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The certificates of those who passed, the statements of those who failed, are being mailed to the individual addresses.

Before engaging any of the teachers named below, trustees should ascertain from the inspector whether they hold the certificate prescribed by the regulations for their school.

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Mabel E. Quigley, Athens
Pearl Tallman, Toledo
Mary Webster, Mallorytown
Angeline Willis, Lyndhurst
Lela M. Wilson, Brockville

N.B.—Ottawa Model results not available.

What the Moon Indicates

A clear moon indicates frost. A dull-looking moon indicates rain. A single halo around the moon indicates storm. A double halo means very boisterous weather. If the moon looks high, cold weather may be expected. If it looks low down, warm weather is probable. The new moon on its back denotes wet weather. If the moon changes with the wind in the east we shall have bad weather. If the moon is bright and clear when three days old, fine weather is coming. When the moon is visible in daytime we may look for cool days. When the points of the crescent of the new moon are very distinctly defined frost may be expected. If the new moon appears with the points upward then the moon will be dry, but should they be downward, more or less rain may be looked for during the next three weeks.

William Pennock Dead

the obsequies of the late Wm. Pennock took place in the M.E. church at Elgin on Sunday December 19th, at 10.30. Deceased was in his 88th year, and had been in failing health incident to his advanced age, for the past few weeks. He was one of a large family, being born and brought up in that locality. He spent the best of his long and useful career farming near here. Rev. F. Chisholm officiated at the funeral, taking as his text "I will see you again."

He leaves to mourn his loss an aged widow. A large concourse of relatives and friends assembled to show their last tribute of respect and esteem to the aged citizen, who was so well and favorably known.

The pall-bearers were all nephews of the deceased, being Wm. Charland Arthur Brown (Morrisburg), Jared Pennock, Harvey Brown, Orange Pennock, and Lewis Brown.

Bad Fifty Cent Pieces.

Look out for spurious fifty cent pieces.

A number of these coins are said to be in circulation and they are hard to detect. They are the best imitation seen for some time. Not only do they ring good when dropped on a counter, but they are nearly of the same thickness as the genuine, and they don't respond to acid tests. The metal has to be scratched before it will turn black. The coin is a little lighter than the genuine article but could be easily mistaken, even by experts.

The receiver-general's office says they have been handed several of these in the past few weeks, and the matter has been reported to the Dominion authorities.

Funeral in Pembroke of Bishop Lorrain

Pembroke, Ont., Dec. 22.—The funeral of the late Bishop Lorrain took place here to-day, the impressive obsequies being marked by the attendance of representatives of the hierarchy and priesthood from all parts of Ontario and Quebec. Hon. C. J. Doherty, Minister of Justice, and Hon. T. W. McGarry, Provincial Treasurer, represented the Federal and Ontario Governments respectively.

Athens Public School Report

The following is the honor roll of Athens Public School for the month of December. To obtain honors, an average of 75%, with not less than 40% on any one subject, is the standard. To obtain satisfactory standing, an average of 60 per cent, with the same minimum, is required. Names are arranged in order of merit:

Room I

I Sr.—(honors) Kathleen Taylor, Waldon Avery, Flossie Fenlong, Bernard Steacy, Jim Bright, Steacy Fair; (satisfactory) Orvall Hollingsworth, Coral Purcell, Beatrice Bulford

I Jr.—(honors) Clifton Foxton, Howard Burchell, Edna Wing; (satisfactory) Ivan Dillabough, Edwin Evans, Kenneth Gifford.

Prim. A—(honors) Mabel Taylor, Rhea Kavanagh, Vernon Cowles, Levi Alguire, Stuart Rahmer; (satisfactory) Howard Stevens, Ross Robinson, Roy Fenlong.

Prim. B—(honors) Walter Cowles, Howard Putnam, Sinclair Peat, Thelma Avery; (satisfactory) Beatrice Duccoon.

Average attendance—29
Ada L. Fisher, Teacher

Room II

Total 335, honor 251, satisfactory 201

III Jr.—(honors) Leonard Bulford 309, Hazel Avery 309, Irene Gifford, 306, Alvin Judson 294, Sydney Burchell 290, Harvey Dillabough 276, Leonard Johnston 273, Ada Leadebeater 262, Stella Bigelow 262, Velma Lee 252; (satisfactory) Alice Stevens 535, Lyman Judson 223, Frances Wiltsie 203.

Sr. II—Honors 198, Satisfactory 159; (satisfactory) Gerald Wilson 196, Henry Bigelow 183, Howard Holmes 183.

Jr. II—Total 274, honors 233, satisfactory 162; (honors) Knowlton Hanna 246, Harry Bigelow 240, Ernest Hawkins 237, Ruth Claxton 224, Marjorie Gifford 222, Marion Robinson 219, Glen Flood 213; (satisfactory) Ida Fenlong 201, Dora Mulvena 194, Vernon Robinson 192, Lillian Hawkins 160, Irwin Stevens 179, Charrie Miller 174.

Average for year—47
Average for Dec.—41

Gladys Johnston, teacher

Room III

Sr. and Jr. IV—(honors) N. Mulvena; (satisfactory) M. Flood, D. Kendrick, L. Pattemore, G. Gibson, H. Topping, G. Knowlton, J. Moulton, G. Claxton, H. Swayne, C. Alguire.

Sr. III—(honors) M. Howorth, M. Gifford, H. Smith; I Alguire, I. Lillie, Z. Topping, B. Kelly, D. Shaw, R. Layng, D. Peat, K. Bulford, G. Gifford.

Average attendance for Dec.—37
Average attendance for year—39
S. J. G. Nichols, Principal

Wood—Stotts.

Mr. Elmer David Wood, formerly of Lyndhurst, but now residing in Brockville, and Miss Hyacinthe Stotts, daughter of Mr. Fred Stotts, of Brockville, were united in marriage Friday morning by the Rev. Deatry Woodcock. Miss Mary M. Guest was bridesmaid and J. Rye, assisted the groom.

1916 A Leap Year, Girls.

Following are the holidays for 1916: Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent March 8th; Easter Sunday, April 23rd. Victoria Day falls on Wednesday, Dominion Day on Saturday, and St. Patrick's Day on Friday. 1916 will be a leap year and February will therefore have twenty-nine days. The year will have fifty-three Sundays.

Day Of Intercession.

The acting premier, Sir George Foster, has announced, after a Cabinet council, that the first Sunday in the new year had been set aside as a day of general prayer and intercession on account of the war. A day of intercession was set aside similarly last year.

Handy in the House as a clock.

Davis Menthol Salve cures quickly a great many of the simple ailments such as cuts, skin injuries, insect bites and stings. 25c a tin at druggists.

Bank Teller Committed

Montreal, Dec. 23.—Leslie G. Kastner, formerly paying teller of the Sterling Bank of Canada, who was arrested a week ago on a charge of stealing \$2,800 from the bank, has been committed for voluntary statement.

Cughan—Stewart.

At Brockville on Thursday afternoon at three o'clock, in the study of the First Presbyterian Church, Rev. C. W. Shelley united in marriage Mr. Herbert Garfield Cughan of Athens, and Miss Della Kate Stewart of Addison.

Christmas Concert at Toledo.

Notwithstanding the bad weather a large crowd attended the annual Christmas entertainment held at Toledo on Christmas night, under the auspices of the Methodist church Sunday School. The entertainment was held in the town hall, and a very enjoyable program of drills, choruses, dialogues, pantomimes, etc., was given, including a Christmas tree which was prettily decorated.

Women's Nerves are so delicate it is no wonder they frequently break down. Take occasionally Asaya-Neural, the new remedy for Nervous Exhaustion. Write for free sample to Davis & Lawrence Co., Montreal.

Frankville Held An Enjoyable Concert.

The annual Christmas entertainment held at Frankville on Christmas Eve in the Methodist church was very much enjoyed by the large crowd present. A large Christmas tree was provided, and the members of the Sunday school class were presented with prizes. A very enjoyable program consisting of songs, dialogues, etc., was presented, the program being presided over by Mr. W. D. Livingston.

Are We To Blame?

The newspaper man is blamed for a whole lot of things he can't help, such as using partiality in mentioning visitors, giving news about some folks and leaving others out, etc. He simply prints all the news he can find. Some people inform him about such things and others do not.

Does your Back Ache?—Don't experiment with imitations but get the genuine "The D. & L." Hazol-Menthol Plaster. Made by Davis & Lawrence Co.

Another Nomination Needed.

Another nomination meeting will have to be held at Ganouque to fill the town council board for 1916, as only five candidates signed their qualification papers out of the twelve nominated at the meeting Thursday evening. These were J. H. Karr, Geo. Dowlsley, Geo. S. Cowan, Frank Keyes and Wm. Pratt. This leaves one seat to be filled.

Advertise in the Reporter.

Entertainment at Frankville.

The Sunday School entertainment held by the Methodists on Christmas eve was very successful, a pleasing feature of the evening was an address to Miss Verna Eaton, read by Webster Conner, and at the opportune moment Nelson Jones presented her with a well filled purse. Miss Eaton, evidently much surprised, made a very appropriate reply, thanking the donors and wishing all a very Merry Christmas.

Organist Methodist Church, Frankville, Ont.

Dear Miss Verna,—At this glad time of the year, when one and all are rejoicing in the Christmas spirit, and in acts of kindness and consideration, are showing their appreciation of one another's worth, we desire to convey to you, as members of our congregation, our sincere and unfeigned appreciation of your services as organist during your tenure of that office in our village church. If there is any comfort to be derived from the knowledge that one's work does not pass unheeded, and that faithful service and painstaking endeavour are never in view, you may rely upon such as being our own grateful acknowledgment of your loyal contribution to our Sabbath services. You have always, with scarcely a single exception, been found in your place, and your playing of the hymns and voluntaries has always been a real source of helpfulness in the worship of God. Your duty has thus far been done, and well done, and we hope no event, hitherto unforeseen, will occur to sever our co-operation—as has sometimes happened—for many years to come.

Please accept, only as a slight token of our personal esteem and appreciation, this Christmas purse, which after all is virtually no gift of itself, but is yours by right, but which carries with it the love and best wishes of your many friends in both choir and congregation.

(Signed)
A. E. HAGAR, Pastor.
WILLIE LIVINGSTONE, S.S. Supt.

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MISJUDGED

CHAPTER I.

The garden of the Rectory at Dalehurst, in Kent, was about the most pleasant spot in all that pleasant village.

In Dalehurst nearly all the houses are old, and most of them are very picturesque. The beautiful style which combines the use of white plaster and old beams of dark oak predominates. Here one carved front, strangely embellished by a string of merry-looking dragons, tells you that it was a gay young thing in houses when the good old Charles sat on the throne; there another, of a more foreign aspect, with a long "weaver's window," speaks of the influx of Flemish workmen, which took place before we borrowed the Stewarts from Scotland.

It follows, naturally, that the Rectory is also an old house, and a very charming one, with a great hospitable porch, which shelters all who come to visit its door, and a wide hall to bid them welcome, from which open out many long, low, attractive rooms, which have been furnished by some one with the taste of an antiquary. Above all, here are books—books of all kinds, books which must have a tide in their affairs, for every now and then they simply decline to be kept within the great shelves, and make their way over tables and chairs and even roll their waves over the polished floors.

From this the wise observer would have deduced that the Rector was a bachelor, as well as a scholar, and he would have been right.

On a glorious afternoon in May he might have been seen striding rather angrily up and down one of the long turf walks which were a leading feature in his garden, pouring out vials of indignation to his friend, Sir John Weston, a young man who owned most of the land for some miles round.

"My dear Rector," protested the Baronet, "how could I help it? I dislike the type as much as you do—or more. But there was the cottage to let, and we did not want to have either the laboring or the tradespeople class in it. We were very pleased to think that a lady wanted it. She came down and saw Watkins, who had the letting of it, and she wrote most sensible letters on the subject. She also gave unexceptionable references. I put it to you that one is not inclined to be suspicious of any one who is recommended by the Dean of Oldchester and Lady Ernestine Boston."

"The Dean is a hare-brained enthusiast," said the Rector, entirely unappeased. "He is just the sort of man whom any woman can get round. As to Lady Ernestine, I believe that she herself is one of those 'hyenas in petticoats,' as Walpole called them in his day."

"Hyenas in petticoats" is distinctly good," said Sir John, with a smile. "But don't let her hear you, or she will repeat it to the band, and they will adopt it, just because it is so good. I can see them using it for a stamp on their letter-paper, and a heading for their election bills. But, really, you really think too much to heart. I don't think my tenant has ever been in prison!"

"The Rector nearly exploded with wrath. "Then I should like to send her," he said. "Well, if she comes to church, which I should think very doubtful indeed, she will hear some plain speaking from me. All she wants is St. Paul back again to deal with this movement! He understood how to manage women."

"He would find something to do with the men too," said Sir John; "at least, that is my experience as a magistrate."

"Is she unmarried, I suppose?" "Oh, yes, a Miss Daintree."

