all within the boundaries of the great brotherhood of nations which has preserved human liberty for the whole world.

The School Situation
After, as the result of the agitation by this order for a period of eight years, the question of the right of the Province of Ontario to exclude any language but the English language from the schools of the province, has been finally decided by the highest court of appeal, and the decision is favorable to our contention.
"This final victory following so many years of steady pressure, should be most gratifying to all who believe in the maintenance of Ontario as a British Province.
The claims of the Orange Association will not be abated one jot or tittle, and we are assured that the Government of the Province of Ontario will present an unyielding front.
"Now that the law with regard to bilingual schools has been settled, we are looking forward to the gradual banishment of the French language as a language of instruction and communication in our primary schools.

The Sentinel
"Throughout the year the Sentinel has continued to be the fearless advocate of all that is right and patriotic generally and of the principles of the Orange Order particularly. Under the watchful eye of the Right Worshipful Brother Hockin, Grand Master of Ontario West, it has, without fear or favor, taken the position which our belief dictates upon all occasions.
Home Rule for Ireland
"In my address last year I suggested that before the war was over the people of the British Isles would realize which of the parties there was loyal to the Empire, and which was not, and that result would be favorable to the opponents of Home Rule.
"Ireland has been exempted from the act enforcing conscription although our friends from Ulster were strongly and openly in favor of its inclusion and promised the unqualified support of the people of Ulster.
"Only the other day the leader of the Home Rule Party had the temerity to raise the question again in the British House of Commons. The Premier, the Right Honorable Lloyd George, lately an ardent home ruler, replied stating that no Home Rule would be granted by the government led by him in which was included those parts of Ireland which were substantially against it. In other words, in case of Home Rule, Protestant Ulster is to be excluded. By their fruits ye shall know them."
The War
"The terrible struggle in Europe continues to drag on. Last year we gloried in the exploits of the navy which had swept the

seas. This year the situation is changed. At date of writing, our armies are uniformly successful in France and Belgium, and in the far east we are making substantial headway, but today, while the navy is supreme above the water, the submarine peril has so increased, and the nefarious uses to which it has been put by a dastardly enemy have been so extended, that the British Isles are in grave danger of food shortage.
"We are justly proud of the manner in which our order has borne its part in the raising of our Canadian armies. It can be safely stated that no organization of any kind whether church, fraternal or political, eye and not even the militia of ante-war times, has furnished as high a proportion of men to fight for their King and country as has the Orange Order.
"We glory in this because it means that Orange principles are right, that Orangemen are true to their principles, and that the thing nearest to the heart of every Orangeman is the inviolate honor of that great and glorious band of nations which forms the British Empire.
"But while we pride ourselves that so many of our brethren have not shrunk in this hour of testing, let not this be considered an excuse by any brother of military age and fitness. The duty is cast upon him more strongly than ever before, and instead of sheltering himself behind those who have answered the call, it is imperatively his duty to take their course for his bright example and spontaneously and cheerfully do likewise.
"Canada has promised a half a million men. One hundred thousand are yet lacking, and our honor will never be unscathed until that promise has been implemented.

Our Honored Dead.
"During the past year the grim reaper has been busy among us. Outstanding perhaps are the names of Right Worshipful Bros. Albert Bradley and John Delamere, both Past Masters of this Orange Province. They were well known to and respected by all the members of this Grand Lodge. They both filled out honorable and useful lives and died amid the honor and respect of all who knew them. Hosts of friends join in sympathy with those loved ones left behind, and truly their works live after them. But what shall I say of the glorious company who have cheerfully laid down their lives on many a blood-soaked field across the broad Atlantic? Our hearts are very sad as we think of the sacrifice of our best and bravest, when we think of those who loved them so dearly who now are mourners, but the comfort comes to us that an all-wise Creator had so made them brave strong and self-sacrificing and had so inoculated into their hearts the true Orangemen's love of freedom and the Empire, that they might stand a wall of fire against the aggressor, and might be the instrument of preserving to the world all that they themselves most valued, and all that is of greatest value to the world.
"My brethren, through the fact that Right Worshipful Bro. Ford, P. G. M., had to follow the path of duty down to the Maritime Provinces, and was therefore unable to be present with you at the last annual meeting of his term, this is the third annual meeting over which I have presided, an experience unknown to Grand Masters during my time of attendance at this Grand Lodge.
"It may be that my fortunes will guide me to other and distant lands in the near future. I wish from the bottom of my heart to thank you one and all for the many kindnesses you have heaped upon me.
"If on my part have tried, so far as in me lay, to do my duty by you. You one and all have never failed to do your duty by me as your Grand Master. May we all meet again in happier times and when we do, may we be able to grasp hands and look each other square in the eyes conscious of duty well done, and with a conscience untroubled.
"May God's gracious mercy keep you and protect you now and evermore."

TWO OFFICERS ENTER CHAPTER.
Last evening Quinte Royal Scarlet Chapter held a special meeting at which the Chapter from Addington put on the work. Two officers of His Majesty's forces were made members. A large number of the members of Grand Lodge were present.

SOLDIERS ON ACTIVE SERVICE
Say That Belleville Ladies are Helping Them
With the desire to help and inspire with confidence those who have doubt as to the ability and trustworthiness of Belleville ladies engaged in the work of supplying our soldiers at the front with articles which contribute to their comfort and efficiency, I wish to state that in every case in which our ladies have undertaken to render needful assistance in connection with the defence of the Empire, they have been most successful, and the value of the good results of their labors of love can not be computed in dollars and cents. The hearts of hundreds of our boys at the front have been made glad, and their spirits have been uplifted with renewed and stronger courage to stand firm against our enemies by the ever-present assurance that the Belleville ladies were mindful of them, and were doing all in their power to lessen their discomforts. In work of this kind our ladies are sincere, and know exactly what to do. As proof of this statement, I shall submit one of many personal experiences. I handed to Miss Kate Lister a small sum to give to Miss M. E. Falkner, 62 W. Bridge St., to help the boys at the front. Since I have received several letters of thanks from soldiers on active service. All these letters show that the writers are gentlemen and scholars, and that our ladies have been and are helpful and true to the cause in which they are interested. Copy of one of the letters received is as follows:

On Active Service,
50th Canadians,
France, Feb. 12, 1917.
Reg. No. 448409.
Robt. Bogle, Esq.,
Dear Sir—
Please accept my sincere thanks for the parcel of good things which you so kindly sent. I may say it was the best selected parcel I have yet seen. Every article was so useful to a soldier. May God bless you for your mindfulness.

Pte. James McGregor.
I would respectfully suggest that especially the very wealthy men of our city place ample means at the disposal of the ladies who are engaged in this noble, self-sacrificing work. A few hundred thousand dollars could be used to wonderful advantage.
(Signed) Robert Bogle,
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GREAT FORESTERS' NIGHT AT COBOURG
On Tuesday night of this week the Independent Foresters of Cobourg, held an open meeting at which a most enjoyable and profitable time was spent. There was a very large attendance, including a number of brethren from Court Moire No. 23, Belleville, filling the spacious lodge room in the Town Hall to capacity.
The principal amusement of the evening was progressive euchre. Seventeen tables were arranged and five games were played for prizes. Lively interest was taken in the determination of the winners and the prizes were finally awarded amid great enthusiasm.
Then followed a most interesting and impressive address by Dr. C. Day Clarke, of Toronto, assistant supreme high chief physician, and one of the most impressive speakers in the order. Dr. Clarke briefly reviewed the fine status of the order, showing that by unassailable government reports and statistics it was more than 100 per cent sound, and also showed its splendid work in the relief of suffering and distress and in looking after consumptives and orphaned children. He closed with an appeal to those who were not members to embrace the opportunity and identify themselves with the order.
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ance from Belleville there were also Messrs Skinner, Harrison and Kaiser. Past Chief Ranger, H. R. Sanders, very capably presided as chairman and master of ceremonies during the evening. In his duties he was assisted by Mr. Stanley Atcheson, the chief ranger, and Mr. W. J. Sanders, the recording secretary.

COBOURG HEAVY BATTERY
The appointment of Lieut. Chas. A. Payne as officer-in-charge of the eight Overseas Draft from the Cobourg Heavy Battery has been approved. Lieut. Payne has been a member of the local law firm of Porter & Carnew. Lieut. Harry H. Ponton is in charge of the 7th draft which is now complete and in training for overseas.

A cable has been received by Major McKinnon, O.C. Cobourg Heavy Battery, announcing the safe arrival in England of the Sixth Draft, which included several Belleville men.

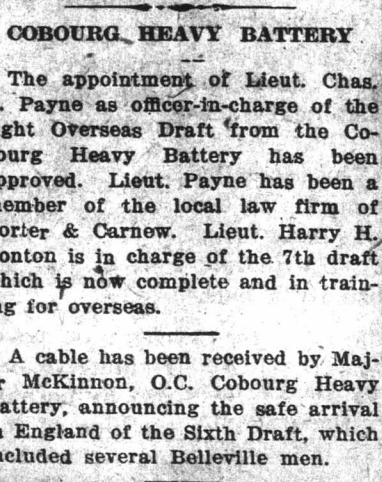
Nine more men signed up with the Battery during the past week, including two from Picton, G. F. Worrell and W. McCaw. The strength of the overseas drafts is now 2 officers and 67 other ranks.

