

THE Standard Bank of Canada

Report of the Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of Shareholders

Wednesday, 28th February, 1917

The 42nd Annual Meeting of the shareholders of the Standard Bank of Canada, was held at the Head Office of the Bank, 15 King Street West, Toronto, on Wednesday, the 28th February, 1917, at 12 o'clock noon.

A large number of shareholders was present. On motion, the President, Mr. W. F. Cowan, took the chair, and Mr. E. A. Bog, Chief Inspector, who acted as Secretary of the meeting, read the report: Your Directors, in presenting to the Shareholders the Forty-second Annual Report of the affairs of the Bank for the year ending 31st January, 1917, have pleasure in stating that the funds have been well employed during the past twelve months and a satisfactory increase is shown in all departments.

The Net Profits, after making provision for bad and doubtful debts, rebate of interest on unmatured bills under discount, exchange, cost of management, etc., amount to \$380,230.10, being at the rate of 18.95% on the average paid-up capital of the Bank for the year. This amount together with the balance forward from last year and the sum of \$333,242.14 for premium on new stock issued during the year, makes the sum of \$713,472.24.

This has been appropriated as follows: Four quarterly dividends at the rate of 13% per annum... \$398,899.61 Contributed to Officers' Pension Fund... 20,000.00 Contributed to Patriotic and kindred objects... 33,900.00 War Tax on Bank Note Circulation in December, 1915... 29,435.15 Transferred to Reserve Fund from Premium on New Stock... \$33,242.14 Balance of Profit and Loss Account carried forward... 153,988.63

During the year Branches of the Bank have been opened at Burdett, Coalhurst, New Dayton, and Travers, Alberta; Richlea, Sask.; and Schumacher, Ont. The Branch at Goodwater, Sask., was closed.

The usual inspection of the Head Office and Branches has been made and the staff have faithfully and efficiently discharged their duties.

GENERAL STATEMENT

Table with columns for LIABILITIES and ASSETS. LIABILITIES includes Notes of the Bank in circulation, Deposits bearing interest, etc. ASSETS includes Current coin held by the Bank, Dominion Notes held, etc.

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W. F. COWAN, President. GEORGE P. SCHOLFIELD, General Manager.

AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS.

I have compared the above Balance Sheet with the books and accounts at the chief office of The Standard Bank of Canada, and with the certified returns received from its branches, and after checking the cash and verifying the securities at the chief office and certain of the principal branches on January 31st, 1917, I certify that in my opinion such Balance Sheet exhibits a true and correct view of the state of the Bank's affairs according to the best of my information, the explanations given to me, and as shown by the books of the Bank.

All information and explanations required have been given to me, and all transactions of the Bank which have come under my notice have, in my opinion, been within the powers of the Bank.

G. T. CLARKSON, F.C.A., of Clarkson, Gordon & Dilworth, Toronto, Canada. Toronto, February 13th, 1917.

The usual motions were passed, and the scrutineers appointed reported the following gentlemen elected as Directors for the ensuing year: Mr. W. F. Cowan, Mr. Wellington Francis, K.C., Mr. W. F. Allen, Mr. F. W. W. Cowan, Mr. H. Langlois, Mr. T. H. McMullan, Mr. G. P. Scholfield, and Mr. T. H. Wood. At a subsequent meeting of the Directors, Mr. W. F. Cowan was re-elected President, and Mr. Wellington Francis, K.C., Vice-President.

From the Countryside

NAPANEE Mrs. Davis, of Belleville, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Manley Jones. Pie, J. J. McLaughlin, Napanee, of the 77th Batt., died in France on Feb. 15, 1917, of pneumonia. He is the son of Mr. John McLaughlin of Napanee. The glorious Twelfth of July will be fittingly celebrated in Napanee this year. The local lodges, who have the arrangements in hand, will live up to their reputation of former years and the success of the event is assured. A very quiet wedding was solemnized at the church of St. Mary Magdalene, on Thursday morning, Mar. 15, at 11.30 o'clock, when Miss Margaret Bartlett, of Napanee, and Mr. Lorne I. Johnston, Lieutenant, of Ottawa now Adjutant of the Infantry School of Inspection at Kingston, were united in the bonds of matrimony. On Thursday morning, Mar. 15, 1917, the whole community, without regard to class or party, was shocked by the announcement of the passing of Thomas G. Caracallen, Esq., on the old homestead two miles south of Napanee, but who has lately been associated with the de-