"Just so. No doubt she found that no man wanted her, so in revenge she took to annoying him by interfering with his property. The old village stocks are still in the room in the tower of the church; I shall have a look round to see if there is not a specimen as well of the Scod's bridle. I am sorry to be forced into speaking unbecomingly of any woman; but this is a matter on which I really do feel most strongly."

Sir John gave a conical glance at his friend. The Rector was only midway through the forties, and was as spare and erect as he had been in his Cambridge days, when as an ardent and excellent cricketer, he had twice represented the university against Oxford at head's. Sir John used to say that no proof of the Rector's cleverness so much impressed him as the manner in which he had continued to solve into himself all the privileges of age with still remaining comparatively young.

"I don't think you need be quite so certain that Miss Daintree has been forced to give up all thoughts of marriage," said Sir John. "I am afraid you have not got many ideas about her, seeing from the village papers my neighbor's wife is only just under thirty, and from the same authority I have known several exceedingly good-looking."

"The can't argue with you there, can she?" said Sir John. "I know your Cambridge. I have known plenty after her name the women of Gironc offer to passing your eyes about of you."

"Are you implying that there is no similar feeling at Oxford?" asked the Rector, on high indignation.

"Rather not. We take the pretty ones out boating."

"That I simply decline to believe," said the Rector. "Oxford may be cross-covered, but it is not actively obscene."

pair of blue eyes and a smile on a fresh young face."

Sir John smiled, but mechanically. He knew what his friend meant. A distant cousin of his stayed a great part of the year with his mother, almost taking the place of an adopted daughter. She was young and pretty, and every one had decided that it would be an excellent match. He very uniformly of this opinion militated against it in Sir John's opinion; he was in no hurry at all to do what was expected from him by his family and the county. He might, perhaps, some day think seriously about it, and the girl was, he knew, nice and pretty and everything else that she should be; but he simply declined to be rushed into matrimony just yet.

"There is a man wanting to speak to you, I think," he said, glad to change the conversation. "It is Slade, with something on what he is pleased to call his mind."

The Rector beckoned to the man and asked— "What is it, Slade?"

"If you please, sir, I was told by my wife to come up and ask you if so be there was any harm in my going to do a few days' work at Box Cottage."

"This speech irritated the Rector. "Told by your wife. Man, alive, are you not master of your own actions? Do you not realize that the husband is the head, and that the wife's place is to obey him?"

"So I have heard tell, sir."

"If you read your bible or your prayer-book you'd know better than to come with such words on your lips. I am sure you must know well enough what my views are on the matter."

"Yes, sir, but if I make so bold as to speak—"

"What is it?"

"Well, sir, I don't mean to be saucy, but you are not married yourself."

Sir John turned away to hide a smile, but the Rector did not look in the least amused.

"If you mean me to understand that Mrs. Slade is getting infected with any of these new rebellious ideas, I shall certainly speak to her on the subject."

"Sir, there's not a better woman in all Kent! But any man will tell you that 'tis best to take the wife's judgment in some things."

"Will you tell me why you should not do this work in Mrs. Slade's opinion?"

"Well, sir, they do say that she is for knocking the police about, the same as they have been doing up London way. Budge was that put about and nervous that he didn't fairly know what to do. He thought his duty was to keep an eye when she went up to the church, but he didn't half like the job."

"If she makes any attempt to go into my church wearing no hat, I shall take immediate steps against her. No doubt she does believe to that so-called 'Hatless Brigade.'"

"I don't know that Budge thought her dressed queer at all," said Slade, slowly, again implying that she had been queer in every other way.

"Perhaps Budge, as a good churchman, noticed an absence of reverence in her manner. People who spend their time trying to break down all distinctions between the sexes may well overlook the difference between things sacred and things secular."

"Budge didn't say she behaved odd in the church," said Slade.

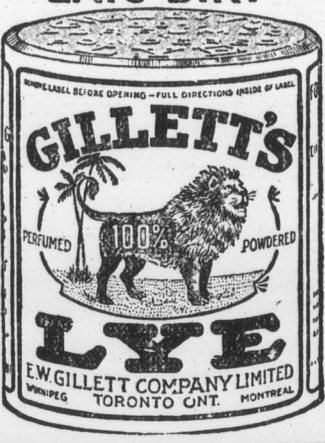
"Go on, out with it, man," said Sir John. "You are arousing our curiosity to fever point. Where did Miss Daintree behave so oddly as to shock the estimable Budge?"

"In his own house, Sir John. Budge ain't what you'd call a handy man."

"I am inclined to agree with you," said Sir John, as the vision of the great stalwart, burly village policeman rose before his mind's eye.

"But there are times that he sees things almost as quick as a cat's paw crawling up his window. 'Quick, mother,' he calls to his wife, 'if I kill you, 'tis as good as taking a nest!' Well, sir, he picks up a duster and lets fly at it, and the next thing his missus knows is that the window is broken, the wasp gone, and Budge dragging his hand, which was bleeding, back over the cut glass. Just then Miss Daintree comes along to the door to ask Mrs. Budge about a bit of washing she's done for her."

GILLETT'S LYE EATS DIRT



what you may call womanly? That's what Budge says, sir."

"He is a wonderful man to argue," said Sir John. "Perhaps he also thought it a little unwomanly of Miss Daintree to sacrifice her parasol?"

"Mrs. Budge mentioned that, sir. She seemed to think it was a bit quick and free, but Mrs. Budge isn't over and above pleased to think that Miss Daintree got all the credit; and she didn't get a chance to use her cobwebs, for the bandage was on before she could say 'knife.'"

"Does Mrs. Budge generally say 'knife' in moments of excitement?" asked the Baronet. "At any rate, Slade, I gather that the Rector has no serious objection to your digging up the garden of Box Cottage. I expect it is in a shocking state, and I shall look in and see if there is anything we can send her from the Hall."

"Go on and do your work," said the Rector, "and when next you consult me let it be about something you have thought of on your own account. Do not come as a slavish echo of your wife."

Slade touched his hat and withdrew. "You must really come and dine with us to-morrow," said Sir John. "My mother particularly wants you. She has invited Miss Daintree, and as you will have to meet her sooner or later you may as well do it at our house as anywhere else. You won't find her half such a dreadful sight as you expect."

"I shan't like her," said the Rector. "No doubt it is as well for a woman to keep some sort of wits about her in cases of accident; but somehow one would shrink at the sight of having things that promote and decision always at one's elbow. I should prefer a more gentle sort of nursing, even if it were not quite so learned in the difference between veins and arteries."

"You would like some one more like my cousin Dora, I think. She would have fainted at the sight of Budge's hand, and Mrs. Budge would have attended to her, while Budge placidly bled to death. Perhaps she would make an excellent nurse as far as snaking up your pillows and putting eau-de-Cologne on your forehead would go; but unfortunately that does not go very far."

Sir John cut off gaily through the village street, with a word and a nod to every one he passed. He thought this would be a good opportunity to make a call on Miss Daintree on the part of her landlord, and to see if his mother had been right in saying she was very good to look at.

"Through the open garden-door at the cottage he could see Miss Daintree and Slade. Almost as he came opposite to the house she came into the little front-garden to give directions for some digging which had to be done there."

Sir John raised his hat and said— "May I come in? I am Sir John Weston, and I should be so very glad if you could let me see any plan that you would care to have. My mother is a great gardener, and she would be delighted to help you to stock your garden."

"Please come in, I should be so very glad if you could tell me what some of the things are that are in already. It is so difficult to begin with friends with a garden which some one else has planned."

"Just like having to take on the whole lot of relations and friends of one's husband or wife, as the case may be," he said, with a smile. "I'll tell you all that I remember, but I did not go into the garden much during my last tenant's time."

Miss Daintree gave him a little quick glance of amused approval; evidently he would be easy to get on with, and a cheerful person to know in this little place. They walked round the garden, discovering various groups of herbaceous plants, until Miss Daintree's rose-checked little maid came out with the information that she had just taken tea into the drawing-room.

"You will come and have some tea?" she asked Sir John.

He accepted with alacrity, having fully made up his mind that his mother was an excellent judge of women's looks. He also wished to see whether the drawing-room would be an outward expression of his tenant's character.

At the first glance round the room he told himself that it was charming. Each further look only confirmed this impression. Then he began to wonder greatly wherein the charm lay. The color of the walls was a soft deep cream, entirely unrelieved by any pattern. Against this background stood out the polished brown of her very fine Chippendale chairs. Vaguely he noted that there was scarcely any other definite color in the room—that is, as the rug on the floor, upholstering, cushions, or curtain were concerned. It put down a good deal of the air of restfulness which pervaded it to the absence of all unnecessary bits of drapery and to the fact that no photographs were to be seen.

Yet in one corner was a veritable blaze of splendor, for a fine old Gilt-wood cabinet was a collection of old china, Oriental, Continental, and the most superb specimens turned out by our own factories in olden times at Derby, Worcester, Chelsea and Bow. One shelf in this press contained some china in Worcester scale blue, alated with exotic birds, the value of which would probably be far more than that of the cottage which would spend during an entire year; and the

heart of the Rector should surely be appraised when he discovered that one side of the room was given over to well-filled book shelves. If Sir John's mother had been present she could have told him that the Swansea china tea service, which was being used in his honor, was finer than anything she possessed at the Hall.

There was a delightful sense of unconventionality about the whole proceedings which he found most soothing, though occasionally it crossed his mind to wonder what Lady Weston would say when she heard how he had spent his afternoon.

He might as well have wondered, whilst he was about it, what the villagers of Dalehurst was going to say. Slade, naturally, faithfully reported all, but he did it without malice, for Miss Daintree had been very generous to him.

"I don't believe he wanted to go in at all," said Mrs. Budge, who had never really got over the incident of the parasol. "That's as it she were a young girl; she's thirty-five if she's a day."

This was justice without mercy, for Daintree was only thirty-three.

"Then why do you hold it wrong for her to be living alone?" inquired Slade. "I never heard tell that a woman couldn't stay alone when she was last thirty."

"Tain't that she can't; it's that she didn't ought to want to," said the British matron. "Stands to reason that if she had behaved herself she'd have got some man to marry her, or, if so be that she is not pleasing to them—why, she could get some one of her female relations to come and live with her."

It is deeply to be regretted that at this point in the conversation Budge so far forgot himself as a constable as to give a passable imitation of the conversation of a cat.

"That's you men all over!" said Mrs. Budge. "There ain't no fairness in you. It's one rule for one and another for another. Just because she tied up your arm you'll go and say that it is a respectable thing to go and knock policemen's helmets off."

"That is against the law," said Budge, now quite in his best constable vein. "But as long as she stays here quiet and peaceable, I shall protect her as well as the other lone females in the place."

Mrs. Budge sniffed. "The more she seems to be much lonelier about this afternoon," she remarked.

"Sir John was bound to call, as her landlord. Speaking from the view of a constable about a magistrate, I should say that was as far as he would go."

"He better hadn't go no further if he's to marry Miss Daintree."

"That is not official," said her spouse, with dignity, "and so it don't count."

(To be continued.)

ALL MOTHERS NEED CONSTANT STRENGTH

Their Strength is Taxed and They Are Victims of Weakness and Suffering.

When there is a growing family to care for and the mother falls ill it is a serious matter. Many mothers who are on the go from morning to night, whose work, apparently, is never done, try to disguise their suffering and keep up an appearance of cheerfulness before their family. Only themselves know how they are distressed by backaches and headaches, dragging down pains and nervous weakness; how their nights are often sleepless, and they arise to a few days' work tired, depressed and quite unrefreshed. Such women should know that their sufferings are usually due to lack of good nourishing blood. They should know that the one thing they need above all others to give them new health and strength is rich, red blood, and that among all medicines there is none can equal Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for their blood-making, health-restoring qualities. Every suffering woman, every woman with a home and family to care for should give these pills a fair trial, for they will keep her in health and strength and make her work easy. Mrs. G. Strasser, Acton West, Ont., says: "I am the mother of three children, and after each birth I became terribly run down; I had weak, thin blood, always felt tired, and unable to do my household work. After the birth of my third child I seemed to be worse, and was very badly run down. I was advised to take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I found the greatest benefit from the pills and soon gained my old-time strength. Indeed, after taking them I felt as well as in my girlhood, and could take pleasure in my work. I also used Baby's Own Tablets for my little ones and have found them a splendid medicine for childhood ailments."

You can get these pills through any medicine dealer or by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

IN A JAPANESE SCHOOL.

"A Wanderer's Train" A. L. Rodgers, the author, says: "In Tokyo I saw a boy living as an English teacher. This task of teaching English in Japan is not a very difficult one. It is, however, a rather firm occupation. The one qualification necessary is that discipline in Japanese school is very lax. It is no exaggeration to say that the student usually enters the school. His power is ridiculous, great. He has a class, a desk, a board, a blackboard, but they do not obey him. They do not obey him, but they do obey the school authorities and the principal. The result is the teacher's dismissal. To the authorities the only guarantee of the efficiency of a teacher is a full classroom. Needless to mention, I was an efficient, for my classroom was full. That is why I say the only qualification needed was fact."