SENATOR CORBY UNDERGOES A SECOND OPERATION
A cable received by relatives in the city this morning states that Senator Harry Corby has been compelled to undergo a second operation at Honolulu where he has been confined to the hospital since he underwent the previous operation, somewhat over three weeks ago.
His many friends here are very anxious as to the outcome of this second operation which would go to indicate a serious condition on the part of the patient.

DEATH OF MRS. A. S. WHITE
Wellknown Belleville Lady Passed Away Yesterday After Several Months' Illness
(From Thursday's Daily)
After an illness of some months' duration, Jennie May White, wife of Mr. Alex. S. White, passed away yesterday at her home 158 Bridge St. The news of her death was received with many expressions of regret. She was born at Sidney Crossing, being a daughter of the late W. R. Vandervoort and resided in Sidney all her life until her removal to Belleville a few years ago. She was a Presbyterian in religion and while in Belleville was a member of St. Andrew's Church.
Besides her husband, she leaves a son, John V. of Belleville and two daughters Mrs. D. Edwin Grass, Colborne, and Miss Dorothy May at home. Three brothers, Stanley Vandervoort, of this city, Edgar Vandervoort of Port Hope, and Dr. Percy Vandervoort and one sister Mrs. F. A. Spafford of Sidney survive.
Mrs. White had a genial disposition, with a great capacity for making friends. The deepest sympathy is extended to the husband and family in their bereavement.

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NORAH WATSON.
50c. a box, 6 for \$2.50, trial size, 25c. At dealers or sent postpaid on receipt of price by Fruit-a-lives Limited, Ottawa.

PEARCE MILLS BURNED TODAY

Big Fire Loss at Marmora this Morning — \$25,000 Damage and no Insurance.

(Special to The Ontario)
Marmora, March 22.—The plant of the Pearce Company Limited in this village was totally destroyed by fire this morning. The fire was occasioned in a peculiar manner. Re-pairs and improvements were under way at the mill. Some workmen were burning a hole through a heavy beam with a red-hot iron. Un-known to the workmen the beam was saturated with oil. In an instant it burst into flames and the flames spread with incredible speed to every part of the building. The village fire brigade hastened to the scene but could do nothing to check the conflagration.
The company was engaged in the manufacture of lumber, shingles and lath, and had a very extensive and well equipped plant. About \$2000 had been spent the present winter on new improvements and equipment.
The total loss is estimated at \$25,000, an unfortunately there is not a dollar of insurance.
Mr. F. S. Pearce, president of the company, who is in Belleville, attending the Orange Grand Lodge. He immediately left for home on being notified of the fire.
The junior member of the firm, Lieut. Reginald Pearce is busy recruiting for the newly authorized Forestry battalion.

WOMEN'S RED CROSS AND PATRIOTIC ASSOCIATION
Eleven boxes of hospital supplies containing the following articles, were shipped to the Canadian Hospital in France during the past month. Miss Green is convener of the hospital supplies.
Box No. 1—72 pillow cases, 26 sheets, No. 2—27 sheets, 36 pillow cases, 42 towels, No. 3—18 T. binders, 12 abdominal binders, 3 complete dressings, 26 complete dressings, 100 compresses (extra large), 250 compresses (large), 16 absorbent swabs (bags), No. 4—36 bed jackets, No. 5—45 hospital night shifts, No. 6—24 dressing gowns, No. 7—450 large compresses, 36 complete dressings, 18 abdominal binders, 12 T. binders, 25 (bags) absorbent swabs, 36 gauze swabs, No. 8—30 sheets, 24 pillow cases, 62 towels, No. 9—24 sheets, 36 pillow cases, 72 towels, No. 10—9 hospital shifts, 27 pairs laparotomy stockings, 8 T. binders, 144 towels, 12 pillow cases, No. 11—12 surgeon's gowns, 12 surgeon's caps, 12 surgeon's masks, 2 yds. combination dressing, 12 scutcheon binders, 12 complete dressings, 12 (bags) absorbent swabs.
Mrs. (Dr.) Yeomans reported February the banner month for the Rainbow Knitting Circles. 821 pairs of socks were handed in during that month.

GREAT ACCESSION TO MEMBERSHIP
(From Thursday's Daily)
Last night the Belleville Council of the Royal Templars enjoyed one of the greatest accessions to its membership since the council was organized. Forty new applicants for enlistment in the order were accepted and took upon themselves the vows therewith connected.
Organizer Morris took charge of the meeting which was at first open to the general public. Mrs. Tennyson Smith contributed an instrumental and a vocal solo and was accorded a most enthusiastic reception. Mr. Tennyson Smith gave a recitation which was heartily enjoyed and also delivered a brief address in reference to the aims and benefits of the Royal Templars. Mrs. Tennyson Smith also gave a capital address telling of her work and experiences in various parts of the world.
Mr. Morris spoke briefly and then proceeded to the work of initiation. In the next three months there is to be a contest among local councils to see who can secure the largest additions to their membership.
Mr. and Mrs. Tennyson Smith and Mr. Morris left today for Trenton where they will conduct a campaign along lines similar to that put on here.

WOMEN'S RIFLE CLUB SHOOT
Mrs. Symons 96
Miss Jenkins 96
Miss McCarthy 95
Miss Thompson 93
Mrs. Spriggs 92
Miss Falkner 91
Miss Docter 85
Miss McGie 80

THE WEEKLY ONTARIO.

THURSDAY, MARCH 29, 1917.

THE UNDER DOG

One of our earliest recollections is a sermon that was delivered in a little country church by Rev. Dr. Carman on the subject of Charity. "They tell us that Charity begins at home," said the preacher, "That is one of the devil's lies!" he thundered in the next sentence.

Dr. Carman was right. This so-called Charity that begins and ends at home is not Charity at all but one of the most selfish forms of self-seeking and self-interest. The individual who quotes that saying is usually a Berkshire apologist for his bristles.

The conception enunciated by Dr. Carman was that of a Charity bigger than the grasping of everything in sight and holding it for one's personal use and advancement.

But neither Dr. Carman nor the Church, generally speaking, have seemed to us to catch a glimpse of the full stature of the word, "Charity." Upon this all-important subject the practice and teaching of the Church fall far short of its full realization.

Has the sympathy of the Church gone out whole-heartedly to the Under Dog in the Fight? Has the Church whole-heartedly assisted the Under Dog in his Fight?

To many of us Charity is merely alms-giving—the sending around of a few pounds of groceries to some needy family at Christmas—and then forgetting that same family the other three hundred and sixty-four days of the year.

Charity is no such mean, contemptible principle as that. Alms-giving is one of its least important functions.

Charity means love—that broad, deep, sympathetic love that knows every man as a brother, that is summed up in the command, "Love thy neighbor as thyself."

The intelligent, conscientious physician seeks out the causes of diseases and undertakes to remove the causes.

The Church for the most part still goes on treating results.

The interest of the Church in relief of the poor is commendable, but it would be even more commendable for the Church to study out the causes of the poverty and assist in its removal.

Instead of treating the ugly wounds of the little fox-terrier that has been lacerated by being pounced upon by a huge yellow mongrel, why not see to it that the mongrel is muzzled or despatched?

These are the days when men do their hardest work for money, when they scramble and struggle and strike each other down in the effort to reach wealth. And it is not reasonable to blame them too much. They are trying to escape from Poverty or other physical danger.

Dire Poverty is the worst of curses. It combines every kind of suffering, physical, mental, moral and in the end it means either death or degradation.

The great task of humanity, the work in which the Church should take a foremost part, is the abolition of Poverty.

In passing let it be noted that some of our great industrial organisers are the greatest benefactors of humanity, because, in spite of individual selfishness, they are planning production on a large scale that will more widely distribute comforts and in the end provide for all.

It is worth while to discuss and to realize what real Poverty means. Just at the present moment we see little of it. There is abundant employment for all and wages are high. But, depend upon it, when the war is ended Canada will be compelled to face conditions of readjustment that will try the stoutest hearts. The orgy of borrowing and spending over, the repayment of a staggering load of debt must inevitably begin. Then will reappear days of unemployment, dire want and suffering.

Poverty means dirt. The thoughtless and comfortable have a way of saying: "The poor might at least keep clean." But even cleanliness is a luxury. It demands leisure and peace of mind as well as bathtub, soap, hot water and good plumbing. The very poor cannot be clean.

Poverty means ignorance and it means ignorance handed down from father to son.

Poverty means drunkenness. In the days before prohibition, it was the poor who supplied the major portion of their incomes to opulent booze dispensers.

Poverty and its sister, Ignorance, fill the jails and insane asylums.

Poverty is the mother of disease and it fills the hospitals.

Tens of thousands of consumptives alone

are murdered every year by Poverty. They are too poor to do what is required to save their lives.

The great men of the world do not emerge from Poverty, from squalor.

Hundreds of thousands of children are born only to struggle for a few years through a stunted infancy—Poverty digs their graves.

For one genius that has fought and conquered in spite of Poverty, ten thousand have sunk out of sight in the fight against the worst of enemies.

Don't waste your time extolling the blessings of Poverty. Use your energies to diminish Poverty's curse.

The Church in general realised that whiskey was one of the most potent causes of the curse of poverty. And the Church set out resolutely to abolish that curse. The Church was by no means unanimous in its fight. Many sections of it were wedded to that false and

ted licensed exploiters to plunder the livelihood of the women and children of enslaved wage-earners. The sufferings endured by the Under Dogs—the destitute families of the slaves of the licensed bar—have not been surpassed even in that chapter of horrors connected with the present war in Belgium.