ceased in the undertaking business. Two brothers, Rufus and Norris, live at Dresden, Ont. The early business career of the deceased was as a contracting painter and paper-hanger, but about thirty years ago he established an undertaking business for which purpose he graduated from the best instructors of the day. In all his business undertakings he enjoyed the confidence and support of the public. Forty-four years ago Mr. Caracallen married Melinda, daughter of the late Alex. Mair. They were blessed with only one child, a daughter, who lived but three months. Mr. Caracallen was first elected to the Legislature in 1902, and was again returned at every election since, representing his native riding for nearly 15 successive years. He exercised a quiet but unusually strong influence in the legislative and administrative departments and this was always available to supporter and opponent alike. Few men possessed so fully the confidence of his associates and the esteem of his fellow citizens. Mr. Caracallen was born April 9, 1843.—The Beaver.

Capt. Ingram came to town on Monday to take charge of the local corps, in succession to Capt. Monck, who has been transferred to Bancroft. Capt. Ingram and Lieut. Dribble were in Belleville on Wednesday on business for the battalion. Recruiting is picking up lately; a number of men have enlisted within the past few days.

Plans and specifications have been prepared for some improvements to the Haines Block, on Dundas St. An up-to-date front will be put in, and some improvements made in the interior of the stores occupied by the J. J. Haines Shoe Houses and Jas. Walters. The work will be started early in April.

Arthur Caughey, a well known Amherst Island resident, passed away in the Kingston General Hospital, on Monday morning, at 4 o'clock, after a few weeks' illness. The deceased was operated on for appendicitis three weeks ago, and again on Sunday. The deceased was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Caughey, and is survived by one brother, Robert. He was a Presbyterian in religion.

As evidence of the increasing interest being taken by the United States in Canada, consequent, perhaps, upon the Dominion's participation in the war, Harvard University has decided to devote a special branch of its library to Canadian history and literature. Clarence M. Warner, ex-president of the Ontario Historical Society, and lately of Napanee, has been appointed an officer of the university in charge of the branch. Mr. Warner removed recently to Boston, where he is head of a bond business.

Uretta Melinda Boyle, widow of the late Henry Boyle, passed away on Thursday evening last, at the residence of her granddaughter, Mrs. Ben Davy, after but a few days' illness from the usual infirmities of old age. Mrs. Boyle was a resident of Napanee for a long number of years—probably one of the oldest residents of the town, and had a large circle of friends. She leaves two sons, Messrs. W. H. and E. I. Boyle, and one daughter, Mrs. Correll. The funeral took place from the residence of Mr. B. F. Davy on Saturday.—The Express.

MADOC Miss Luella Currie, of Belleville, was a week-end guest of her brother, Mr. Fred Currie. Miss Norma Clarke, of Belleville, was visiting her sister, Mrs. Minns, over Sunday. Lieut. Smith, of the 39th Batt., has been appointed to take command of the guard at the Imperial Munition Plant, Trenton.

Mily Smith, son of Frank Smith, enlisted with the Queens University Ambulance Corps, and left yesterday to join that unit in Kingston. Mrs. McGuire, who has conducted the hotel business in the St. Lawrence Hall for some time, has leased the building to Mr. Chapelle, who will assume management March 20. We stated last week that the property had been sold to Mr. Chapelle, but have learned since we were in error. Rev. Dr. McTavish has received word that his son, Gordon, serving at the front, had been wounded for the fourth time. He was hit with the fragment of a shell which made a large hole in his leg, and he had to have 18 inches of skin grafted onto the wound. He is able to get around on crutches, and cables his father that he is happy.

Mr. R. A. A. McConnell, Principal of the public school here, put through a deal last week whereby he has become the owner of the property formerly owned and occupied by Mr. Ed. Demille, on Elgin St. Mr. McConnell will move shortly to his new quarters, while Mr. Demille, we understand, intends going further to the front. Again has there flashed across our wires from the fighting front to our little town, the sad but ever-dreaded intelligence that another Madoc boy