THE RULING PASSION.

(Judge)

Cynicus—When a man gets all the money he knows what to do with, there is only one thing he wants.

Cynicus—More Money.

Mighty few people get seedy from gathering up those scattered seeds of kindness.



A dance frock of lavender mille silk is shown here in an extremely simple and girlish style. A dainty silk net drop is partly visible under a spiral tunic of fall silk. The spiral idea is repeated in the beaded motifs that form a border on the silk. The bodice is simple effecting a surplice drape, one side being of the silk net, the other of the faille. A dainty wreath of roses are fastened on one shoulder and a second drops from the waistline.

UNSELFISH SAVAGES.

Generosity of the Semisavage Eskimos of Arctic Siberia.

Probably no more generous and unselfish people exist than the natives of the Arctic coast of Siberia, the lowest type of semi-savage Eskimos. They are ever thinking of one another's welfare, and if one comes into possession of anything of value he never thinks of keeping it for himself, but calls the other members of the tribe to share with him. If a whale is taken or a walrus is killed the meat is divided among all the igloos. Even during the hard winter, when there is a shortage of food, if a seal is brought in by some fortunate hunter the meat and blubber are equally distributed.

Four men from East Cape, the Siberian side of Behring Strait, were taken aboard the whale ship Narwhal to make up the boat crews for whaling in the Arctic. All through the summer season they remained aboard the vessel, doing their share of the perilous and wearisome work. When the vessel returned to East Cape on its way south the captain made a pile of flour, sugar, hard bread, coffee, tobacco, cartridges, needles and thread, tea, matches—everything dear to the Eskimo heart. It was their wages, and the Eskimos were proud of their wealth.

The walrus hide canoes came alongside and the four men were taken ashore with their riches. Of the water's edge every particle was delivered to waiting hands, and when the men who had worked all summer for these necessities and luxuries started for their igloos they carried all they kept for themselves in their hands. They were almost as poor as they were when they started on the cruise, but the village was temporarily happy, and so were they.—Exchange.

Deep Breathing Exercises.

It has been the popular belief that when exercising certain arm movements during inspiration such as holding the arms up, expands the chest, and enables it to take in more air. According to Dr. James Frederick Rogers, of the Department of Physiology, New Haven Normal School of Medical Journal, this is not the proper thing to do. He tested 50 persons of both sexes, ranging from 16 to 40 years of age, measuring carefully the quantity of air inspired when elevating the arms, as usually taught, and when standing still with the arms hanging loose. He found that in no single case did the arm movements increase the quantity of air inspired, but in many they actually decreased it. He also found that standing naturally is more conducive to deep breathing than lying flat or hanging by the hands.

"The raising of the arms," he writes, "does apparently increase the measurements of the upper part of the chest, but the increase is due to the change in the position of the muscles in this region and to their contraction of stretching, which causes them to stand out from the thorax. For the muscles which lift the arms forward or sideward or upward, have nothing to do with the lifting of the ribs, and consequently no special effect upon the depth of inspiration."

"With very deep inspiration there is a drawing backward of the head and a stretching of the thoracic cage in other words, the rounding of a very erect posture, and if any exercises are to be carried out as aids to do a better job of it, it seems that the drawing backward of the chin and the rounding of the most erect standing or sitting posture would be most useful as an aid to attainment of deep breath."

The Difference.

Case and Comment says that at a recent meeting in Hampton on the speakers told of a colored woman who was rebuked by the judge for the constant repetition of the phrase "also and likewise." "Now, judge," replied the witness, "there's a difference between those words. 'So' goes to explain. 'Yo' father was an attorney and a great one, wasn't he?" The judge assented, somewhat placated. "Well, judge, yo's an attorney also, but not likewise. See, judge?"

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HOW SAVINGS GROW.

Ben Franklin's Proof That "Money is of a Prolific Nature."

After publishing his "Poor Richard's Almanac" for twenty-five years and giving thirty-two years more as thrift teacher of his country, Benjamin Franklin put into his will a provision to demonstrate the power of accumulated savings.

To the cities of Boston and Philadelphia he left \$5,000 each. The money was to be put out at interest and allowed to accumulate for a hundred years. At the end of that time, he figured, each city ought to have \$600,000. He directed that at the end of the hundred years \$500,000 should be invested by each city "in public works which may be of most general utility to the inhabitants." The rest should then be put at interest for another hundred years, when the accumulation should be divided, one-quarter to the city and three-quarters to the state.

When the first hundred years were past Boston found that she had \$663,923 to her credit from the Franklin fund. Taking \$500,000, Boston established a training school for mechanics. The remaining \$163,923 was put out at interest again.

Philadelphia's experience with the original fund of \$5,000 was about the same as Boston's. Now, Franklin figured that at the end of the second hundred years, when the fund is to be distributed, each city ought to amount to about \$20,000,000. But Boston's fund at the end of the first hundred years exceeded Franklin's estimate by \$13,923. So here's a problem:

If Boston handles the fund as successfully in the second hundred years as she did in the first, how much in excess of \$20,000,000 will it be?

Franklin's demonstration was impressive; \$5,000 will go into \$663,923; how many times? Nearly 133 times. Wasn't he amply justified when he said, "Money is of a prolific nature?" What sort of a demonstration can you make?—John Oskinson in Chicago News.

FLAG SIGNALLERS.

One Big Advantage the British Have Over the Germans.

Much of the hardest and most dangerous work of the British army is done by the flag signalers of the Army Signal Service. They have often to stand in the fighting line, waving their flags or working their flash mirrors, while the German riflemen mass their fire against the men who are directing the movement of guns, infantry, and horsemen.

The German army does not use the British methods of signalling. The Germans rely on field telephones and wireless apparatus, kept mainly behind the battlefront. The British troops are just as good as the Germans in this kind of safe signalling, but they find that one flag-wagger in the firing-line is often worth a dozen telegraph and telephone clerks a safe distance away. A good deal of the success of the British in France and Flanders is due to the splendid work of their signalers. Even if half a company becomes detached from the army in the course of an action, it is usually able to "talk" to the main body over a distance of two or three miles.

A squadron of scouting cavalry or half a battalion of advancing infantry cannot, in the rush and heat of a critical action, take a mile of wire and an electrical apparatus with them. But even in a charge, one man can carry a flag, and if the charge is brought up suddenly by an entrenched host of the enemy, the flagman can at once signal for help. If he hasn't brought flags with him, he can tie a handkerchief on his rifle. He can ask the gunners to rake the trench with shrapnel, and give them the range and tell them if they hit or miss; or he can ask for supports to be hurried up to strengthen the charging column.

The work of the flag signalers is very simple. He takes a flag in each hand and strikes various attitudes—right flag held high up, left flag held straight down; right flag held sideways, left flag struck up, and so on. Each movement stands for a letter of the alphabet. This is known as the semaphore system. But a message can be sent almost as quickly with one flag. This is waved in two ways—once a long waggles, the other a short, sharp flutter. The long waggles represents the dash in the Morse code; the short flutter stands for the dot.

At the battle of Ypres, some of the British guns got in a very hot corner. The lieutenant wanted another battery, a mile away, to shrapnel a German regiment that had got too close. There was no field telephone handy, and before anyone could run or crawl with a message the Germans would have captured the guns.

But in accordance with the splendid system of training for all accidents, one of the gunners knew all about flag-signalling. He took a handkerchief and, amid a hail of German bullets, flagged out a message for help. The distant British battery observed the signalling, trained its guns on the enemy, and saved the situation.

"Do the Germans ever leave any thing valuable behind them in the trenches?" Veteran—"Never a drop, man!"

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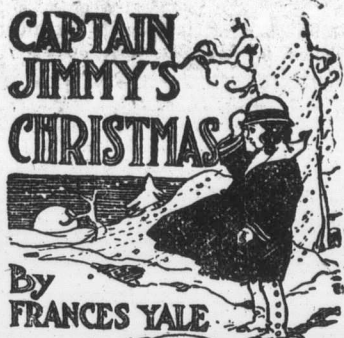
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By FRANCES YALE

CAPTAIN Jimmy Smith lived in a funny little house down on the beach. Once it had been the cabin of his old schooner, Skimmer; now it was the only home Captain Jimmy and his cat Vixen had.

In the summer time he sold fish and clams and lobsters to the summer cottagers, but in the winter he had hard work to keep the little cabin warm and find food for himself and Vixen.

It was the day before Christmas, and the beach was rough with ice.

"Snow!" said Captain Jimmy, as he left his little house and went up toward the village. His pipe was between his teeth, but he was not smoking—he was out of tobacco.

He smiled sadly because he knew that he would have a lonely Christmas. He had no wife or children, and he was very much alone. The poor are often forgotten.

By the time Captain Jimmy had bought some flour and salt pork and a little coffee it was dark and snowing fast. So when he heard the sound of children crying he stopped in surprise.

"Hullo!" shouted Captain Jimmy, and the crying stopped at once. In another minute he almost tumbled over two little children who were running along the beach path.

"Heave ho!" called Captain Jimmy, and he put out a long arm and gathered the little ones close to him.

"What are you doing here?" he shouted, for the wind was screaming now.

They tried to explain, but Captain Jimmy couldn't understand a word they said, they cried so much, and at last, half dragging, half carrying them, he hurried them into the warm little cabin where he lived.

When the kerosene lamp was lighted the two children stopped crying and smiled at Captain Jimmy.

"Are you Thanta Claus?" one asked, and the other little girl, who looked exactly like her, giggled and clung to Captain Jimmy's big hand.

"I love oo, Mistor Thanta Claus," she whispered.

"Bless your sweet hearts," cried Captain Jimmy, his eyes full of tears. "I guess I'll have to be Santa Claus to-night! I can never get you home tonight in this howling blizzard!"

The two little girls smiled brightly and took off their red cloaks and knitted caps and leggings and rubbers.

"We're lost," said one of the twins, and she told a long story of how they had gone to walk with nurse, who had suddenly run away and left them in the woods. "We hollered, but she wouldn't come back," said Linnie sadly. "My mamma scolded her this afternoon."

"What are your names? Where do you live?" asked Captain Jimmy as he pushed them up to the table before two great bowls of bread and milk.

"Brown? Goodness me, I never heard of any Browns over to the Point! You'll have to stay here till morning!"

"Will Thanta Claus come here?" asked Linnie.

"He's got to!" said Captain Jimmy. By and by after the twins had said their prayers and were sound asleep on Captain Jimmy's bed while Vixen purred at their feet, Captain Jimmy walked the floor and whistled a tune.

"I reckon that Santa Claus could never get down my little stove pipe!" he chuckled, "so I'll just have to fill those two little stockings myself!"

Sometime afterward a number of people hurried through the snow and peered into Captain Jimmy's window.

What did they see? Why, just Captain Jimmy, with his empty pipe between his teeth, holding two little stockings in his hands.

Suddenly he began to take things off the mantelpiece and put them into the stockings. They were things that Captain Jimmy loved—they were all that he had—bits of coral and pretty shells from far countries, some odd wooden toys he had played with when he was a child and two red apples.

Just as he was hanging the stockings on the edge of the shelf the door burst open and some people rushed in and began to hug him and question him, and they all talked at once. They proved to be the father and mother and uncles and aunts of the lost twins, and they were so grateful to Captain Jimmy for his kindness to the twins that they insisted on taking him home with them to spend Christmas.

And Vixen, the cat, went along too, and the stockings which Captain Jimmy had filled.

Mr. Brown engaged Captain Jimmy to be captain of his yacht, and Captain Jimmy smoked his pipe and said it was his happiest Christmas.

Athens Village Nomination.

The nomination meeting was held in the town hall on Monday evening.

The following Public School Trustees were elected by acclamation: W. B. Connerty, D. L. Johnston, Thos. Howarth.

The following Council were elected by acclamation:

Reeve—M. B. Holmes.
Councillors—G. D. McLean, W. H. Jacob, F. Sheldon, Elmer Smith.

FRONT OF YONGE

Reeve—O. L. Buell, D. S. Clow.
Councillors—P. Connors, Geo. Clow, F. C. Hadigan, Jos. Louch.

Rear Yonge and Escott.

The Township Council for the Rear Yonge and Escott have been elected by acclamation, as follows:

Reeve—A. M. Ferguson.
Councillors—H. A. Latorny, W. J. Scott, S. W. Kelly, Thos. Heffernan.

No Extra Telephone Charges

The general principle that rural telephone companies have not the right to make extra charge against a subscriber for conversation held over his line by relatives or employes, may be adduced from the decision of the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board in the case of a dispute over this matter between the telephone company at Woodbridge and Wallace Bros., of that town, which was heard recently. The company produced evidence of four such conversations, but the Board held that they had no authority to make extra charge for these. Another practice of the company, of charging five or ten cents extra on long distance calls to one of their subscribers from Bell Telephone subscribers in other localities, was also drawn to the attention of the Board by Wallace Bros. The Board decided that the company had no right to charge fees for connecting a subscriber with a long distance call, the Bell Telephone fees for which are collected by the station from which the call is made.