To the credit of the Church, be it said, that pretty generally and unanimously it supported the Under Dog in this century-long, cruel and often disheartening fight.

The Church, too, is the ally of the Under Dog in assisting in the great battle to deliver all children of the coming generation from the thralldom of Ignorance.

A more broadly educated ministry is with each succeeding year delivering a more illuminating message from the pulpit.

The Church has become the staunch friend of free schools.

Where the Church has fallen short is in its failure to perceive the true nature of Poverty and to adopt a big, general policy in the true work of Charity.

The Church has regarded Poverty as a necessary and inevitable condition of a very large proportion of mankind, as an unavoidable evil that must be patiently and submissively borne.

Poverty is neither necessary nor inevitable.

The Church has nearly always devoted its attention to the results of Poverty but has never systematically studied the causes of Poverty.

The Church has never recognised the fact that much of the so-called "relief" work is really a crime against the poor.

Instead of seeking out means to make of the poor self-sustaining, independent, courageous, proud-spirited ambitious citizens, the Church has been often unwittingly doing its best to transform the less fortunate members of society into paupers and mendicants.

The bestowing of alms, largesses and Christmas groceries may be occasionally excusable and even necessary. But when you are doing that and fondly patting yourself on the back for having performed a noble act, think of this—did you give to the recipient of your gifts the fine satisfaction that comes to a man who has honestly earned a dollar, who has given value for what he has received, who has made himself strong and sturdy in character? or did you not by bestowing your gifts make the recipient less self-respecting, less of a man and more of a beggar?

In other words the Church has been somewhat sympathetic towards the Under Dog. But what the Church has actually been doing has been to make the Under Dog weaker, less self-reliant and less capable of self-defense. Perhaps if the Under Dog had been given a fair chance in life, with plenty of "nourishing food, fresh air and opportunity to train himself, he might have been able to hold his own against any yellow cur in the canine world.

Too often indeed the Church has viewed the struggles of the Under Dog with cold and even disdainful indifference. Too often influential sections of the Church have actually been assisting the Upper Dog by cooperation with him in the fight to overcome the poor and the weak. Too often the Church has been guided by the philosophy of Nietzsche, that Might makes Right, instead of by the precept of the Man of Galilee, "Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them."

With all reverence we say it—we believe this question of the Under Dog is the biggest problem that faces the Church today.

The Church in the past has been too much concerned with man's duty towards God and too little with man's duty towards man.

The Church has never seemed to grasp the full significance of the words,—"Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me."

Will the Church have the courage in the

immediate years to come to attack this mighty problem of the Under Dog? Will the Church try to ascertain man's duty towards man?

In the period directly following this great disaster of war the problem will be accentuated a thousand fold.

If the Church shows an indifference of attitude we have fears for the future of the Church.

Even before the war the Church was passing through a testing time in which the very foundations of religious faith, as manifested in the every-day practice of the Church, were being scrutinised as never before.

The greatest opportunity and the greatest responsibility of all time will shortly meet the Church face to face. Will the Church, as now constituted, be great enough to fulfil them? That is the question.

The issues of prohibition and education were in a sense forced upon the Church, were in a measure fragmentary and accidental. They did not form part of any great comprehensive, systematic policy.

The Church must face the problem in a big way and attempt to find a solution, or the problem will face the Church in a big way and find a solution for the Church.

THE IMPORTANCE OF MESOPOTAMIA

Germany is at last aroused to the importance of the British triumph in Mesopotamia. Maxmillian Harden, the well known writer tells the people of Germany that only a "block-head" or someone who is lying to himself in order that he may better lie to others will deny the importance of the British capture of Bagdad as emphasizing a change of power and authority in Turkish Asia. At the time the writer quoted, discussed the situation, it was not nearly as serious from a Turco-German standpoint as it is at present. It is not an extravagant statement to remark that Turkish power in Mesopotamia seems to have completely collapsed. Not only do the British occupy the heart of the southern and central positions of Mesopotamia but a Russian army is battering its way across the northeastern frontier from Persia. The occupation of Bagdad by the British seems to have been fairly well received, and there are no reports of any serious internal resistance. On the contrary the British have issued a proclamation, in which they declare themselves to be the liberators and not the conquerors of the Arab native population. Nothing is more significant in the present situation in the mid-Orient than the revolt of the Arab races against the Turks and their alliance with the British forces. Much has been said about the failure of British diplomacy, but the diplomacy under the Asquith government, which facilitated the uprising at Mecca and Medina and the establishment of an Arab kingdom, had enormously wide-reaching consequences, destructive to Turkish rule.

As soon as the British have completed their lines of communication from Egypt to the point of furthest advance in Southern Syria there is every reason to believe that a marked change will also take place in that country. The Arabs there, when once they are sure of the removal of the Turkish hand of repression, are just as favorable to local autonomy as those of the Hedjaz. The defeat of the Turks means the establishment of local autonomy whatever form a suzerainty may in the future assume.

GERMAN AND CANADIAN NEWSPAPERS

Somebody has raked up a cynical saying of Bismarck:

"German newspapers are bound to be amusing. They are meant to be glanced over while drinking a mug of beer and to furnish topics of lively conversation, usually about something which has taken place a long way off in a foreign country."

It isn't quite so true as it was in Bismarck's time. German newspapers have advanced somewhat, with the general progress of journalism throughout the world. But it is easy enough to see in the German papers of today—and even in many German-American papers—the salient characteristic referred to by Bismarck—their failure to grasp real life and portray it with force and accuracy.

There is a tremendous contrast between the German type of journalism and the Canadian and English type. Perhaps the German editors shouldn't be blamed for it. They are handicapped by a governmental repression and dictation that began with Bismarck himself, and have continued to the present day. German newspapers never have been free. They must satisfy the government or stop publication. The censorship existing since the war began is merely an intensification of the normal control exercised by authority over the German press.

We have seen that characteristic at its worst in the last three years. The German papers have stood for many things in this brief period, always standing together and shifting together. They blamed the war on Russia, they blamed it on France, they blamed it on

England, they emphasized the "Slav peril" or the "African peril" or the "Asiatic peril," they portrayed the starvation of Germany and the plentiful food supply of Germany, they turned batteries of hate against Italy or Roumania or America, they supported Von Tirpitz and his "frightfulness" or opposed him, they fought France or courted France, they were for the retention of Belgium or the surrender of Belgium, they shouted for further conquest or peace—all in such momentary unison and such rapid variation as to convince anybody who needed convincing that they always so spoke as the mouthpieces of the Prussian government, and only waited for the government to give the word.

And all this time, what of the internal life of Germany? What of the real conditions as regarded food and labor capital and commerce and military matters? What of the spirit of the German people? What of the thoughts that passed through their heads? What of political controversies? What of the opposition party? What of the Socialists? Nearly all that could represent the actual life of the people, revealing what they were doing, what they thought and what they felt, was left out. The German papers have been filled only with reports of victories and discussions of foreign affairs from the standpoint of the government—with things "a long way off."

Imagine such a press in Canada! Or in England, where the press is nearly as free as it is here. It is the way of democracies to speak the truth, to blurt out facts regardless of consequences, to wash their dirty linen in public, to let the world know the worst as well as the best. And our press represents our democracy. Whatever its defects, it recognizes no authority but that of Truth, submits to no dictation except that of Justice and Humanity. It is the voice not of a governmental clique, but of opinion of the nation. And therefore it helps to govern. Indeed, it has well been called the chief governing force of the country.

FIXING THE GUILT.

Dr. George Michaelis, the Prussian food controller, in a recent address seems to absolve England from the guilt of starving the German people.

"For the small bread ration," he says, "one can only make the Almighty responsible, who has not given us the harvest we expected."

This is a quite unexpected trend for German statesmanship to take. It raises grave doubts as to the purity of Herr Michaelis's Prussianism, and his loyalty to the ideals of his imperial master. What has become of the blind German faith, if such an implied reproach to the Deity is permitted? What has become of the Kaiser's celebrated alliance with Heaven that the Almighty is at last revealing Himself to the Prussian statesman as no longer exclusively Teutonic? Does Berlin begin to suspect that He is the God of other nations, too? That He is not a mere tribal divinity?

From such an outlook as Herr Michaelis reveals, it is but a step to an appreciation that possibly Germany may have invited this food shortage by wrong-doing. Were not God's Chosen People of old punished so?

Old General Winter is retreating, too.

Things will look black for the Kaiser when the African negroes reach the western front.

With China and the United States joining in the pursuit, Hindenburg might as well keep running.

There is only one remaining Czar—Czar Ferdinand of Bulgaria. But he may as well begin to pack up.

Of course, we all know that the Germans are withdrawing of their own accord, but it is because they won't stand and get thrashed.

After all the old governments have recognized all the new governments, perhaps they can get down to common business once again.

Nicholas Romanoff, the new name of Czar Nicholas, need not worry about the future. He is said to have a nest egg of an annual income of \$42,500,000. Some of this, however, is sure to be cut off by the reigning powers of Russia.

China is getting even with the Kaiser. At the time of the Boxer rising, he addressed his soldiers when they were starting out on the Chinese campaign telling them to avenge the outrages on foreign subjects in this way:

When you meet the foe you will defeat him. No quarter will be given, no prisoners will be taken. Let all who fall into your hands be at your mercy. . . . Just as the Huns a thousand years ago, under the leadership of Attila, gained a reputation in virtue of which they still live in historical tradition, so may the name of Germany become known in such a manner in China that no Chinese will ever again even dare to look askance at a German.