LOWER PRICED ONION SEED HIGH GRADE TESTED ONION SEED AT ONE DOLLAR A POUND SEED THAN LAST YEAR. SOW 5 LBS. SEED PER ACRE. AVERAGE CROP 500 BUSHELS PER ACRE. Yellow Globe Danvers Onion, black seed... 25c, lb. \$2.10, 5 lbs. \$9.25. Giant Yellow Prizetaker Onion, black seed... 25c, lb. \$2.10, 5 lbs. \$9.25. Large Red Wethersfield Onion, black seed... 25c, lb. \$2.00, 5 lbs. \$9.25. Market Maker Golden Globe Onion... 25c, lb. \$2.10, 5 lbs. \$9.25. Early Yellow Danvers Onion, black seed... 20c, lb. \$1.90, 5 lbs. \$8.25. Southport White Globe Onion, black seed... 40c, lb. \$4.00, 5 lbs. \$20.00. Red Globe Prizewinner Onion, black seed... 25c, lb. \$2.10, 5 lbs. \$9.25. Select Yellow Dutch Onion Sets... lb. 35c, 5 lbs. \$1.70. XXX Guernsey Parsnip, fine smooth roots... Pkg. 10c, oz. 20c, 4 oz. 50c. Detroit Dark Red Table Beet... Pkg. 5c, oz. 20c, 4 oz. 60c. Chantany Red Table Carrot... Pkg. 5c, oz. 20c, 4 oz. 65c. Rust Proof Dwarf Black Wax Butter Beans... 50c, 5 lbs. \$2.25. Early White Cory Sweet Table Corn... lb. 35c, 5 lbs. \$1.50. London Long Green Cucumber (great cropper)... Pkg. 5c, oz. 15c, 4 oz. 40c. XXX Solid Head Lettuce... Pkg. 10c, oz. 25c, 4 oz. 75c. Improved Beefsteak Tomato... Pkg. 10c, 1/2 oz. 25c, 4 oz. 60c. XXX Scarlet Oval Radish (mild crisp)... Pkg. 10c, oz. 20c, 4 oz. 50c. Little Marvel Garden Bush Peas, very early... 4 oz. 15c, lb. 40c. Early Branching Asters, Crimson, Pink, White or Mixed... Pkg. 10c. Mammoth Fringed Cosmos, mixed colors... Pkg. 10c. XXX Mammoth Verbena, superb mixture of colors... Pkg. 10c. XXX Spencer Giant Sweet Peas, all shades mixed... Pkg. 15c, oz. 35c.

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A large surprise party gathered at the home of Mr. Fred Denyes on Saturday evening last before their leaving for their new home in Brighton. We are sorry to see Mr. and Mrs. Denyes leave our neighborhood. A number from here attended the surprise party at Mr. Geo. Morgan's on Friday evening.

Mrs. Henry Irvine was able to return to her home Friday afternoon from Belleville much improved in health. Mrs. (Dr.) Tuttle and Miss Jennie Wright returned home from Belleville Monday, where they have been spending a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Comerford and daughter of Madoc Twp., spent over Sunday and Monday with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hicks. Mr. S. B. Rollins and son, Borden, spent Sunday in Toronto with Mrs. Rollins at the Western Hospital. We are pleased to learn that Mrs. Rollins is recuperating. Miss Gladys Black, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Black, has enlisted for overseas service and has been accepted. She will be attached to the Queen Alexandra Imperial Nursing Staff and now awaits only the call to embark.

The excitement on Main St. on Saturday night was quite uncalmed for any person in the King's uniform who does disgraceful acts, and then defies the civil law to touch him. Sergt. Saylor, of Belleville, is drilling the 254th recruits here, and will be in charge for a couple of weeks. We experienced what was, perhaps, the heaviest snow-fall of the season on Saturday night, when about ten inches of the 'beautiful' fell. As a result, the roads throughout the country are again badly blocked. In the removal of Mrs. M. Mather and family—Nellie, James, and Elizabeth—to Grey County, Carlow loses one of its most useful and highly esteemed families. Eight years ago they moved to Carlow from the adjoining township of Mayo, where they had lived for many years. In all social aid and church work the family have taken an active part. Elizabeth, as nurse and as organist in the nearby churches, and James, as cheesemaker in the surrounding factories, and as elder in the Hermon and Carlow Presbyterian Church were, rendered valuable and efficient services, and their removal will be a distinct loss to this locality.—The Times.

ZION The buzz of the sawing machine is again heard in our midst. Miss Flossie Phillips of Corbyville, has returned home after spending a few days with friend, Mrs. M. Hawley. Rev. Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Huffman and family took tea at Mr. Robt. Reid's on Wednesday evening. A number from here attended the concert at Foxboro on Thursday evening. A number of young people from West Humberston attended the revival here on Friday evening last. The W. M. S. met at the home of Mrs. A. Cranton on Thursday last.