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Thos. M. Garland Dead

Mr. Thomas M. Garland, a well known commercial traveller, passed away last week in an Ottawa hospital. He was 69 years of age. It will be remembered that deceased suffered from blood poisoning, which started through his whole system, as a result of which one of his legs was amputated last August. Mr. Garland was born at North Gower and well known throughout Eastern Ontario, as he had been on the road for many years previous to which he conducted a hotel at Kemptonville. His remains were laid to rest in the North Gower cemetery.

Christmas Tree at Addison

On Tuesday night of last week the Anglican church, Addison, held their annual Christmas tree and distribution of prizes to the Sunday School class in the L. O. L. hall. The Eaton orchestra of Frankville was in attendance, and an excellent musical program was provided. An old time tea was served, a striking feature being that the waiters were dressed in costumes of fifty years ago. Many from Lyn, Athens, Frankville and surrounding country were present, and the proceeds amounted to nearly \$50.00. A presentation was made by Mrs. J. M. Percival to Mrs. (Rev.) Wright, Lyn, of an autographed quilt. The rector, Rev. J. de Penner Wright, M.A., B.D., of Lyn, and Mrs. Wright received some very handsome presents from the tree.

Youngstown Murderer Escaped to Toronto

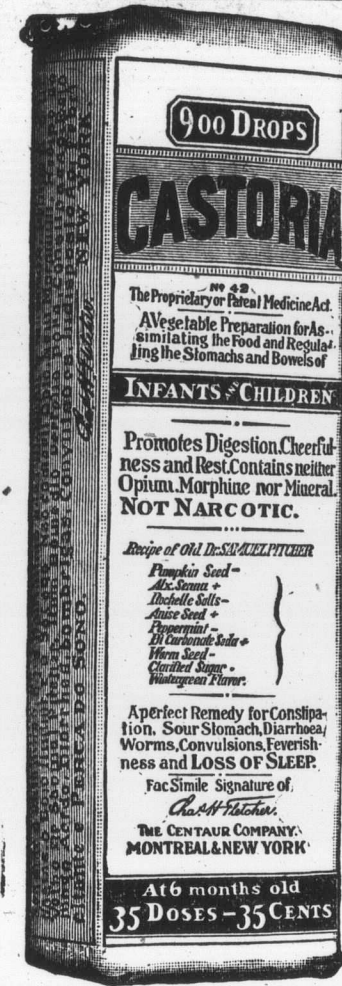
Niagara Falls, N.Y., Dec. 27.—John Perry, deported from Hamilton, Ont., this morning, has confessed that he is the man wanted in Youngstown, Ohio, for the murder of William Treherne 15 years old, at that place a year ago, according to the local police. Perry was an inmate of the Hamilton, Ont., Hospital for the Insane, and was taken from that institute this morning. When he crossed to this side of the border Detective Kane, of the Ohio city, was waiting for him with a warrant charging murder. He was taken to the local police station, where he was questioned by Detective-Sergt. George H. Callinan and Kane, and, they say, admitted shooting the youth, who he says he hired to assist him in committing a robbery. Following the crime Perry went to Erie, Pa., then to Buffalo, and finally to Toronto, where he pawned the gun and afterwards went to Hamilton, where he got into trouble, and was arrested. It was while in the penitentiary that he became insane, and was transferred to the Hamilton institution.

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ORDER OF THE BATH.

It Was a Realistic Ceremony in the Time of Charles II.

The last Knights of the Bath made according to the ancient forms were at the Coronation of Charles II., when various rites and ceremonies, one of which was bathing, were enforced.

According to Froissart, the court barber prepared a bath, and the candidate for membership of the order, having been addressed by his espousers, was dressed in the bath, his clothes and collars being the perquisites of the barber. He was then removed from the water to the words "May this be an honorable bath to you" and was placed in a plain bed quite wet and naked to dry.

As soon as he was quite dry he was removed from the bed, dressed in new and rich apparel and conducted by his sponsors to the chapel, where he offered a taper to the honor of God and a penny piece to the honor of the king. Then he went to the monarch, and kneeling before him received from the royal sword a tap of the shoulder, the king exclaiming: "Arise, Sir," and then embraced him, saying, "Be thou a good knight and true."—London Strand Magazine.

Things You Ought To Know

New York City is now the coffee trade centre of the world.

Philadelphia will shortly float a \$22,000,000 municipal loan.

Martha Washington, former slave, at 72 is a night school pupil in Cincinnati.

Washington has 60,000 pupils in public schools.

Greater New York public schools contain 831,855 pupils.

Grade crossing accidents cost 108 lives in Pennsylvania in the fiscal year ending July 1st.

Pittsburg pays \$40.10 per pupil yearly for operating schools. Los Angeles pays \$71.25; Cleveland, \$46.30, and Chicago \$45.29.

African ostriches are dying of famine.

London has a new daily paper, the Echo.

Glasgow has the world's largest cyanide factory.

Pennsylvania mines are storing coal fearing strikes next April.

Cases of the plague in Russia have been traced to the fact that the victims handled camels that had died of a similar disease.

In an experimental way a cannery in New York is drying and crushing cherry pits to obtain a flavor that is added to the canned fruit.

Four cities in Germany, four in France, one in Italy and one in Russia have installed ozone plants for the purification of their drinking water.

Shoes with quickly removable soles and heels have been invented in France for railroad men so that they can escape should their feet be caught in tracks.

Smoking just before going to bed is often followed by insomnia.

Ostriches can travel at a rate of over 100 miles an hour.

Vagrants in England used to be punished by having the upper part of the gristle of the right ear removed.

The bones of a human being will bear three times as great a pressure as cast and nearly as much as wrought iron without being crushed.

As far as practicable all men on English cruisers and battleships have a bath before they go into action.

A mammoth tree in California, which is 327 feet high and 90 feet in circumference, is believed to be between 3,000 and 4,000 years old.

Macedonia grows the richest opium of all countries. The export of crude opium from the Saloniki district to tobacco in value. The product is used solely in the manufacture of morphine, and is not the quality used for smoking.

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SOLAR ENERGY.

Its Constant Radiation is Lessening the Mass of Our Sun.

The work of Einstein on the principle of reactivity shows that a body which radiates energy loses a portion of its mass depending on the energy radiated. It follows that the sun, which continually radiates energy, is constantly losing mass. M. J. Bosier has calculated that the sun loses a mass equal to that of our earth in 20,000,000 years.

If it be assumed that the mass thus lost is gravitational mass it follows that the length of the year increases by six seconds in 1,000,000 years and that in the same time the mean longitude of the earth is affected in such a way as to produce a variation of one-tenth of a year—that is, a retardation of thirty-six days in the seasons.

Such variations are minute to be observable. In stellar systems possessing a higher temperature, the effect would be much more marked, for the energy radiated by the body varies as the fourth power of its absolute temperature.

If, as M. Nordman believes, there exist stars having a temperature six or seven times that of our sun, their radiation is one to two thousand times as intense. Thus, if the temperature of Algor is 13,800 degrees, it is calculated that at the end of 2,000 years the ecliptic of Algor suffer a retardation of about twelve minutes.—Boston Herald.

Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria.

British Army Swords.

Swords in the British army vary to a very great extent, and practically every branch of the service has its own type of weapon. The difference is not so much in the shape of the blade as in that of the hilt.

The sword used by the infantry has a large ornamental guard, bearing the royal cipher and crown. There is a slot at the top of the guard for the sword knot, really a leather loop ending in a knot to prevent the loss of the sword. The infantry sword is perfectly straight and is sharp on one edge only.

Rifle regiments have a special sword of their own with the rifle badge let into the open-work guard. Very much the same sort of sword, but with a still more open guard, consisting of three curved bars, is used by the royal engineers, a gift by the royal engineers have a gilt hilt on their swords, a distinction they prize.

The daymore of the Highland regiments has a big basket hilt lined with red cloth and blue ribbons. The officers of some Scottish regiments carry a plain cross-hilted sword without a guard.

Until a few years ago the cavalry were armed with sabres. Nowadays, however, they carry swords of a straight rapier pattern. The guard is a large affair, completely shielding the hand.—New York Times.

When?

"When will it end?" I asked the sage; He answered softly, "With this age." "That will be when," with hope I cried; "In God's due time," the sage replied; "And God's due time—when may that be?" "When man knows his extremity," "Ah, then it must be soon," I said; He smiled, but sadly shook his head; "I tell you what you may do to delay it: When shall our universe be purged of all its wrongs and disorders?" "When Death is welcomed in our midst," he said, "and all the world is in the Christ-mass mood."

The silence is in the starry sky.—Wardsworth.

Two Points of View.

He had a lot of money, but no discoverable ancestors, and so it came that he affected contempt for pride of birth. And there was another man whose family tree was tall and unbragous, but who possessed no other assets worth mentioning. A discussion between the two men was of profound interest. Each avoided hurting the other's feelings, but it was easy to detect an undercurrent of antagonism. They concluded: "Say, what you will," asserted the one. "It's a fine thing to come of good stock."

"It's a finer thing," replied the other, with finality, "to own it."

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They are pasteurizing the soil in England, thereby adding tremendously to its productiveness and greatly promoting the health of the vegetation which it supports. In a report of the Rothamstead experiment station Dr. E. J. Russell asserts that the process accomplishes the following results: First, it increases the production of nitrate and ammonia; second, it destroys many disease-producing organisms, Protozoa and organisms detrimental to bacteria likewise suffer; third, it forms certain substances not usually found in the soil; fourth, it works a very marked improvement in the more heavy soils.

The effect on the plant life, in brief, to give a larger supply of nitrogenous food and a healthier medium in which to grow. The work is generally accomplished by heat, usually steam, but the station is diligently seeking some means by which it may be done chemically, which would be to make the process at once cheaper, and far more convenient. Experiments have been confined almost entirely to green-house and nurseries, owing to the expense. But even so, the cost has been reduced from a shilling and a half per ton of soil to six pence a ton, and the prospect for a still farther cheapening is good.

EGG PRICES.

For the first time in a number of years eggs have taken a prominent place in Canada's export trade. This is largely due to the unprecedented demand for eggs on the part of the British market, and the fact that British dealers have shown a marked preference for Canadian eggs over United States eggs, and a willingness to pay a distinctly higher price for them.

So great in fact has been the demand that Canadian dealers have shipped practically all of the available Canadian storage product to the Old Country. As a result there is not in Canada at the present time, sufficient eggs in storage to supply home consumption until fresh receipts in appreciable quantities begin to come in.

Quantities of eggs from the United States, however, are being imported into Canada, some in bond for export, but the larger part to take the place of the Canadian product exported. On account of the keen demand for Canadian eggs above mentioned, United States eggs can be laid down in Canada at the present time, duty paid, at several cents per dozen less than the price at which Canadian eggs are selling for export and they should be procurable by the consumers accordingly.

On the other hand the Canadian market at the present time is very firm for Canadian "specials" (new laid) the production of which is not enough in most instances to supply the demand at local country markets. This means that high prices will have to be paid in consuming centres in order to draw a portion of these supplies from local points. Producers may therefore definitely expect reasonably high prices during the period of low production for fresh gathered eggs that will grade "specials."

The question has been raised as to whether the phenomenal demand on the part of the British market for Canadian eggs will continue. This depends entirely upon the quality of Canadian eggs exported. Canada has tremendous possibilities as an egg-producing country. The poultry industry is at present but a mere fraction of what it might be. It remains, therefore, for those most interested in the development of this trade to make the best possible use of their present opportunities, and by careful supervision of the quality of Canadian eggs going forward to pave the way for an extensive and profitable export trade in the future.

UNIVERSITIES' RECRUITS

The universities' companies are now well known throughout Canada. A fresh company is raised, equipped and partially trained about every two months, and it is unnecessary to advertise for recruits, inasmuch as each company is made up of brothers or relatives or friends of those who have joined previous companies.

The first company under the command of Captain Greener Barclay has joined the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, and has been for some time in the trenches.

The second company under command of Captain George McDonald and Captain Percy Molson is also on the continent.

The third company went overseas about 330 strong, and has gained a golden reputation at Shorncliffe.

The fourth company is at full strength, and has now embarked. In quality it is in no respect inferior to its predecessors.

A fifth company has been authorized, a large number of applicants are on the waiting list, and recruits will be welcomed at Montreal on or after Nov. 27.

Those who wish to join must receive a rigorous medical examination locally by an army medical officer. Those who are not medically and physically fit are not wanted, so there is a subsequent examination on reaching Montreal. The recruit should also be attested locally before the nearest justice of the peace, and transportation to Montreal can be speedily obtained by sending a night lettergram to Captain A. S. Eves, 582 Sherbrooke street west, Montreal. On arrival the recruit is issued without delay his blankets, palliasses and uniform, and his training commences on the campus of McGill University and on the slopes of Mount Royal. As to barracks, the Canadian Northern Land Company loans the headquarters building, McGill University lends the Molson Hall, and the students not only lend the top floor of the Union, but also give the soldiers the privilege of the building as though they were students. Moreover the Y. M. C. A. opens its quarters and places the swimming pool at their disposal. The training is varied, and includes shooting at the C. P. R. gallery, drill, tactics, bayonet fighting and physical training.