Other Editors' Opinions

TWEED AMBITIOUS TO BECOME THE CAPITAL

A matter of more than passing interest to the several villages and towns of Hastings County, and which, to our knowledge, has never been given any attention by our county representatives, presented itself this week on our table of thoughts and we advance it by inquiry: "By what right has the city of Belleville to be the meeting place of the County Council?" We do not wish to rob the city of the bay of anything to which she has a legal claim, and vice versa. The county seat should not be located in a foreign place, so to speak, and we think it is high time for some of the eligible municipalities to make a bid for it. In the matter of convenience, we believe Tweed to be the most favorably located of any municipality within the county. This matter should be taken up by an organization for advancement that may be inaugurated in Tweed in the near future. —Tweed Advocate.

CYPHERS DON'T COUNT

It has been estimated that Toronto has contributed more recruits to the overseas forces than any other place, but a sad blow has been struck to the city's sensitive point by the information, officially stated, that 16,637 of these enlisted men were discharged as unfit. Of course we can say, as little boys used to say at school, that they had forgotten more than the other fellow knew,—that we have discarded more than the other people had enlisted. But this does not help the war anywhere.

There is a tendency from the Government down to rely upon good intentions and to regard these to be as effective as solid deeds. The men who enlisted and were found to be unfit are worthy of all honor, but the community or nation is disgraced that brags of such enlistments while it has thousands of young men who ought to be in uniform, but who do nothing better than moon about amusing themselves or killing time. The Canadian Government cannot get any credit in Europe for unfit men enlisted and turned down in Canada. We may swell our nominal lists, but it is the men on the battle fields of France and Belgium that count.

The greatest military operation in history is going on, and the situation is a critical one. If the Allied forces make a frontal attack on the German lines the casualty lists are bound to be heavy. They will not be less heavy if Hindenburg strikes with his new forces toward Canada. Nor less heavy if the Allied armies strike at some new and unsuspected point. Yet in the face of all these possibilities, one of which must be a certainty, the Government is playing with a nonsensical volunteer scheme for home defence. The militia department is still living in 1899.—Toronto World. (Con.)

A RARE PLANT

One of the members of "The Review" staff this week received for identification purposes, from one of our readers, two, at present extremely rare specimens of almost extinct plants. The combined weight of the two is thirteen ounces (Troy). In shape they are roundish, the surface very uneven, covered with protuberances and deep indentations. The outer part is whitish in color, smooth with a slight tendency to greenness. On consulting various scientific authorities, it was found to belong to the order of Solanum tuberosum. It is a native of Chili and Peru. Sir Walter Raleigh is supposed to have brought it to England in July, 1586, having obtained it from the Virginian colonists whom he had taken out in 1584. Some years ago scientists inform us that the plant was quite common in Ontario and that even as late as the year 1916 some specimens had been discovered. The dilated branches or tuberosous part of the stem are considered good for food. The natives gather them in the fall and preserve them during the winter in pits dug in the ground and lined with straw. They are commonly known by the name of "mushrooms," "spuds," "nuts," etc.

Should any of our readers fortunately discover specimens of this rare plant in any considerable quantity we would be pleased to have them left at the Review office for identification purposes.—Madoc Review.

Mr. and Mrs. Crawford Ross who were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Reid, Dundas St., have returned to Ottawa. Mr. Ross was a delegate to the Orange Grand Lodge.

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NEWS FROM NEARBY DISTRICTS

DESERONTO

Mr. Chas. Blake left on Wednesday for Snow Road to spend the summer on his place.

Mr. Russell, Belleville, is spending a few days in town.

Mr. R. O. Abrams, ill for the past three weeks with diphtheria, is able to be about again, also his daughter, Mary, who had the misfortune to break her arm.

Mr. W. O. Rabin returned to his former employment with the C.N.R. on Monday, after spending a few weeks at home recovering from injuries received at Newcastle.

Mrs. Fred H. Henry, Master of Belleville, has returned home after spending two weeks with Mrs. Henry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Lago. Mr. Henry was in town over the week end.

On Wednesday last, 14th instant, the residents of Deseronto learned with regret of the death of Miss Tillie Maxwell. Miss Maxwell was born in Deseronto, the daughter of Alexander and Jean Maxwell, both of whom predeceased her by some years.

A pleasant evening was spent recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Huffman, Empey Hill, when about fifty of their friends and neighbors gathered at their home to bid them farewell before their departure to their new home in Deseronto, and presented them with two beautiful chairs and an address. —The Post.

CAMPBELLFORD

Word was received last week that 229319, Pte. Wm. Walter Bateson, of town, who in October last was reported missing, believed killed, is now officially reported killed in action on Sept. 26.

Pte. Albert Prior returned from overseas last Friday evening, having been wounded in the knee while on active service. He is looking well and expects to fully recover. He was on active service in France for five months.

Pte. James Blue, who has three sons overseas, has also returned home.

Mrs. G. W. Hammond, who has been confined to her bed for some time is, we are pleased to say, recovering.

Mr. Charles Levison, who for three years has carried on a gent's furnishing business, has disposed of all his stock in the last two weeks and leaves this week for Hamilton to undertake a larger business. Mr. Levison leaves Campbellford with the best wishes of all. He made many

friends here who will join us in the wish that he may have success in his future business career. —The Herald.

TWEED

The name of E. O'Brien, of Actinolite, appeared on the Saturday casualty list as missing.

Lieut. Burgener has arrived and assumed his duties as local recruiting officer. We extend to him a hearty welcome to town.

Robt. Elliott Jr. reports seeing a number of robins on Tuesday. This is the first of the season brought to our notice.

While Neal Mills, of Northbrook, was driving home from a neighbor's with his gasoline sawing outfit, the engine upset off the sleigh and he was caught beneath it. Aid was quickly summoned, but when he was gotten out life was extinct. The deceased was 40 years of age and leaves a widow, one son and an adopted daughter to mourn his loss.

Capt. Wallace, who has been in charge of local recruiting for the past five months, and has been transferred to Campbellford, was given a surprise by the boys of the Tweed platoon and local members of the Artillery on Friday last. While engaged at his office duties at his desk in the drill hall, the boys formed a circle around him and Sergt. Deeks, on behalf of the local platoon, and Gen. Brown, on behalf of the Artillery, presented him with an Auto-strop shaving set with leather case as a token of the esteem in which he was held by the boys in khaki. The captain was taken completely by surprise and in responding, he assured the boys that the gift would be highly prized by him, and he would ever cherish in memory the many pleasant associations of the days spent in Tweed.

Our readers who had the pleasure of reading a number of letters appearing in these columns from Pte. A. Z. Tufts, somewhere in France, will regret to learn that he has been officially reported missing, the following message having been received by his father on Friday last:—

Ottawa, Mar. 16, 1917.

Robt. Tufts, Tweed.

Sincerely regret to inform you 737673 Pte. Arthur Zimmerman Tufts, Infantry, officially reported missing March 1. Further information when received.

(Signed) Officer in charge Records. —The Advocate.

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MARMORA

Rev. F. Woodger, of Bowmanville who is visiting his son, preached in the Methodist church on Sunday evening. His discourse was listened to with deep interest and appreciation by all present.

Commencing next Monday, the Coe Hill train is supposed to leave Trenton at 2.05 p.m., arriving at Marmora at 4.45 o'clock. This will be a big improvement, as the mail from the south should be received in time to be distributed before supper.

Practices are being held regularly for a play which will be presented under the auspices of the Women's Institute about the end of April.

Mr. Geo. Blakely, one of the oldest residents of Marmora Twp., passed away at the home of his son, John, on Monday, Mar. 19. Deceased was eighty years of age. The funeral took place yesterday, service being conducted by Rev. C.M. Harris.

Lieut. H. R. Pearce, of town, has been appointed recruiting officer of the 230th Forestry Batt. for Hastings County. We understand that he has already secured a number of men, and there should be little difficulty in securing 100 men, from this country.

Mr. Joseph Brock, who has been a resident of the village for two or three years, has joined the "back to the land" movement. With the other members of his family, he moved back to his farm near Blairton, on Tuesday. The farming industry in Canada, and during the present year, the production of more food is a vital one to Canada and the Empire.

Mr. H. R. Pearce, of town, has received a commission as Lieutenant in the 230th Forestry Batt., which is being recruited at present. He will be the recruiting officer for Hastings County and is already busily engaged in securing men for this important work. Lieut. Pearce's practical experience in the lumbering business should make him a very efficient officer in this branch of the service, and a very desirable officer to serve under.

The Special Act to consolidate the village debt will have to be held over until the next session of the legislature, owing to the time being too short to meet the necessary requirements for this session. However, as a result of the preliminary steps having been taken, the Council will be warranted in not raising the rate any higher than last year.

Mr. Thomas Mateer is being congratulated on his appointment as manager of a smelting and refining plant which Mr. M. J. O'Brien is erecting in connection with his mining interests in Missouri. The mine produces lead, copper, cobalt and nickel, and operations will be carried on on a large scale. Mr. Mateer returned last week from a visit to the new plant. He expects to assume his new duties about May 1, and will move to his new home about that time. —The Herald.

