

LAURIER WILL GET THE MEN FROM QUEBEC

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said at Regina on Tuesday night: "To those who say it is too late to get recruits from the province of Quebec, I SAY IT IS NOT TOO LATE, and I will repeat it elsewhere, that it is possible to have ALL THE SOLDIERS WE WANT FROM THE PROVINCE OF QUEBEC, AND I MAKE BOLD TO UNDERTAKE IT IF THE TIME COMES FOR ME TO DO SO."

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Hundreds of London Families Shiver Through Bitterly Cold Night Because of Brutal Treatment of Borden's Fake \$25,000 Fuel Controller

Citizens beg coal from neighbors, and old boxes from wholesales and stores---Money will not buy warmth for them and their children. Trades and Labor forces will take action at tonight's meeting to force relief---Coal hoarded by hundreds of tons in cellars of wealthy.

While \$25,000 Fuel Controller McCue, imported from the United States by Premier Borden, is mysteriously missing, London and the other cities of Ontario witness the spectacle of people of the working classes picking a few lumps from the railway yards, asking for old boxes and packing cases from the wholesales and stores and endeavoring in every manner to keep from freezing. Last night was a terrible ordeal for many Forest City families.

"ALL THIS FUEL CONTROLLER HAS DONE IS TO DRAW HIS SALARY," said one coal dealer. "THERE ARE HUNDREDS OF HOMES WITHOUT A POUND OF COAL, AND PEOPLE ARE CLAMORING NIGHT AND DAY FOR THE FUEL WE CANNOT GIVE THEM."

"They are not all poor people. Most of these people have money to pay for coal, but they cannot secure it anywhere. The best thing for them to do is to ask their neighbors to help them out temporarily in the hope that the city will get coal in a few days."

TRY TO GET SOMETHING TO BURN.

A prominent London manager of a wholesale business stated to The Advertiser that hundreds of people in East London were going everywhere yesterday to secure coal or "something that would burn."

THEY CURSED THE BORDEN GOVERNMENT AND THE \$25,000 FUEL CONTROLLER, and said that the "fool" controller was on a par with the food controller, for whose whims they had been paying dearly in the last six months.

"HANNA SENDS THEM ALL OUR CHOICE BEEF AND RAISES PRICES HERE, BUT HIS MATE, THE

BORDEN'S EMPTY COAL SCUTTLE



FUEL CONTROLLER, DOES NOT GET US COAL. This sort of reciprocity is no good. OUR BEEF GOES TO FEED THE FAT GERMAN OF BUFFALO (BUT

FALO IS SAID TO BE 40 PER CENT GERMAN), BUT THE GOVERNMENT DOES NOT SEE TO IT THAT WE GET ENOUGH FUEL TO KEEP US WARM."

3,000 BEEF CATTLE SENT TO U. S. EACH WEEK.

It is a fact which can be proven from the railway records that about 3,000 head of choice Ontario beef go to the U. S. each week. It has been rushed through despite every obstacle of the winter storms, but the fuel of the eastern states has not been given back to the people of Ontario.

The fuel controller and his assistants have been asked dozens of times by the public utilities commission to assist London in getting coal. The heartless, brutal answer has been: "GO OUT IN THE OPEN MARKET AND BUY COAL." The fuel controller came to London, spilled a lot of promises, was hailed as a heaven-sent wonder by the local Borden organ. Then he disappeared.

PEOPLE SHIVERED AND SUFFERED IN LONDON LAST NIGHT BECAUSE THE BORDEN GOVERNMENT HAS PLAYED WITH THE BIG INTERESTS AND APPOINTED A JOKE FUEL CONTROLLER. They went to the back doors of stores and begged for a few old boxes. One woman was seen carrying a few pieces of wood on a street car. She had a baby in a house where there was no fire in the single range that heated her cottage.

ONE NEIGHBOR HELPS THE OTHER.

In many parts of the city the generosity of citizens saved their neighbors and families from a fearful night. Scuttles of coal were transferred from scores of cellars to other cellars.

One suggestion advanced to meet the conditions is that the city should purchase a woods from some farmer near the city and have it cut up as a relief store.

There are no surplus stores of coal anywhere in Lon-

don which would be available for the use of the public, although an effort may be made to secure some off coal from the Grand Trunk if the worst comes to the worst.

It is the immediate duty of the city council to take steps to relieve the situation. The municipal coal yard has never been able to secure coal, although the fuel controller stated that he would get coal for them. OTTAWA SHOULD BE COMMUNICATED WITH AT ONCE, AND A DEMAND MADE THE FUEL CONTROLLER OR SOMEONE GIVE SOME ASSURANCE THAT THE PEOPLE WILL BE GIVEN RELIEF. Brutal indifference will not be tolerated while people freeze.

NO ONE CAN AROUSE OTTAWA.

Citizens are working privately today in an effort to arouse Ottawa to its duty. But Ottawa will not rouse. It would not rouse when the public utilities commission endeavored to obtain a supply of coal. The only answer was given by an assistant to the fuel commissioner, who told the people of this city to "go out and buy in the open market."

Borden votes disappeared by the hundreds during the last few days, when it was realized that the \$25,000 controller had done nothing, and would do nothing, to save the situation.

The trades and labor council will take the matter up at the meeting to be held tonight in the Masonic Temple, and a strong resolution will be passed calling for immediate action and condemning the Government responsible for the situation in the strongest terms.

Trades and labor council members stated today they had absolute proof that many prominent citizens of London had coal enough to last several years stored in their cellars. Some of these wealthy people are working on big war contracts.

TEMPTATION OF ADVERTISING TOO MUCH FOR MANY PAPERS AND COUNTRY BEING MISLED

Unionist Press Not Fairly Representing the Liberal Case, Hartley Dewart Informs the West.

(Special to The Advertiser.)

Calgary, Dec. 14.—Hartley Dewart of Toronto, speaking with Sir Wilfrid Laurier here last night, scored a personal success at four meetings. Addressing the packed audience in the First Methodist Church, Mr. Dewart emphasized the danger of people being misled because there were so few newspapers in the Dominion that fairly presented the Liberal case. The effect of the free use of advertising by the Government and the use that was made by the advertisements for the patriotic and other funds and for the Victory Loan had proved too much of a temptation to many journals in Canada.

West Told Truth.

It was fortunate that Sir Wilfrid Laurier had been able to come to the West and explain to the people of the three provinces by his addresses at Winnipeg, Regina and Calgary what his real position was and that he would be able to present it to the electors of British Columbia at the four meetings to be held in Vancouver on Friday.

Mr. Dewart asked the pertinent question why there were so many so-

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SIR WILFRID BORE ARMS FOR CANADA; NOT SO SIR ROBERT

Liberal Leader Took Part Against Fenians.

To the Editor of The Advertiser: Did Sir Wilfrid Laurier ever wear the uniform, and in what cause? Did Sir Robert Borden ever wear the uniform or do military service?

INQUIRY.—Answer.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier did wear the uniform, and took up arms at the time of the Fenian Raid. He was then 25 years of age, and he is honored as an officer in the militia records, which also show that he did take part. He was a member of the Arthursville Infantry from 1883-78, and the official records show that he served in the last Fenian Raid.

Sir Robert Borden was 31 years of age, and single, at the time of the Northwest Rebellion, and although connected with militia matters, he did not bear arms in that affair, according to his official biography. He is honorary colonel, and has been for some years, of a Nova Scotia regiment. There are no official records at hand showing that Sir Robert Borden saw any active service.

FIFTEEN LIBS., NINE UNIONISTS ESCAPE BATTLE OF THE BALLOT

Ottawa, Dec. 14.—With the close of the Dominion campaign practically at hand it looks as though the seats in which there will be no contest on Monday will number twenty-four. Nine of these are in the Unionist column, while the Liberals have fifteen acclamations, all but one—Turgeon of Gloucester, N. B.—being in the province of Quebec. The Unionists will have acclamations in two Nova Scotia, one in New Brunswick, one in Ontario, four in Saskatchewan, and one in British Columbia. Two ministers of the crown, Hon. W. S. Fielding, Queen's and Shelburne; Saskatchewan; J. F. Johnson, Lost Mountain; J. A. Maharg of Moosejaw; Lev Thompson of Qu'Appelle; R. F. Thompson of Weyburn; British Columbia; Hon. Martin Burrell of Yale.

Since nomination day, Hon. Frank Carvell has been elected by acclamation in Victoria and Carleton, N. B., by the retirement of his opponent, J. B. Thompson.

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MAKE-BELIEVE BORDEN POLICY UNMASKED BY FARMERS' PAPER

In its current issue The Weekly Sun, the independent farmers' weekly, unmasks the make-believe Borden policies on the conscription measure, and in all sincerity declares that the people are entitled to know what the policy of the Government really is. Here are its words:

"It is the duty of the Government to state definitely its position with respect to conscription before it goes to the polls on Monday next. It represents to the farmers that they will be exempt as long as they engage in good faith in agricultural production. That position it has fortified by obtaining a ruling from Judge Duff of the supreme court. Gen. Mewburn says that he will obtain probably 25,000 on the first draft, that is, from the unmarried men. The tribunals are about through and it appears that Toronto, at all events, will not furnish a third of the number asked. There are no reports from Quebec or other districts, but it is clear that if all were doing as well as Toronto, which no one believes, the first draft would be sixty to seventy thousand

short. The shortage must be drawn from the next class, which is the married men. But Mr. Borden stated at Toronto that Judge Winchester was not authorized to say that the married men would be drafted in February, and a day or two later at Oshawa he said that the whole 100,000 would be secured by the operation of the Conscription Act. It is inconceivable that the Government will go before the people on these conflicting and uncertain assertions. The people are entitled to know what is the Government's policy. In so momentous a matter it will earn contempt and reprobation if it is suspected of evasion and trickery."

LOSSES ARE HEAVY ON ITALIAN FRONT

Italian Headquarters in Northern Italy, Dec. 13.—The latest Austrian attacks around Col Beretta were made in force, the enemy infantry advancing repeatedly. The Italians temporarily were drawn back slightly at one point, but quickly regained most of their positions.

The battle for control of the strategic points on Col Beretta is persistent and desperate. The losses on both sides are heavy.

SOME COAL COMES IN, BUT NOT ENOUGH TO SUPPLY DEMAND

One Dealer Secures Three Carloads.

Several cars of hard coal reached London today and are being distributed rapidly. One dealer stated to The Advertiser that he got in three cars averaging 42 tons.

"This means that I can supply 252 customers in half-ton lots," he said. "Our men have been busy all morning, and will keep going till dark. We have a lot of customers waiting for coal yet. Our three cars will not begin to supply them all. The situation is still undoubtedly acute, and there are any number of people who are just about out of coal."

Several other dealers stated that they were still watchfully waiting for the black heat producers and that they had a waiting list a mile long.

The coal situation is bothering one woman in London a good deal more than the political situation. When asked how she was going to vote, she declared that she would cast her ballot for the man who would put half a ton of coal in her cellar.

THE WEATHER

TOMORROW—FAIR AND VERY COLD
Toronto, Dec. 14—8 a.m.
Forecasts.
Fresh to strong northerly to westerly winds; fair and very cold tonight and on Saturday.

Temperatures.

Stations	High	Low	Weather
Calgary	-5	-12	Clear
Winnipeg	-10	-25	Cloudy
Port Arthur	-2	-15	Fair
Parry Sound	16	0	Snow
Fair	20	10	Fair
Port Stanley	23	14	Clear
Toronto	23	14	Clear
Kingston	26	16	Snow
Ottawa	12	12	Snow
Montreal	12	10	Snow

ALTHOUGH A CONSCRIPTIONIST, SOLDIER WILL NOT BE PARTY TO BORDEN'S DISLOYAL TRICK

Man In Trenches Sees Through Tory Attempt To Divide the Country and Appeal to Prejudice and Passion—The Liberals Have Been Too Lenient.

"November" 7th, 1917.
"The papers I am reading tonight tell of Sir Wilfrid's visit to Toronto, and contain conjectures as to the Union Government that by now is no doubt an accomplished fact. I was sorry indeed to see so many of the Liberals leave the Old Chief, for while I am convinced that conscription is the proper and necessary measure, Borden's action in May in introducing it, and then asking Sir Wilfrid's help, shows that his real desire was to split the Liberal party rather than form a coalition, for he well knew that his actions were such as to prevent Sir Wilfrid, or any other self-respecting Liberal from entering the cabinet, at the time. Of course, the Liberal party made the great mistake, when they did not force the election at the time over the Kite charges. Had that been done, as we well knew that his actions were such as to prevent Sir Wilfrid, or any other self-respecting Liberal from entering the cabinet, at the time. 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An Executor's Qualifications

An individual may have integrity and good judgment, yet he lacks the continuous existence that assures uninterrupted management so necessary to the welfare of an estate.

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SYNOD OF HURON LIKELY TO MEET AT END OF APRIL

Committee Named Yesterday to Prepare Convening Circular.

In view of the fact that it is proposed to hold an earlier synod than usual for 1918, probably the end of April, instead of June, a committee was appointed yesterday at the meeting of the executive of the synod of the diocese of Huron to prepare the convening circular. The members of this committee are: Ven. Archdeacon Richardson, Rev. W. J. Doherty, Rev. R. M. Perkins of Ingersoll, Wm. Baird of Galt, and Col. Fisher of this city. Announcement was made that the 10 per cent interest on endowments will be distributed the 1st of April hereafter. Instead of the 1st of August. Apart from the encouraging reports presented by sub-committees, the meeting was devoted to business which has arisen since the last meeting of the executive.

Superannuation was granted to Revs. B. Sotley of Brantford and W. M. Duffie of Guelph, but not granted to Rev. J. Hale of Wardsville. The request from St. Paul's Cathedral for an increase of rental from the office was referred to a committee, as were requests from St. David's, St. Mark's and the Church of the Holy Indian Reserve, on condition that the parish raise dollar for dollar a similar amount.

Grant to Tieswater.
The executive decided to grant \$100 to Tieswater to continue services there. \$200 to Ripley, \$25 each to Revs. H. J. Contell of Delhi, and T. L. Armstrong of Selkirkville, expenses of the year. Permission was granted the Church of the Redeemer, Highgate, to build a basement and apse, the cost of the sale of a church lot at Duart, \$100, to this purpose. Permission was granted Delhi to sell church lot, subject to approval of the chancellor, on condition that the proceeds be paid to the synod to constitute an endowment for the parish.

Inquire Into Trust.
A commission was appointed to inquire into the Roman Catholic Voluntary increases were reported in assessments from Wingham and Canachiche. Rev. T. J. Hamilton reported on the assessment of Merton and Overy, and that an increase of \$200 would be made. The secretary-treasurer, Rev. W. J. Doherty, reported under the will of the late Rev. W. G. Reade, a bequest of \$1,000 to the widows and orphans, capital to be paid in on the death of his widow.

A large representation of the members of the executive from outside points was present to transact business.

ONLY ONE "BROMO QUININE"
To get the full name, full name, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE, for signature of E. W. Grove, Cures a cold in one day. 20c. 15 law-v

FORMER ADVERTISER MAN PROMOTED TO MAJOR
Capt. William Black, a former member of the Advertiser staff, has won his majority, after two and a half years' service in France. The news of his promotion was received in a letter to his sister, Mrs. Neil McGill, Queen's avenue, this city.

Major Black, whose home is at 117 Lombard street, Toronto, has returned to England after having spent some time at the Lord Michaelham Home for Officers, where he was sent to convalesce after following an attack of trench fever. He has been sent to England to take command of the Canadian Army Service Corps training camp at Chorncliffe.

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VICTIM OF ACCIDENT BURIED AT DORCHESTER
DORCHESTER, Dec. 13.—Seldom have the people of Dorchester witnessed a more sudden and unexpected death than that of Leonard Pinner, the two little sons of Leonard Pinner, who were killed on the G. T. R. tracks on Monday afternoon. The services were held in the Methodist Church, and were conducted by Rev. G. W. Rivers, assisted by Rev. D. McKay and Rev. John Yeak.

Six members of the Excelsior Bible Class, Roy Hunter, Jack Higgins, Harry Cave, Byron Dundas, Ernest Smith and Roy Cave, acted as bearers for Wesley, a non-six school companion, Herman Richmond, Percy Oliver, Charles Snuck, Jimmie George, Ray Dundas and Jimmie Chittick carried the casket of Leonard.

Interment was made at the Union Cemetery.

Among the numerous floral tributes were those from the pupils and teachers of the public school, the Woodstock Collegiate Institute and the members of each of the boys' Sunday school classes.

ELECTED NEW OFFICERS.
INGERSOLL, Dec. 13.—At the annual meeting of Lodge Imperial, Sons of England, the following officers were elected: President, H. W. Weller; president, James Wallace; secretary, James Allen; treasurer, Frank Carey; chaplain, Joe. Edmonds; committee, George Roberts, George Wright, W. H. Bask, R. Slater, H. Richer, Shipman, inner guard, W. E. Shipman, outside guard, D. Cox, trustees, P. Langford, Hugh Moon, George Roberts, W. D. Shipman, George Wright and R. Slater.

ARE YOU BUYING FURS FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS?
Before buying elsewhere come in and get our prices. Our furs are the best that money and skill can produce.
B. SHAPIRO
Successors Western Fur Company.
224 Dundas, Open Evenings. Opposite
Theatres. 224

LABOR NEVER GETS A STRAIGHT DEAL, SAYS SGT. WAYMAN

Then Attacks London Workers for Supporting Geo. Gibbons.

MANY PERSONALITIES

Cronyn Meeting Last Evening Marked by Much Bitterness.

There was a large audience in the Grand Opera House last night to listen to Major Hume Cronyn, the Unionist candidate in London, Mrs. Cronyn, Miss Constantine Borden, Sir John William and Sgt. Matt. Wayman, who were all present to espouse his cause. Sir Adam Beck acted as chairman and called on Canon Tucker to open the meeting with prayer.

Sir Adam declared that this was the darkest hour of the war and a momentous time in the history of Canada. He went on to say that the present campaign was not of a political nature, and that Major Cronyn was not responsible for being the candidate of the Unionist Government. He had forsaken Sir Wilfrid Laurier. The election was not a political issue. The cabinet was evenly divided. It was a question of Sir Wilfrid Laurier or the soldier. He declared that Major Cronyn's campaign had been fair and honest. When asked by one of the audience to explain why 98 per cent of Quebec's eligibles had been exempted, Sir Adam shouldered the blame on Sir Wilfrid by saying "That can be answered by Sir Wilfrid better than I can."