Nearly 1,200 men have already been raised by this organization, which is efficient and also economical, inasmuch as there are no officers above the rank of captain.

A considerable number of young men who cannot get commissions in Canada are joining the universities' companies with a view to commission in England. About fifty men who joined as private have already been appointed as officers. Information has been received from London that there is room for forty to fifty a month if suitable men are forthcoming.

Particulars may be obtained from Capt. A. S. Eves, 582 Sherbrooke street west, Montreal, who is in charge of the depot.

TO REMOVE STAINS.

PERSPHATION.

Under-arm perspiration may be removed by muriatic acid. Other perspiration, by a strong soap solution and hot sun.

COFFEE.

Boiling water will remove coffee stains. Pour the water on the stain from a height, letting it fall slowly.

TEA.

Tea stains may be removed by the same process as that for coffee, but the article must first be soaked in cold water.

IRON RUST.

The combined action of lemon juice, salt and hot sunbathing will dissolve iron rust. If the stain resists this treatment try muriatic acid.

PEACH.

Alcohol will remove peach stains. The action will be quicker if the alcohol is heated over water. Afterwards rinse with boiling water poured from a height.

GRASS.

Alcohol will remove grass stains from a garment which cannot be washed. Rub the alcohol on the stain lightly with a circular motion. Alcohol dissolves the coloring matter in plants.

INK.

Sweet or sour milk will remove ink stains. The article must stand in the milk for several days and the milk should be changed every day. Peroxide of hydrogen and diluted ammonia will remove the stains if they are fresh. Cold water and ammonia removes red ink.

Setting a Fashion.

Some years ago the coral fishers of Torre del Greco, near Naples, were in hard straits. The value of coral had fallen so low that they were no longer able to find purchasers for their product. At last in their despair they sought the queen to come to their aid. At the first court ball that was held that year at the Quirinal Palace, to the surprise of all beholders, more about her neck a collar composed of six rows of coral instead of her usual collar of pearls, and her black hair was crowned with a diadem of coral and brilliants. From that evening the mode changed. Old coral ornaments that had been hidden away for years and years were again displayed at the jewelers, and were snapped up by eager purchasers. Queen Helene's object was attained, and that coronal marked the beginning of more prosperous days for the coral fishers of Torre del Greco.

The Housekeeper

In washing ribbons, add a little pearlash to the suds and faded ribbons will be restored to their natural color.

If a small tear appears on the instep of a child's rubber, sew a bit of elastic on the inside and it is temporarily mended.

Try washing windows with very hot water and kerosene.

Rid paper blown into a piano will keep out moths.

If you wish flower slips to bloom while plants are young, put the cuttings in small crocks. As soon as the crocks are filled with roots, plant and they will begin to bloom, especially geraniums.

To keep pancakes from being greasy and heavy, do not have batter too thick, and be sure that the griddle is piping hot.

To clean wicker chairs, wash with salt and water, then rub dry as possible and place in the open air to finish drying.

Baking soda wet and bound on warts will remove them, it is said.

Place mirrors so that the direct rays of the sun do not fall upon them. It gives the glass a milky appearance which can never be entirely remedied.

To remove slight scratches from silver, mix a little putty powder with sweet oil to a paste and apply to the scratches, wipe off, and polish with chamois.

Oatmeal can be used instead of barley or rice in the soup. It thickens it, and adds a flavor which is pleasant.

Sugar should be added to turnips, beets, peas, corn, squash and pumpkin.

A meat chopper may be better cleaned by running a piece of bread through the machine before washing.

If hands are red and unsightly, wash them in buttermilk, then rub them with almond meal.

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Wash zinc with hot, soapy water and polish with cloth dipped in kerosene.

Irons wiped on a cloth dampened with kerosene will not scorch clothes.

To prevent white garments from looking yellow, put a little kerosene in the wash water.

Linoleum and oilcloth are both brightened and improved by rubbing with flannel dipped in kerosene.

Before storing away stovepipe for summer, rub it all over with kerosene and stuff ends with paper to keep out moisture.

To clean the sewing machine, moisten all bearings with kerosene and run rapidly for a few minutes; then carefully wipe off the liquid with a soft cloth.

Use kerosene instead of soap for cleaning shellacked floors in proportion of one cupful to each pail of water. Have water lukewarm, use a soft cloth and afterward polish with floor mop.

Kerosene removes paint spots from porcelain or hardware floors. Saturate a cloth with it and rub spots briskly. Then rub with chamois wrung out of hot water, for china, and soft cloth for floors.

Immerse all metal articles that have rusted in kerosene and allow them to remain there till rust has softened, then wipe with soft cloth, polish with whitening, bath brick or sand soap, according to finish of metal.



Palms and Ferns.

Something About Their Care in the House in Winter.

Palms and ferns are becoming more and more popular for interior decorations where there is no direct sunlight. While regular watering with them is essential, great care should be taken not to overwater. With most palms it is better to keep them a little drier than too wet.

This is particularly true when the pot holding the palm is placed in a jardiniere.

While the plants are small, wash the foliage occasionally with a suds made from a good mild soap and water that has the chill taken off, and immediately follow this with a thorough rinsing of clear water of the same temperature. When the plant grows larger, spray the tops frequently with clear water.

Browning at the tips shows trouble at the roots of the plant. It may be caused by (first) overwatering; (second) worms on the roots; (third) lack of proper plant food. Nearly always the trouble may be traced to the first cause. When it arises from the second and it is not the ordinary earth worm that is to blame, but a little, white, harmless-looking pest that emerges into the air as a small flying insect. To destroy this, dissolve a piece of lime as big as a man's fist in three gallons of water, and after it is through activity and the milky mixture has become clear, pour off the clear water and soak the soil containing the plant with it. The soaking should be thorough.

Plant food is provided by stirring small quantities of bone meal and wood ashes into the surface of the soil, or by occasionally using manure water or ammonia water (proportions of a teaspoonful of ammonia to a quart of water) in place of ordinary watering. Brown tips should be trimmed off. Scale causes the leaves to turn yellow, and when they are not so turned by overwatering, look for scale. Wash it off, or spray with kerosene emulsion, a nicotine preparation or whale oil soap.

Ferns should be placed in a strong light, not sunlight. Water them sparingly, yet keep them moist. See to it they have good drainage. If the newly bought white, woolly insect attacks them, examine the plants daily and remove them. Other pests, the red spider and green aphids or green fly, are eradicated by washing. They should be given food waterings, like the palms.

GETTING AT HIS MOTIVE.

(Boston Transcript)

"Will you have my seat," he inquired, politely.

"On the ground that I am aged and decrepit," the woman asked.

"No, indeed, madam."

"That I am young and beautiful and possibly not averse to a flirtation?"

"Certainly not. That—"

"Then it must be because you are a gentleman in this respect, differing from the fat person on the left and the scrawny specimen at the right. I am kind to learn your principles, sir, but here is my seat. Good day."

"Snoring, my dear, is the sign of an easy conscience." "Happy, there are times when I wish you weren't so contented with your past career." — Detroit Free Press.

An Italian Superstition.

There is an Italian superstition that whenever a king belonging to the house of Savoy dies a huge eagle is to be seen crossing the Alps over the valley of Aosta in the direction of Savoy and the conviction prevails among the inhabitants of Aosta that this eagle guides the soul of the dead sovereign to join those of his ancestors in Savoy. When King Charles Albert died at Lisbon King Victor Emmanuel died at Rome and King Humbert was assassinated at Monza in 1900 the eagle was seen winging its way across the Alps. All other eagles crossing the Alps don't seem to count for much.—Westminster Gazette.

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T. T. SHAW, EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR.

Ten Dollar Fee for Small Autos An increase from \$6 to \$10 in the minimum charge for automobile licenses, with increases upon about the same basis for higher powered cars are now receiving the consideration of the Ontario Government.

As intimated in the report of the incorporation of the auto license branch with the Highways Department, the expenditure upon highway improvement in Ontario will be largely determined by the revenue from license fees, and the increases proposed, if carried into effect, would give the department a revenue of approximately \$550,000.

The proposed increase of \$1. in the license fees of cars of 25 horse-power or less would contribute the bulk of the new revenue, a very large proportion of the cars used in Ontario coming under that heading. This would be an increase of 60 per cent, and the revenue aimed at—\$550,000—would be over 60 per cent, more than that secured during the past year.

This would be enough not only to make the 20 per cent, increase provided for toward county road construction and pay the 20 per cent, toward maintenance, but would finance the Government's share for the year of the Toronto-Hamilton highway and still leave a margin for other Highway undertakings.

Be Tolerant and Neighborly The people of country places, much more than city folks, are dependent upon one another. The city man may, and very often does, find his business and social associates in a part of the city remote from his place of residence; but the man who lives in the rural locality is almost wholly dependent in both business and social matters upon those who might properly be called his neighbors. It would seem, therefore, that such people ought to be on the best of terms. As a matter of fact, they are not always. They know each other too well. In a small community everybody knows everybody else, and a large topic of conversation is the faults and failings of the absent neighbors. In reality they do not know each other as well as they think they do; their acquaintance is superficial because it is the result of association and not friendliness. Some people make themselves and others miserable because they insist on putting the worst possible interpretation upon the words and acts of their neighbors, when as a matter of fact the chief fault lies in themselves. People should try to interpret the conduct of those about them sympathetically, and when possible attribute good motives to them. People in rural communities would find life much more enjoyable if they cultivated a spirit of friendly helpfulness. There are such communities, and it is a pleasure to live in them. What are you doing to cultivate such a spirit in your neighborhood? Folks can't be hateful and happy too.—Ex.

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SOPERTON

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The entertainment held in Methodist church on December 23rd in spite of bad weather was a success, a good program being presented and a nice sum of money realized for the Sunday School.

Those who are spending the holidays are Miss B. Singleton, Bath; Rev. M. Singleton Kingston, and S. Singleton, Athens at C. M. Singleton's; Privates Harold Shiro, J. Pine J. Powell and B. Case at their respective homes.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Sheridan and family spent Christmas at Mrs. K. Sheffield Lyndhurst.

Miss Laura and Mr. L. Howard of A. H. S. are spending the holidays at home.

JUNETOWN

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Miss Chievera Halliday of Toronto, is home for the Christmas holidays.

John Hudson and family, Brockville, spent Christmas at the old home here.

Mr. and Mrs. E. King and Mr. Geo. King spent Christmas at Lillie.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Foster are holidaying at Cardinal and Ogdensburg.

Mrs. Mulvena and Miss Hattie Mulvena have gone to spend the winter months at Lyndhurst and other places.

When Mr. E. Latimer returned home from meeting on Monday last, he found his cow with her tongue badly lacerated. He examined her manager but was unable to discover the cause. Every since he has been keeping her alive by forcing her to take a liquid food.

Mr. Harry Halliday has closed his factory at Glen Buell and returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Halliday, the Misses Chievera and Katie Halliday, Mrs. Chas. Slack and sons, and Miss Maggie Finley have all been ill the past week. Some were unable to partake of a particle of Christmas dinner.

GLEN MORRIS

December 27

Miss Jacob and pupils gave a very pleasing program on Wednesday afternoon at the school house. A number of the parents and other visitors were present at the close of the entertainment Miss Jacob presented all the children with a Christmas treat and they, in turn presented her with a pretty remembrance. Prizes for proficiency in spelling were won by Vera Hudson, Nellie Ferguson, Helen Morris, Charles Heffernan, and Carl Beale.

Mr. Dan. Heffernan had the misfortune to lose one of his horses by contracting a heavy cold.

Miss Ruby Morris, Ottawa Normal, is spending her holidays here.

Dr. and Mrs. Clarence Howard and daughter spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Howard.

SHERWOOD SPRING

December 27

Miss Myrtle Hodge is visiting relatives in Mallorytown.

Miss Edith Averv, Brockville, is a guest at Mr. Geo. Clow's.

Our teacher, Miss Russell, left for her home on Thursday last and when the new term opens Miss Kate Chick, Mallorytown, will be in charge of the school.

A number of our young people attended the Christmas entertainment at Yonge Mills, on the evening of the 21st.

Mr. Ford Eligh is confined to his home with an attack of neuralgia.

Mr. and Mrs. Arden Clow were recent visitors at the home of Mr. J. Humphrey, Lansdowne.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Stewart spent Christmas day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Brown, Riverside.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Clow; and Mr. and Mrs. Blake Dickey, Yonge Mills were visitors on Sunday last at Mrs. A. Eligh's.

FRANKVILLE

December 27

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnston of Sask., have arrived to spend the winter with their friends.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Lehigh and daughter, Dorothy, of Regina, have been visiting Mr. W. Richard's; they have gone to Ottawa for a few days.

Rev. A. E. and Mrs. Hagar have been in Brockville spending Christmas with her parents.