STIRLING

Mrs. R. Christie is confined to the house with a severe attack of rheumatism.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Saylor visited friends in Belleville this week.

Miss Lella Cooney left for Niagara Falls this week.

Gunner C. F. Hubbell, of Cobourg Heavy Battery, spent the week-end with his parents at Anson.

Mr. John Holgate of Bowmanville, and Mr. Arthur Demorest, of Hughson, Sask., visited at the home of the latter's brother, Chas. Demorest, on Sunday last.

On March 16, Rawdon Branch Red Cross workers packed at Mrs. Tho. Montgomery's, 384 pairs of socks and 54 shirts. The sewing bee was very successful, the ladies placing all but six blocks of a log cabin quilt. Mrs. Montgomery served dinner, and lunch at tea time. A collection amounting to 6.95 was taken up.

Miss Helen Morton, of Stirling, has been awarded a prize in the Daily News contest. The prize stories of the kindness circle were on "Scatter seeds of kindness."

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Scott, daughter Ida and son Wilnot, who came from Canada, and are spending the winter in Daytona, autoed down to Ft. Lauderdale Saturday last, to visit with old friends, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Mitchell. Mr. Scott was so favorably impressed with Ft. Lauderdale and the many natural advantages surrounding it and the remarkably balmy atmosphere, that he has purchased a lot on Las Olas Blvd. and will have a residence completed by early next fall and will occupy the same. They left Wednesday for Daytona. (Ft. Lauderdale, U.S.A., Enterprise.) Mrs. Scott is a sister of Mrs. B. O. Lott. —The Leader.

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PICTON

Two residents of the county were fined in the Police Court last week for stealing towels.

The County Council was in session on Tuesday and Wednesday. The County Sunday School Convention held in the Main St. Church on Thursday last was well attended. Rev. E. W. Halpeny, of Toronto, was the principal speaker.

Mr. Lindley B. Calnan, of Toronto University, spent last week at home, returning to Toronto on Monday to enlist with the University Training Corps.

Mrs. Geo. Hubbs, Mary St., left on Friday for Belleville to help nurse her little grandson who is ill.

Mr. Leland Boulter, who has been attending the University in Toronto, has signed up with the 75th Battery of Kingston.

Mr. S. Musson, who formerly resided on the Kyle farm, Glenora Rd., but who for the last year has been a resident of Toronto, has again taken up his residence on the farm.

Mrs. Edith Brooks, of Milford, has received word that her son, Pte. Percy Brooks, has been severely wounded in the elbow and hand and is now in the hospital in France.

Sergt. Jim Vandewater writes from London that all the physically fit men of the pay office are being sent to the front. Two drafts have already gone and as soon as the pay office can be reorganized, every fit man will be in the trenches.

A resident of the county was recently fined \$200 and costs by Police Magistrate Williams for giving liquor to another party in a public place. Another resident was fined \$10 and costs for being intoxicated at the same time and place.

Inspector Horston's report of his recent visit to the Collegiate, which has been received by the Board, is a most satisfactory document to all those who are interested in this splendid institution. Special praise is given to the Principal, Mr. W. H. Kerfoot, for his management of the school.

There died at Waupoos, on March 20, 1917, David Grooms Wattam in the 70th year of his age. The deceased was the son of Mary and William Wattam, who were among the early settlers in North Marysburg. He was one of a family of eight, four sons and four daughters. His living brothers are: Dr. Geo. Wattam, Warren, Minn., and Joseph Wattam, Waupoos. His sisters are: Mrs. Jos. Ackerman, Mrs. (Rev.) Chas. Coon, Mrs. Fritz (deceased) and Mrs. Wm. Wainsley, Waupoos. David Wattam married Clarissa Palen, daughter of Lewis Palen, by whom he had seven children, five sons and two daughters:—William, Willoson, N.D.; Lewis, Billington, Wash. D.C.; Thomas, Toronto, Herbert and Percy, Waupoos, Mabel Claire, a professional nurse, Buffalo General Hospital, and Mrs. Claude Hurbert, Cressy. Mr. Wattam was a staunch reformer in politics and a Methodist in belief.

Big Island lost one of its oldest residents last week when Chas. Peck sr. passed away at the age of seventy eight years, after a fortnight's illness. His whole life with the exception of two years at Shannonville, has been spent on Big Island. Being a frequent attendee at the Belleville, Picton and Deseronto markets for fifty years or more, he was widely known and his tall figure made him conspicuous in any assembly. His wife, most devoted and helpful, survives him. Mr. Peck leaves three sons: W. A., on the farm; J. E., Calgary; Harry Lorenzo, Sask.; and two daughters: Mrs. S. G. Sills, Belleville and Mrs. C. Glendinning, Sask.; and a brother, George, Big Island. —The Gazette.

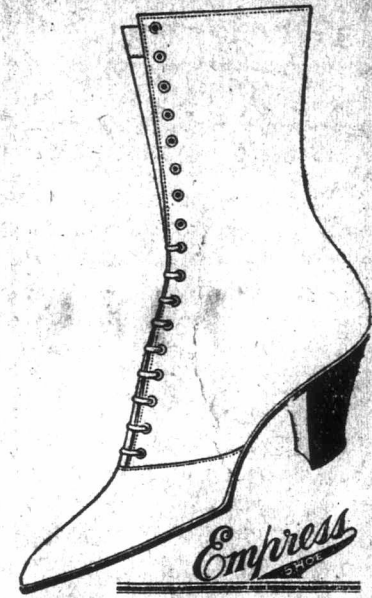
Mrs. (Capt.) William Dulmage, Ontario St., had the misfortune to fall on Friday morning and fracture her ankle. Captain Dulmage is steadily improving in health.

Mr. and Mrs. James Lochlin, of Melville, Ont., announce the engagement of their second daughter, Eva Lois, to Robert A. Hendricks, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Smith Hendricks of York Rd., Trenton, the marriage to take place the second week in April.

Mr. Everett Scott is preparing to take care of passenger traffic between Picton and Belleville. He will run a motor bus service, connecting with the Grand Trunk. It is proposed to make two trips each week day, leaving Picton at 8.30 a.m., and 1.30 p.m., and Belleville at 11.30 a.m. and 3.30 p.m. These hours will give convenient connection with the 11 o'clock G.T. train and with the International Ltd. at 3 o'clock. The service will start about the first of April. A cross-country run over the county roads of Prince Edward in an up-to-date motor vehicle will add greatly to the traveller's enjoyment. —The Times.

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EARLE & COOK

DEATH OF MRS. DONOUGHY

Sarah Jane Donoughy, widow of the late Richard Donoughy of London, Ont., died on Sunday at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Samuel Leavitt, 23 Bridge Street West. Mrs. Donoughy had been seriously ill since January.

The late Mrs. Donoughy was born in Mitchell, Ontario, 73 years ago and resided in the Western part of the province most of her life. She was an adherent of the Bridge St. Methodist Church. Mourning her loss are two daughters, Mrs. Edward Palmer of Detroit and Mrs. S. Leavitt of Belleville and one son John of London, Ont., now in France, a veteran of the South African War, one brother, P. D. Etue of Kansas

City, Mo. and one sister, Mrs. L. L. Dowling of Colorado Springs, Col.

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ST. MICHAEL'S SCORES SUCCESS

"Where the Shamrock Grows" Presented by Clever Amateurs of Dramatic Club Last Evening

(From Thursday's Daily)

St. Patrick's Day, ever a season of heart throbs to the sons of that glorious Emerald Isle, could hardly be more fittingly celebrated than to reiterate the story of Erin, its smiles and its tears. "Where the Shamrock Grows" is a never-old story of the triumph of true love and justice over the forces of evil and oppression.

The story deals with that period of Irish History that has given the world so many tales of romantic history, the stirring days of '98. Robt. O'Neill, the owner of large estates has joined the rebel movement and he leaves his estate to be managed by Phillip Blake, played excellently by Mr. Geo. Lee, O'Neill's cousin.

The various parts are handled most excellently. In Miss S. Keating the St. Michael's Dramatic Club has discovered another bright and shining star in the local firmament. She played the faithful true-hearted lass with a sweet winsomeness that completely captivated the large audience.

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Mr. Harold Barrett, between acts sang "Mother Macree" and was recalled again and again. Also Mr. Tom Barrett's singing of "Little Bit of Heaven" called for encores by the delighted audience.

It is to be hoped that The St. Michael's Dramatic Club will continue to give the people of Belleville its annual treat and next year will be looked forward to with pleasurable anticipation.

Mr. E. Guss Porter, K.C. M.P.F., who has been confined to his home, is improving.

Lieut. Col. Thomas Stewart, was able to out on the street yesterday for a walk.

The many friends of Mr. Walter Soule will be sorry to learn that he was yesterday removed to the hospital.

THE CHURCH IN THE MIDDLE AGES

A Few More Quotations

Editor Ontario.— In submitting those quotations on the 16th, I found I made one mistake in giving the wrong author for the last one, which I said was from the Protestant Professor, F. Y. Powell.

Since I mentioned the name of Prof. F. Y. Powell, who is a Protestant, and a regius professor of modern history in Oxford, I will give quoted in the Fortnightly Review, Vol. 74, page 217—"The whole story of the Scottish Reformation, hatched in purchased treason and outrageous intolerance, carried on in open rebellion and ruthless persecution, justified only in its indirect results, is perhaps the most sordid and disgusting story that the annals of any European country can show."