Many Personalities.
Major Cronyn was heartily cheered as he rose to speak. The call for three cheers for "London's next member" was not responded to. After indulging in a number of personalities Major Cronyn replied to the question of what the Union Government would do with Quebec by stating that Quebec would be made to obey the law of the land. The major ended his speech with a little poem.

Mrs. Cronyn declared that she had been a staunch Laurierite, but never again. She once saw him in the leader of the white feather campaign. "He was a man who would not fight, and if the Union Government gets in they shouldn't get another vote."

Their Reward.
Mrs. Cronyn stated that the reward for the soldiers who had been overseas was the vote on Monday. We can vote, she said, and other women cannot. The vote for women is coming, for the men with the white feather election they can't do without us. She went on to state that politics was a dirty game, and that the women would not soil their hands. When the women finally did get the vote, she said, they would be able to make a difference in the world.

Ward Shown How.
After Mrs. Cronyn's speech the voters were shown how to cast a ballot. Mrs. Cronyn told the women present that it was all important that they should know how to vote. A ballot box was shown to the audience. Ed Flock showed the ladies how to fold the ballot.

An Englishwoman in the audience.
Major Cronyn if the vote would be cast for the Union Government. He replied that only those of every origin had their votes questioned. You can't trust a German at any time," he said.

Treated Too Well.
Sir John Clark, the great big commentator, says that Englishmen and preachers who take the people's money to preach the gospel and do it not, are thieves and robbers. We say the committee and preachers who published the advertisement by taking money from both political parties, are thieves and robbers.

NEW SWISS PRESIDENT.
Bern, Switzerland, Thursday, Dec. 13.—Felix Calander, vice-president of the republic, and head of the department of the interior, today was elected president of Switzerland for 1918. He received 176 votes. Dr. Edouard Schuler was elected vice-president by a vote of 155 to 41 for Gustave Ador, president of the International Red Cross.

HEALTH RUINED IN SERVICE, BUT GIVEN NO PENSION OR AID

St. Thomas Soldier Asks What He Can Do.

TURN OUT GOVERNMENT

This Is Only Way of Overcoming Wrongs of the Returned Men.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:
I enlisted with the C. E. F. and went overseas, and during the time I was in England I contracted rheumatism, and was unable to do anything while there, but was kept there for a period of six months before being sent back. I want to know if I am entitled to any pension, as I am still troubled with the same ailment, and not able to do any hard work, and if I could get anything for the past time, as it is over a year since I have been discharged, and I have never received any service button yet. So if you would please advise what to do in both instances, and oblige a returned soldier. Yours truly,
W. A. MURPHY
152 Wellington Street,
St. Thomas, Dec. 12th, 1917.

Note.—Under the present system of things, Borden rule does not offer much hope to you, especially if you have been before medical boards. Help to break up the heartless system is our best advice. Get the public to assist you.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

"ASK METHODISTS TO VOTE UNION"

To the Editor of The Advertiser:
This is the title of an article in the Saturday Globe, and the St. Thomas Times, which paper is before me now. The Methodist executive committee of general board of social service and evangelism in said article stated that it was the duty of every Methodist to vote for the Union Government, and said committee requested the Methodists to read said article from their pulpits. Now, I am a Methodist, and I would like to know who gave this committee or the Methodist preachers the right to tell me or the church how to vote. I or the church should vote as we see fit. The Methodist preachers know that we laymen own our own souls. Who pays your salaries? We do. An' what do you preach the Gospel to us and our children, and teach us and our children from the Bible how to get from the earth to heaven, and you preachers in your zeal forgotten who owns you, and are outstumping for Union Government when your reform members are paying their share of your salary. I do not know how you preachers are taking me for a greeny? Well, I guess we laymen can see a little while you see a lot. You preachers cry, "Union, Union, Win the War!" That sounds pretty nice, but it puts me in mind of a story about a robber who broke into a jewelry store, filled his pockets with gold watches and rings, and as he was getting out he saw the policeman coming. He off with his hat, ran up the street swinging his hat and crying: "Stop thief!" and when the people were looking after for the thief, he with the jewelry in his pockets got away. Now, I suppose you Methodists are getting away with millions of our tax money in their pockets. If you do not believe this, the pamphlet bearing the title, "War Scandals" (which the Borden Government admits by their silence that it is true) tells further about it. Now we laymen demand that this said committee and Methodist preachers make an apology through the Globe and Times of their wrongful and unlawful article. If you do not, we will not be responsible for refusing to pay your salaries. We, Reformers most emphatically object to being treated in this way. We have just as good right to our Methodist preachers' influence as the other side.

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Store Open Till 10 o'clock Saturday Night
Cortese Orchestra—Afternoon and Evening.

Christmas is the only season when we depart from our 6 o'clock closing rule. For the convenience of Christmas shoppers we make this exception, and keep the store open a few evenings to enable the men to take a hand at gift-hunting, which is a renewal of acquaintance with many who, like Santa Claus, are rarely seen shopping at any other season of the year.

Store will be open until 10 o'clock tomorrow, and also on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of next week, also on Christmas Eve. Closing at 6 o'clock Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week. A great sale list for Saturday.

SATURDAY CANDY SPECIAL

26c lb., fresh for Saturday.
100 lbs. Cream Almonds, Saturday only 26c lb.

Special Supper Saturday Night
5 TO 9 O'CLOCK.
Course Supper, 40c.
Short Lunches, 10c, 15c and 25c.
Dining-Room and Soda Fountain.

Sale of Ladies' Winter Coats

1-3 and 1-2 Off Saturday
\$7.95

35 Ladies' Tweed Coats on sale Saturday at a reduction of one-third and one-half off the former prices. This is a collection of odd garments, an accumulation of lines of which only a size or two remain; all are this season's styles, with the new large collars, belts and patch-pockets; colors of grey and brown mixed tweeds. See these early for your choice. Sale price \$7.95

Kimonos, \$1.59

One table of splendid quality Flannelette Kimonos, made with or without elastic band at waistline. Three-quarter set-in sleeve, with turn-back cuff, piped; fancy pointed collar, also piped. Rose, navy, grey, copenhagen or purple ground with floral patterns. Sizes 36 to 44. Special \$1.59

Boudoir Slippers, 49c

Seven dozen only Quilted Silk Boudoir Slippers, white lining and white soles, embroidered spray and pom-pom at toe. In pink, rose, cardinal, copenhagen and black. Sizes 3 to 7. Special 49c

Winter Underwear

Fine white cotton combinations, light fleeced, high neck, long sleeves, or low neck, short sleeves or sleeveless, ankle length. Sizes 34 to 38. Price \$1.75

White cotton vests, light fleeced, high neck, long sleeves 50c and 75c

White cotton vests, low neck, short sleeves. Special 43c each

Sale of Black Cashmere 59c

Hose Saturday 59c

The balance of a purchase made some time ago, just arrived for Saturday selling. Black Cashmere Hose, good weight, double feet, sizes 9, 9½ and 10 inch, Saturday, per pair 59c

Saturday Sales---Men's Overcoats and Trousers

Here are two Saturday morning sales which won't last many hours. In both cases the garments are worth almost double the sale price, but the quantities are limited, and early buyers will benefit most by getting your proper size in the color and style you prefer.

Men's Fur Collar Overcoats, \$11.95

Saturday will be clearing day for these Overcoats with fur collars. The collars are Marmot and Astrachan. The coats are Beaver Cloth and with quilted lining throughout. The quantity is limited; the sizes range from 36 to 44. There is a very big reduction in the selling price, and a bargain awaits the early buyer. Saturday morning sale price \$11.95

Men's Odd Pants, \$2.95

Men's Odd Pants in Tweeds and Worsted, light or dark shades, in plain or neat stripe effects. These pants are worth nearly double the price asked on Saturday. A rare opportunity to get a good pair of extra pants at a very low price. Sizes range from 32 waist to 44. Price \$2.95

Boys' Trench Overcoats, \$10.75

There has been a very big demand for Boys' Trench Coats, and for the past few days our stock has been depleted. However, another lot, for which we have been waiting, has come to hand, and will be on our tables Saturday.

Boys' Natural Wool Underwear

Boys' Natural Wool Shirts and Drawers, "Turnbull's," medium weight, a favorite with the boys, durable and unshrinkable and non-irritating. A complete range of sizes from 4 to 16 years. Sizes 4 to 12, price, per garment, \$1.00. Sizes 13 to 16, price, per garment \$1.25

Combinations in this natural wool in sizes 24, 26 and 28 at \$1.50 and \$1.75 suit

VISIT TOY TOWN IN BASEMENT.



India Crochet Is Here

A shipment just in time for Saturday. Many of our customers are anxiously awaiting this announcement. We would suggest getting your supply Saturday, as quantities are limited. Listed are sizes and prices:

4-Inch 23c
5-Inch 33c
8-Inch 69c
10-Inch 99c
17-Inch \$2.69, \$3.00, \$3.25
22-Inch \$4.50
24-Inch \$5.25
27-Inch \$7.50
Cozy Covers at \$3.00 each

Skirt and Waist Lengths of Silks Saturday 1-4 and 1-3 Off Regular Prices

Coming at an opportune time (Christmas), when there is so much to buy, that every saving on a purchase is appreciated. In this lot of silks are the usual high-grade qualities. Plain makes in the various fashionable shades, and also a fine collection of novelty stripes for skirts and waists. All are marked from 1-4 to 1-3 off regular prices for clearance on Saturday. Also there are many short pieces suitable for bags and trimmings that have been added to the lot. Nearly all silks on sale are 2 yard wide or more. Silks in skirt lengths 1-4 off. On sale Saturday \$1.12

1-3 Off Waist Lengths. Saturday \$1.00 Yard
1-4 Off Skirt Lengths. Saturday \$1.50 Yard
1-3 Off Waist Lengths. Saturday \$1.33 Yard
1-4 Off Skirt Lengths. Saturday \$1.87 Yard
1-3 Off Waist Lengths. Saturday \$1.67 Yard

And all on sale at like reductions, according to price.

Parisian or Oriental Ivory For Gifts

Scores of articles await your choosing. Wonderful in design and workmanship.

Everything to make up the toilet or manure set in separate pieces.

Parisian Ivory Comb and Brush Trays 75c to \$2.50 each
Parisian Ivory Manicure Tray 25c and 30c each
Parisian Ivory Hair Brushes, French bristle, flat and concave back \$1 to \$6.75 each
Parisian Ivory Mirrors, heavy bevelled glass \$1.75 to \$5.50 each
Parisian Ivory Puff Boxes and Hair Receivers 79c, \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00
Parisian Ivory Photo Frames at 50c and 85c each
Parisian Ivory Soap Boxes at 20c and 50c each
Parisian Ivory Toothbrush Holders at 25c and 35c each
Parisian Ivory Talcum Holders 65c
Parisian Ivory Buffers, with detachable chamois, with or without boat 35c to \$1.25
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Gifts For Men

GLOVES—French-Grey Suede Gloves, extra good quality, silk lined, heavy weight, yet neat and dressy, one-dome fastener, sizes range from 7½ to 9. Price \$3.25 pair
Tan Silk-Lined Glove, medium weight, fine soft kid, very dressy glove, assorted shades, sizes 7½ to 9. Price \$2.75 pair

Wool Gloves at \$1.00

Men's Fine Wool Gloves, Scotch knit and plain knit, in all shades; a comfortable glove for these cold days, and a glove that will stand wear. All sizes. Price \$1.00

Boys' Wool Gloves, in Scotch heather, leather bound, with dome fastener, a warm and dressy glove for the schoolboy. Per pair 75c

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VISIT THE BAZAAR OF CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS—2ND FLOOR.

Cairncross' the Chemists

Save You Money

Is there a difference in Drug Stores?
Our Customers say there is.
Thousands of them say so.
They say CAIRNCROSS' Service and Quality are the Best.
They cannot be attracted away from CAIRNCROSS' to any other Drug Store.
They say these things freely, frequently, to all their friends.
Do you know of any other Drug Store to which so many people are loyal from year-end to year-end?

Here is a long list of specially selected Bargains for YOU for **SATURDAY ONLY**

YOUR LAST CHANCE. Hot Water Bottle Sale

They always make a most acceptable Christmas Gift. Remember the "Cairncross" guarantee protects you.

1.50 "Cairncross" Special. Regular \$2.00 value. **94c**

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Ten Cases. VINOLIA CASTLE SOAP

Regular 35c. The best soap value in town. NO PHONE ORDERS.

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Special "2 for 1" Sale of "Charmion" Toilet Articles

35c Witch Hazel Cream. 2 for 35c
35c Cold Cream. 2 for 35c
35c Camphor Cream. 2 for 35c
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35c Peroxide and Almond Cream. 2 for 35c
35c Massage Cream. 2 for 35c
35c Shaving Lotion. 2 for 35c

Extra Bargain in VINOLIA TOILET SOAP

Regular 15c. Saturday **3 for 25c**

50c Gin Pills. 3 for \$1.00
50c Hygiene Feeder. 3 for \$1.00
50c Condy's Fluid. 3 for \$1.00
50c Allenbury's Feeder. 3 for \$1.00
50c Teething Necklaces. 3 for \$1.00
50c Eulman's Embrication. 3 for \$1.00
10c Quality Nail Scrubs. 4c
25c Evans' Pastilles. 19c
25c Florida Water. 2 for 25c
50c Florida Water. 3 for 50c
50c Cadbury's Cream. 50c
75c Eucaly Cream. 50c
35c Kolyona Tooth Paste. 25c
25c Eucaly Cream. 2 for 25c
25c Pierce's Cough Syrup. 2 for 25c
25c Belladonna Plasters. 2 for 25c
25c Perspiration Deodorant. 2 for 25c
35c Household Ointment. 2 for 35c
35c Quality Tooth Brush. 35c
10c Rexall Dye. 2 for 10c
10c Shampoo Powders. 2 for 10c
English quality. 2 for 10c

Bargain Extraordinary HEALTH SALTS

Finest Quality. Regular 15c. **6c**

Two Gross FINEST COCOANUT OIL SHAMPOO

Regular 50c. Not more than two to a customer. **21c**

XMAS CALENDARS

Special 15c values. 5c. Complete line of ALBUMS, too.

MAIL ORDERS

will receive prompt attention, provided War Tax and Postage is included in remittance.

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Entire Block on the Ocean Front. St. Charles Place to New Jersey Ave. Always open. Hot and cold sea water baths, sun parlors, Orchestra. Special Fall and Winter rates.

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Tempting Christmas Suggestions

At Prices That Afford Liberal Giving.

FRENCH IVORY

Combs. 70c, \$1.00, \$1.25

Hairbrushes. 25c, 60c, 70c, \$1.00

Trays. 75c to \$1.25

Manicure Pieces. 75c to \$1.25

Mirrors, oval or round. 75c to \$1.25

Puff Boxes. 75c to \$1.25

Hair Receivers. \$1.75 and \$3.50

Picture Frames. 75c to \$2.50

Jewel Boxes. \$3.50 and \$4.25

SNAPSHOT CALENDARS

Dainty designs. 5c to 50c

THERMOS BOTTLES and CARAFES

Engraved free. \$2.25 to \$7.00

STATIONERY

In dainty holiday designs. 25c to \$1.25

PAGE & SHAW

Delicious Christmas Candy. 25c to \$0.50

TOILET WATERS

Piver's, Hudnut's, Colgate's, Mahalia, Celeste, Penslar, in holiday packages 40c to \$3.00

TRAVELING CASES

In silk, chintz, leather and khaki. 60c to \$8.50

PERFUMES

French importation. \$1.50 to \$7.50

Canadian and American holiday packages. 25c to \$4.50

DAYLO FLASHLIGHTS

85c to \$2.50

SAFETY RAZORS

Gillette, Auto-Strop, Gem. \$1.00 to \$6.00

Tourist Pullman Bags. \$2.50

FOUNTAIN PENS

"Cairncross" Special. \$1.00

Waterman Ideal. \$2.50 to \$6

EBONY

Hair Brushes. 90c to \$7.00

Military Brushes. \$3.25 to \$7

Mirrors. \$1.95 to \$5.75

Manicure Pieces. 40c up

CAMERAS

Latest 1918 models. \$2.50 to \$125.00

PHOTO ALBUMS

25c to \$2.50

MANICURE CASES. \$3 to \$3.50

Senior gifts. NOW A small deposit will secure them for you till Christmas.

WHISKS

Your last chance at this wonderful value.

Regular 25c and 35c. **2 for 28c**

READ EVERY ITEM.

It means money in your pocket.

10c Bromo Seltzer. 6c

10c Charcoal Tablets. 2 for 10c

10c Purify Nipples, finest quality rubber. 7c

25c Chase's K & A. 16c

50c Mind's H. & A. Cream. 35c

50c Lavender Smelling Salts. 25c

50c Chase's Nerve Food. 31c

15c Williams' Baby Soap. 3 for 24c

15c Three-Flower Soap. 3 for 24c

25c Hamilton's Pills. 16c

50c Hay's Hair Health. 2 for 50c

25c Hair Tonic. 2 for 25c

25c Sunny Furniture Polish. 2 for 25c

25c Finest Talcum Powder, 1 lb. 25c

10c Dutch Drops. 2 for 25c

25c Plane Cream. 2 for 25c

10c Ferrol. 2 for 15c

Two Gross

"WELLWORTH" TOOTH PASTE

Regular 50c. 2 for 50c

A good 35c Tooth Brush FREE with each two tubes.

Not more than four tubes to a customer.

Genuine Parke, Davis & Co.'s

EUTHYMOL TALCUM POWDER

Never before sold at a cut price in London

Regular 25c. 2 for 25c

Two Gross

CORSON'S "IDEAL" ORCHID TALCUM. 25c

A 10c Washing Square FREE with each tin. Get yours on Saturday. Shop early.

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SIX DOZEN

FINEST HAIR BRUSHES

In rosewood and boxwood, all solid backs. Would make a grand Christmas present.

Saturday Half-Price

Three Gross

PALMOLIVE SOAP

Regular 15c. 4 for 25c

Sale commences Saturday at 10 O'CLOCK.

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R. T. Harding said this was a day of great issues, and the first time the honor of Canada had ever been invaded by a government to take sons

MEWBURN AFFRONTS LABOR PARTY FROM HAMILTON PLATFORM

Ald. Halcrow Jumps on Minister of Militia for Reference to "Yellow Dogs," and Unionist Stalwart Crawls Like a Worm—Promises to Apologize.