Mr. Claude McDonald and sister, Ruby, of Point Anne, are spending a few days in town with Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Cole. Mr. John Holmes left last Monday for Niagara Falls, Ont., where he has accepted a position with the Reynolds Co., manufacturing electric wire. Mrs. Holmes, accompanied by her daughter, Billie, will follow later. Mr. Harold Hargrey, for the past four months with his father at Trenton, where they were engaged in construction work in connection with the Imperial Munitions plant, is at home again enjoying a few days rest. They have completed their last contract seven days before the time allowance. A quiet wedding took place at the Methodist Parsonage, Deseronto, on Tuesday, Mar. 6, when Miss Norma L. Perry, niece of Mrs. S. T. Tucker, was united in marriage to Robert Harold Thompson, son of Thomas Thompson, of the Napanee Road. The ceremony was performed by her uncle, Rev. S. T. Tucker, after which the guests sat down to a sumptuous wedding dinner. The bride and groom left on the afternoon train for Toronto amid the many evidences of good wishes of their friends of Deseronto. On their return they will reside on the Elson farm, on the Belleville Road, lately purchased by Mr. Harold Thompson. By the death of Capt. John Gowan last Thursday, there passed away one who had been a link between the days when the sailing vessel was supreme, and these days of steam navigation. His death was the culmination of a long illness, he having been confined to the house for many months. The funeral took place on Saturday afternoon, the service at the home being conducted by Rev. A. A. Aeton. The remains were conveyed to Deseronto Cemetery. Capt. Gowan was born at Ballypurgue Portaferry, County Down, Ireland, on Nov. 27, 1844. About fifteen years ago, late in the fall, Capt. Gowan was coming across from Gawego to Deseronto with the Resolute, having in tow the Abbie L. Andrews. After getting out in the lake, a terrible storm came up, the wind blowing a hurricane and snow falling heavily. Not being able to cross the lake in either direction, the Captain turned westward and brought the Resolute into Port Dalhousie four days later. During those four days he never left the wheelhouse. It was owing to his pluck and courage, that the boat weathered the storm at all. When he got into port, all his upper works of the steamer had been carried away, and the vessel was encrusted with ice. The Andrews had to be cut adrift, and she made Hamilton in safety. In that same storm the steamer Hall and her consort went down with a loss of all the seamen. Besides his widow, he leaves to mourn his loss four sons, James and William of Kingston; Alexander, of Bondville, N. Y.; and Jack of Oshawa; and three daughters, Mrs. G. W. Wagar, of Montreal; Mrs. O'Donnell, of Kingston; and Miss Laura C. at home. Mrs. Wm. Gamble, another daughter, died about five years ago.—The Post.

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Mr. Canon of Detroit, is hiring men to open up his mines on Caribou Lake. Mr. McCulla, of Marmora, is in town. Mr. Simpson has returned after being away for a week on business. The merchants are all very busy hauling in supplies for summer. Miss E. Fleming is visiting friends at Still Rivers. The boys are all coming home again as the camps are nearly all breaking up. Mrs. Patterson, of Toronto, and little daughter, Doris, of Toronto, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. Rowan at 12 Moira St. West.

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TWO LONG YEARS HE SUFFERED

"Fruit-a-lives" Made Him Feel As If Walking On Air

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careful consideration, the judges reported that the negative side won. After a short program a very tasty lunch was prepared by the pupils which was enjoyed by all. A Collection was then taken up which amounted to nearly three dollars which will be spent to beautify our school room. Our school teacher, Miss Margaret Couiter, expressed her gratitude in a few well chosen remarks for the large attendance, liberal collection and good attention, and last but not least, invited all to come again. The entertainment was then dismissed by the singing of the National Anthem.

Mrs. Post of Brighton, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. M. J. Fuller. Mrs. Joseph Hollinger entertained her sister, Mrs. O. Hagerman, one day this week. Mr. Jas. Walkers spent one evening this week at the home of Mrs. L. Mitts. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Christie are moving in their new home. We extend to them a hearty welcome, wishing them a long and happy wedded life. Mr. and Mrs. Will Dean entertained Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Brough on Friday evening.