To come back to the so-called "dark ages" again, hear another eminent scholar of the Church of England, Dean Maitland—"Monasteries were beyond all price as places where God was worshipped, as a quiet and religious refuge for helpless infancy and old age, a shelter of respectful sympathy for the orphan maiden and the desolate widow, as central points whence agriculture was to spread over the dark hills and deal bread to hundreds, as repositories for the learning which was then, and the well springs of the learning which was to be, as nurseries of art and science, giving the stimulus, the means and the reward to invention, aggregating around them every head that could devise and every hand that could execute, as a nucleus of the city which in after days of pride should crown its palaces and bulwarks with the crowning cross of the Cathedral."

In the same book, page 476, Dean Maitland says: "The writings of the Dark Ages are, if I may use the expression, made of the Scriptures. The writers thought and spoke and wrote words and phrases of the Bible; and they did this constantly and habitually, and as the natural mode of expressing themselves."

Lecky, whose name is familiar to all, no lover of the Catholic Church, in his work, "History of Rationalism"—Vol. II, page 37, says: "The Catholic church was the very heart of Christendom and the spirit that radiated from her, penetrated into all the relations of life. By infusion into Christendom a bond of unity that is superior to the division of nationhood, and a moral tie that is superior to force, by softening or abolishing slavery, and preparing the way for the ultimate emancipation of labor, Catholicism laid the foundations of modern civilization."

Hear one more authority—Carlyle, in his "Heroes and Hero Worship." "This glorious Elizabethan age with its Shakespeare, as the outcome and flowerage of all which had preceded it, is itself attributable to the Catholics of the Middle Ages. The Catholic faith which was the theme of Dante's song, had produced this Practical Life which Shakespeare was to sing." (page 138)

Your readers will find the reputation of these men as historians and scholars, in the Encyclopaedia Britannica or Americana, and the quotations from these authors in their works, in a good reference library. Respectfully submitted by A. Reader.

ACCUSED OF THEFT

Frank Edwards, Remanded on the Charge of Stealing Orange-man's Coat

Frank Edwards, a stranger, aged 55 years, was arrested this morning charged with stealing a new overcoat worth \$17 belonging to Mr. H. R. Blakely of Eldorado, who is attending Orange Grand Lodge in Belleville. Mr. Blakely left his coat on the ticket stand at the top of the staircase in the city hall and when he returned it was gone.

Last evening a coat was brought into Ben Sopher's second hand store by a man later recognized as Frank Edwards and sold for \$2.

Edwards this morning was picked up on the street and arrested by Constable Smith. In the pockets of his own overcoat was a pair of gloves said to belong to Mr. Blakely. Edwards claims a man gave him the coat to sell and remained outside while Edwards went into the store.

The accused was remanded for a week on Chief Newton's request.

Edwards has been in the station several nights recently for shelter.

Mr. Ross Paul of Bath has been staying with her aunt, Mrs. Ross and attending the funeral of the late Harvey Homan.

GAIN OF 300 IN MEMBERSHIP

Orange Property Increased During Past Year \$150,000 In Value

At the Grand Lodge session this morning the Past Grand President of the Triennial Council of the British North America, Sir Mackenzie Bowell gave an address which was much appreciated. At the conclusion three cheers were given for the aged former premier of Canada.

A telegram of greetings was read from the Grand Lodge of Newfoundland, now in session at Grand Falls, Newfoundland, from the Hon. R. A. Squires, Grand Master and Attorney General of that colony.

Mr. William Banks of Toronto, secretary of the joint committee on Legislation of British America and Grand Master H. C. Hockin of Ontario West gave addresses.

Other business this morning was the reports of the committees on credentials, petitions and appeals, returns.

There is a net gain of about 300 in membership in this jurisdiction this year and a very large increase of about \$150,000 in the value of property owned by the order.

Grand Lodge will hold a night session tonight and will conclude its business some hours after midnight.

BIG ISLAND

Death has again visited our vicinity and taken our esteemed neighbor, Mr. Chas Peck, (Sr.) His widow and family have the sympathy of the community.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Cole, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. Cole.

Rev. Craig, of Demorestville, spent Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. George Thurston.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Thompson and Miss Anna, left last Wednesday for their home in the West.

The concert given by the 254th Battalion Band of Belleville, under the auspices of the Big Island Women's Institute was a decided success.

Bandmaster Hinchey and his bandmen are to be congratulated as the music was so beautifully rendered and all hope to have the pleasure of hearing them again in the near future.

Mrs. S. Mills is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. F. Graham, Belleville.

RUSSIA

The glorious name of freedom To Russia now belongs. The people, they are united. And through the streets do throng. Great was the excitement, Increasing every hour; The Emperor was forced to abdicate; To the mass resign his power. Oh, Russia is free! Oh, Russia; oh Russia is free! She's now like us enjoying The pure air of liberty.

Her freedom's been acknowledged Universally by all. She's determined to maintain it. Should e'en her bravest fall. And richly she deserves The laurels now she wears. For bravely has she conquered And now will never fall.

We are bound to her forever, Through adversity and fame, And we glory to assist her, To help retain her name. We sincerely hope she'll ever Enjoy prosperity; And proudly do we hail her, Russia, the brave and free.

'Tis a sight, proud and commanding, The strife for liberty; To rend the chains of bondage, And set the nation free.

The noble Czar! At his command the armed legions of Russia hurled back into ruin and loss the countless hordes of Germans; penetrated into Russia Poland, and compelled the Kaiser to withdraw his troops from the west, and thus saved the Allies from what might easily have been fatal disaster, in their unprepared condition. And now, while we hail with joy the great change in that wonderful country, we feel the deepest sorrow for the Czar—yesterday the absolute monarch; today without a crown, or a vestige of authority. And a prisoner, not permitted to see his own wife, and his children ill of a dangerous disease.

No Romanoff will ever ascend the throne. Democracy has triumphed and hateful autocracy been overthrown. German gold had bribed and bought up the advisers of the Czar. He had hurled from power five cabinets. His wife a German, and conspiring against the Allies. He did his best for his country. What a splendid thing it was to free

his country at one stroke, of vodka, and to render her from being a drunken country, to one which sets an example of sobriety to the world. God pity this noble man in his deep sorrow; a sorrow, the death of which we cannot conceive. J. J. B. Flint.

BLACK KNIGHTS OPPOSE COERCION

Of Ulster—Cablegram to Premier Lloyd George—Election and Installation of Officers

The Grand Black Chapter, Royal Black Knights of Ireland, closes their 41st annual convocation on Wednesday afternoon in the Orange Hall Front Street with the election and installation of officers. The attendance of knights was one of the largest in the order's history, about 160 being present.

The resolution committee presented their report at 10 a.m. A resolution was presented expressing appreciation of the splendid services rendered by Sir Sam Hughes, the late Minister of Militia for King and Empire in securing 32,000 men and training and equipping them at the beginning of the war, to render service at the front and his later work of raising and training our great Canadian Army of 350,000 men, expressing the wish that he may long be spared to serve as a valuable servant of the state.

Rebilingualism—It was recommended that a resolution be forwarded to Sir William Hearst commending and congratulating the Government upon their firm attitude in this important question and demanding that they continue to stand firm, expressing the order's determination to resist by all lawful means attempts to control our public schools by any powers other than the state.

Re-prosecution of the war. We desire hereby to state our readiness to give our emphatic support to Sir R. L. Borden and the Federal Government in any reasonable effort by use of the Militia Act or other wise to organize and control the whole resources of the Dominion of Canada, both man and money power to bring the war to a speedy and successful issue.

A cablegram was ordered to be sent the Right Hon. David Lloyd George as follows:—

"This Grand Black Chapter of Eastern Ontario in convention March 21st 1917, miss our many brethren fighting for the Empire, but reaffirm our loyalty to the Empire and our unalterable opposition to the coercion of Ulster."

Election of officers for 1917 resulted as follows:— Grand Master—Sir Kt. T. K. Allen, Kemptville.

Deputy Grand Masters—Sir Kt. T. H. Thompson, Madoc; Sir Kt. L. E. Stanley, Ottawa.

Grand Chaplain—Sir Kt. (Rev.) G. Nickle, Myrtle.

Deputy Grand Chaplain—Sir Kt. J. Pattenham, Finch.

Grand Registrar—Sir Kt. W. J. Rhodes, Queensboro.

Deputy Grand Registrar—Sir Kt. W. E. Tummson, Crookston.

Grand Treasurer—Sir Kt. Geo. Brown, Tweed.

Deputy Grand Treasurer—Sir Kt. Jas. Moore, Eganville.

Grand Lecturer—Sir Kt. Wm. Reynolds, Foxboro.

Deputy Grand Lecturer—Sir Kt. H. Wood, Kingston.

Grand Standard Bearer—Sir Kts. J. B. Lowery, Frankford; R. A. Wood Madoc.

Grand Censors—Sir Kts. W. C. Reid Belleville; W. H. Cook, Foxboro.

Grand Pursuivant—Sir Kt. W. J. Montgomery.

Grand Committee—Sir Kts. J. B. Cooper, W. J. Hall, S. Kerr, E. Grove, Thos. Downey, Jas. Clark, J. H. Blackley.

COOL PRESTON WELCOMED Col. J. A. V. Preston, of the 39th Battalion, just returned from the front, was in the city last evening attending Orange Grand Lodge. He was welcomed at the City Hall last night with rousing cheers.