John Davidson is spending Christmas with his mother, at Orillia.

Wilfrid Hewitt has purchased the E. A. Lehigh farm at Lehigh's Corners.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Johnston and family, of Athens, spent Christmas here visiting his sister Mrs. Enos Soper.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Tackaberry of Addison, spent Christmas here with friends.

The Sunday School concert held here on Christmas evening was a pleasure to all. The various numbers were all splendidly executed, and with W. D. Livingston in the chair, the occasion was a thing to be pleasantly remembered.

Miss M. Knowlton Dead Miss Mary Knowlton, a native of South Crosby, near Newboro, passed away Monday morning at the General Hospital Brockville where she had been a patient one week. Deceased was taken to the hospital a week ago. She had for the past five weeks been practising her profession as trained nurse in New York. While visiting her sister, Mrs. Jones, in Chantry she took ill three weeks ago.

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CONSPIRED TO DROWN TROOPS FROM CANADA

Irishman Arrested in New York Conspiracy Case Visited Quebec to Study the Situation.

CASES CONNECT

U. S. Authorities Are Beginning to See the Various Plots Are Interwoven.

New York Report—The arrest today of Edmund Justice, a night watchman employed by the Hamburg-American Steamship Company, was declared by Federal officials to supply the "missing link" in a chain of evidence proving that the steamship company was the financial agent of the German Government in various plots against American neutrality alleged to have been uncovered by the Department of Justice. He is an Irishman and was born in Cork.

Justice was arrested as an employe and fellow-conspirator of Paul Koenig, head of the Hamburg-American detective bureau, who is charged with plotting to blow up the Welland Canal. Shortly after Justice's arrest, a lawyer representing Koenig appeared before United States Commissioner Houghton and gave \$30,000 bail for the appearance of Justice at a hearing set for January 12. This makes a total of more than \$100,000 supplied by the Hamburg-American Company as bail for men accused of plots against American neutrality.

SENT TO QUEBEC.

It is charged in the complaint that, under Koenig's direction, Justice went to Quebec in September, 1914, and there gained information for the Germans. While the complaint does not say so, the authorities hint that Koenig submitted this information to German representatives in Washington, and that it was transmitted to Berlin to the German general staff.

It is also hinted by the Federal authorities that information which Justice, who also met in Quebec Fredk. Metzler, who was Koenig's private secretary, was used by Germans in this country in planning acts of violence in the Dominion of Canada, and that underlying all this was a plan for torpedoing troopships that sailed from Canada for England.

The complaint on which Justice was arrested says specifically that the purpose of Koenig and Justice was "to ascertain the number of troops which were being transported by the Dominion of Canada to ports in France and Great Britain, the names of the steamships on which said troops were being transported, the kind and quantity of supplies which were being shipped from the Dominion to France and Great Britain, and other information which would or might be of value to the German Government, and which would assist the military operations of the German Government."

The complaint charges that the undertaking was one of hazard and came within the purview of the statute forbidding the undertaking of any military venture from this country as a basis of operations. It says further that Justice and Metzler left this city on September 15, 1914, and went to Quebec; that Koenig left here on September 18 and met Metzler in Portland, Maine, and that he went to Burlington, Vermont, where on September 25 he conferred with Justice.

The authorities also say that Metzler and Justice gained a most varied assortment of information in Quebec that they then used to the training camps, observed the training of men, the condition of the men and noted the time when they would be sent to the front. It is said they obtained information concerning the movements of the transports and the course they would take on their trip to either France or Great Britain.

The preparation of this complaint is regarded as the beginning of a series of charges that will be made against Koenig and other men. It is also thought possible that within a short time enough information will have been gathered to associate Koenig as a figure of the background of the alleged plot of Robert Fay and others to blow up ammunition carrying ships. The Federal authorities, starting in a systematic manner, have gone back to the beginning of the war and are developing the incidents in a chronological order.

The Federal authorities had hopes that Justice, when grabbed, would make a confession. The statement was put on the thrill for three hours, but afterwards and expected, admitted only what the inquisitors showed him proof of as to his visits to Canada, and would give nothing more.

NOT A SQUAREJAWER

"You can cut my arms and my legs off," he said, "but you can't make me talk. It would be said by my children that their father is a square-jawed, No. 1 and pro-German, I am anti-British."

But Justice seemed greatly worried and when he got into jail and was assigned to the United States Commissioner Houghton one of his first remarks was "I want to find out what my employers are going to do for me." He referred to the Hamburg-American officials.

The Federal grand jury, which has been investigating the activities of Paul Koenig, the member of the famous Irishman naval staff and who is now a prisoner of war in England, practically completed today its work so far as the present campaign by inducing the labor interest in this country is concerned. It is expected that next week indictments will be returned against more than six persons.

THE DEATH ROLL

Three Celebrated Men Have Passed to Their Rest.

London Cable—B. A. Hawksley, a close friend and adviser of the late Cecil Rhodes, died in London Tuesday. It is announced Mr. Hawksley was a trustee of the will of Mr. Rhodes.

Arthur Hughes, last of the pre-Raphaelite painters, died at Kew yesterday. He was friend and fellow worker of John Millais, Gabriel Rozetti, Wm. Holmes-Hunt, John Ruskin and William Morris.

(By Times Special Wire.) New York, Dec. 23.—Dr. Daniel G. Elliott, zoologist and lecturer on natural history, died of pneumonia last night at his home here. He was born in this city eighty years ago, and was associated with the American Museum of Natural History since its beginning.

Dr. Elliott was a fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh and a member of many other learned societies.

AUTOISTS' FEES FOR GOOD ROADS

License Branch is Transferred to Highways Department.

Revenue Likely to Pay for Road Improvements.

Toronto Despatch—An administrative change that the motorists and good roads enthusiasts of the Province have been advocating for a year or two past—the incorporation of the Auto License branch in the Highways Department, has been decided upon by the Ontario Government.

Although no official statement of the reasons for the shift was given other than that the Highways Department is the logical place for the Auto License branch, it is understood that Hon. Mr. Macdonald, Minister of Public Works, contemplates the adoption of the principle of setting aside all revenues secured by way of taxes on automobiles for highway improvements in the province.

Up to the present the expenditure on highway improvement in Ontario has borne no direct relation to the revenue from automobiles, although the Government has been giving, in assistance to county road construction, more than it has received from the motorists. During the provincial year just closed, however, the new automobile license fees brought the revenue up to approximately \$330,000, or considerably more than the year's grants to county construction.

A year ago, when the license fees were increased on the horse-power basis, the attitude of the motorists was that if they had to contribute more to the Provincial Treasury the money should go toward the improvement of the highways of Ontario. The new policy will, it is said, meet the point raised. The license fees will be considered as revenue of the Highways Department, and should, before long, be large enough, with the increase in the number of automobiles in the province, to take care of the Government's share of expenditure, not only upon construction, but maintenance as well.

Whether the change will be followed by the payment of the increased grants toward maintenance provided for in the legislation of last session is a matter for the Government to decide. It is probable that this will depend upon the relation between revenue and the present statutory highway expenditure. On the basis of last year's figures the revenue would fall short of meeting an increase from 33 to 40 per cent. in the grant toward county roads construction, and of contributing 20 per cent. toward maintenance—the latter being estimated at \$60,000.

MORE VICTORIES

Daily Turkish Recital of Gains is Continued.

Constantinople Cable, via London Cable—The Turkish War Office tonight gave out the following statement:

"Along the entire northern front our troops are approaching the barbed wire entanglements of the enemy trenches.

"On the Dardanelles front near Sedal Bahr there have been temporary artillery and bombing encounters. Our artillery on the Anatolian coast of the straits successfully bombarded Mortollman and the landing places at Tekke Burnu. Near Mortollman we sunk two small boats and near Tekke a small ammunition vessel. In one sector cleared of the enemy we found provisions of all kinds, sufficient for an army corps, for a long time, 1,900,000 sand bags, some thousands of tents, 500 blankets, 400 stretchers, one mortar near Aglime Dere, and many mortar bombs hidden in the ground.

"On the Irak front (in Mesopotamia) near Kut-el-Amara our artillery sunk two enemy monitors and caused an explosion on board another by a direct hit.

"On the Caucasus front an enemy attack in the neighborhood of Id (in Turkish Armenia) on Dec. 20 cost him eight officers and 200 men, while our losses amounted to only one-third of this number.

"In a magazine on the Golden Horn a quantity of dynamite exploded. Five soldiers and ten civilians were killed and a number of civilians wounded. One house was burned.

The good die young, especially if they happen to be red headed.

SHORT ITEMS OF THE NEWS OF THE DAY

Berlin Reports That Roumania's Grain Crop Has Been Sold to Germany.

LOGWOOD FOR U.S.

Report of Serious Illness of Bernhardt, the Actress, is Denied.

Gimli, Man, carried local option.

One thousand Ontario Boy Scouts have enlisted for the war.

J. J. Thomas, long engaged in piano manufacture, died at Guelph.

Old Knox College, Toronto, may be used as a convalescent home for returned disabled soldiers.

The Italian consular agent for the Niagara district charges that employes importune Italians to remain in Canada.

The report that Sarah Bernhardt is dangerously ill is characterized in a Havas despatch from Paris as unfounded.

Great Britain has permitted the exportation of logwood from Jamaica to the United States, provided Canada is cared for.

Local option and a Hydro by-law are absorbing public interest in Sarina "to the exclusion of other municipal election issues.

The Rockefeller Foundation is considering a plan to send a number of surgeons to Mexico to stop the typhus epidemic reported there.

Major-General L. Kiggell, now assistant to the chief of the Imperial general staff, will become chief of the general staff of Sir Douglas Haig.

Wasi Mastalyr, an Austrian, was found guilty at Oshawa of breaking into a store, and was committed to the Kingston Penitentiary for three years.

A Central News despatch from Amsterdam says that Count Zeppelin, builder of dirigibles has been elected a member of the First Chamber of Wuertemberg.

Lloyd Bingham, member of the Ford peace party, died at Christiania, Norway, of pneumonia. He was the husband of Amelia Bingham, the American actress.

General Bertram, formerly head of the Old Shell Committee has, it is said, resigned from the Imperial Munitions Board recently organized, of which he was deputy head.

J. E. Northcott, charged with selling liquor without a license at Oshawa, was fined \$300, with the alternative of three months in jail. Northcott closed to go to prison.

Mr. B. W. Sherwood, of the Auditor-General's branch, has been appointed to the position of assistant accountant in the House of Commons, in succession to Mr. D. W. Cameron, now accountant.

Part of the stores of W. H. Thorne Co., Limited, on Market square, St. John, N. B., were gutted by fire on Wednesday night. The loss is estimated at \$150,000. The concern carried \$300,000 insurance.

Magistrate Denison, Toronto, decided that there should be convictions in the cases of James B. Mulligan and P. Gaudet, F. Lassman and J. A. Gillis, C.P.R. conductors charged with stealing money from the company.

Mrs. Edward Webb, of Middlemarch, while having been successful in her continued ill-health, jumped to her death from the top of the windmill on the farm in sight of her husband and three daughters, one of whom was to be married Wednesday evening.

According to a Bucharest despatch to Berlin, the exportation of 50,000 car loads of grain of various sorts has been finally arranged, a satisfactory agreement on the method of payment having been reached between the German and Roumanian negotiators.

Montreal City Council decided, by 16 votes to 11, to ask the Quebec Legislature for a referendum to abolish the Board of Control, and by a vote of 16 to 10 the Council decided to ask for legislation to extend the term of Mayor and aldermen from two years to four years.

300 WOMEN DEAD

As Result of Blowing Up of German Powder Factory.

London Cable—According to advices to The Amsterdam Telegraaf, forwarded by Reuter's correspondent, a powder factory and several ammunition depots at Muenster, Westphalia, have been blown up. Great damage was done to the town, the newspaper adds.

Later advices from Amsterdam state that according to accounts received there 300 of the 600 women employed in the Muenster powder mill were killed.

The whole supply of munitions in the depot was destroyed. The explosion was traced to accidental causes.

ENTIRE WAR LOAN ALLOTTED.

Ottawa Report.—Allotment of the one hundred million dollar war loan is now complete. All subscribers to the loan, which it will be remembered, was initiated as one of fifty millions and was afterwards increased to twice that sum because of the over-subscribed, have been allotted their subscriptions in full, with the exception of the chartered banks. The latter have been cut down to about 20 per cent. of their subscription, which totalled \$25,000,000.

BAD FOR GERMAN

London Press Say U. S. Note Will Involve Her, Too.

London Cable—Few of the leading newspapers comment to-day on the latest American note to Austria-Hungary concerning the sinking of the Italian liner Ancona.

"The note is quite polite," says the Daily News, in an editorial, "but it leaves no room for evasion. Thus there can no longer be doubt as to the real gravity of the crisis. Left to herself, Austria would probably meet the ultimatum with defiance, but whatever else happens, it is certain that Austria cannot and will not be left to herself in this matter.