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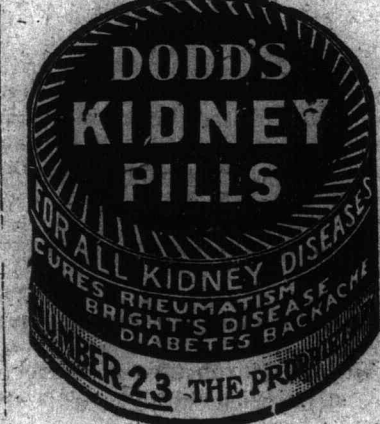
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Now... All my back... My head... I would... Pinkish... bottle... and I... Now I... able to... Dorman... All we... size... SEN... S... Alderman... and... —Bl... Chab... The larg... were spect... formance... had come... chair de... sprang on... wildered... Journal in... could not... unusual p... round the... time and... tion. In v... been going... council che... he crowded... Mayor h... Clerk Holt... and the M... were any... was about... and to sign... son arose... not possib... council me... the acting... not been... to the cha... to the mayo... He declar... weeks ago... that the o... go over th... The Ma... appointed... Jar meeti... Aid. Ro... council. I... of the out... adjourn... night so t... ctor's opt... Aid. W... or had th... derman m... out the sa... the coun... Aid. Ro... Aid. M... man Robt... meeting v...



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All women ought to know the wonderful effects of taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound even on those who seem hopelessly ill. Here are three actual cases:

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Albert Lea, Minn.—"For about a year I had sharp pains across my back and hips and was hardly able to move around the house. My head would ache and I was dizzy and had no appetite. After taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Liver Pills, I am feeling stronger than for years. I have a little boy eight months old and am doing my work all alone. I would not be without your remedies in the house as there are none like them."—Mrs. F. E. YOST, 611 Water St., Albert Lea, Minn.

Three Doctors Gave Her Up.
Pittsburg, Penn.—"Your medicine has helped me wonderfully. When I was a girl 18 years old I was always sickly and delicate and suffered from irregularities. Three doctors gave me up and said I would go into consumption. I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and with the third bottle began to feel better. I soon became regular and I got strong and shortly after I was married. Now I have two nice stout healthy children and am able to work hard every day."—Mrs. CLARA M. DUNN, 24 Gardner St., Troy Hill, Pittsburg, Penn.

All women are invited to write to the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass., for special advice.—It will be confidential.

SENSATIONAL SHORT SESSION OF THE CITY COUNCIL LAST NIGHT

Alderman Robinson Raised Point of Legality of Last Session and Mayor Ketcheson Had Council Adjourned Until Tonight—Big Gathering of Ratepayers Expecting Discussion on the Chair Deal.

From Tuesday's Daily
The large body of electors who were spectators of last evening's performance at the city council meeting had come to get thrills over the "chair deal," but a sensation was sprung on them which left them bewildered, when the city council adjourned in haste until tonight. They could not gather the import of the unusual procedure and stayed around the city building for some time and gossiped over the situation. In view of the talk which has been going about the city today, the council chamber, it is predicted, will be crowded to the doors tonight.

Mayor Ketcheson and the aldermen had taken their seats. City Clerk Holmes had read the minutes and the Mayor asked whether there were any errors or omissions, and was about to declare them adopted and to sign them, when Ald. Robinson arose and declared that this was not possible as proceedings of last council meeting were illegal because the acting mayor, Ald. Woodley had not been appointed by the council to the chair pro tem. He referred the mayor to Section 203 of the Act. He declared all actions taken two weeks ago as null and void and said that the only course to pursue was to go over the business again.

The Mayor—"Ald. Woodley was appointed acting mayor at the regular meeting of the council."
Ald. Robinson—"That was not the council. I would ask some aldermen of the council to move that council adjourn until 8 o'clock tomorrow night so that we may get the solicitor's opinion."
Ald. Woodley declared "The mayor had the right to appoint any alderman mayor pro tem, even without the sanction of the committee or the council."
Ald. Robinson—"He could not."
Ald. Marshall—"If you, Alderman Robinson, were aware that the meeting was illegal, why did you

of adjournment, seconded by Ald. Whelan.
Ald. Platt suggested that the actions of the last meeting be gone over in short order.

Ald. Parks "I object to this council adjourning."
Ald. Deacon asked "Why can't we go on and get the solicitor's ruling during the session?"

Alderman—"You can't do that, the minutes of the last meeting have to be first signed."

"Well it's too bad," said Ald. Deacon, "here we have all the stage set, the scenery's all here." This referred to the crowd of spectators.

Mayor Ketcheson "And we're all ready."
Ald. Robinson moved, seconded by Ald. Parks in amendment that the council reconsider the business of two weeks ago.