BURIED IN ELMWOOD CEMETERY The funeral of the late Harvey Homan took place on Wednesday afternoon from his late residence, fifth of Thurlow, to Carmel Methodist Church, where Rev. W. D. P. Byers, Hoffman, Hooper and M. E. Wilson. A large attendance of friends, and numerous floral tributes were tokens of the esteem in which the departed was held in his community. The interment took place the church choir attending and singing "Rock of Ages." The bearers were Messrs. J. Reynolds, G. McCoy, B. Clark, M. Jones, J. Patterson, and H. Gerow.

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THOUGHTS BY THE WAY

Cheerful Optimism.

Written for The Ontario by "Wayfarer."

A cold, bleak November day with a high wind sweeping the brown, dead leaves from its path and whirling them through the air like brown birds on the wing! It was not an inviting scene on which I gazed from my spacious window, when compared with the cosy brightness of the room within. But in a moment a farmer drove to the door in an open buggy in which were crowded a bevy of bright merry, laughing school-girls, who seemed not the least discomfited by the cheerless, shivery November day. Their eyes shone like stars, their faces glowed with a brightness that rivalled my fire in the open grate, their curls were blown by the wind over sparkling eyes and rosy cheeks, and above the roar and tumult of the wind their merry laughter pealed forth musically as they waved me a greeting as I sat by the window. One of these bright maidens alighted, and taking from the school sack a book, vainly turned its leaves in the wind, seeking a written message which she carried. Her vain attempts to find the note in the fluttering leaves blown to and fro by the wind, was further cause for merriment, and even the staid farmer, whose weather-beaten countenance gave evidence of many a winter's buffeting, joined in the merriment, so contagious is good-humor. Thus the merry group made sport of the cruel November blasts, and I could not help to learn a lesson from their cheerful optimism. How much better to laugh in the face of trials that beset us, than to have them overcome us! It is not always easy, but undoubtedly it is the best, and reveals not only strength of will but a firm faith. "For it's easy enough to be pleasant When life flows by like a song; But the man worth while, is life man with a smile. When everything goes dead wrong. By this is not recommended a happy-go-lucky existence, that, without aim or high ideals, drifts onward with the tide. Of such a life, Cardoyle speaks disdainfully when he describes those "who feed life on a diet of broad grins." It is true that life should be attuned to the note of joy but only a high ideal or purpose can so attune it. The writer once knew a lady, the brightness of whose life was darkened by the intemperance of an otherwise kind husband. Through years of trial she never lost heart, but hoped on, praying for the time to

come when he would free himself from the bonds of strong drink. Often at night, when in a drunken frenzy he was raving like a madman, she would be compelled to leave the house, and looking up at the stars, exclaim, "Oh God! how long; how long?" After years, her prayers were answered by her husband's complete reformation and conversion, and her last days were those of happiness. The burdens of life had not bowed her to the earth, nor had her temper been soured or her mind weakened by trouble and sorrow and hope long-deferred. Her countenance displayed no token of worry, but a steadfast hope and faith gleaming from the patient eyes and an expression in which patience had had its perfect work. As one looked upon her in the quiet and calm at the peaceful close of life's rough voyage, one was forcibly reminded of the words, "And his name shall be in their forehead." The possibility of being able to retain a cheerful optimism, though strongly buffeted by the winds and waves on Life's rough sea, is aptly expressed by John Burroughs in the following lines:— Serene, I fold my hands and wait, Nor care for wind, nor tide, nor sea. Crave no more 'gainst time or fate, For lo! my own shall come to me. I stay my haste, I make delays— For what avails this eager pace? I stand amid the eternal ways, And what is mine, shall know my face.

Asleep, awake, by night or day, The friends I seek are seeking me; No wind can drive my bark astray, Nor change the tide of destiny.

What matter, if I stand alone? I wait with joy the coming years, My heart shall reap what it has sown And gather up its fruit of tears.

The stars come nightly to the sky, The tidal wave comes to the sea, Nor time, nor space, nor deep, nor high, Can keep my own away from me.

The waters know their own, and draw The brook that springs in yonder heights— So flows the good with equal law, Unto the soul of pure delights. Wayfarer.

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NEWLY-ELECTED GRAND MASTER

R. W. Bro. O. W. Landon, Receives Highest Gift at Hands of Orangemen.

The new Grand Master of Orange Order of Ontario East is R. W. Bro. O. W. Landon, of Lansdowne, who was born August 4th 1865. He is one of the best known residents of the township and follows the most ancient and most honorable occupation of man, the tilling of the soil. He is tall in stature and impressive in appearance and will make a worthy success or to Grand Master Ewan H. McLean.

Although only 51 years of age the newly elected Grand Master, has a record of 37 years association with Protestant orders, for at the age of 14 he joined the Orange Young Britons. He has been twenty years with the Grand Orange Lodge, in which he has held the following offices—Grand Lecturer, five years; Grand Director of Ceremonies, two years; Junior Deputy Grand Master, two years and Deputy Grand Master two years.

He is a member of the Presbyterian Church and his municipal experience dates over ten years, during which time he has been in the Lansdowne council as councillor, deputy and reeve.

Grand Master Landon is a member of the Masonic Order and of Harmony Preceptory, Royal Black Knights of Ireland, Lyndhurst.

Lt.-Col. W. N. Ponton was in Toronto on Tuesday evening and delivered an address before Masonic brethren at the Masonic Temple on a subject associated with St. Patrick's Day.

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254TH BAND GRAND CONCERT

High Class Program Rendered
By Military Organization
and Local Artists

(From Saturday's Daily)

The 254th Band played last evening before a very large audience in the City Hall. The band was at its best, never having been heard in a program which required greater art than was manifest last evening. Lieut. Hinchey had selected a program of numbers, many of which were from the classics and others being by composers of great talent. The ensembles, the balance between the different sets of instruments, the interpretation and the executive skill shown fully sustained the reputation, which this one of the best bands in Canada, has won for itself. The audience was very responsive and encores were generously given.

The program was rounded out with cornet solos, a baritone solo, vocal numbers, violin solos and readings. Bandsman D. Sword as a cornet soloist was much praised for his numbers, one of which was very difficult. Bandsman Fred Burke's deep bass voice found full opportunity in "Out in the Deep" and "The Bell in the Light House Tower." Miss Mae Wallace, reader gave an excellent study of Dr. Drummond's "Missie Smit" and responded to an encore. Miss Joy Higgs demonstrated her technical skill on the violin in Svendsen's "Romance" and "The Last Chord" by Sullivan was sung by Miss Maysels Stork, who gave a fine rendition of this great song. A baritone solo was played by Bandsman J. D. Cookson, entitled "The World's Fair Polka" which was given in a very creditable manner. The band numbers were:—

March. Operatic Overture—"Giaconda" Tleo. Moses Tobani. Waltz—"Millicent"—Frank W. McKee. Selection—"Reminiscences of Verdi"—Godfrey. Arranged by L. P. Laurendeau, introducing the following:— Intro—"Il Trovatore." Aria—"Rigoletto." March—"I Lombardi." Romanzo—"La Traviata." Miserere—"Il Trovatore." Intro—"Il Trovatore." Aria—"La Traviata." Chorus—"Simon Boccanegra." Chorus—"Nobacco." Chorus—"Il Trovatore." Quintette—"Un Bai Maschera." Brindisi—"La Traviata." Descriptive Fantasia "Cavalry" G. Luders. Arranged by L. P. Laurendeau. Synopsis—Morning of the Battle—Infantry is heard approaching with rifles and drums—Cavalry in the distance, coming nearer and nearer while they charge upon the enemy—Cavalry, infantry and artillery in the melee of battle—Defeat of the enemy pursued in the distance by the cavalry.

The effects in the last composition were very impressive. The singing of "The National Anthem" brought the programme to a close.

FLAG BLOWN DOWN

Last night's gale so lashed the rope on the City Hall flag staff that the rope was severed and the Union Jack blown down on the South East corner of the tower where it hangs place other than his house, namely today. No one has been able to ascend the tower in the heavy wind.

WHY SOLDIER WALKED HOME

Maynooth Correspondent Gives An Entirely Different Version of Story

Editor Ontario.

The Bancroft Times in its issue of Mar. 8, tells a story that is a little out of line regarding a young soldier, by name, Chas. H. Reiss. I am in a position to know the facts as I was here at the time.

It is true that the young man walked to his home, and it is also true that he should not have done so as he was not in a condition fit for such a strain on his strength. Still there isn't anyone to blame. It was like this.—Reiss came to Maynooth and he had knowledge that his father had driven across country to Mr. Blair's, and would come by Maynooth on his way home and pick up his son and take him home with him. But his father, not knowing that his son was at Maynooth, returned to his home by another route. Then Chas. H. did not look for nor ask anyone to take him home but simply started and walked the distance. I don't think anyone was aware of the fact that he had started to walk to his father's home until he was gone for some time. I heard several men at Maynooth say that it was too bad, as any of them would have been only too pleased to take the young man home. Does it not look better this way? Resident of Maynooth.

REDNERSVILLE WOMEN'S INSTL. TUTE.

The following list of Red Cross Supplies has been shipped from Rednersville Women's Institute since January 1st, 1917:—
58 suits pajamas, 24 hospital night shirts, 105 pairs bed socks, 1 bed spread, 153 pairs hand knitted socks, 1 pair ward slippers, 14 wrappings, 2 rolls texts. Total value \$257.00.
Mrs. J. B. Phillips, Sec. Treas.