"The gravity of the situation consists in the fact that a breach with Austria must almost inevitably involve Germany. It may still be possible for Germany to avert the threatened storm by forcing Austria to do public penance, but this can scarcely be done without great damage to the prestige of the central powers.

"From the viewpoint of civilization, nothing better could happen than that America should be able, without an open breach, to force upon the central powers a public acknowledgment of their violations of the laws of humanity. No sensible man knowing America's great neutral services can desire a rupture between her and the Central Powers."

The Standard says: "The American Government shows no disposition to waste time in prolonged controversy. The note is not a whit too strong, for the Washington Government has been treated by Austria-Hungary with polite insolence more galling than the more brusque tone of Berlin. That President Wilson has resolved not to be played with by Vienna as he was by Berlin is due, not to the deeper guilt of Austria, but to the conviction of the American people after the recent revelations that there was but one way to deal with a Government so deeply tainted with lawlessness and insincerity."

FRENCH GAIN IS IMPORTANT

Capture of German Trenches in the Vosges Has Good Result.

Ends a Situation Which Was Bad for Allies.

London Cable.—The success of the French at Hartmanns Weilerkopf, in the Vosges, is regarded in the allied capitals as not only a brilliant, but a useful operation, at a point where the situation has been most difficult for many months. The number of prisoners is the largest on the west front since the great Champagne-Loos offensive.

The fact that the French retained all but a small portion of the captured trenches is held to be significant.

The successful action of the French at Hartmanns-Weilerkopf was made for the purpose of bringing to an end a situation which the French regarded as intolerable. On the summit of this mountain there had been incessant firing by both sides. The trenches were separated by only a very small distance. The result of the fighting was an appreciable loss of men each day.

The French success resulted from careful artillery preparation and the dashing onslaught of the troops. The Germans have been forced back some distance on the eastern slopes of the mountain.

BRITISH REPORT. London Cable.—The following British official statement was issued tonight:

"During the last 24 hours there has been artillery activity on many portions of the front, principally about Fricourt, on both sides of La Bassée Canal and at Ypres. Our artillery replied effectively."

FRENCH REPORT. Paris Cable.—The following official communication was issued by the War Office tonight:

"In Belgium the artillery displayed activity in the region of Hot Sas and Esneinghe. To the south of Arras there has been successful shelling around Beaurains. We exploded a mine which seriously damaged an enemy trench along the road to Lille.

"Before Dancourt, in the region of Roye, a strong German patrol, taken under our fire, fled, abandoning several wounded.

"On the heights of the Meuse, in the sector of the Bouchot wood, our batteries violently bombarded the adverse trenches and caused the explosion of a munitions depot.

"In the Vosges, at Hartmanns-Weilerkopf, after a series of local actions, the enemy gained a footing in one section of the trenches which we captured yesterday, and which were held by our advanced detachments. The number of German prisoners taken at this point surpasses 1,300."

BEIGIAN REPORT. Paris Cable.—The Belgian official communication reads: "Our batteries have been very active to-day. They bombarded the German posts on the left bank of the Yser as well as the cantonments at Eoesen.

"To the north of Dixmude our heavy guns completed the destruction of the blockhouse overturned yesterday, which the enemy attempted to repair."

Mrs. Neighbor—What was that awful racket I heard in your flat this morning? Mrs. Next door—Oh, that was my husband. He fell over a rocking chair and broke one of the cantonments.—Indianapolis Star.

EXTENSION OF HOUSE PASSES

British Commons Gets Eight Months Longer Life.

Question of Number Recruited Up Before Members.

London Cable—The House of Commons to-day passed the bill prolonging the life of the present Parliament.

An attempt was made to introduce an amendment, the effect of which would be to bury the Plural Voting Bill, but, on the plea of A. Bonar Law, Secretary for the Colonies, the motion was withdrawn. The bill was passed without division.

Apparently there is no prospect of the results of the Earl of Derby's recruiting campaign becoming known until Parliament reassembles on January 4.

Lord Derby's report was under consideration by the Cabinet to-day, but Premier Asquith told the Commons that he would be unable to make a statement regarding it before adjournment to-morrow, adding that the information would be first given to Parliament.

The British Treasury advanced £200,000,000 to British firms to enable them to meet their obligations during the early days of the war. In giving this information to the Commons to-day, Mr. McKenna, Chancellor of the Exchequer, added that \$2 per cent. of these advances had already been repaid, only £35,500,000 being outstanding on November 30 last.

Replying to an enquiry from Sir Alfred Moritz Mond as to whether the whole three million of men previously authorized had been recruited, Harold J. Tennant, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for War, said in behalf of the Government in the House of Commons to-day that he believed the Government was still "on the safe side; that is, we have not yet broken the law by recruiting beyond the authorized limit."

"I state this as my belief," he added, "although I would not really like to swear to it."

Mr. Tennant was also asked how great a reserve was necessary to keep the army in the field up to its proper strength. He replied: "For every man we keep abroad we ought to have at home in reserve 1.8, this being a year's supply of men at a monthly wastage of fifteen per cent."

TURKISH LIE WELL NAILED

London Cable—On being questioned in regard to the recent Turkish official statement to the effect that, after successful fighting, Turkish troops were advancing on the British port of Aden, in southern Arabia, J. Austen Chamberlain, Secretary for India, said in the House of Commons to-day there had been no material change at Aden for the last two months.

"On Dec. 29 there was a skirmish between our cavalry scouts and an enemy patrol," he continued, "the enemy lost nine killed and one prisoner. Our casualties were one wounded."

T. R. TO RUN

Bull Moose Leader Candidate for Presidential Nomination.

Boston Despatch—(In Montreal Gazette)—The Boston Advertiser, which is owned by Charles Sumner Bird, the Progressive leader, publishes a despatch from New York, dated Dec. 21, which says:

"Ex-President Roosevelt will again throw his hat in the ring about March 1. Until that time he will remain passive."

"This statement was made to-night by a close political and personal friend of the former President. Here is the manner in which the situation will likely shape up:

"Col. Roosevelt will endeavor to keep silent practically until after New Year's Day. On Jan. 28 he will issue a bugle call to the Pennsylvania Progressives, who have stood so nobly by him in Philadelphia.

"On Feb. 15 he will talk to the Illinois 'Bull Mooses' in Chicago. Following that he will go to the West Indies, where he will remain for three weeks, resting up for the battle that is to follow.

"Upon his return, it is declared, the former President will openly admit that he is a candidate. Ormsby McHarg, who took a prominent part in Col. Roosevelt's campaign in 1912, said to-night:

"I know that Col. Roosevelt plans to become a candidate for the Republican nomination in many states. You will find him fighting in the open in the Minnesota primary on March 14. He will be with Weeks in Massachusetts; Sherman in Illinois; Smith in Michigan, and Cummins in Iowa.

"A spokesman for Roosevelt, however, made this statement: 'Col. Roosevelt will not enter either the Republican or Progressive primaries, but if nominated by either or both conventions, he might accept.'

The despatch also adds: "Former National Chairman Hitchcock is out for Hughes, as is Governor Whitman, if Hughes is a candidate, otherwise Whitman hopes to be a candidate himself."

ANOTHER VICTIM

More Trouble in Store for Lieutenant Accused of Murder.

London Cable—The Hampshire county police are now investigating the mysterious disappearance of a Canadian soldier from Bramshot camp, and it is possible that the case may have an intimate connection with the murder of Sergt. Ozanne, with which Lieut. George Coderre, of Sherbrooks, Quebec, is charged. At the Ozanne inquest the orderly, Keller, testified that Coderre used these words: "Don't speak, Joe; I have just killed a man. I killed that man because there was only him that saw me kill Asommer, a man I was afraid to pass a court-martial."

This statement, rendered in Quebec French at the inquest, puzzled the interpreter, but was ultimately interpreted as an admission on Coderre's part to Keller that he had killed Ozanne because the latter saw him kill another man.

The name of the missing man, for whom the police are searching, has not been divulged, but the correspondent understands that he was connected with the same canteen as the dead sergeant.

As supporting the possible plea of insanity in Coderre's defense, it is learned that he was in a motor accident at Valcartier, when his injuries were such as to unbalance his mind for two days.

The case was called again to-day in the police court at Alton, in Hampshire, and the hearing lasted for several hours. The evidence largely dealt with Coderre's financial operations and his troubles with his superior officers, who were overpaid cheques. It was shown that he had exchanged canteen money for Sergt. Ozanne in London, and the appointment made and kept between the two on the day of the murder was for the purpose of making a settlement.

Lance-Corporal Keller, the orderly, reiterated the statement which he made at the inquest, this time without an interpreter. The inquiry was adjourned until to-morrow.

LONDON CALM IN CONSCIOUS POWER

Neutral Correspondent Tells Berlin Paper of Impressions.

Is Least Affected of Any of War Capitals.

Amsterdam Cable—The "strong sense of power and of self-confidence that seems to be the very atmosphere of England," is commented upon by Dr. Hans Vorst, a professedly neutral correspondent, in recounting his impressions on a recent visit to England to the Berliner Tageblatt. He begins his article by telling of meeting a Russian Government official in London, who, after a rather despondent review of the operations on the Russian front said: "At any rate, one feels quite at ease and heartened again after a few days in London."

This statement interested Dr. Vorst. He decided to make a closer investigation of the Russian's remark, and found that he himself soon succumbed to the sense of London's might. In his own words, came under the spell of London's "silent demonstration of solid wealth, quiet strength and established power."

Speaking of life in London, Dr. Vorst tells the people of Berlin that he found London has changed little during the war beyond the darkening of its streets. Nowhere in the war capital has street traffic suffered so little. In Berlin and Paris motorbuses have disappeared. But in London, even those that were sent over to France in the beginning of the war have been replaced. Paris' hotels have reduced their prices to a war scale. But no such concession has been made in London. Furthermore, the stages of London are as resplendent as ever, evening dress is common in the boxes and orchestra chairs, except for officers in uniform, and the restaurants have lost none of their elegance.

Conversations with Englishmen, continued the writer, show that the English themselves are dominated by a sense of conscious power.

"This impression grows," he adds: "the more one talks with Englishmen. The hysterical behavior of certain English newspapers does not seem to me to reflect the nation's feelings in any way. On the contrary, I have always noticed a totally calm and objective attitude toward the whole business, for extravagant excitement is not a part of the national character.

"So from my own experience I am inclined to consider these late peace speeches in the House of Lords as a sign of this conscious power. The English people still feels itself strong enough for anything, and is consequently not afraid to have such speeches exploited as signs of weakness especially when they are an expression of what all nations without exception, want at the bottom of their breasts—peace."

HUN. GOVERNMENT GRAFT.

London Cable—The Morning Post's Budapest correspondent, in a letter to a newspaper published to-day, tells of a speech made by Count Michael Karolyi, President of the Hungarian Independence Party, in the Hungarian Parliament, in which he charged the government with corruption in winking at mechanisms of great bankers interested in raising the price of food, and some members of the Government with accepting the bribes.

AUSTRALIA'S COURSE APPROVED. London Cable—The English public takes much pride in the manner in which Australia has taken the withdrawal from the despatch also adds:

"Former National Chairman Hitchcock is out for Hughes, as is Governor Whitman, if Hughes is a candidate, otherwise Whitman hopes to be a candidate himself."

ATHENS GRAIN WAREHOUSE.

Good time now to lay in a supply of **FLOUR.**
Don't scold the cook.
Give Her 5 Roses Flour.

Bran, Shorts, Middlings and Feed Flour will be no cheaper.
Stone ground BUCKWHEAT FLOUR makes the BEST PANCAKES.

ATHENS Grain Warehouse!

The autograph quilt, which was made by the pupils of Hard Island and auctioned off at their Christmas tree entertainment, brought \$5.75. This, with the amount secured by subscription, makes a total of \$36.55, which is this week being sent to Clivedon, England, to help in the care of our Canadian boys. The material for this quilt was donated by Mrs. Erastus Livingstone.

NOTICE—We have already placed a number of our Western accounts for subscriptions due for many years, for collection and 25 per cent is added to the account in so doing. There are a large number in the Province of Ontario in arrears to the REPORTER, and if we do not receive payment for the same before Jan. 10th next we will act on the above statement. To our numerous subscribers who always pay promptly we extend our thanks, and this notice is of no use to them.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Johnston of Watson, Sask., are guests of the former's brother, D. L. Johnston.

Mr. Stella Johnston spent Christmas at Westport, the guest of her cousin, Miss Sarah Henderson.

Mr. and Mrs. David Perry were Christmas guests at the home of the latter's sister, Mrs. Vince Golf, Sand Bay.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Brown and family of Lymhurst, spent Christmas with the latter's mother, Mrs. Rappell, Master Jim remaining for the holidays.

Miss Georgie Mitchell, Frankville, is spending a few days with her friend, Miss Jenni Doolan.

Special services of intercession will be held on Sunday next in this parish as follows: Christ's church 7 p.m., Oak Leaf 10.30 a.m., Delta 2.30 p.m.

FOR SALE—At the REPORTER Office Old Newspapers for wrapping or other purposes. 1c a pound. We have some bundles tied up in 25 lbs.