Mayor "Two wrongs don't make a right. We're not so sure that that would be right."
The vote on the amendment was then taken.

For—Ald. Robinson, Ald. Parks and Ald. Platt.
Against—Aldermen Whelan, Woodley, St. Charles, Deacon, Smith and Marshall.

Council accordingly adjourned until tonight to get the solicitor's view of Ald. Robinson's contention. The mayor said to the crowd "Too bad, gentlemen, tomorrow night, the same place."

The crowd had scented from afar a scene over the "chair" deal. Mr. J. L. Tickell who attended last meeting was present with a shorthand reporter to get down the golden and weighty words that were expected to fall from the lips of the city fathers during the discussion. Ex-Ald. James Duckworth, whom some of the council two weeks ago were inclined to blame for a so-called mistake in reading a tender of Tickell & Sons' Company, was also there to explain the situation. Some others of the audience were present on behalf of the Patriotic Fund to ask the city council for its patriotic grant.

If our chaps are really bad, you hear no murmurs. They take their gruel like heroes, and my God, they do get smashed up. You feel proud to be of the same race. They are going to win all right. No marching into Berlin and pulling the Kaiser's whiskers—no such piffle as that. We see what is going on and know it's a stiff proposition. With five hundred ships sunk in the last three months you can see it is not child's play. But the Huns know. Of course they want peace, but be it months or years we've just got to win or else good-bye everything we hold sacred. Give my best love to all. Love and best wishes to you. I see you are doing all you possibly can to help the old country, and what good Britisher wouldn't? It's an honor. Ever your very loving brother, Bob.

\$10,000 INCOME FROM HALF SECTION

Mr. James Ross Tells of Profitable Wheat-Growing at Eastend, Sask.

Eastend, Sask., Mar. 7, 1917. There is every indication of spring and the farmers are cleaning their seed gain preparing to another big crop while the war prices are on.

I have been told by good authority that a farmer living close to the town of Eastend cleaned up \$10,000 last year in wheat on one-half section of land. That is better than milking cows in Ontario.

Eastend was visited by one of the worst blizzards that has occurred in a good many years, so the old timers say. The "78" Ranch, which was feeding their cattle along the river bed, (some 1500 head) lost 71 in the storm. Some farmers who were out to their barns when the storm came on had to crawl to the house on their hands and knees. They could not stand up.

Mr. D. Pollock, formerly of Cobourg, Ont., an old rancher, built a fine new barn which cost in the neighborhood of \$1200. It had 25 tons of hay stored aloft, and the wind moved it and blew the whole side in.

The town of Eastend is growing rapidly. It is only three years' old. It has six elevators for storing grain with a capacity of 30,000 bushels each. Three was a large hotel went up this last summer of solid brick at a cost of \$25,000.

The banks along the river have a good many different kinds of clay. They are shipping car-loads every few days to Medicine Hat for the pottery works. There is a new store going up in the square, built by two Belleville men, Messrs. Anderson and Robertson. We wish them every success.

I see by the Belleville papers that our old friend Peter McLaren has been elected warden for 1917. Good luck, Pete. That's better than hunting foxes in a cedar swamp.

Your correspondent starts for Moosejaw in a few days as a delegate to the Liberal Convention which takes place on the 27th.

Mr. F. A. Lot, formerly of Ontario, is busy tearing down the old Eastend police barracks for wood. The government has built a new one.

Pte. C. P. Ross, who is in training in England, writes home to his mother, that he likes England fine and that they are going to put the Germans down in the spring.

Your correspondent received a letter from an uncle of his who states that he was 99 on the 14th day of February and expects by good care he may possibly reach his 100th year. He is known by old Bellevillians by the name of Jacob Sills, Toledo, Ohio.

James Ross.

LIEUT. DOWNEY HOME

Saw Service with 21st Battalion at the Front.

Lieut. John Downey, of the 59th Battalion and a member of the famous 21st battalion at the front has arrived home again. He reached the city last evening, surprising his relatives who did not expect him so soon. Lieut. Downey will join the 25th to which he has already been transferred. He has had a long experience in the trenches and his acquisition by the 25th will be of great assistance to that unit.

SPANKING DOESN'T CURE!