(Special to The Advertiser.)
HAMILTON, Dec. 13.—"What in the name of God people can see in the Labor party to support them, I don't know. They sold us (the soldiers) for gain, striking as they did, for more pay, when the men at the front stood with fixed bayonets only, to meet the German hordes, who were warping the Labor party. He will be called to account for his actions some day. The only support he has behind him are the yellow dogs who want to avoid conscription."
With much evident relief, Major-General, Hon. S. C. Mewburn, minister of militia, read this choice excerpt from a letter written by Sir Adam Beck, the Labor candidate for East Hamilton, that he has taken a very serious stand. He will be called to account for his actions some day. The only support he has behind him are the yellow dogs who want to avoid conscription.
The minister in militia said: "And these sentiments are supported in the dozens of letters I have received from the boys at the front. 'Vote for Union Government and reinforcements.' That is their cry. It is every woman's bounden duty to vote for the Union Government. When you go behind the secret curbs in the polling booth I will not quibble with you. Mark your ballots for S. C. Mewburn, The Union Gov-

portunity from the public platform. He was busy, he says, and had not read over the contents of the letter, as he should have done."

ARRIVAL OF FINE CHRISTMAS BEEF.

A carload of the choicest beefers shown at the Toronto Fat Stock Show has just been received by Anderson Bros., butchers, of this city. This Christmas beef will doubtless make a beautiful and appetizing display in their immense refrigerators during Christmas week.

BECK DUAL-FACED; UNIONIST HERE AND ANTI IN N. OXFORD

Is Sir Adam Beck riding the Union Government horse in one city and the anti-Union Government horse in another? It looks like doubling up for two shows, to judge from an issue of the Patriot, an election paper published in the interests of Lieut.-Col. Donald Sutherland in North Oxford.

The Patriot contains an advertisement of a meeting to be held for Mr. Sutherland in Woodstock on Wednesday evening, and announces that Sir Adam Beck will be one of the speakers. Sir Adam Beck appeared in London recently as one of the speakers for Hume Cronyn, Unionist candidate. He now is advertised to oppose a Union candidate, E. W. Nesbitt having been given the official Borden endorsement. Col. Sutherland runs as a soldier's candidate, and is backed by the Great War Veterans, the Government having followed the usual procedure in refusing to endorse a soldier's candidate. Sir Adam Beck's apparent defection will be watched with interest.

FOUR SCORE HEROES BACK FROM FRANCE WARMLY RECEIVED

Winner of Military Medal One of the Party.

MANY SEVERELY WOUNDED

51 Go To Barracks for Duty; Others to Their Homes for Period of Convalescence.

Although they arrived at the C. P. R. station here nearly nine hours later than they were expected and in the midst of a snowstorm eighty wounded and invalided men were given a rousing welcome by the scores of citizens who gathered to meet the train at 8 o'clock last night. No little credit for the success was due to the band of the 1st Depot Battalion, Western Ontario Regiment, and a detail from that unit which acted as an escort.

Owing to the fact that the wounded men were expected to arrive at noon and other members of the battalion also were to arrive, the band was not able to turn out twice. The battalion was very generous, and there were many to turn out to take the men to the hospital. The supply was not quite adequate for the large party, and as a result more than a score of the War Veterans, the Government having followed the usual procedure in refusing to endorse a soldier's candidate. Sir Adam Beck's apparent defection will be watched with interest.

FOUR-FIFTHS OF MEN IN CLASS A ARE EXEMPTIONS

How Military Service Act Is Working Out Before Tribunals.

OTHER CLASSES NEEDED

Exemption in Quebec Almost Complete—Govt. Story Is Merely Election Dodge.

(Special to The Advertiser.)
OTTAWA, Dec. 13.—The statement handed out from inspired Government sources to the effect that 100,000 men would be secured from the 200,000 class A exemption is regarded as a plain election dodge to hold married men and other classes under the first call.

The estimate of 50 per cent exemption is wholly inadequate. Reliable figures show that more than 80 per cent of men have been let off on an average, and in some places the exemption has run as high as 90 per cent. The average is likely to be about 85 per cent when full returns are received, which would leave 30,000 men for service. The estimate of 50 per cent exemption is enormous, almost a total exemption.

In the London district, out of 27,922 decisions, 24,345 were exemptions allowed, and 3,577 refused. Some few thousand claims are yet to be reported. The deficiency will have to be supplied either by re-examining unmarried men by calling out the married men who are in class B. Judge Winchester and Hon. Mr. Doherty have both stated that married men would be called, and the fact becomes more evident despite Government denials.

BOTH SIDES CLAIM VICTORY IN RUSSIA

Kaledines Is Reported Victorious and Vanquished.

LONDON, Dec. 13.—Reports as to the progress of the operations between the Bolsheviks and Kaledines' forces in Russia are becoming more and more contradictory. One dispatch asserts that Gen. Korniloff has routed the Bolsheviks and captured some 10,000 followers to cut off food supplies to the Bolsheviks in Moscow and Petrograd and from Siberia have failed.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 13.—Premier Norris announced today that the Provincial Government has made a grant of \$25,000 to the Halifax relief fund.

Wa-Critic Simonds Says Haig Must Be Taken Off Command

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NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—Frank H. Simonds, noted American military critic, in an article tonight declares that Sir Douglas Haig is responsible for the Cambrai failure, and that the world's most historical blunder must mean new British command. He declares that the British disregarded their objective in the rush of victory, and pushed too far with an insecure line.

WAR SERVICE BADGES ARE READY FOR ISSUE; REPLACE OTHER MARKS

Patriotic Fund and C. E. F. Badges Must No Longer Be Worn.

(Special to The Advertiser.)
OTTAWA, Dec. 13.—The militia department advises that the new service badges are now ready for issue, and recommends that applications be sent in through district headquarters with out delay.

A different badge is issued for each of the four classes, which are as follows:

Class A—For members of the C. E. F. who have seen active service at the front, and are now on duty in Canada, or who have been honorably retired or discharged.

Class B—For members of the C. E. F. honorably retired or discharged on account of old age, wounds or sickness, rendering them permanently unfit for service, after having seen service in England or at the front.

Class C—For members of the C. E. F. honorably retired or discharged on account of old age, injuries or sickness, rendering them unfit for service after having seen service in Canada.

Class D—For men who offered to enlist prior to August 10, 1917, and were rejected as still are medically unfit in three months of enlistment unless for disabilities caused by service, discharged by reason of stoppage of working pay, or discharged as unlikely to become efficient soldiers, unless for disabilities caused by service.

All men applying for class D badges must undergo a further medical examination, and a man qualify under both Class A and B is entitled to both badges, but no man may have both Class A or Class B or both, shall receive the badge of Classes C or D.

With reference to the Canadian patriotic fund badges for service at the front, which should be worn in some numbers, the department states that holders of these must apply for war service badge, Class A, and discontinue the wearing of their present badge. The same rule applies to the C. E. F. badge for service in England only, but in the latter case the holder should apply for a Class B war service badge.

HUN WARSHIPS ARE TORPEDOED IN HOME HARBOR

Italian Craft Attack After Safely Navigating Mine Fields.

UNITS RETURN UNHURT

Daring and Successful Raid Made on Enemy at Trieste—3 Torpedoes Reach Mark.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—The torpedoing of two Austrian battleships in the harbor of Trieste by Italian torpedo craft on the night of December 9 is reported in a message received here today by Commander C. Pister, of the Italian navy. The information was contained in a telegram received by Commander Pister from Captain L. Vanuelli, the naval attaché of the Italian embassy at Washington.

"After successfully crossing several obstructions and mine fields," the dispatch says, "the Italian torpedo craft entered the harbor of Trieste, where they fired four torpedoes against two Austrian men-of-war of the Monarch type. Three of the torpedoes reached their mark and exploded."

The most intense artillery fire was concentrated against the attacking torpedoes, but the Italian torpedo craft were fired against them, and units returned safely, unhurt, to their bases."

A London dispatch received Wednesday quoted a Vienna official statement as saying the Austrian battleship Wien was sunk on Sunday night, the date mentioned in the foregoing communication. Most of the crew were saved, the London message stated. The waters in which the vessel was sunk were not named, however.

The Wien is a ship of the Monarch type. She was built in 1905 and 1906. She displaced 5,600 tons and is registered as carrying complements of 441 men. They were 323 feet long, 45 feet beam.

The armament consisted of 4 nine-inch, and 20 guns of smaller calibre. Each had two torpedo tubes.

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Lot 11—Men's Hockey Boots, plain and Lightning Hitch styles, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50 and \$4.50

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Lot 14—Skates, Skates, Skates—Automobile and Starr makes, all styles. Special skates for walking and figure skating, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$8.00 \$2.00 up to \$2.50

ALL SKATES PUT ON FREE.

Lot 15—Men's and Women's, Boys' and Girls' Moccasins, beehive and buckskin, all sizes. \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 to \$3.50

Lot 16—Ladies' African Brown 10-Inch Laced Boots, English shape, nice low heels, extra value, leather soles and heels. Special \$5.95

Neolin soles, rubber heels. Special \$6.85

Lot 17—Ladies' Fine Dark Brown Vici Kid Laced Boots, 10-inch tops, neat French heels, fine all-wool cloth tops. These are worth \$9.00. Our price \$6.85

Lot 18—Men's Fine Patent Colt and Gunmetal Calf Laced Boots, English toe and wide, full-fitting lasts. Good-year welted soles. Shoes worth \$6.50. Our price \$4.95

Traveling Bags for Christmas

Our stock is complete. All bags inlaid free, black, brown or tan, \$1.69 to \$35.00

SPECIAL FOR SATURDAY. Black walrus grain, double handles, steel frames, good lining. Sold elsewhere at \$7.00. Our price \$4.95

AGNEW'S BOOT SHOP

182 Dundas Street 8 Large Stores Phone 5235

Announcing the Opening Today of The Grand Flower Shop

Just north of Grand Opera House.

All Kinds of Cut Flowers

PLANTS AND DESIGNS FOR ALL OCCASIONS.

Special Sale of Fern Pans, filled with Ferns and Flowers 45c

Carnations . . . \$1.20 dozen

Begonias 15c each

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Lot 14—Skates, Skates, Skates—Automobile and Starr makes, all styles. Special skates for walking and figure skating, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$8.00 \$2.00 up to \$2.50

ALL SKATES PUT ON FREE.

Lot 15—Men's and Women's, Boys' and Girls' Moccasins, beehive and buckskin, all sizes. \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 to \$3.50

Lot 16—Ladies' African Brown 10-Inch Laced Boots, English shape, nice low heels, extra value, leather soles and heels. Special \$5.95

Neolin soles, rubber heels. Special \$6.85

Lot 17—Ladies' Fine Dark Brown Vici Kid Laced Boots, 10-inch tops, neat French heels, fine all-wool cloth tops. These are worth \$9.00. Our price \$6.85

Lot 18—Men's Fine Patent Colt and Gunmetal Calf Laced Boots, English toe and wide, full-fitting lasts. Good-year welted soles. Shoes worth \$6.50. Our price \$4.95

Traveling Bags for Christmas

Our stock is complete. All bags inlaid free, black, brown or tan, \$1.69 to \$35.00

SPECIAL FOR SATURDAY. Black walrus grain, double handles, steel frames, good lining. Sold elsewhere at \$7.00. Our price \$4.95

AGNEW'S BOOT SHOP

182 Dundas Street 8 Large Stores Phone 5235

Oak Hall Suits and Overcoats Fit Their Surroundings as Well as They Fit You

It's a pleasure to note that among our customers are many who used to consider only having a "tailor make their clothes."

Sovereign Brand Clothes

Will meet the requirements of any man who understands high grade hand-tailored clothes. You may be a doctor, a lawyer, a teacher, a farmer, a mechanic, a business man, makes no difference, Oak Hall clothes will satisfy.

HEAVY, GOOD-LOOKING OVERCOATS Made in all around belters, or plain models, exceptional values, from our own big factory, for Saturday.

\$15, \$18, \$20, \$25

SUIT SPECIAL SATURDAY, \$13.95. OVERCOAT SPECIAL SATURDAY, \$12.95.

Hardly two suits alike, but nearly every size in stock, in young men's and men's styles. Regular old price values \$15.00 to \$18.00. Saturday special \$13.95

Splendid serviceable overcoats, made in ulster, Chesterfield and Canadian easy-fitting styles. Broken lines of good sellers, worth today \$15.00 to \$18.00. Saturday special \$12.95

There's a Bond of Understanding Between Fathers and Mothers and the Oak Hall Boys' Clothes Department

Put your boys in our hands for a suit or overcoat or anything they require. We can fit them handsomely and economically. Our prices are always right, considering the quality of boys' clothes we sell—"The Sanford Juvenile Kind."

BOYS' SUITS Special values Saturday in our suit department. We know of no more sensible way to please your boy than to visit our suit department while values are so good. Any make you desire is here and we can fit all ages at prices something like these—\$3.95, \$5, \$6.50, \$7.50 up to \$15

BOYS' OVERCOATS As a gift selection we strongly suggest a good warm overcoat for your boy. Here they are in great variety for all ages from 2 years to 18 years, and the prices will not hurt your purse either—\$3.95, \$5.00, \$6.50, \$8.50 to \$15

Useful Christmas Gifts For Men and Boys

A trend of the times has turned our thoughts and desires to more practical things. Of course it is quite impossible to mention all the splendid things we have for men and boys. We suggest—

Beautiful House Coats . . . \$5.00 to \$13.50

Lounge Robes . . . \$3.95 to \$10.00

Street Vests . . . \$3.50 to \$5.00

Pajamas . . . \$1.50 to \$3.00

Sweaters . . . \$1.50 to \$6.50

Mufflers50c to \$3.50

Madras Shirts . . . \$1.00 to \$2.50

Silk Shirts . . . \$3.00 to \$4.50

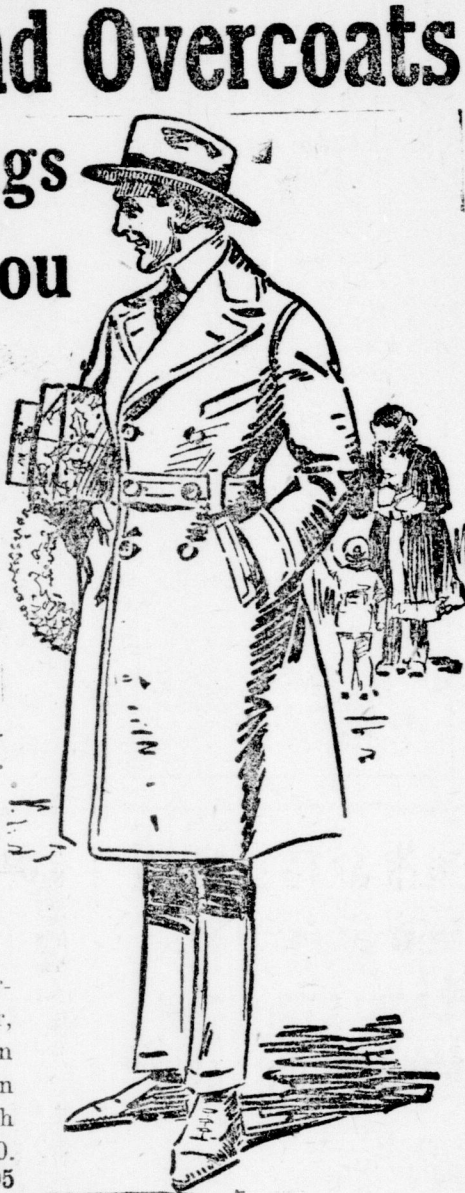
Initial Handkerchiefs \$1.25 and \$1.50 box

Wonderful Neckwear . . . 25c to \$2.00

Kid and Mocha Gloves . . \$1.50 to \$4.50

Wool Gloves50c to \$2.00

OAK HALL



Both Sides Claim Victory in Russia

Kaledines Is Reported Victorious and Vanquished.

LONDON, Dec. 13.—Reports as to the progress of the operations between the Bolsheviks and Kaledines' forces in Russia are becoming more and more contradictory. One dispatch asserts that Gen. Korniloff has routed the Bolsheviks and captured some 10,000 followers to cut off food supplies to the Bolsheviks in Moscow and Petrograd and from Siberia have failed.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 13.—Premier Norris announced today that the Provincial Government has made a grant of \$25,000 to the Halifax relief fund.

LOT 6X—Women's Fine Black Juliet, low bound, flexible leather soles, low heels, black, gray, brown, red, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75

Lot 7—Men's Plaid Felt Slippers, very warm and comfortable, leather-covered soles. Our price \$1.25

Lot 8—Men's Plaid Felt Slippers, high cut, with one buckle, soles leather covered. Our price \$1.50

Lot 1—Ladies' Fine Felt Kozy Slippers, padded soles, leather covered, very warm and cozy, black and navy. Our price .79c

Lot 2—Ladies' Fine Felt Kozy Slippers, padded soles, leather covered, black, navy, red brown. Our price .99c

Lot 3—Ladies' Juliet Style Kozy Slippers, padded soles, leather covered, dark blue, light blue, pink, lavender, red. Our price \$1.39

Lot 4—Misses' and Children's Kozy Slippers, padded soles, leather covered, navy, brown, red, gray, blue. SIZES 11-2, OUR PRICE .85c SIZES 3-10, OUR PRICE .65c

Lot 5—Ladies' Plaid Felt Slippers, high cut, with buckle, felt sole, leather covered. Our price \$1.25

Lot 6—Ladies' Plaid Felt Slippers, neat turned-down collar, felt soles, leather covered. Our price \$1.45

Lot 9—Men's Leather House Boots, elastic sides, Romeo cut, black and brown, \$1.65, \$2.50 and \$3.00

Lot 10—Men's Leather Slippers, in Opera and Everett styles, black, brown, \$1.35, \$1.75 and \$2.50

Lot 11—Men's Hockey Boots, plain and Lightning Hitch

*No increase
in price
since the War.*



Shop Early

Suitable Christmas Gifts FOR HER

Special Diamond Rings\$15.00, \$25.00, \$50.00 and up
 Guaranteed 15 Jewel Wrist Watches\$12.00 up
 Fine Lavallieres and Necklets\$2.00 to \$200.00
 Special Toilet Sets, in cases\$8.50 to \$55.00
 Brooches, Bar Pins, Combs, Bracelets, Card Cases and Coin Purses at all prices. "Thin Roll" Silk Parasols and Umbrellas.