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Local and District News

We want everybody in this district to read The REPORTER.

Mr. W. B. Percival is remodeling the veranda on his residence.

In Gananoque the council has arranged to hold the election on New Year's day.

The Soperton Girls' Sewing Circle will meet for the new year Saturday, January 8 at 2.30.

We learn that a former A.H.S. boy, Stanley Curtis, has enlisted in one of the Hamilton battalions.

The first hockey match in the Leeds County League will be played in the Westport rink on Saturday, Jan. 1st, between Athens and Westport.

Miss Maud E. H. Hagar of Welland, has been appointed to succeed Miss Davis as superintendent of the Public Hospital, Smith Falls.

H. E. Bowser, Delta, is a candidate for the position of Deputy Reeve of the Township of Bastard and Burgess South, at the coming elections.

The engagement is announced of Mr. Henry Lloyd Halliday of Elgin, to Miss Ruth a Wood, Hillier, Ont. The marriage will take place shortly at Picton, Ont.

Alderman J. S. B. McCann and Dr. A. W. Richardson, also an alderman, are both in the running for the Mayor's chair at Kingston, and a hot contest is looked for.

The engagement is announced of Mr. Lewis A. Langdon of Greenbush, to Miss Nellie G. Walker of New Dublin. The marriage will take place shortly at Addison.

Brockville Retail Merchants' Association are proposing a winter carnival, to be held there in January. The local horsemen will be interviewed as to the feasibility of putting on a race meet, the curlers as to a carnival, and the military be asked to take part. The idea is to make the carnival a two-day affair.

The result of the voting on church union in the Brockville Presbytery was: For 1,844; against, 1,848. The number of congregations for stood 9 and the number against 12. Lanark and Renfrew gave 3,872 votes for and 2,508 against, with 22 congregations for and 12 against. In the Kingston Presbytery the vote stood 2,409 for and 3,066 against, with 28 congregations for and 18 against.

A very pleasant event occurred on Wednesday morning at the Brockville Institute, when the science master, Mr. James F. McGuire, M.A., was presented by the students and teachers with a handsome club bag containing a full set of toilet necessities. The presentation was made by Arnold Brace while Miss Fenton read an address which expressed the appreciation of the students and staff of the B.C.I. for Mr. McGuire and their regret that he had resigned his position. Mr. McGuire will take up his duties as public School Inspector with the new year.

A terrific explosion on Monday afternoon startled the calm Christmas serenity of the village and caused disturbing visions of Zepp, bombs and all that sort of thing for a few quaking moments. Then came the crash and jingle of breaking glass. What a relief! It was only the Town Hall apparently about to dissolve and blow away. The facts of the disturbance soon became known. Preparations for a dance, to be held that evening, were in progress and a gas stove in the north tower had been lighted to heat water. The jets in the oven, wide open, were not lit and a considerable amount of free gas accumulated. Of course, an explosion followed that reduced the stove to a scrap-heap, blew out three huge windows and slightly stunned Mrs. Frank Foley who was in the room.

Purely Personal Items.

Mr. Norman Brown is much improved in health.

Mr. Hugh Male and family of Harlem, were recent guests at Alf Males.

Mrs. Etta Eaton was a guest of Mrs. Fred Bullis Brockville, on Saturday last.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Howorth and Miss Mary spent the holidays at Rowena, Ont.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Latham and family of Brockville, spent Christmas at Mr. Malcolm Brown.

Mr. John Chassels, of the 77th Battalion, C.E.F., Ottawa, visited his parents here Christmas day.

Miss Lena Wills, teacher at Manotick Station, is spending the Christmas vacation at her home near Athens.

Miss Lulu E. McLean, graduate nurse, is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. McLean.

Reeve Holmes and Mrs. Holmes quietly celebrated their ruby wedding anniversary on December 21.

Dr. David Judd, Boston, arrived here last week on a visit at the home of Mrs. I. C. Alguire.

Miss Cecelia Pollock, Brockville, was a visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Gordon for a few days.

Driver Wm. Hitchcock, C. E. F., Kingston, was a Christmas guest in Athens, where he was formerly in the employ of Mr. John Fortune.

Mr. Roy E. Parish of the Burlington Gazette staff, returned on Monday after spending the holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Parish.

Lieutenant D. M. Bissell, recruiting officer in Athens for the Counties Battalion, returned home to spend Christmas.

Mr. Harry Vellock has closed up his barber-shop, and will spend the theatrical season on the road with his company.

Dr. Thos. R. Whaley of Alsask, Sask., is visiting old friends in this district, a guest of his brother, Mr. Wm. Whaley, Glen Morris.

Mrs. I. Hunter of Alberta, motored from Brockville to celebrate the 87th birthday of her father, Mr. Albert Wiltse, on December 22. Mrs. Hunter had been absent from this section for fifteen years.

Get a Sample Package of the Telfer Biscuits at the Bazaar (Free). They're it.

The annual dance in aid of St. Denis' church, was held in the Town Hall Monday evening with a fair attendance.

The Earl Construction Co. has purchased a Regal automobile, and will be sales agents in this district for this popular priced car.

The barrel of apples donated by Mr. Erastus Livingstone to Red Cross work, was won by Mr. R. L. Whitman on the three-cent ticket. The proceeds amounted to \$18.30.

The High School sweaters this year are different in design to these previously worn; they are white with breast stripes of lemon and blue, and trimmed at collar and bottom with the same combination of colors.

Owing to a heavy fall on icy ground, Rev. George Edwards was unable to fill his pulpit in the Methodist church on Sunday. Rev. Mr. Claxton preached in the morning, and in the evening a song service was held.

Wood for Sale—About 50 cords of Stove-wood. Apply to R. J. Campo, at the Bazaar.

The annual meeting of the Athens Public Library will be held on the evening of Jan. 11th. Watch for further particulars.

Mr. Sterns Coon recently acquired a pedigreed English bulldog that can boast of a line of ancestors back so far that their origin is dimmed with antiquity. "Togo" is sweet tempered but homely!—well!

Tax Collector Benjamin Culbert lost \$26.00 last week. The money was no doubt picked up by a bystander who probably did not realize the consequence of his act. Finders are not keepers in the sight of the Law.

Inclement weather reduced the usual large attendance at the Anglican Christmas entertainment on Thursday evening last; but an enjoyable time was spent, the program including some very good musical numbers. Lieutenant Bissell made an appeal to young men in behalf of the Leeds and Grenville Battalion, and spoke briefly on the seriousness of the present situation.

Village Clerk A. M. Lee is suffering from shock and strained ligaments, the result of a fall from the second story of Parish's mill. He was at work on the second floor when someone called from the outside. He immediately went to the loading-door where lumber is piled out, and which is usually barred when not in use. Not noticing that these bars were not in place, he leaned out, overbalanced and had to jump. The ground was frozen hard; but fighting on his feet, Mr. Lee was saved from more serious injuries than those mentioned above.

Purely Personal Items.

Mr. Lewis Stevens, Portland, spent Christmas at his home here.

Mrs. D. Fisher spent Christmas with relatives at Lansdowne.

Mr. Oliver M. Eaton returned this week from Winnipeg after an absence of years.

Mrs. G. A. Tennant of Brockville, is a guest of her sister, Mrs. Charles Murphy, Athens.

The Bazaar wishes its numerous customers a Bright and Prosperous New Year.

Mrs. Eric Dobbs, Lansdowne, is in Athens for the holidays, a guest of Mrs. B. Dewolf.

Mr. Gordon Thompson of London, Ont., is a guest of his brother, Mr. Jos. Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Hammond and family of Brockville, were guests of G. Cowles for Christmas.

Mr. Mills Johnston, Kingston, is holidaying at his home on Main street east.

Mr. and Mrs. Curzon Lamb were guests of relatives in Smith Falls on Christmas day.

Mr. D. Lloyd Willson of the Merchants Bank staff, Gananoque, was a week-end visitor at his home.

Mr. Wallace Johnson of Carleton Place, spent Christmas in Athens, the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Johnson.

Mr. Charles Booth, teacher at Morton, is spending the holidays at his home here.

Mr. Richard Layng, dental student at Chicago, is home for vacation.

Mr. A. B. Collins of Toronto, spent Monday in town with his brother, Rev. G. V. Collins.

Mr. and Mrs. Mort Lee and family of Adams, N.Y., are spending the holiday week with relatives here.

Miss Marian Bottomley will teach a rural school situated between North Augusta and Bishop's Mills.

Mr. Kenneth Rappell, Arts student at Queen's, Kingston, is home on vacation.

Rev. Mr. and Mrs. AcAlpine of Delta, spent Monday with Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Collins.

Mr. Nichols, principal of the Public School, and Mrs. Nichols, are spending the week in Cobourg and vicinity.

Bandman Ross DeWolfe, of the 77th Battalion at Ottawa, was in Athens on Friday last visiting his mother.

Mr. George McNamara, formerly employed in the REPORTER office, enlisted at Orillia last week for overseas service.

Miss Elizabeth Doolan, at North Cobalt, is spending the Xmas holidays at her home here.

Miss Mary Sheldon, who has been attending a commercial college in Ottawa, is home for the festive season.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Gallagher of Newboro, were Christmas guests of Mrs. John Wiltse.

Miss Georgie Percival, Carleton Place, was a guest of her father, Mr. W. B. Percival, for Christmas.

Mr. Beaumont S. Cornell, medical student at Toronto University, was a guest of his mother for a day or so last week.

Mr. Ronald Cliffe of New Westminster, B.C., joined his wife here last week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Arnold, to spend the Yule-tide season.

Mr. Harry Berney of Brockville, was in Athens over the week-end, a guest of his mother, Mrs. T. Bernev. Mr. Manly Berney, a member of the C.E.F., was also home for Christmas.

Mr. James Campbell, who has been in the employ of Mr. Abel Kavanaugh for some years as a barber, goes to Chesterville next week where he will conduct a business in his own interest.

Captain Ernest McLean, M.D., of Brockville, was a Christmas visitor at the home of his parents here. Dr. McLean is medical officer of the Leeds and Grenville Battalion now being formed.

Next Sunday service will be held in the Baptist church here at 7 o'clock p.m. Sunday school at 9.45 a.m.

A 10c tea is being served by the Women's Institute in their rooms tonight (Wednesday) from 5 to 7 o'clock.

The Baptist Christmas entertainment will be held in the church at Athens tomorrow (Thursday) evening Dec. 30th, at 7.30 o'clock. Admission 10c and 15c. Sunday School scholars free.

Wanted about two cords of cedar stove-wood for kindling. Apply at this office.

Mr. H. Burnham was the winner of China Dinner Set given away by Mr. R. J. Campo, of the "Bazaar." The lucky guess was 2,205. The actual number of kernels in the jar was 2,215.

The Christmas tree entertainment, held at the Hard Island school house, was a decided success. The school room was filled to overflowing. The programme was good and presents plentiful. Mr. Booth received a remembrance from his pupils.

Local and District News

Subscribe for The REPORTER. Send in any news items you may have.

Mr. John Eaton is building a veranda on his Main street residence.

Dr. O'Connor has been re-elected Mayor of Gananoque by acclamation.

Mr. Donald McInnes, for the past two years on the staff of the Union Bank, Westport, has been transferred to Pakenham.

There is an agitation among the municipalities to increase the poll tax from \$1.00 to \$5.00 per head.

Service in St. Paul's, Delta, Sunday, Jan. 2 at 2.30 will be a special service of intercession by the request of the Bishop of Ontario.

Mr. Allen Douglas McNish and Miss Beatrice W. Andrea, both of Lym, were united in marriage at Brockville on Thursday. The young couple were unattended.

J. E. Northcott, charged with selling liquor without a license, was fined \$300 with the alternative of 3 months in jail. Northcott, who was fined at Oshawa, elected to go to prison.

Damages of six cents were awarded recently in a slander case in a St. Joseph, Mich., court. The claim was for \$25,000, and a verdict of guilty was given, but the judge thought \$25,000 was an excessive amount and reduced it to six cents.

Billy Sunday, the noted evangelist, has just closed a series of seven weeks' meetings at Syracuse, N. Y. There were 22,500 people who "Hit the trail," as Bill puts it, during the series and the total attendance was 911,000. The thank offering at the final meeting was over \$23,000.

Miss Elma Mustard, a native of Elgin, who left the Eastern Hospital last week to accept the position of night superintendent of nurses at the General Hospital in Sherbrooke, P. Q., was presented by the staff and employees of the Eastern Hospital before her departure, with a gold bracelet set with pearls. The young lady was quite surprised at such manifestation of good will and modestly thanked her old associates for their handsome gift.

Miss Mustard is a graduate of the Eastern Hospital School for nurses and also a post graduate of the Brockville General Hospital. She held the position of superior at the Eastern Hospital.

Farm for Sale
The John Dockrill farm, about two miles south of Athens, consisting of about 160 acres First-class dairy farm, well watered, good buildings. Immediate possession. Apply to T. R. BEALE, Athens.

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