Don't think children can be cured of bed-wetting by spanking them. The trouble is constitutional, the child cannot help it. I will send FREE to any mother my successful home treatment, with full instructions. If your children trouble you in this way, send no money, but write me to-day. My treatment is highly recommended to adults troubled with urine difficulties by day or night. Address: Mrs. M. Summers, Windsor, Ontario.

Men's \$15 Suits

This is a very popular price with a great many men, you know and we all know how prices for all kinds of Woolen and Cotton Goods have advanced---and still---we have hundreds of Suits at the above price as good as you ever bought. You wonder how we do it, but we do

We would just like a chance to show them to you, under present conditions the value will be a surprise.

OAK HALL

PRESENTED WITH SMOKER'S SET

Dr. Robertson Pleasantly Surprised by His Friends at Tweed

Dr. J. J. Robertson's departure from Tweed to his new field of labor in Belleville a week sooner than was expected precipitated a disappointment on his friends here who had made arrangements to do him honor before leaving, but an opportunity presented itself on Friday last when he was paying a business visit to town and it was taken advantage of.

The news of his presence here was quickly passed around from one to another and in the evening he was "rounded up" at the home of Mr. A. B. Collins where a number assembled to pay their respects and to present him with a memento of Tweed which in the days to come would remind him of the circle of friends with whom his associations for the past twenty years had been most congenial.

Dr. Mather was called to the chair and after a few complimentary remarks, combined with personal pleasantries in connection with his professional associations with the guest of honor, he called upon Mr. D. V. McNaught who paid flattering tribute to the doctor's citizenship and on behalf of his large circle of friends in Tweed presented him with a handsome brass smoker's set with pedestal. The doctor made a fitting reply amongst other things saying that his residence here had been one of great pleasure and that it was with reluctance he was leaving the place in which he had spent the past twelve years in the bonds of good fellowship with its citizens. In closing his remarks he said that the name of Tweed would always recall to his mind pleasant memories of the many happy days spent in our little village.

Others present made brief speeches all of whom were not lacking in their eulogy of Dr. Robertson as a physician and a citizen, whose departure from town—as one casually remarked—was a positive calamity. Twelve years ago Dr. Robertson graduated as Senior House Surgeon at Kingston General Hospital and immediately took up practice in Tweed where success crowned his efforts to such a degree that his fame spread far and wide resulting in making a large circle of acquaintances by whom his departure from Tweed is felt with deep regret. He was the first of the medical profession in Central Ontario to install the X-Ray apparatus. He not only kept abreast of the time in this particular, but his ambition for knowledge of the more minute details of the profession was apparent in his annual visits to the large American hospitals. Apart from his profession the doctor was active in social and athletic circles; in the former al-

ways to be relied on and in the latter an enthusiast whose place will be hard to fill. In removing to Belleville Dr. Robertson and his family take with them the best wishes of a large circle of Tweed friends.—Tweed Advocate.

PATRIOTIC CHORUS STATEMENT

The executive of the Patriotic Chorus beg to make the following statement concerning the concert held Feb. 15th in the City Hall under the direction of Mr. V. P. Hunt. After paying all expenses the amount of \$45.00 was paid to Mr. R. Tannahill the Treasurer of the Patriotic Fund. Following is the itemized statement—

Receipts	
Sale of Tickets	\$78.00
Door	28.16
Paid by Chorus on Music acc.	28.41

	\$135.56

Expenses	
Music acc.	\$55.12
Platform	14.40
Intelligencer, program, tickets, locals	12.39
Ontario locals	6.65
Cab Hire	1.00
Care taker of hall	1.00

To Patriotic Fund \$45.00

Francis C. Ray, Treasurer

MILITARY NOTES

G. R. Rowell and G. E. Herrick of the 235th Battalion have been granted sergeant's certificates of military purification.

Mr. G. E. Pearce, Picton, has been appointed lieutenant in the 230th Forestry Battalion.

Capt. J. W. Ferguson, 16th Regiment, has been transferred from the 240th to the 230th Depot Forestry Battalion.

Pte. C. R. Webb of the 254th is attending the School of Signalling.

Pte. MacNamara of the 235th is attending the Bayonet Fighting School at Kingston.

Lieut. Denyes, Sgt. McCann, J. E., Pte. Spafford, E., Pte. Jeffreys, J. F. of the 254th Battalion are attending the B. F. & P. T. course at Kingston.

ENTERTAINMENT AT JOHN ST.