CELEBRATED HER NINETY-FOURTH BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Hampton, Foster Ave. Still Preserves Her Faculties. Undimmed
Mrs. Jane Hampton, 156 Foster Avenue, yesterday celebrated the 94th anniversary of her birth. She was born in Sidney and is descended from ancestors who lived to great ages. Her grandfather was Capt. Myers and her father Caleb Gilbert of Sidney. Mrs. Hampton possesses all her faculties undimmed with the exception of her eyesight, which is not so good as it was once. But her intellect is as active as ever. She takes a great interest in the war, having the news from the front read to her daily. Three grandsons of hers are in Europe, Major Percy Ketcheson, Lieut. Allan Ketcheson and Lieut. Harder.

In honor of her 94th birthday, many friends called to congratulate Mrs. Hampton during the course of the day.

A \$200 FINE

A two-hundred dollar fine was this morning levied by Magistrate Mason on Mr. L. McDonald, for having Jack blown down a broken package of liquor in a corner of the tower where it hangs place other than his house, namely today. No one has been able to ascend the tower in the heavy wind.

MELVILLE PARRY HAGERMAN DEAD

Popular Young Member of Post Office Staff Passed Away of Pneumonia.

(From Saturday's Daily)

After having suffered with pneumonia since March 1st, Melville Parry Hagerman, eldest son of Mr. S. P. Hagerman, passed away early this morning at the family residence 117 Bridge St. West. For the past few weeks he had been gradually sinking. Melville P. Hagerman was one of the most popular of the young men of Belleville and his death has caused much sorrow to the many citizens by whom he was very highly esteemed. He was born in Hunt-ington township twenty-seven years ago, but spent the greater part of his life in Belleville. He was educated in Octavia street school, the Belleville High School, the Ontario Business College and Albert College. After some time spent as a drug clerk he entered the civil service at the post office. He was an efficient, faithful employee and had the esteem of all his associates. He was a member of Holloway Street Methodist church.

Hesides his father he leaves two brothers, Ernest F. of London, and Stanley D., at home. The sympathy of the entire community goes out to the bereaved in their great loss. Only last September the mother of the deceased young man passed away.

The remains will be taken to Stirling for interment.

SEED POTATOES \$5.00 A BAG

The market this morning was only fairly well attended and the expected decline in eggs did not materialize as the offerings were not very numerous. They held at 35c and 34c per dozen. Butter was unchanged at 44c and 45c per pound. Chickens were very scarce at \$2.00 and upward per pair. Potatoes for the table sold at \$4.00 to \$4.25 per bag and \$5.00 per bag for seed. Apples were held at 25c per peck and upward, they being quite plentiful. Hay was a minus quality. The elimination of sleighs by reason of road conditions is responsible for this. The hay market is stagnant as usual at this time of the year. Shoats brought \$14.50 to \$15.00 per pair. Hogs are quoted at 14.50 per hundred live weight. Beef is worth \$15.00 cwt. for hind quarters. The hide market remains steady at 15c per pound.

PTE. HARRY HEARD SLAIN

Peterboro Boy of 80th Battalion Was Killed on March 16th
Mr. G. H. Dawkins, George street, received a telegram this morning, stating that his nephew, Pte. Harry Heard of Peterborough, who left Belleville with the 80th battalion, had been killed in action on Friday, March 16th. He was about 22 years of age and single.

Nursing sister, Montie W. Milburn left Kingston this morning for Halifax, whence she will proceed shortly for overseas duty.

"THE NEW CRUSADE"

Albert College Dramatic Class Presented Comedy Sketch at St. Andrew's

Under the auspices of the Young People's Guild of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church the Albert College dramatic class presented a very clever little comedy in two scenes, entitled "The New Crusade." In spite of inclement weather and rival attractions, the attendance was fairly large.

The comedy sketch is uproariously funny in many places. It deals with the domestic problem. The first scene reveals the interior of a help bureau to which ladies go to employ servants. The bureau scenes between the domestics and the ladies, the results of the decision of one class to do without the other and the final harmony between man and maid were very cleverly portrayed by the young ladies of Albert College.

A program of music and readings was given before the production of the play.

The pastor Rev. A. S. Kerr, said a few words of commendation to the young entertainers of the college, and on the work of the guild.

MARCH WEATHER RHEUMATIC WEATHER

Victims Can Cure Themselves With Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

With the coming of March people who are afflicted with rheumatism begin to have unpleasant reminders of their trouble. The weather is changeable—balmy and springlike one day, raw, cold and piercing the next. It is such sudden changes of weather that gets the pangs and tortures of rheumatism, lumbago and sciatica going. But it must be borne in mind that although weather conditions start the pains, the trouble is deeply rooted in the blood, and can only be cured through the blood. All the lotions and liniments in the world can't cure rheumatism. Rubbing may seem to ease the pain while you are rubbing, but there its value ends. Only through the blood can you cure rheumatism. That's why Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have so many thousands of cures of this trouble to their credit. The new, rich blood which they actually make drives out the poisonous acid and rheumatism is vanquished. Among many sufferers from rheumatism who have been cured by this medicine is Mr. C. H. McGee, freight shed foreman for the G. T. R. at Peterboro, who says:—"In the course of my work I am naturally exposed to all kinds of weather, with the result that about two years ago I contracted rheumatism which settled in my legs. At times I could scarcely walk, and often had to quit my day's work owing to the stiffness and the pain. I tried different remedies without getting any help until I began the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I used six boxes of these and can say that I am about as well as ever I was. I still take the pills occasionally, and I hope that my experience may be of benefit to some other rheumatic sufferer."

If you suffer from rheumatism, or any other disease of the blood, begin to cure yourself today with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Sold by all medicine dealers or by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

OBSEQUIES OF LATE MRS. A. S. WHITE

(From Saturday's Daily)
The funeral of the late Mrs. Jennie May White, wife of Mr. Alex. S. White, took place on Friday afternoon at the family residence, Bridge Street East, the Rev. W.D.P. Wilson conducted an impressive service, assisted by the Rev. A. S. Kerr of St. Andrew's Church, after which the remains were removed to Belleville Cemetery and interred in the family plot. At the grave the committal service was read by Rev. W. D. Wilson and Rev. A. S. Kerr. The bearers were Messrs Henry G. Bleecker, L. P. Hughes, A. McGee, C. N. Sulman, James Farley and T. E. Ketcheson.

Many citizens attended the obsequies and the tributes of flowers bore silent tribute to the esteem in which the late Mrs. White was held.

THEFT CHARGE

Louis George Syrian, merchant of Frankfort, was arrested at a theatre last night by County Constable L. Soule, on the charge that he did in the ownership of Sidney during the month of March 1917, being a partner of Pte. Kellie George of the 254th battalion, his brother, steal the partnership property in a general store in that village to the value of over \$5,000 and convert the same to his own use with intent to defraud the said Kellie George.

DEATH OF MRS. PETER TALLON

The funeral of the late Mrs. Peter Tallon, formerly of this city, whose death occurred Monday, March 12, took place from her residence, 36 Asylum St., New Haven, Conn.

Requiem High Mass was celebrated at St. John's Church, at 9 o'clock, by Rev. Father Ford.

Mrs. Tallon was born at Howe Island, Canada, but has lived at New Haven for the past eight years.

She is survived by her husband, Peter Tallon, two daughters, Mrs. J. J. Caine, of West Haven, and Mrs. H. K. Tone, of Pensacola, Fla., three sons, Robert of Calgary, Alta., and Daniel and George of New Haven, Conn. Also her mother, Mrs. Ellen Pettey, and Mrs. A. Goodfriend, of Howe Island, and by three brothers, J. W. School, Sergt. Frederick enlisted at Patterson, New Haven, George, of Swift Current, Sask., as a private in the 9th C. M. R. in June, 1915.

BIRTH

McGREGOR—Wednesday, March 14, at Belleville Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. P. K. McGregor, a son.

DIED

HAGERMAN—In Belleville, on Saturday, March 24, 1917, Melville P. Hagerman, aged 27 years, and 17 days.

MOIRA HAD A MILD BREAKUP

(From Saturday's Daily)

The Moira River has not caused much havoc this year in its annual spring freshet. Conditions have been such that the ice was gradually worn away, until the recent mild weather and the rain, resulting in a greatly increased body of water in the river last night brought about the breakup. Up the river some distance the ice had broken some days ago. Yesterday the water flooded the ice inside the city limits and soon the mass was broken up. The first shift occurred last evening and the second during the night. The only damage wrought was the breaking of three cables on the footbridge.

The rotten condition of the ice is shown by the fact that the head of the ice jam forced its way far below the C.N.O.R. and C.P.R. bridges.

The water was high during the night and day and a few yards and cellars were invaded. The ice is now clear from north of Corbyville.

REAL ESTATE PURCHASE

The Front Street property opposite Campbell St. known as the Coleman Block, has been purchased by Mr. D. V. Sinclair. When asked what his plans were Mr. Sinclair said he had great confidence in the future of Belleville and considered that the present was a good time in which to secure Front St. property.

This property has been in the Coleman Family for generations and being situated in the very center of Front St., must for all time be one of the most attractive business stands in Belleville. Mr. Sinclair is to be congratulated upon having secured this splendid property, having a 45 foot frontage in Front St. and a depth extending to the River Bank.

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