FOR HIM

Special Guaranteed Men's Watches\$5.00 to \$100.00
 Scarf Pins, in a wide range, from50c up
 Waldemar Chains, Cigar Cutters and Knives, Military Brushes in ebony and silver\$3.50 up
 Umbrellas in latest styles and fine canes.

THE CHRISTMAS SHOP

John S. Barnard
 Jeweler
 194 Dundas Street
 Opposite Advertiser

KEPT IN KHAKI FOR 3 MONTHS WITHOUT MONEY AFTER SERVICE

A. J. Noble Exposes the Cruel Treatment by Borden Government Officials.

PENSION REFUSED HIM

Although Leg Is So Bad He Can Work Only at Intervals.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:
 I would like to say how I have been served since I came back to Canada. First, I was kept in khaki for three months without any pay. After I enlisted here and went to Quebec I went under an operation for varicose veins. After eight weeks in a hospital, I went to England and was in a hospital again. My leg would get better for a time, only to give out again. It has been that way ever since the operation. Then I went to France and got sick again with my leg, and was sent back to England. After six months in a hospital there I was sent back to Canada, and after another four months' treatment was discharged without a pension.

Pension Refused.
 I started in business, but had to give it up as my leg would not stand it, and I did very little work all summer. I went before another medical board and asked for a pension. About a month afterwards the pension commissioner sent me a letter, stating that the board before which I went before I got my discharge reported that I had no disability, and I have now to work for a dollar a day. But while I am now able to work I don't know what day my leg will give out again as the result of a bad operation. I have been told by both the military and civilian doctor that they can do nothing for me. My leg will be weak for life, and I

can't get my back work pay, which I for 260 days.
Cruel Treatment.
 It was stopped the end of December 1915, but an order came out about the middle of January, 1916, that we were to still get our pay, and it was entered in our paybooks to that effect. I hope that they did not serve me the same way which they served me. I have 21 of them in the army—a brother, a son and a nephew, two nephews prisoners of war in Germany, one brother dead, and another having made three nephews dead. So you can see the way the Borden Government treats me.
 A. J. NOBLE
 C. Rate of the First Canadian Contingent
 London, Dec. 12, 1917.

CAMP FIRE FROLIC AT DUNDAS CENTRE CHURCH DREW LARGE AUDIENCE

Really Enjoyable Program Rendered, With Appropriate Background.

A large crowd turned out to the "Camp Fire Frolic" put on last evening by the young people of Dundas Centre Methodist Church. The stage was decorated with evergreens, and in the midst glowed a bonfire cunningly arranged by means of electric lights. In the background a tent, with its characteristic decorations of half-dried clothes, completed the scene. On to the stage came a merry band of young people, dressed in summer holiday attire, bandying each other and telling riddles and funny stories. During the course of the program candy and "hot dogs" were served to the entertainers, much to the discomfort of the audience. A most enjoyable program of music and recitations was furnished by the campers, the opening number of which was a tragedy entitled "Shipwreck," sung by Miss Eva Metcalfe and Bert Harnish. "Love's Old Sweet Song," by Miss Gladys Standfield, contralto, and "Spring's Awakening," by Miss Louise Metcalfe, soprano, were two musical numbers, recently appreciated. "There's a Long, Long Trail," sung by J. Parnell Morris; "Roamin' in the Gloamin'," by Frank Webster, and "The Veteran," by Bert Harnish, were also favorite numbers. "Hawaiian Dreams," sung by Miss Lenore Webster in typical Hawaiian costume, was well liked while "Ducky Lullaby," rendered by little Miss Iva Smith, was wonderfully done, considering the tender years of the artist. Another number which showed the musical skill of two small boys was a piano solo, "Tricky Heat," quartet and the "Broxy Trio" were both popular with the audience, as well as a violin solo by Mrs. Lettice Devan. The entertainment was given under the direction of Miss Belle Brown and Bert Harnish.

CURRIE FAMILY WILL VOTE FOR DUNCAN C. ROSS

Sir Arthur's Relatives Solid in Support of Liberal Candidate.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

Quite Satisfied to Trust Carrying On of War to the Liberals.

"I wish to announce that the mother, brother and sister of Sir Arthur Currie, the gallant commander of the Canadian forces in France, are voting for me."

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

WANTED AT ONCE—GIRL FOR GENERAL housework. Apply Mrs. Gamble, 803 Dundas street.

YOUNG GIRL TO ASSIST WITH housework—Apply 805 Oxford street.

HORSE AND HARNESS, BUGGY AND cutter. Apply 738 Hamilton road.

SET OF BOSSLEIGH, GOOD CONDITION. Phone 4622.

LOST—DECEMBER 5, BETWEEN Masonic Temple, Hamilton road and Rectory, Shriner's Mocha cap, in case. Return 510 St. David.

BABY GIRL, 7 WEEKS OLD, FOR adoption. 617 Dundas.

DEWAN—Suddenly, at the family residence, 315 Maitland street, on Thursday, Dec. 13, Teresa, eldest daughter of Mary and the late James Dewan.

Funeral (private) from the above address on Saturday morning at 9:30 a.m. Requiem high mass at St. Michael's Church at 9 a.m. Interment at St. Peter's Cemetery.

LOST—HARRIERHOUND, SLIM, FE-MALE, black and white body. tan head. R. Coates, 25 Evergreen avenue.

MAN WANTED TO ATTEND FUNERAL in private dwelling. 253 Piccadilly.

That shows whether or not Gen. Currie is ready to trust the military future of Canada to the Liberal party or not. This statement was made by Duncan C. Ross, the Liberal candidate in West Middlesex, at a meeting held in Stratford on Thursday afternoon. The announcement created the wildest enthusiasm.

The Curries have lived in Adelaide Township for many years, and the family is one of the oldest and most respected in the county of Middlesex. If Sir Arthur Currie, who has been quoted widely by Borden newspapers, had been opposed to the Liberal party, his family would not vote for Duncan C. Ross.

They believe that the future of the military affairs of Canada can be safely left with such men as Duncan C. Ross and the followers of Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

The Currie family is voting for Duncan C. Ross, is that not enough for those who doubt that Canada will do its share in the war to the very end?

Correct.
 Yes, dear reader You win. Otto Tank is a saloonkeeper and his wife is located at 271 Roosevelt avenue, Detroit, Mich.

Names Is Names.
 Niece Treat lives in East, Tenn.

Our Daily Special.
 The Lack of Charity Also Begins at Home.

Luke McLuke Says.
 The loafer who used to say that there was no use doing anything until the Panama Canal was opened is now saying that there is no use doing anything until the war is ended.

People like to see a little girl proud of pretty clothes. But they will hate her later on for the same trait because she doesn't outgrow it.

A man who lives in a flat can always get good service out of the janitor if he is smart enough to call the janitor the Superintendent.

It takes a man a long time to realize that good health is the greatest luxury and the cheapest.

What has come of the old-fashioned man who believed that a bloodhound could trail a criminal?

A Princess is there with bells on when it comes to sweeping into a room. But it is different when it comes to sweeping one out.

You never appreciate how golden silence is until you have to listen to an alleged silver-tongued orator for an hour or two.

Maybe the reason why they call them cheap excursions is because they make you feel so cheap.

Every time we run into a man who imagines that he is perfect we discover that he is at least a perfect fool.

We do not believe in divorce as a general rule. But when a man spends half his time working for his wife and the other half fighting with her, he is entitled to some relief.

Just imagine! There was a time when the bicycle was regarded as the limit in speed machines and bicycle riders were arrested for speeding.

The difference between a good clerk and an ordinary clerk is that an ordinary clerk will sell a woman the article she wants and a good clerk will sell her an article she doesn't want.

SELF DEFENSE

DEFEAT BACKACHE AND KIDNEY TROUBLE WITH ANURIC.

Many people in Canada have suffered from rheumatism and kidney trouble and have found Anuric to be the most successful remedy to overcome these painful and dangerous ailments.

The lucky people are those who have heeded Nature's warning signal in time to correct their trouble with that new discovery of Dr. Pierce's called "Anuric." You should promptly heed these warnings, some of which are dizzy spells, backache, irregularity of the urine or the painful twinges of rheumatism, sciatica or lumbago. To delay may make possible the dangerous forms of kidney disease, such as diabetes or stone in the bladder.

To overcome these distressing conditions you should take plenty of exercise in the open air, avoid a heavy meat diet, drink freely of water and at each meal take Dr. Pierce's Anuric Tablets (double strength). You will, in a short time, find that you are one of the firm finders of Anuric, as are many of your neighbors.

Send Dr. V. M. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., or Bridgeburg, Ont., for trial package.

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LIBERAL UNIONISTS IN CABINET BECAUSE THEY ARE FOR A HIGH TARIFF

J. M. Ross Exposes Motives—Col. Welch and W. G. Charlton Also Enthuse Belmont Audience.

The electors of East Elgin and West Middlesex, at a joint meeting held at Belmont last night, heard and applauded the case for Liberalism as presented by Col. Welch, J. M. Ross, the Liberal candidate in East Middlesex, and Mr. W. G. Charlton, the Liberal candidate in East Elgin. Despite the fact that the roads were almost impassable, the town hall was packed to overflowing. Farmers from the surrounding country drove miles to hear and applaud the speakers.

Mr. Ross made a telling speech. He declared himself most emphatically in favor of direct legislation. Questions of serious import should be submitted to the people. They should have an opportunity to study them without influence of politics. He did not believe that such questions should be considered along with party politics that the voters used their best judgment.

High Tariff Liberals. Amid applause which showed in no uncertain way just where the people of the Belmont district stand, Mr. Ross declared strong opposition to the "so-called" government. He declared that it contained too much of that element that stands for the selfish interests of the few.

As to conscription Mr. Ross scored the government and Sir Robert Borden in particular, for not consulting the Allies as to how Canada could best help them.

Col. Welch was heard without the faintest sound of interruption. He told of the sending of his green troops to France with but a month's training in England instead of several months. How they were placed in the front line trenches to be slaughtered in a short time, merely because the Borden Government wished to reward a Quebec Conservative editor with the command of a brigade.

"I could not control myself when I said good-bye to those boys," said the colonel, "that what was I to tell their mothers? They had entrusted their sons to me. I was sent back to Windsor to face them. Their boys were placed in the front line trenches with inadequate training. Was it fair?" he asked, and his hearing interrupted to answer, "as with one voice 'No.'"

"Some might say that I am sore. I am not. It is a serious matter. It takes many months of training to prepare men for the desperate work in the front line trenches. These boys were not prepared."

Volunteers Plentiful. Col. Welch dealt briefly with the recruiting question. He stated that there was never any trouble getting recruits at Windsor. Why, he asked, did this illustrious government withdraw the recruiting machinery? The men were answering the call rapidly.

The colonel touched on the discarding of the equipment sent over to England with the first British division, because it did not conform with that

SOME ROSS POINTERS

"The minister of labor says \$15 a ton is not too much for coal—in small quantities."

"Tariff reform must come. The west will force the issue. And the Liberals in the cabinet are there, because they are the high tariff men, ready to fight for the big interests."

"Seven months ago Sir Robert Borden introduced conscription—and no man in the hall yet. What a farce he has made of it!"

of the British army. The same conditions prevail today, he declared. The British equipment is used, but the Canadian take their equipment to England and then discard it. He asked his hearers if this was consistent with good government.

Mr. Charlton pointed out some interesting expenditures that have been made by the new members of the Union cabinet. Among the items mentioned were \$900 for a new carpet for Gen. Mewburn's office, and \$1,000 for imported mahogany furniture for the office of the minister of agriculture.

Mr. Charlton asked if such luxuries were indulged in by the people of Belmont, yet they were paying for those at Ottawa.

"The straws show the way the wind blows," and he considered it a blessing that the people of the Dominion have had an opportunity to see what these wasters of the people's rights would do if left in office.

"Is not the military service act suspended today?" he asked in dealing with the "Unionist" cry that if elected, Sir Wilfrid would suspend the act. He declared that the government in its handling of the act had been false to its protestations, and lax in its duty.

If the boys at the front are not being supported by the fault lies entirely at the door of the government. (Cheers.)

"The act," he said in conclusion, "was not one of service but of exemptions. He touched on the juggling that it has received at the hands of the premier and his followers, and called upon the rural sections to rise up and make their voices heard. It was time they were sick of being told what to eat, when to eat and how to eat. "Smite the abominable thing hip and thigh," he declared amid great cheers and laughter.

RETURNED MAN SAYS BORDEN OFFICIALS HAVE ABUSED HIM

Claiming that he has been grossly abused by Borden Government officials, and that the treatment accorded him since his discharge from the army has been one of successive insults, Pioneer William R. Tasker, formerly of the 4th Pioneer Battalion, recounted a story of Tory treatment to The Advertiser yesterday.

Speaking not only for himself, but on behalf of numerous returned men who have received similar treatment, Tasker said that ever since his discharge he has had to struggle for a livelihood, half-disabled, and without pension money. Before his enlistment Tasker was a perfect specimen of manhood. He has in his possession a photograph of himself taken three years

ago, which forms a remarkable contrast to his present condition. It is one of a healthy, husky man, while now Tasker is a physical wreck.

Tasker enlisted in March, 1916, with the 4th Pioneer Battalion, and received training with that unit until the eve of its departure for overseas. While awaiting embarkation at St. John's he sustained a rupture while on duty, and his battalion. Despite the fact that he received injuries while on duty, the Conservative officers in charge of the case at St. John's concluded he was not sufficiently disabled that he could not recontinue his former occupation, that of a weaver.

Pioneer Tasker, after receiving his discharge and a small sum of money, journeyed to Toronto in search of employment. He asked to have an operation for his rupture, but was told by Toronto officers that he had no chance of having his suffering alleviated as was in him raising sufficient money to purchase a truss. Without any device or medicine by which his suffering might be mitigated, Tasker managed to walk to Renfrew, where he appealed to the town council to buy him a truss. This the council responded to the man's request, and set temporarily on his feet. Tasker journeyed to Paris in the hope of finding a job.

Was Too Weak. "I went to Penman's factory first," Tasker said. "I told the foreman I could do some work, but after working for a week I was found to be so weak bodily that they fired me. After that I walked to Brantford and was given work as a laborer. I was without any device or medicine by which his suffering might be mitigated, Tasker managed to walk to Renfrew, where he appealed to the town council to buy him a truss. This the council responded to the man's request, and set temporarily on his feet. Tasker journeyed to Paris in the hope of finding a job."

"I seem to me you are nothing else but a loafer," Mr. Lance said to me. When I said that as a soldier I had certain rights, he replied that a foreigner has as many privileges as a Britisher. Eventually he sent me to the Ontario employment bureau, and there I got a job of cleaning a sidewalk for 50 cents."

He is at present staying at the Salvation Army Soldiers' Home on King street, and appears to be in a deplorable condition. He says that he is anxious to get any kind of work, but the treatment extended to him by officials in other cities by Tory officials has disheartened him to such an extent that any wages he ever had has been completely knocked out of him.

The trades and labor council, on the advice of George S. Gibbons, has taken up the man's case, and light employment will probably be secured for him in the course of the next few days.

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- \$20.00 Dresses \$10.95
- \$25.00 Dresses \$14.95
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- Brown and green, 14 and 16-year size; \$16.50 \$14.95
- Brown and green, 12-year size; \$14.00 \$12.75
- Navy only, 7 and 8-year size; \$12.50 \$10.00
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- Silk Camisoles, made of Jap silk in pink, sky and white, daintily trimmed with lace \$2.49
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- Dainty Tea Aprons, fine muslin, lace and ribbon trimmed 15c, 29c, 45c and up
- Kimono's are ideal for Christmas. Full assortment of all colors. Each \$3.50 up to \$6.00

Uncountable Number of Pretty Waists of Every Sort.

- Silk Crepe, new large collar styles, in beautiful shades, rose, Nile, pink, navy, etc.; \$3.50 value \$2.49
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The Hackett Orange Lodge, No. 365, held their annual election and installation of officers in the Orange Hall on Thursday evening. Wor. Bros. Joseph Murray, past district master, and Gordon Walker, past district master, officiated at the installation. The officers elected and installed were: Wor. master, J. W. Carson; immediate past master, Ernest Langford; district master, John Morrison; chaplain, W. Johnson; official chaplain, Rev. A. J. Hackett; recording secretary, A. N. financial secretary, W. J. Hodges; treasurer, Joseph Murray; director of ceremonies, A. Atkinson; 1st lecturer, George Shedd; 2nd lecturer, Walsh; committee, Thomas Corne, A. Lawrence, William Aitken, Ed. Keith, O. David; inside Tyler, J. G. outside Tyler, Thomas Fox; physicist, Dr. Pingle; auditors, Messrs. G. Abbott and Clibborn.

Messrs. Langford, Boyd and Gould were scrutineers during the election of officers.

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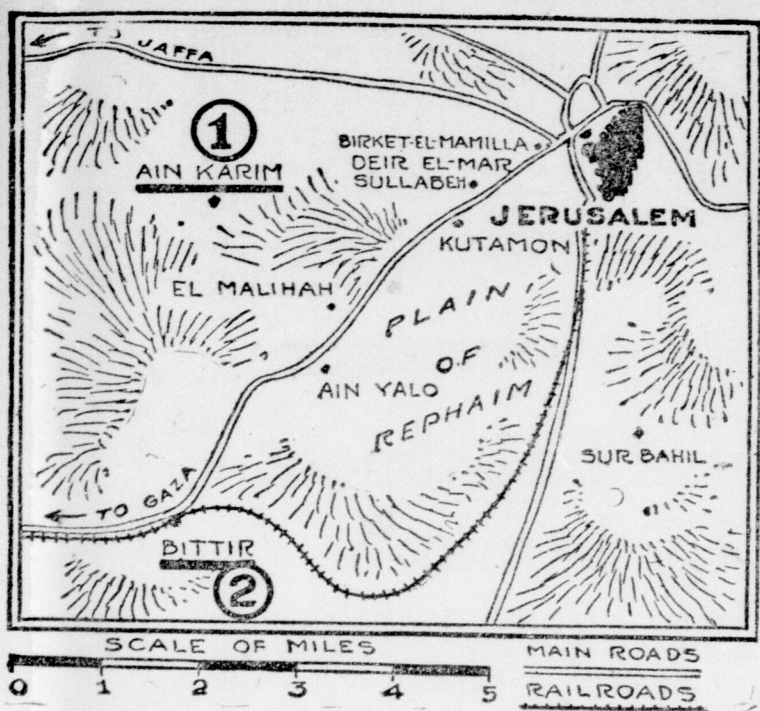


Illustration
Ain Karim (1), three and a half miles west of Jerusalem, and Bittir Station (2), six miles southwest of the Holy City; points taken by Allenby in his encircling movement of cavalry.

What One Woman Thinks

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

Dear Sir,—I, a citizen of London who has for several years paid a considerable tax to the city of London and Dominion of Canada, now find myself disfranchised under the "franchise act" of the Borden Government.

I have investigated conditions to make absolutely sure of this state of affairs, and learn that any immediate relatives of a soldier have the franchise under this act. I have many relatives in France, some now under the sod, but not a husband, father, brother or son, as I have no longer any such relatives to go forward in our great cause.

I have been an ardent Red Cross worker and contributor, yet, people of whom I know, who never knit a stitch for Red Cross and scarcely interest themselves sufficiently in the war issues to read war headlines, have a vote, if they wish to put into power one of the most iniquitous governments that has ever been placed over a civilized nation.

We are sending across the seas the flower of our young manhood to fight the horror of Prussian atrocity, yet we are asked to maintain in power an autocracy only equalled to Prussianism in modern history by this same Government which we are so presumptuously asked to support.

It is a hard matter when we willingly give to the point of privation, that fair play is not dealt out to loyal Canadians at home, for the benefit of a few crop of millionaires.

London, November 30, 1917.

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Fresh Tenderloin 40c lb.	Sweet Bones 2 lbs. 25c	Tripe 2 lbs. 25c
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Meat Forks 75c Up	Hand Sleighs 25c
Sugar Shells 60c Up	Coasters 1.75 Up
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A deposit holds any article till Christmas.

A British Article That Fits the Case in Canada.

AN ARMY OF HARPIES

THE MEN WHO ARE PROLONGING THE WAR BY CORRUPTION.

[By A. G. HALES, in John Bull, London, England.]

In the days of the Spartans, men who made a profit out of their own kinsmen in time of war were off-eaters. No name, no phrase we can coin today will better fit, or more aptly describe similar men of our own nationality who even at this hour are fattening upon the British public, whilst the foe stands in arms against us.

Off-eaters they are—unelean, degenerate—who make a profit out of the necessities of the dependents of the gallant men who are fighting by land and sea for this nation's rights. Nay, more; some of these parasites make a profit out of the warriors themselves—can any name in our vocabulary be base enough to fit these shameless ones who prey upon the needs of the soldiers?

They are like lice nesting in a lion's mane, and we must rid the land of them. A little time ago I wrote, with all the force at my command, on this subject, and pointed out that, in all probability, some of these "off-eaters" would use a portion of their plunder to purchase titles, by subscribing to party funds in exchange for "honors."

That article in John Bull was taken cognizance of in high places; the Lords made it the subject of a two-hours' debate, and nearly every speaker admitted the truth of my contentions. But the Lords did nothing. I warn the Peers that the people of Great Britain do not mean to allow this matter to rest. It shall not be shelved. If noble lords will not make a real and determined effort to keep their order and their house clean, the people will clean it for them. It is not enough for the Upper Chamber to know and admit that "honors" are prostituted; it is their duty to the nation to stop prostitution, and stop it now. John Bull is the voice articulate of millions of sane, sound men and women of all kinds and conditions; and those people say in tones unmistakable that the plundering of the public purse has to cease, and that no stolen money shall buy admission to the ranks of peerage.

Lord Curzon's Admissions.

On the floor of the House of Lords, Lord Curzon is reported to have admitted that "party whips" accept money in return for titles, and he had the supreme impudence to defend the rotten system. It was an admission which, in my judgment, placed these party whips on a par with a common "fence," or receiver of stolen goods. If the noble lord has been correctly reported, his arguments do as little credit to his mentality as to his political morality. Had Lord Curzon been the champion of a crusade started to obliterate the peerage, he could have uttered nothing more damning to his order than his defence of a system which, to my mind, is devoid of common decency and bankrupt in morality. His noble colleague, Lord Salisbury, walked on higher ground and spoke like a true-born English gentleman—not mincing matters, or cloaking the foulness below the surface. If Lord Curzon's statements are to be accepted as the standard of political morality, then the sooner the whole existing state of affairs politic is swept away in an indignant burst of national feeling the better for the welfare of the Empire—for, according to his reported line of logic, the House of Commons can be corrupted by money and the House of Lords be made the dumping ground for the rich but unsavory. I knew that this thing stank to heaven, but I did not think that any noble lord would so far demean himself as to profess to enjoy the stench.

There has recently been talk amongst our public men of putting an end to the putrid practice of robbery within the law that has been flagrantly in evidence here ever since war was declared; but nothing worth while has been done. Vast sums of money have been, and are being,

drawn as "commissions" for doing nothing. Millions have been paid out of the public purse during the past three years on grounds that no person in private business would entertain for a moment. I would give names and amounts, but in almost every case brought to my notice the information has been tendered under the seal of confidence. But that which a private individual cannot do, a public official could easily achieve if backed by a government that really meant to stop this awful drain on the public purse. Many big men stand suspect; they have books and banking accounts that can, and should, be examined.

PROLONGING THE WAR.

The corruption in high places is prolonging the war; and every day the war is prolonged men are being maimed and killed. We give a man to the gallows for assisting at a single murder; what shall be done to the men who, by their greed of personal gain, create obstacles that compel our armies to fight, and to render themselves accessories before the fact in the matter of unnecessary butchery? I know it is an awful assertion to place before the public, but it is my belief that this war would have been won, and well won, by the end of the third year, if it had not been for the great army of harpies who have been enriching themselves out of the carnage. Yet we must go on until Germany is absolutely and utterly crushed; until her militarism is a thing of the past; until a permanent peace is assured—and it can never be assured until Germany is rendered powerless for evil. I believe she will be crushed. British democracy will not consent to a peace that does not bring retribution and justice in its wake. I do not consider that day distant; but that is no reason why we should allow our own stable to become unutterably foul. It is foul, now, almost beyond belief, and the men who should punish with an iron hand—careless alike of wealth, rank or social status—seem to stand ever ready to whitewash those of the culprits who have made for themselves a golden shield. Think of it—a shield made out of the pickings and stealings from our own people! I confess I can see no way out of the tangled maze of corruption unless the masses bestir themselves. The masses need a great Tribune—a man of granite, who will smite and smite to the bone. I am not concerned so much about Germany now—I think she is nearly done with. It is the aftermath. Are we to come out clean; or are we to carry this foul fungus, that has grown in the lap of war, into the days of peace? If so, God help us! For the nation's sacrifices will be vain. We want a stern reckoning—a grim payment of our claim against those of our blood who have been vampires. They say they will appeal to the law and the law will uphold them because they have kept just within the law. But law does not always represent justice—and it is justice, not law, that must be our guiding star—the stern uncompromising justice embodied in the Ten Commandments. One of the ten says, unequivocally, "Thou shalt not steal." It does not say anything about pardon because you steal within the law. And if I have read the British character aright, the people as a whole are no longer going to be satisfied with nicely adjusted legal quibbles. The question they are going to ask is, "Did you give value, in money or in kind, for the thousands you fleeced from the public purse?" A plain question, easily answered by all honest men—but, in its straightforward simplicity, a fiercely fatal question for all homestead rascals to reply to. They may let meat, wheat and potatoes alone for a while now, but they are after your coal this winter—watch it!

Let the People Rule, Not the Big Interests!

(From the Toronto Globe of September 24, 1917.)

"In Canada today there is less poverty, it is true, than before the war, but the high cost of living has neutralized the phantom increase in wages and TAKEN AWAY WITH ONE HAND WHAT THE OTHER HAS GIVEN.

The poor are those who, disorganized and open to attack, are PREYED UPON BY THE WEALTHY AND POWERFUL TRUSTS AND COMBINATIONS, WHO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THEIR ORGANIZATION AND ENTRENCHED POSITIONS TO MAKE WAR ON THE WEAK AND HELPLESS.

What is the remedy?

There is one remedy only. The people must organize in the only way in which it is possible to prove effective.

THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA MUST BE THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE, BY THE PEOPLE, AND FOR THE PEOPLE.

The rule of the Big Interests is a gross anachronism in this pulsating age, when the free nations of the earth are fighting to the death the tyranny of autocratic power.

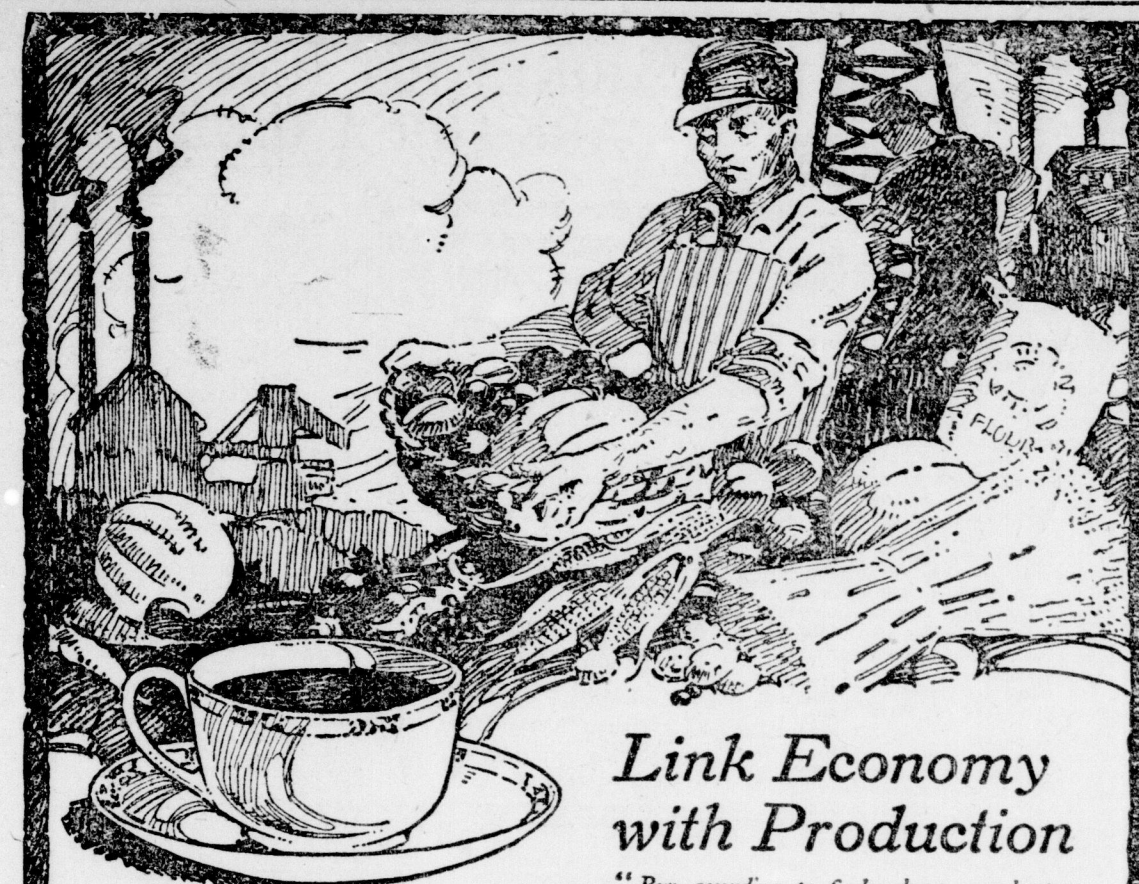
The Big Interests are all-powerful in the dominion today because government in this country no longer is government by the people.

THE BIG INTERESTS WILL BE OVERTHROWN WHEN THE PEOPLE SEIZE THE REINS OF GOVERNMENT.

Expenditure of Borden Government Shows Alarming Increase Over Expenditure of 1910-11

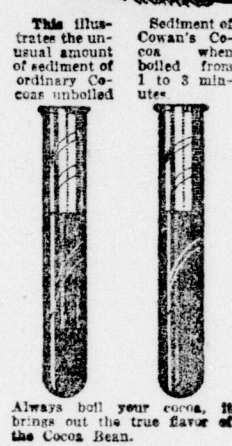
Department of	1910-11	1915-16	Increase
Justice	\$1,292,401	\$1,477,228	\$184,827 14 per cent
Arts, Agriculture and Statistics	1,315,905	3,462,153	2,146,248 162 per cent
Civil Government	4,462,954	6,408,809	1,945,855 43 per cent
Fisheries	759,734	1,115,305	355,571 47 per cent
Mines (Geological Survey)	244,274	462,787	218,513 89 per cent
Indians	1,079,129	1,307,480	228,351 20 per cent
Mounted Police	1,449,941	2,190,332	740,391 51 per cent
Ocean and River Service	732,813	1,206,022	473,209 65 per cent
Public Works (Consolidated Account)	869,164	1,213,917	344,753 40 per cent
Public Works Capital Account	527,760	903,318	375,558 71 per cent
Public Works (Collection Revenue)	64,484	116,664	52,180 81 per cent
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Public Works (Collection Revenue)	3,742,717	8,471,225	4,728,508 126 per cent
Steamboat Inspection	554,868	867,877	313,009 56 per cent
Administration of Yukon Territory	42,818	64,884	22,066 52 per cent
Administration of Food	303,674	344,575	40,901 13 per cent
Customs	23,245	44,721	21,476 92 per cent
Excise	2,187,174	3,685,359	1,498,185 68 per cent
Excise	1,804,250	3,418,297	1,614,047 89 per cent
Excise	703,659	897,671	194,012 28 per cent
Weights and Measures (Collection of Revenue)	2,554,222	16,989,123	14,434,901 565 per cent
Weights and Measures	11,123,250	20,771,800	9,648,550 87 per cent
	105,865	306,215	199,350 188 per cent

The above figures were taken from the Public Accounts Blue Book, issued by the Government.



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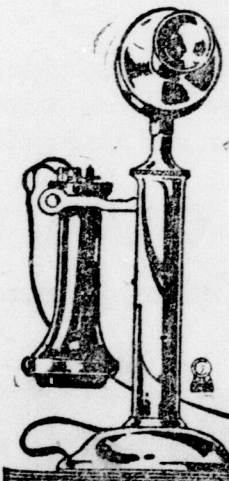
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FRUITS, VEGETABLES MUST BE SOLD ONLY WITH HANNA LICENSE

Food Controller Issues Order
For the Wholesalers and
Middlemen.

Ottawa, Dec. 13.—Hon. W. J. Hanna, food controller, announced tonight that on and after February 1, 1918, no person or firm dealing, wholesale, in fresh fruits or fresh vegetables, either at producing points or in distributing centres, would be permitted to operate without a license from his office. Any attempt at speculation, or the taking of undue profits by any licensee holder may result in the immediate suspension or cancellation of such license. Regulations to this effect were signed today by Mr. Hanna, upon the recommendation of the fruit and vegetable committee of his office. Following are the regulations:

"1. No licensee holder shall charge more than a reasonable profit or commission, or make any contract for future delivery, or store, in order to acquire

speculating profits from a rising market.

"2. No licensee holder shall sell to any licensee holder of a like class and division, except on a split profit or split commission, and only one such sale of the goods may be made.

"3. No holder of a broker's license shall charge any brokerage or commission on goods shipped to him for sale, if such goods are transferred to him by any wholesale commission merchant to be sold on commission.

"4. No holder of a commission packer's or a wholesale commission merchant's license shall sell to himself any goods received by him to be sold on commission.

"5. Every licensee holder shall keep such books, invoices, vouchers and other papers and records as will enable the food controller, or any person by him thereto authorized, to verify any report or statement that such licensee holder is required to make to the food controller."

GALLANT MONTREALERS.
Montreal, Dec. 14.—The military medal which was awarded to Lance-Corporal Frank Lambert, who displayed bravery during the attack by the Canadians at Vimy Ridge in April last, and who died of wounds received in that action, was presented to his father, A. G. Lambert, this city, by Major-General W. Wilson, G. O. C., yesterday.

Word was received here that Major Harold H. Savage of this city has been awarded the Distinguished Service Order.

Lieut. Travers Williams-Taylor, son of Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, is a prisoner of war in Germany, according to official word received yesterday.

RUSSIA TO RELEASE ALL FOE CIVILIANS FOR RUSS OFFICERS

Russian Troops Are Reported
About To Evacuate Finland.

London, Dec. 14.—The Russian authorities have ordered the release of all civilian German prisoners in exchange for 4,000 Russian officers in German prisons, according to a dispatch from Haparanda, printed in the Dagens Nyheter of Stockholm and forwarded by the correspondent of the Morning Post.

It is reported reliably, the dispatch adds, that Russian troops have been expected to evacuate Finland.

The commander of the fortifications at Sveaborg is said to have acknowledged officially the independence of Finland.

OLGA ROMANOFF ILL.
Petrograd, Thursday, Dec. 13.—It is reported from Tobolsk, Siberia, that Olga, eldest daughter of former Emperor Nicholas, is seriously ill.

IRISH PROBLEM WILL BE SUCCESSFULLY SOLVED T. P. O'CONNOR STATES

Noted Patriot Declares People
of Hibernian Isle Are
Steadying.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 14.—T. P. O'Connor, the Irish patriot, yesterday voiced the opinion here that the Irish problem would be successfully solved. "I have a strong conviction," said Mr. O'Connor, "that the Irish people are steady and that, though the natural resentment at the executions will continue and may not be ended for many a long day, the intelligent perception of the true interests of the nation will assert itself, for the Irish are, after all, a very sane people and understand politics."

"Of course, the one sound purpose remains, in my judgment, which is called 'dominion home rule' with which such modification as Ireland's different conditions demand. I am sure our people at home will be profoundly influenced by the attitude of their race here. You know what that attitude is, the loyal, unimpaired enthusiasm of President Wilson in the vigorous waging of the war to victory and a real peace."

DISTRICT CASUALTIES

KILLED IN ACTION
AYR.
A. S. Henderson.

DIED OF WOUNDS
TUPPERVILLE.
E. W. Bateman.
MEAFORD.
Lieut. A. J. Latouille.

ILL.
HOLLAND CENTRE.
R. Stewart.

WOUNDED
WINDSOR.
K. Wilkinson.
G. Delaney.

DIED WHILE PRISONER
BATTEAU.
S. C. Wilkerson.

THE WAR SITUATION

Bolshevik forces apparently have been successful in the first clashes with the counter-revolutionists, and it is reported they have captured the towns of Tambovka and Kaluga.

Gen. Kaledin is besieging Ostrov, on the Don, the largest city in the Don Province, and heavy fighting has been in progress there since Sunday.

Tambovka is near the border, 350 miles south of Moscow, and near where the forces of Gen. Korniloff, also a counter-revolutionist, are reported to have been engaged in a heavy battle with the Bolsheviks. One report said Korniloff had been defeated and wounded, while another said he has been victorious. There is a railroad town named Kaluga, 100 miles southwest of Moscow, and if this is the town referred to, in the unofficial report from Petrograd, it appears that the counter-revolutionists have advanced nearer to the old Russian capital than previous reports have indicated. Sharp fighting has been going on in and around Kaluga, which is only 25 miles southwest of Novo Tcherkassk, the Don Cossack capital.

Battled City.
Kaledin's troops besieged the city while Cossack forces within Rostov attacked the Bolsheviks. The losses are reported to have been heavy on both sides. The Bolsheviks, reported to be commanded by Ensign Knylenko, the Bolshevik commander-in-chief were aided by the transport Kelchida. Wire communications with Rostov have been broken, and one railroad line reaching the city was cut.

Artillery and local infantry fighting has been in progress on the western front, to which the Germans are still pushing troops and supplies. The enemy has attempted no further massed attacks since Wednesday, and there is still no outward sign of where his next blow is to come from.

On Italian Line.
East of the Brenta River on the northern Italian front there has been further bitter fighting. Austro-German troops, reinforced by fresh reserves, attacked Italian positions in the valley, descending toward the river from the Col della Baretta region. Italian resistance held the attackers and forcing them to give up the effort after having suffered heavy losses. Other violent attacks in the same region brought no gains for the enemy.

German bombs have killed a number of American railway engineers in a town behind the British front. In another town a German bomb fell in a street, through which American troops were marching. Although the missile fell very close, no injuries resulted.

LABOR CANDIDATE IS CHARGED WITH LIEB

CALGARY, Alta., Dec. 13.—Thomas Biggs, labor candidate in East Kootenay, and president of District No. 18, United Mine Workers, was committed for trial here this morning, charged with criminal libel. William Williams is the complainant. Biggs was released on his own recognizance.

A LOST BALLOON.
London, Dec. 14.—Several news dispatches from Holland agree that the aircraft which descended in a Dutch village yesterday was not an airship but a British army balloon, which is to have drifted across the North Sea from England.



MAJ.-GEN. W. S. BRANCKER, C. M.G., D.S.O., engaged on special work for the Flying Corps.



Advertiser Illustrations

SEPARATE PEACES RUSSIA

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ZEPP COMES DOWN IN DUTCH VILLAGE

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 13.—An airship, said to be a zeppelin, flying the French flag, descended on houses in the Dutch village of Eemnes this morning, the Telegraaf reports. The crew had previously left the airship.

DORCHESTER TRIBUNAL CONCLUDES ITS WORK

DORCHESTER, Dec. 13.—The Dorchester tribunal has concluded its work, the following names completing the list of cases dealt with:

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Laurier Says:

"I will undertake to secure all the soldiers Canada wants from the province of Quebec if I am returned to power on December 17."

"To those who say it is too late to get recruits from the Province of Quebec, I SAY IT IS NOT TOO LATE, and I will repeat it elsewhere, that it is possible yet to HAVE ALL THE SOLDIERS WE WANT FROM THE PROVINCE OF QUEBEC, AND I MAKE BOLD TO UNDERTAKE IT IF THE TIME COMES FOR ME TO DO SO.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier on Tuesday night to the electors of Regina, Sask.

Here is the answer of those who seek to smother the old chief with the same detestable gas attacks as they used in 1911. Sir Wilfrid Laurier declares that Quebec will provide the men that Canada needs and much more than that—QUEBEC WILL PROVIDE ALL THE MEN REQUIRED.

Did ever the lips of a Canadian utter a more inspired message to Canadian people! At a time when the British blood of this country, populated by two great races, has been flowing in streams, the greatest man in Quebec, the man whom Quebec will follow, declares that hereafter Canada's manpower demands in the war must be met by his own province.

Sir Wilfrid to Carry the Cross of Fire.

Sir Wilfrid will UNDERTAKE THE TASK. He will not ask a well-intentioned Methodist minister who cannot speak French to undertake the task. He will deliver his people from the valley of doubt and distrust. He will save the nation and recreate the harmonious feeling that existed from the time he was elected to power in 1896 until 1911. He will not only secure men from a province which the Unionists are now attempting to estrange forever from Canadianism by the foulest falsehoods, but he declares that he will SECURE ALL THE SOLDIERS CANADA NEEDS IN THE PRESENT STRUGGLE.

Let the great Liberal chieftain be given a chance to bring his fellow-countrymen flocking to the colors, safe in the knowledge that they are not being betrayed by a Tory-Nationalist alliance. Let it be remembered that the French-Canadians who have been permitted to go to the front have covered themselves with glory. The race does not lack courage. It has lacked leadership, and only one of many Nationalists in the Borden Cabinet made a single recruiting speech in three years of war.

Will Bring His Race to the British Flag.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier offered to raise French-Canadian battalions, but Sir Robert Borden did not respond to his appeal. Today Laurier stands ready to bring his race to the colors. He will do something more than to exempt 98 per cent or to permit men like Rainville to promise wholesale exemption to the people of that province. They said in 1896 that he could not settle the Manitoba school question, but he settled it, and if Canada will trust him, the statesman who has always kept his banner white, he will unite this country and stir the manhood of his native Quebec so that the habitants will respond and supply ALL THE SOLDIERS WE WANT.

500 Ready to Respond if Laurier Wins.

Readers will remember the letter of a French-Canadian to The Advertiser this week. He declared that if Laurier is elected he and 500 others are ready to throw aside their tools at the Ford Motor Company in Detroit and respond to the call. On election day Laurier could send a message to France reading:

To the Canadians in France:

I am sending reinforcements, all the reinforcements you require. And every man, like yourselves, is a volunteer, and not a conscript. A Canadian volunteer, as you proved time and time again when the Prussian Guards attacked you, is worth twenty conscripts. QUEBEC WILL RESPOND AND DO HER FULL SHARE.

LAURIER.

As we pass let us again draw the attention of those who are fighting in this cause that at a meeting held for women in London Tuesday evening Mrs. (Capt.) Hallam, widow of a soldier of beloved memory, had the following to say:

"My husband and his three brothers have given their lives fighting for freedom and democracy in Flanders. I have given my all. As they have given their lives fearlessly in Flanders, so I propose to fight fearlessly for freedom and democracy here. That is why I am supporting the Labor-Liberal candidate, George S. Gibbons, and Sir Wilfrid Laurier in this election."

She has given all she had to the cause, and the sincerity, the sterling worth of Laurier appeals to her as the one man in Canada to trust. If Mrs. (Capt.) Hallam, the widow and sister of four heroes, and the great West will trust Laurier so should the British people of Ontario. Let us sound the rallying cry to stand by the old chief.

Let Canada become spiritualized anew to the causes in the knowledge that Laurier says he will send from the Province of Quebec an army of volunteers that will meet Canada's every need, and send them long before the faltering present Government would stop its "trimming" with the military service act.

THE MENACE OF BORDENISM

[From Toronto Globe of Monday, April 23, 1917.]

The spirit of Bordenism is the spirit of faction and disunion. Leadership in these perilous times should transcend all considerations of party, and, by its lofty appeals to the sentiment of patriotism, by its wide vision and masculine grasp of affairs, and by its broad and tolerant sympathies attract to the side of the Government and to the service of the nation the enthusiastic and loyal support of every citizen. Bordenism has been tried and found wanting.

The leadership of Sir Robert Borden during the past two years has been lacking in the masculine qualities of statesmanship that are indispensable to the successful prosecution of war abroad and to the sane and practical conduct of affairs at home. Shortcomings and unavoidable blunders might be forgiven any government suddenly brought face to face with unprecedented conditions of war, but the offences of the Borden cabinet smelt to heaven and strike at the foundations of national character. They sap and undermine the codes of honor and standards of public decency to which ministers of the crown are expected to conform and by which their public conduct is judged. Doubly heinous are the sins of the Borden Government in the light of the great issues in this war, issues that distinguish between right and wrong and that raise an insuperable moral barrier between Canada and the Prussian foe. While Canadian troops are facing death that British ideals may prevail throughout the dominion, the prime minister, Sir Robert Borden, shows his contempt for these ideals by flitting with popular applause in the British Isles in the company of Hon. Robert Rogers. Borden and Rogers! In days when Canada is making tremendous sacrifices, Sir Robert Borden flouts honor and decency in public life and humiliates his country by sailing to England in the company of a minister who is placed outside the pale by the findings of the Galt commission. Under Sir Robert Borden's leadership, or lack of leadership, the country has drifted from its safe moorings. No one can say what the future may bring forth. Bordenism has failed Canada in days of war; it is an unsafe guide for the country in the pregnant days of peace that lie immediately ahead.

Bordenism has failed not only as an instrument of war, but also as an instrument of reconstruction after the war. The first step toward any successful plan of national reconstruction is the creation of a national atmosphere, in which all who love their country and desire to serve her may be gathered beneath a common flag. Bordenism is a menace to national unity. Throughout the election campaign of 1911 and during the intervening period it has been a disintegrating influence in the life of Canada and a serious weakness to the Empire. Instead of consolidating the forces of the nation, Bordenism has intensified party divisions and encouraged the growth of discord and faction. Signs are not wanting that, in sheer desperation, the Bordenites intend to resort to the rusty weapons of the moral assassin. Of these are the cry of disloyalty against all who condemn the hopeless incompetence and inefficiency of the Borden Government in the conduct of the war, and its lack of foresight and preparedness in dealing with the problems that are arising out of the war. The Liberals of Canada are not unaccustomed to the cry of disloyalty, by which the Tories always seek to hide the poverty of their arguments against reforms. This war and the sacrifices it entails on all classes in the community make Liberals less prone than formerly to tolerate the dangerous firebrands who serve the cause of Bordenism by defaming the character of loyal Liberals. The arrogant pretensions of Tories who boast a monopoly of the civic virtues and who parade their loyalty to the throne with offensive vulgarity might be laughed at by Liberals were it not part of the systematic propaganda on which Bordenism and Quebec Nationalism floated into office in 1911, and by means of which the same unholy alliance, with its unsavory record of the past five years, hopes to maintain its power and influence during the coming period of reconstruction.

One of the Bordenite firebrands is Col. John A. Currie, M. P., who spends his leisure moments fighting over again the much-debated battle of St. Julien. Others less fortunate than Col. Currie shoulder their crutches when telling the tale. Col. Currie's record at the front does not lose in the constant telling. But it is not Col. Currie's reiterated defence of his leadership at St. Julien with which the Globe is concerned. It is no exaggeration to say that in no other belligerent country would Col. John A. Currie, M. P., be permitted to speak as he did on Friday last at Ward Six Conservative smoker in Toronto. His speech was an appeal to the baser passions and a direct incitement to a breach of the peace. As an example of the depths to which this St. Julien veteran can descend in the vilification of his political opponents, the following extract from the speech of Col. Currie deserves to be recorded:

"Before very long we may be confronted with an election. If we are turned out of office I feel sorry for the returned soldiers. The element which would turn us out of office has no sympathy with the soldiers. It would only be that element which is opposed to the war.

"If we are defeated who will be in control? The Austrians and the Germans of the west, and our friends in Quebec. I mean French agitators, not the true Frenchmen, for the Catholics and the Orangemen in my battalion fell together in the trenches."

No Liberal attaches much importance to anything Col. Currie may say—either about Liberalism or about the battle of St. Julien. What concerns them, however, is the recrudescence of Bordenism in its most mischievous form, at a disrupting influence in days when the great peril to the nation and the Empire calls for a united front against the German foe. To keep in power by swallowing the Liberal program is one of the devices of Bordenism which is not without compensating advantage to Liberalism. To keep in power by slandering Liberals and charging them with disloyalty shows that Bordenism is as bankrupt in ideas now as it proved to be when, at the last general election, it called on Bourassa to curse Laurier and Imperialism, and turned to Ontario for maledictions on Laurier and reciprocity. Borden-Rogersism is something more than a travesty of government. It is a national menace.

IMO HELMSMAN IS ARRESTED AS A GERMAN SPY

Shamming Illness in Massachusetts Relief Hospital.

TRIES TO BRIBE NURSE

Steered One of Ships Which Caused Disaster at Halifax.

HALIFAX, Dec. 13.—John Johnson, helmsman on the Norwegian steamer Imo, the Belgian Relief ship, whose collision with the ammunition steamer Mont Blanc led to the disaster of last Thursday, was detained as a German spy suspect today. He was turned over to the military authorities by officials of the Massachusetts Relief Hospital, where he has been under treatment.

One of the nurses at the hospital, a young woman from New York, whose name was not revealed, is said to have called the attention of the hospital officials to Johnson yesterday. She had noticed that the patient was acting queerly, and that he did not seem to be wounded. Her report on the case led to a second examination of the patient, and the conclusion was reached that the man was shamming illness.

A watch was set over him, and later it was established that Johnson was making desperate efforts to leave the institution. Surgeons reported that he had offered a nurse \$50 if she would go out and buy a newspaper, the assumption being that he had in mind an attempt to escape in her absence.

After that incident military guard was placed on duty by his bed, and later when the incident was brought to the attention of a captain of the Massachusetts State Guard Unit, the provost guard was sent for, and Johnson was locked up.

In connection with the arrest, the liveliest spy rumors heard since the war began spread broadcast. These culminated in a report that eight Germans had been shot at sunrise. Military and naval authorities declared that the shooting rumor was absurd.

Story of German Code. Another persistent story was that a secret code in German had been found on Johnson, and that a wireless station had been unearthed in the district after the explosion.

J. C. Burchell, counsel for the Imo, in the admiralty hearing on the collision of the vessel, said tonight that the secret code story as far as it concerned Johnson was absolutely without foundation. Johnson, Mr. Burchell said, had been living in the United States ten years, and he was anxious to return to his old home in Norway he shipped on the Imo. It is Mr. Burchell's theory that Johnson, who is to testify at the inquiry, was still dazed from the effects of the explosion, and was making efforts to escape from the hospital, fearing that he might be put in jail because of the collision, which caused the loss of so many lives.

Another Suspense. Military authorities announced tonight that Louis Vosburg, alias Henry French, arrested here today after the arrival of a relief steamer, was not a German spy, in their opinion.

Vosburg, who carried a railroad ticket from Boston to Halifax, \$229 in cash, a map of Halifax, and an assortment of unintelligible papers, boarded the steamer at Boston without being observed and failed to give a satisfactory account of himself after the ship got to sea. He first said his home was Brooklyn, N. Y., but when questioned said he lived at Concord, N. H.

A physician called in to look him over expressed the opinion that he was normally eccentric and temporarily unbalanced. So many wild rumors concerning spy activities have been circulated in the last week that the authorities take no chances with suspects. Vosburg will be held until the secret service is satisfied he is harmless. He probably will be deported.

WILL CONFER TODAY TO CONSERVE GAS FOR HOUSEHOLDERS' NEEDS

Meeting at Chatham to Discuss Shortage of Fuel.

SARNIA, Dec. 13.—A communication has been received by Mayor Proctor from the mayor of Chatham asking that a representative be sent to that city, where a conference is to be held on Friday regarding the gas situation. It is intended to discuss the use of gas by industrial concerns and an effort will be made whereby all gas will be kept for domestic use. During the past few days the gas pressure has been very low, making it almost impossible for a house to be heated properly, owing to the large quantities of the gas being consumed by factories.

HELP FOR HALIFAX.

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RED CROSS WORKERS OF WABASH BUSY MAKING SUPPLIES

WABASH, Dec. 13.—At the semi-monthly Red Cross meeting held at the home of Mrs. Will Hatt the following articles were packed and sent to Hyman Hall, 38 South 3rd St., 3 pairs of mitts, trench caps, 6 suits of pyjamas, 26 towels, 5 sheets, 10 washcloths and 4 pairs of socks. The ladies utilized every spare moment of last week in cutting out and making pyjama suits. These are to be shipped as soon as possible to England in response to the urgent call coming from one of the hospitals, on behalf of the 17,000 wounded soldiers lately arrived.

Pte. Clinton Ellis, who went overseas with the 186th Battalion, has not been sent to the trenches. When



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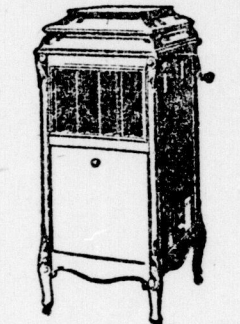
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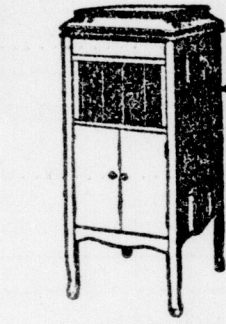
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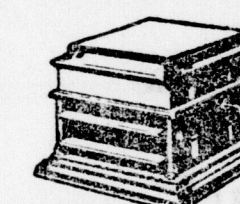
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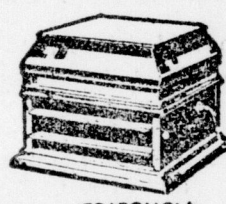
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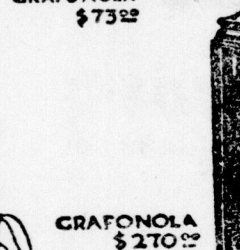
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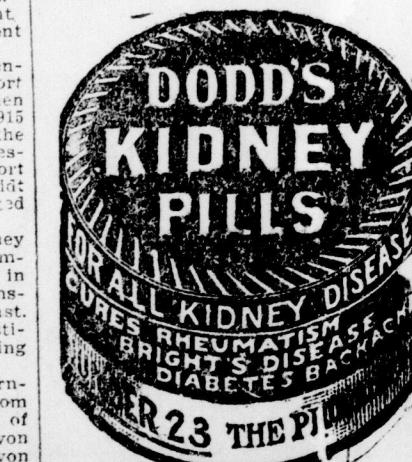
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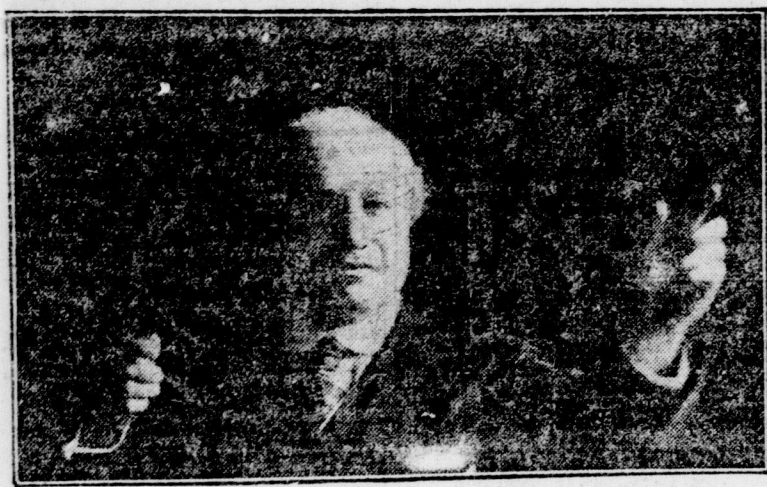
Carl Schmidt, defendant with Albert C. Kaltschmidt, and the appearance of Government witness of several Canadian officials, featured the seventh day of the conspiracy trial here of Kaltschmidt and five other persons. According to the confession, which Canadian authorities said was made to them at Port Arthur, Ont., Kaltschmidt paid Schmidt and Gustave Stevens \$250 each to go to Nipigon, Ont., and inspect a C. P. R. bridge, with a view to blowing it up. Stevens is under indictment, but is not a defendant at the present trial.

Earlier in the day Schmidt was identified by James J. Middleton of Port Williams, Ont., as one of the two men who came to him in Nipigon in 1915 and inquired about the location of the bridge. Schmidt and Stevens, the testimony showed, were arrested at Port Arthur after visiting Nipigon. Schmidt later escaped and returned to the United States.

W. F. Langworthy, crown attorney at Port Arthur, testified that the importance of the railroad bridge, was in the fact that it was used in the transportation of munitions to the east. Several Canadian police officers testified to the circumstances attending the arrest of Schmidt and Stevens. Late in the afternoon the Government presented certified copies from the state department at Washington of documents accrediting Count von Bernstorff as ambassador and von Papen and Boy-Ed as attaches to the

DETROIT, Dec. 13.—Introduction as evidence by the Government of a confession alleged to have been made by





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At the Majestic Theatre Today and Saturday.

MAJESTIC

At the Majestic Theatre today and Saturday, matinee only, the attraction will be "The Iron Ring," the newest World-Picture, Brady-Made, in which a star cast is seen—Arthur Ashley, Gerda Holmes and Edward Langford. The story concerns the rise to prosperity of Mr. and Mrs. Alcock Huletto, who live in a suburb of New York. Mr. and Mrs. Huletto have never been separated a night since their marriage two years before the story opens, but with Huletto's advance toward success his business calls him out of town on frequent trips. His wife feels that she is being neglected. She takes up with Mrs. Leonard, a not very desirable neighbor, and through the latter meets Jack Delamov, a man of the city who has a very unsavory reputation. The breach between husband and wife widens, until it seems that nothing can ever bring them together again. Then something startling happens to Mrs. Leonard, which has a profound influence on the lives of Mr. and Mrs. Huletto. This interesting and entertaining story has been staged in a splendid manner. The direction makes it run swiftly and smoothly to a logical conclusion.



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PATRICIA

Theda Bara, the celebrated actress in "Camille," is the attraction again today and Saturday at the Patricia Theatre.
The film version of "Camille" is a most interesting arrangement of the events in the famous character's life. The great gripping interest develops in

the fourth reel, when it grows intense, reaching its climax at the end of the fifth. The sixth is where Miss Bara really shows the artistic emotional talent for which she is famous. Love, renunciation, depicting the more noble nature of Camille, are the features that go to make it a great picture.

As a whole, the picture has a cumulative interest, growing in its intensity as the finish is reached—the scene, it seems to be, of a real worth-while picture.

In Camille there are scenes where the beauty of Miss Bara is well brought out, especially in the close-ups, showing her happy home life with Armand. It is the real woman that underlies the sordid parts of Camille's life.

The heroine of "Camille" was closely studied from a real person. Her career was in the main, exactly that of Marguerite Gautier in the picture, and the curious incident of a duke at Spa, through the extraordinary likeness to his dying daughter, is said to be historic.

Marguerite Gautier was described as "tall, with dark hair, and a pink and white complexion. Her head was small; she had large, lustrous eyes, sparkling and alert. Her lips were muddier than the cherry; her teeth were the prettiest in the world."

It may have been coincidental, but it is a strange fact that in the company at Montmartre there was a tomb carved of white marble and scarlet of camellias formed an essential part of the decoration. This is proof, if any were wanted, of the extraordinary vogue of the story, which was written in 1847, immediately after the death of the poor girl, whom many said was the counterpart of the "Lady of the Camellias."

The story was published in 1848, Florence La Badie's Death.

It is with deep regret that the passing on of Florence La Badie is chronicled. She died in Oestling Hospital, where she had been under the care of physicians for some time for nervous breakdown, followed by a complication of maladies.

Miss La Badie is best remembered for her portrayal of Mary in "The Star of Bethlehem." Later she added to her fame in "The Man Without a Country," "The Million Dollar Mystery" and many other dramas.

Two months ago she was seriously injured in an automobile accident. She was of French-Canadian parentage, a proficient linguist, a fine swimmer and all-round athlete. Film lovers everywhere will mourn the untimely demise of the "Man Without a Country" star.

The Wilson Aubrey trio, a comedy acrobatic act, is the best of its kind seen here in the city in months. New novel and difficult features are introduced in a way that puts this act across with a bang.

Six-Nine.
Homer F. Six of Piedmont, W. Va., and Maud Nine of Tama, Ala. W. Va., have just been married.

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BETWEEN THE ELECTION ACTS

The Borden press gives Laurier 12 seats in Ontario. Rather kind. Of course the people will hand him about 25 more.

The Kaiser is anxious about the election here, and he is worried for fear the Fiddling, Fussing, Fad Riding Borden Government will be defeated at the polls. That's his only worry.

The Borden press is making an appeal to Liberals. Sure enough. The appeal will fall on deaf ears. It takes more than bird seed to catch eagles.

It is humorous to hear a journal like the Free Press saying that political sharp practice will be its own reward. That organ will not have life enough to get its deserts, if that be the case, if it lasts until Gabriel blows last post.

Bourassa and Borden. That's the combination, and has been the combination since before 1911. And it will last when this is over.

The Globe is pursuing a phantom. It seems to have the idea that everybody is thinking, but it wants to get somebody to say it right out loud.

Has the fuel controller kept you warm? He has not. The Borden Government must answer for the slush of its favorites.

Who stands for Bourassa? Borden. He has stood for him, and Lavigne, and Blondin, and Tancred Marcil, for many years. See what has happened.

Laurier will have 35 seats in the West, 19 in the Maritime Provinces, and 62 in Quebec. Ontario will stand behind him, in spite of the Bordenized press, and the barrels of money behind the Borden Government. Democracy is in the ascendant.

The Borden press is cheerfully calling Canadians, Russians, pro-Germans, traitors, and every other name possible. Are the fathers of the boys who fought at Vimy Ridge and Ypres Russians, pro-Germans and the rest of it? That is the nice campaign that the purists, the super-loyalists are running today.

The Universal Steel and the C. N. R. Steel are managed by the same folks. The people don't forget.

The Borden Government has conscripted men. Has it conscripted coal for the poor who are suffering in London today? It has not. There is no coal for the poor, but the rich men

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How To Deal With the Pro-German Lie-Mongers

War Ananias clubs are advocated for the identification and segregation of circulators of malicious rumors and false reports tending to cast suspicion and distrust upon the United States Government and thus hamper the prosecution of the war.

We are all familiar with the "treason-factory output" telling of American battleships being sunk by the German navy and the news suppression of thousands of American soldiers who have been killed; of a German army to invade us through Canada; of hundreds of thousands of Germans who are drilling in this country for a revolt; of Secretary Tumulty being charged with treason; of our troops in France suffering for food and of their having quarreled with the British, and the hundred-and-one other rumors that are being industriously whispered from mouth to mouth.

In THE LITERARY DIGEST for December 15, the details of the subject are taken up and various suggestions made for the suppression of this most insidious form of propaganda. A copy of the "fake" letter which has been going the rounds is reproduced and directions as to what patriotic Americans should do to suppress this and other "fakes" are given.

Other articles of more than ordinary interest in this issue of The Digest are:

America's War Aims: Victory and Justice

How the President's Message Has Welded More Closely the European Allies and the United States, and Heartened Them Anew in the Unalterable Determination to Win the War.

We Go to War With Austria.
Badges of Courage for Our Men.
Why Germany Drove at Italy.
Our Economic Weapon.
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Dishwashing and Disease.
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like Flavelle and the Borden favorites can go to warmer climes.

The S. O. S. calls of the Borden Government are coming so fast that one wonders what will come next. Somebody scuttled the Government ship.

The importation of American orators to assist the Borden Government in winning the election, not the war, is delightful in view of the fine line of Billingsgate language handed out to the Americans in 1911 by Borden orators and the Borden press.

The Borden candidate in London has sidestepped the issues of great interest to the soldiers' wives and widows and children, to wit, equal pensions for officers and men, and increased pay and pensions. He resembles the noisy bird, the clam, on these issues.

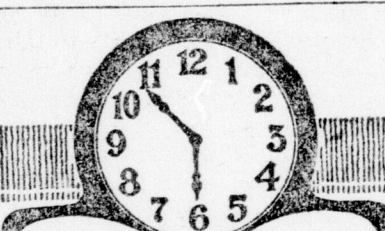
If the military service act is to be changed at every whim of a politician like Gen. Mewburn, what good is it? The act was placed on the statute books, the public was informed, to select the right kind of men for service at the front. Now, it is an act framed to send only the persons that a member of the Borden Government may decide. Hokey for honest administration, for fair play, and for decency!

Lieut. Machell gave away the Borden Government's fear, and declared that the election of Sir Robert's candidate here might be the one to put him in power. He admitted that his chances in London were none of the best. London may as well elect Gibbons—in fact, likely will elect Gibbons—to make it almost unanimous.

The big boys have opened the barrels and money is flying around London at rather a lively rate. The millionaires' Government is not going to lose the election, if money can buy it, make no mistake on that. Several suspicious gentlemen are distributing it here, and some very pretty evidence will be forthcoming shortly.

The Free Press is shrieking some

more, and says that some gentlemen—estimable gentlemen, forsooth—are being slandered by the Liberals. One has given two sons for military service, and deserves credit for it. He has made money out of munitions, and, as everybody was doing it, he cannot be blamed. However, the Free Press slanders, vilifies, blackguards, browbeats and scandalizes every Liberal



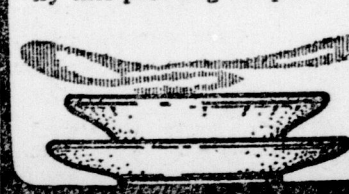
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Grape-Nuts and one level tablespoonful of sugar, boil six minutes, cool and serve with milk or cream. Add raisins if desired.

Get a package of Grape-Nuts from your grocer and try this pleasing recipe.



whose sons have gone to war, just because they do not swallow Borden, Sir Joseph Flavelle, the Allison, the stenographers, the Fosters, the Garlands, and all the precious crew who have wallowed in blood-money of Canadians. When it comes to reading lectures on morals and lofty ideals, it has the Kaiser and his brood talking like sacrilegious heathens.

Mean Brute!
"I saw in the paper where a country girl wrote her name and address on an egg, and a city man saw it and married her," said Miss Gush.

"Well," said Mr. Oldbach, "I always claimed that marriage was a shell game."

Ellen Trimble Will Profit.
Will Profit and Ellen Trimble have just been married at Charleston, W. Va.

No Joke.
Too many men in this broad land are prone to make a fellow groan; They praise you in a whisper, and They knock you through a megaphone.

Poor Old Paw.
Willie—Paw, what does P. S. at the bottom of a letter mean?
Paw—Please settle, my son.

Bless Her Heart!
Some men like music during meals and some like it after meals. But what we started to say was that we hope the

man who marries Miss Mary Musle of Birmingham, Ala., will have music all the time.

Oh, Joy!
At 8 a.m. the phone will go. And wake you from your peaceful slumber; You tramp downstairs and say: "Hello!" And then a voice exclaims: "Wrong number!"

Help!
Smarter—Why does Luke McLuke take a drink occasionally?
Smarter—I give up.
Smarter—To what his dry humor—Bull Crank.

Yes, But Whaddy Ya Mean, Benet?
(Ad. in Middletown (Ohio) News-Signal.)
NOTICE
For the benefit of my out-of-town patients I will not be in my office from Saturday date on until noon of Saturday, December 1.
DR. H. SCHOENFELD.

Defined.
"What is your definition of a crank?" asked the Old Fogey.
"A crank is usually a man who imagines he is the whole machine," replied the Grouch.

Hokey.
"Ain't science wonderful! Bless Fats!" Exclaimed old Mr. Brewster.
"Some day we'll have the voiceless call," he is the whole machine," replied the Grouch.

more, and says that some gentlemen—estimable gentlemen, forsooth—are being slandered by the Liberals. One has given two sons for military service, and deserves credit for it. He has made money out of munitions, and, as everybody was doing it, he cannot be blamed. However, the Free Press slanders, vilifies, blackguards, browbeats and scandalizes every Liberal

The importation of American orators to assist the Borden Government in winning the election, not the war, is delightful in view of the fine line of Billingsgate language handed out to the Americans in 1911 by Borden orators and the Borden press.

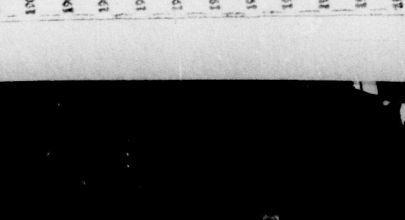
The Borden candidate in London has sidestepped the issues of great interest to the soldiers' wives and widows and children, to wit, equal pensions for officers and men, and increased pay and pensions. He resembles the noisy bird, the clam, on these issues.

If the military service act is to be changed at every whim of a politician like Gen. Mewburn, what good is it? The act was placed on the statute books, the public was informed, to select the right kind of men for service at the front. Now, it is an act framed to send only the persons that a member of the Borden Government may decide. Hokey for honest administration, for fair play, and for decency!

Lieut. Machell gave away the Borden Government's fear, and declared that the election of Sir Robert's candidate here might be the one to put him in power. He admitted that his chances in London were none of the best. London may as well elect Gibbons—in fact, likely will elect Gibbons—to make it almost unanimous.

The big boys have opened the barrels and money is flying around London at rather a lively rate. The millionaires' Government is not going to lose the election, if money can buy it, make no mistake on that. Several suspicious gentlemen are distributing it here, and some very pretty evidence will be forthcoming shortly.

The Free Press is shrieking some



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Shoulder Roasts	25c		
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SHORTAGE OF CHEESE AND BUTTER MAKERS IS FEARED NEXT YEAR
The following letter emphasizing the need of more cheese and butter makers

In Canada has been sent out by H. H. Dean, professor of dairy husbandry at the O. A. C., Guelph:

The importance of dairy products in connection with the present world-shortage of food, cannot be overestimated. Dairy farmers are being urged to

produce to the limit, which is quite important, but it must be remembered that dairy farmers, in most cases, prepare raw material in the form of milk and cream, which must be further changed or manufactured into concentrated food products like cheese, butter, and condensed or powder milk. Without this manufacturing process, the great dairy industry of Canada would be seriously handicapped—in fact would be almost non-existent. In order to manufacture these food products, a factory, properly equipped, and those passing the examinations at the end of the twelve weeks

course are practically sure of a job at good wages for next season. Some good friends of the dairy industry of Canada, who were wise enough to see the threatened menace to the business, have furnished cash scholarships to the value of \$125 to be given to successful students of the dairy school class, 1918. An extra effort must be made before the spring of next year, to secure a larger supply of competent buttermilk and cheese makers, or matters will be in a serious condition for manufacturing milk products and the world will suffer accordingly.

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Hundreds of Thousands of Dollars Wasted on Tribunals.

RIDGETOWN, Dec. 13.—Just why Mr. Hazelwood is sending out such urgent messages from London telling farmers' sons that they are exempted and undoing the work of tribunals that have cost the country hundreds of thousands of dollars, was discussed at a big meeting held here tonight in the interests of Archie McColg. The whole scheme is declared to be a last-minute effort to catch votes, and in spite of all the urgent appeals that were formerly made about the urgent need of men for overseas, many regard the present situation as ludicrous.

Mrs. Henry Stokes, who has had one son killed at the front and another recently awarded the Military Medal in France, spoke strongly in favor of Mr. McColg.

"Now if ever," she said amid enthusiasm, "Canada needs men like Mr. McColg, who are fair and square and are fighting for the rights of the people."

Men answers were made by J. C. Elliott, R. L. Brackin, R. L. Gennell of Blenheim, and the chairman, W. E. Galbraith.

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A PAGE OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Readers are invited to phone all news of this kind to the society editor. Phone 3570.

Miss Jean McDonald of St. Margaret's College, who on Wednesday last gave the inaugural address at the first meeting of the Women's Political Club, formed in connection with the Y. W. C. A. returned yesterday morning to Toronto.

Mrs. Gustavus Munroe left on Wednesday evening to spend Christmas at the home of her son in Chicago.

At the residence of Rev. H. H. Bing-

ham on Wednesday, December 12, Evaena, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Bingham, was united in marriage to Donald A. James, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. James of Deawar. The ceremony was performed in the presence of immediate relatives of the bride and groom. After a short wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. James will reside in Delaware.

Thomas Baiman of Chatham has returned home after spending a few days at his home here.

Mrs. Jack Stewart and young daughter of Hamilton are in the city, and

will spend Christmas with Mrs. D. H. Howden, Dufferin avenue.

Mrs. Burgess of Chicago, a former Londoner, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Dale, Dufferin avenue.

Mrs. P. D. Cregar of "Dunedin,"

Hamilton, while in town is the guest of her daughter, Lady Beck.

Mrs. A. H. White of Chatham is visiting Mrs. E. B. White of this city.

Mrs. Teale of Detroit has returned home after a short visit with Mrs. H. Henderson, Wellington street.

JIMMY COON STORIES

By Dr. Warren G. Partridge.

JIMMY COON IS UNAFRAID. take one of those lovely dark green-blue eggs from the nest of Mrs. Catbird was big and ugly Mr. Black Snake. He is a wonderful tree climber and he was hiding in that tree among the thick green leaves before Jimmy Coon came along.

And Jimmy had no idea that Mr. Black Snake was hiding in that tree, so near that lovely nest of eggs. How do you suppose Mr. Black Snake knew that there were any eggs in that nest? Mr. Catbird was so bubbling over with joy over that nest and the beautiful eggs which Mrs. Catbird had laid that he was pouring out a sweet little river of words, announcing to all the world that Mrs. Catbird had just laid another dark green-blue egg; and that his wife was the loveliest creature, in feathers, that the sun shone upon.



He raised himself up and opened wide his mouth.

And Mr. Black Snake said to himself, "Well, Mr. Catbird is awfully kind to ring the bell for me! Thank you kindly. I guess I'll go at once and sup on newly laid eggs!" And Mr. Black Snake had climbed into that tree, even quicker than Jimmy Coon, and was hiding in the thick leaves! And when Jimmy Coon had reached his wicked little hand to

DAILY BIBLE QUESTION CLUB

SUGGESTIVE QUESTIONS ON THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON.

By Rev. T. S. Linscott, D.D.

"Nehemiah Enforces the Law of the Sabbath." Nehemiah, xiii., 15-22.

Golden Text: Remember the Sabbath Day, to Keep It Holy. Exodus, xx., 8.

13. Verse 15—What can we do more than we are doing to preserve the integrity of the Sabbath Day?

14. Is it right, or not, and why, for a church to permit its members to violate the laws of the Christian Sabbath Day?

15. What is the difference between the Christian, and the Jewish Sabbath?

16. What principle should govern us, as to what work, or pleasure is legitimate on Sunday?

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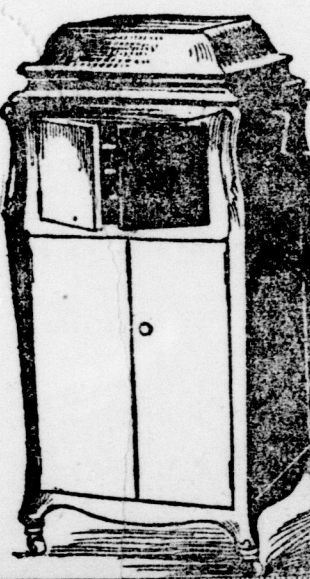
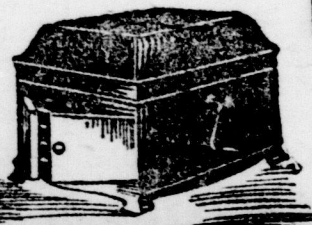
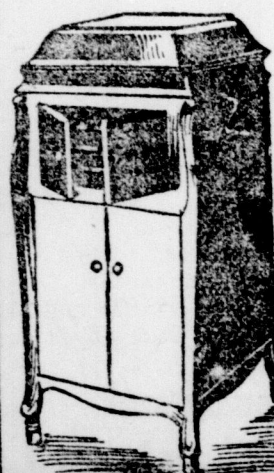
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- 2 only Small Hand Bags at \$1.25 each
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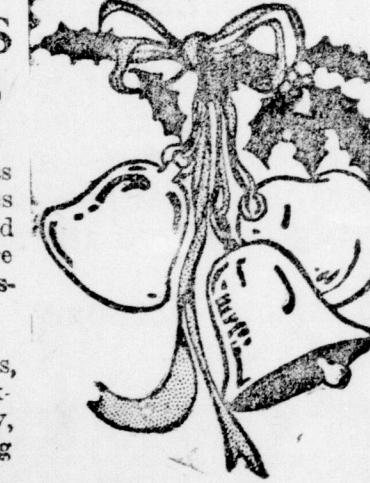
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Charley Herzog Asks Hempstead For His Release

Says He Cannot Get Along
With Fellow-Players
on Giants.

New York, Dec. 14.—Charley Herzog has asked President Hempstead to release him from the Giants on the ground that ill-feeling exists between him and members of the club. Herzog, who is the Chicago Cubs' leading player, has been with the Giants since 1915. He is 30 years old and is a native of Chicago. He has a record of 100 runs, 100 hits, and 100 runs batted in.

LONDON JUNIORS ON ICE TONIGHT

Manager A. T. Taylor is pushing ahead with preparations for hockey here. The entry of the London juniors has been sent in to Secretary Hewitt of the O. H. A. at Toronto, and jerseys bearing the red and black of the Hermitage Club are on order.

Canadian Rider Best At Getting Mounts In Place

Frankie Robinson Fast Climbing Into First Place Among Winning Jockeys.

New York, Dec. 13.—Of those jockeys now riding at New Orleans, there appears to be but one doubt that Frankie Robinson has the whip hand in the matter of getting his mounts down in a forward position, and while for the year to date he runs second to W. Crump in regard to winning places, Robinson is overhauling Crump at the rate of 3 to 1. Therefore it seems quite likely that before the end of the month the Canadian will assume the lead.

WANDERERS' TROUBLE HAS BEEN SETTLED SAYS PRES. CALVER

Montreal, Dec. 14.—According to President Calver of the National Hockey League, the Wanderers' trouble has been settled. The club is now without the services of the absent president of the Wanderers.

TUESDAY NIGHT SET FOR SOLDIERS' FIRST APPEARANCE ON ICE

Games on Saturday Night Not Likely Here This Winter.

SPORTS.—TUESDAY I sk kohlil too The first workout of the Military Hockey Club's senior squad will be held in the Westminster rink on Tuesday evening if the ice permits. It is expected that quite a bunch of soldiers will be on the ice for the preliminary workout.

The London Curling Club, on whose ice games will be staged, have offered the use of their rink on Friday and Saturday nights for hockey. Friday is always a good hockey night, and if the juniors are suffering from the cold, a night in the O. H. A. schedule they will make it up. The soldiers will try to secure Tuesday night games.

Experience has proven that it is an impossibility to get anything like real attendance on Saturday night games. Both teams are firm in their decision to dodge week-end dates.

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LENINE'S FORCES TAKE TWO TOWNS FROM COSSACKS

Bolshevik Reported as Having
Better of Russian
Civil War.

IN SOUTHWEST SECTION

General Kaledine's Army Besieging City of Rostov-On-the-Don.

Petrograd, Dec. 12, 6:30 p.m.—Gen. Kaledine's army has been reported as besieging the city of Rostov-on-the-Don, according to a wireless telegram received in Sebastopol, from Rostov. Within Rostov the Bolshevik troops have clashed with the Cossacks, who have destroyed the Bolshevik headquarters. The transport Kholodnia, named for the Cossacks, is bombarding the Kaledine's force.

TWO TOWNS OCCUPIED.
London, Dec. 14.—Bolshevik troops have occupied Tamanovka and Kaluga, according to a Russian dispatch from Petrograd.

Tamanovka was occupied by troops from Petrograd, while Kaluga was captured without much fighting.

The commissioners with the Black Sea fleet have telegraphed asking for the immediate dispatch by land and water of all Black Sea detachments now ashore. They also ask for a large number of machine guns. The commissioners report that military cadets are attacking Rostov with armored cars.

Tamanovka is near Bielegrad, in Kursk Province, about 350 miles south of Moscow. There is a railroad town named Kaluga in the province of the same name, which lies about 100 miles southwest of Moscow.

DEFEAT OR VICTORY.
Petrograd, Dec. 13.—In the battle near Bielegrad, according to a Bolshevik staff report, Gen. Kornilov's Cossacks were defeated. They retreated to Vasilovka.

In connection with the battle at Rostov, the evening newspapers report the Cossacks as victorious. The Bolshevik forces have retreated across the Don to Nakhichevan.

The staff report of the Bielegrad fighting says that the Kornilov forces lost 50 killed and 50 prisoners. The report also says that Gen. Kornilov has disappeared.

A description of the Rostov fighting says that shells fired by Bolshevik gunboats in the river missed their objective, but landed in the barracks of a Cossack detachment which had decided to remain neutral, but which fought the Bolsheviks.

Kaledine has ordered the shells. It is reported that Gen. Kaledine is preparing to order the shells to be fired in order to avoid further bloodshed around Rostov.

The groupings for the O. H. A. will be arranged tonight in Toronto.

The London Juniors had arranged to hold their first workout on Thursday night in the Westminster rink, but this had to be postponed. If possible the "kids" will be out tonight.

A very promising Canadian-owned young trotter is the 4-year-old stallion, Dukane, 60771, by Jay McGregor, 20774, dam Adelphia by Advertiser, 21574, owned by H. W. Lumley of Ridgeway.

J. E. Swans of St. Catharines states that the report that Sam McGraw is leaving the team is unfounded.

Frank Boggs, Jun., 15934, at Toronto, getting him ready for the ice races.

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Miller Huggins and John McGraw are sizing each other up. They will be rivals for the favor of New York fans next summer. McGraw is reported to have said that the Yankees made the season they could in getting Huggins to manage them next season.

Ed. Barrow has resigned. Ed didn't like it a little bit having his salary cut from \$7,500 a year to \$2,500.

Barrow's resignation goes into effect on February 12. Being out of the league he now predicts that it will have to quit before the season is over.

The meeting of the National League Club owners was quiet. With the exception of the Alexander-Killifer deal and the re-election of President John K. Tener, there was nothing sensational about it.

A good many fans had been expecting some hot talk over the players' limit and the length of next season's schedule from the big owners.

A joint meeting of the National and American leagues will be held in Chicago, the National men going directly to Chicago from New York.

The National League controls the Polo grounds where both big leagues stage their New York games and as they want a full schedule of games they will be able to override the objections of the American League managers who favor a shorter season owing to the war.

Oh, Jess, dear, do you hear The news that's going round? They say that Fred Fulton will Relieve thee of thy crown.

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VOTE FOR GIBBONS AND GOOD GOVERNMENT

LAURIER TO GET 135 SEATS; HOPE FOR BORDEN DIM

Reasonable Calculation Shows Union Swamped — Borden Draws Small Crowd at Ottawa, Where Laurier Turned 7,000 Away.

OTTAWA, Dec. 13.—News of the triumphal tour of Sir Wilfrid Laurier through the west and of the tremendous crowds which are assembling at all points in the bitter twenty-four-hour war of the day, has created a deadly depression at Unionist headquarters here. Every effort is being made to belittle the royal welcome which the old chief is receiving. It was stated after the Winnipeg meeting that curiosity brought most of his audience to the various halls. The same was said after the Regina meeting but with less and less conviction.

The reception of Sir Wilfrid at Calgary, where thousands waited until the early morning in the thirty-below weather and where he delivered the last of four speeches to a packed house at 2.30 a. m., has left the Borden organization here without word of excuse.

The West Can't Forget.

That the west cannot be forced by appeals to race and creed to forget the man who fought its fight in 1911, and that it is now firmly realized, the failure of the terrible race and creed campaign carried on by the chief western paper is admitted. Expressions of admiration for the man who braved what he had been led to believe was an

next House of Commons there will be a membership of 235, so that the leader who has 118 supporters will have control. There are in reality three parties in the field, the first is led by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, then there is a general assortment not bound to any particular general policy, or leadership, who will eventually have to choose between the great principles that divide people enjoying constitutional government. The third class is that led by Sir Robert Borden and the line up will take place on Monday next.

Neither Sir Wilfrid nor Sir Robert can by a mere say so claim the support of the middle-of-the-way members, so that in the estimates now being worked out three classes are given. The Conservative-Unionist is classed as a Bordenite, not so the Liberal-Unionist. Laurier to have 135 Seats.

On this basis and from the best information available, Liberals to-night figure out the result on Monday as follows: Laurierites, 135; Independents, including Liberal-Unionists, non-party or Labor, 38; Bordenites, 60.

The strong Conservative partisan gives Laurier 100 seats, and in this estimate he only concedes 15 in Ontario and 10 in the Western provinces. There are, however, those in the Conservative ranks who do not appreciate the transfusion of so-called new blood. These concede Sir Wilfrid 133 seats. They predict gloomily that the swing in Ontario will be the surprise of the campaign and they contend that the West will not forget its economic wants and will do far better for Sir Wilfrid than the Government imagines.

Former Liberals now connected with the most sanguine method of calculation in figuring out a majority of more than twenty for the Government, and Unionists, Laborites and non-party candidates as supporters of the Government.

How West Lines Up.

Tonight the premier of the Dominion, Sir Robert Borden, spoke in the same theatre. Not one of those who came to hear him was turned away.

The theatre held them all very comfortably, and at half past nine stragglers were surprised to find that they could still "squeeze in." Not more than 1,600 persons came from the various parts of the capital of the Dominion to hear the prime minister and the heads of the committee room declared ruefully that they had a job to do so many.

As a matter of fact, the closing days of the campaign sees Unionist stock tumbling rapidly downward. In the

test: British Columbia, 6 Unionists and 7 Laurierites. Total—35 Unionists and 21 Laurierites. It is stated that Dr. Michael Clark will be defeated in Red Deer, and Hon. A. L. Sifton in Medicine Hat. It is further stated that in British Columbia the miners and fruit growers are solidly behind Laurier.

Altogether, the Unionist stock has taken a decided tumble during the closing days of the campaign.

BURRIDGE COMES UP AT INGERSOLL TODAY ON SERIOUS CHARGE

Young Londoner Held for Shop-Breaking and Arson.

INGERSOLL, Dec. 13.—Walter Burrbridge of London, arrested at Toronto, was brought from that city this afternoon by Chief of Police Holmes to answer a charge of shopbreaking and arson, as a result of the theft of furs and the burning of the Northway store here about a month ago. He will be arraigned in the morning and likely remain in the men's cage, a large, well-dressed man entered and staggered into a seat. The next thing the passengers knew he had blurted out that "he was" — of South Essex, a member of the exemption board, and that he was going to address a large meeting at Amherstburg in the interests of Union Government.

BURIED AT HIGHGATE. Dec. 13.—The funeral of William R. Attridge was largely attended. Services were conducted at the house by Rev. W. L. Hines. Interment was made at Gosnell cemetery, Highgate. Deceased was 75 years of age, and is survived by a widow, two daughters, Addie and Fannie, and one son, Postmaster J. R. Attridge.

LLOYDS BIDS 2 TO 1 FOR SIR WILFRID

Bob Rogers Annals His Own Vote by Betting \$5,000.

[Special to The Advertiser.] WINNIPEG, Dec. 13.—Ten thousand dollars was the sum wagered in two bets today that Laurier would win the election.

Laurier headquarters in Winnipeg today claimed to have received a message from Ottawa stating that Lloyd's in London is offering to bet 2 to 1 in favor of the return of Laurier to power Monday.

Hon. Robert Rogers took \$5,000 at even money that Sir Wilfrid will be defeated. W. H. McWilliams, of the Grain Exchange, covered the other \$5,000. A syndicate of American grain men took the Laurier end. The American grain men claim they are judging the outcome in Canada on their reports from elevator agents in the western provinces, which are favorable to Sir Wilfrid.

CROWD ROARED AS LITTLE MAN DUMPS A BURLY UNIONIST

Some Amusement Added to Campaign in Windsor.

QUIET AND UNASSUMING But the Smaller Member of the Party Seemed To Have an Awful Wallop.

[Special to The Advertiser.] WINDSOR, Dec. 13.—Unionist workers evidently find it necessary to bolster up their drooping spirits, and to drown their sorrow over the gloomy outlook here with Detroit invigorator. At least, that is what the citizens are beginning to think, as a result of an incident that occurred on the Windsor-Detroit ferry Tuesday evening.

Just after the boat had left the dock at the Detroit side, amid the quietness that reigned in the men's cabin, a large, well-dressed man entered and staggered into a seat. The next thing the passengers knew he had blurted out that "he was" — of South Essex, a member of the exemption board, and that he was going to address a large meeting at Amherstburg in the interests of Union Government.

Out Looking for Battle. He added that he had just had a political set-to at the Oxford Hotel in Detroit with a man named — and that he had choked a fellow for hitting in. Among other things he declared that he was neither Grit nor Tory. At this point, a little, quiet, unassuming

man, weighing about 120 pounds, remarked: "You are suspended in mid-air then, so that you can touch neither side nor bottom."

Greatly incensed at the little fellow for cornering him up, with a cyclone of words, he threatened the small chap with great bodily harm. But with a few well-chosen words the little fellow soon again had his arguments absolutely beaten.

Hard on Fur Overcoats. "Down and out without an effort," said the little man, and someone shouted, "Where the Borden Government will be on December 17."

When he got up, the big man asked the little chap to accept an apology, but he was informed that he would be pleased to receive an apology from a gentleman, with "he accent on the last syllable."

The crowd began to jeer and hiss the big fellow, and it got so hot for him that he broke away and ran. When last seen he was running up Ouellette avenue like a wild Indian, yelling "I want to catch a car."

"That is the kind of characters that are around here telling our mothers, sisters and daughters how to vote, when they should be locked up in Sand-

ARE YOU TOO THIN? Tells Easy, Harmless, Pleasant Way for Thin, Underweight People to Gain 10 to 30 Pounds of Solid, Healthy, Permanent Flesh.

Thin, nervous, undeveloped men and women everywhere are heard to say, "I can't understand why I do not get fat. I eat plenty of good, nourishing food." The reason is just this. You cannot get fat, no matter how much you eat, unless your digestive organs assimilate the fat-making elements of your food instead of passing them out through the body as waste.

What is needed is a means of gently urging the assimilative functions of the stomach and intestines to absorb the oils and fats and hand them over to the blood, where they may reach the starved, shrunken, rundown tissues and build them up. The thin person's body is like a dry sponge—eager and hungry for the fatty materials of which it is being deprived by the failure of the alimentary canal to take them from the food. The best way to overcome this sinful waste of flesh-building elements and to stop the leakage of fats is to use Salsogyn, the recently discovered regenerative force that is recommended so highly by physicians here and abroad. Take a little Salsogyn tablet with every meal, and notice how quickly your cheeks fill out and rolls of firm, healthy flesh are deposited over your body, covering each long angle and projecting point. Standard Drug Company or any druggist has Salsogyn, or can get it from his wholesaler, and will refund your money if you are not satisfied with the gain in weight it produces as stated on the guarantee in each package. It is inexpensive, easy to take and highly efficient.

CAUTION: While Salsogyn has produced remarkable results in overcoming nervous dyspepsia, and other general stomach troubles, it should not be taken unless you are willing to gain ten pounds or more, for it is a wonderful flesh-builder.

NOW WITH ENGINEERS. WABASH, Dec. 13.—Pvt. Cecil Nutkins, whose home is in London, but who was at one time employed in Wabash, is now in the Engineers. He went overseas with the 33rd Battalion and has not received a scratch.