Under the auspices of the Women's Missionary Society, a delightful entertainment was given at John St. church last evening. There was a fairly large attendance. Mr. R. J. Graham occupied the chair and gave very interesting reminiscences of a visit to Russia some years ago. An excellent musical program was given the numbers being: piano duet, Mrs. R. S. Lewis and Mr. D. M. Clark, vocal solos, Mrs. P. C. MacLaurin, Mrs. Duff, Mrs. Singer, Mr. D. M. Clark and Mr. W. S. Rathman; quartette, Mrs. Singer, Mrs. Hill, Mr. Clark and

Mr. W. Ralls; violin solo, Mr. Bert Simpkins, recitations, Miss Frances White.

A vote of appreciation was moved by the pastor, Rev. E. C. Currie and enthusiastically endorsed by the audience. Refreshments were served and a pleasant hour was spent in social intercourse.

RECOURS SECOURS NATIONAL.

E. B. Bredeu is Allowed to go on Suspended Sentence

E. B. Bredeu, who was convicted before Judge Coatsworth in the Session, Toronto, on Friday last of theft from the Secours National, was yesterday allowed to go on suspended sentence, on condition that he pay fifty dollars, the cost of the trial, and return \$59 to the Secours National.

The charge of their arrest out of the fact that the accused did not make returns to the above organization as agreed upon, following an entertainment put on under their auspices at a Bloor street movie theater.

CIGARET LICENSE COSTS \$20 AT KINGSTON.

Among the matters up before the City Council last week was the report of Ald. Armstrong's committee regarding the revision of license fees with a view of increased revenue. The only clause in the report to be objected to was that of a fee of \$20 for cigarettes, cigarette tobacco and cigarette papers. After a lengthy discussion on it the members became unanimous when Ald. Armstrong pointed out that the object of a \$20 fee was not to force the small store owners out but to make the consumer of cigarettes pay something for his luxury. The report which was finally adopted follows:

Tobacco and cigars only, \$1.00 per annum.
Cigarettes, cigarette tobacco or cigarette papers, \$20.00 per annum.
Shooting galleries, \$10.00 per annum.
Shoe shine shop, \$10 per annum.
Bill posters and distributors, \$5.00 per annum.
Gasoline tanks, \$5.00 per annum.
Skating rinks, where admission fee is charged, \$25.00 per annum.
Junk collectors and dealers, other than those having premises, \$10.00 per annum.
Autos for hire, \$10.00 per annum.

Sergeant Harvey Wheeler, of the 235th Battalion, Ottawa, is home on his last leave of absence.

Mrs. W. Whalen has arrived home after a pleasant visit with her untie Mr. J. R. Dafoe, Nanapan.

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COUNCIL DEFEATS RESOLUTION FOR CHAIR INVESTIGATION

Ratepayers Crowded the Council Chamber Last Night--Debate Was Very Lengthy--Mr. W. C. Mikel, K. C., Stated Case For Mr. Tickell--Mayor Ketcheson's Reply to Insinuations--Ald. Robinson Interrogates Council as to Certain Matters--Tivani Steel Co. Situation.

Belleville City Council opened last night with an officer of the law on duty at the door of the chamber. This old fallen-into-disuse custom was revived for last evening's meeting at the request of the Mayor as a time was expected. The 'chair deal' loomed large, and after hours of discussion, Council decided that no investigation was necessary.

When the Mayor and aldermen took their seats, the citizens' gallery was jammed, and many ex-members of the council were forced to invade the sacred precincts of the civic body and find accommodations in the leather-seated chairs.

"To make the meeting of March 5 legal, I move that we proceed to the order of motions," said Ald. Woodley, Ald. Smith seconding.

Ald. Robinson—"I move, in amendment, that we proceed in the regular way. Why is this done, unless it is to cut off Mr. Tickell, who should be given an opportunity to speak?"

The motion carried, the yeas and nays being recorded as follows: Yeas—Deacon, St. Charles, Whelan, Marshall, Smith, Woodley. (6) Nays—Parks, Platt, Robinson. (3)

Ald. Whelan moved, seconded by Ald. Smith, "That in the opinion of this Council, the appointment of Ald. Woodley to be acting Mayor in the absence of Mayor Ketcheson, made this Council on Mar. 1, 1917, at which committee meeting all the members of the Council were present, and none objecting, is regular and in order; and this Council approves, adopts and confirms all the business transacted as set forth in the minutes of the meeting of the City Council held on Mar. 5, 1917, Ald. Woodley acting as Mayor."

Ald. Platt—"I would feel like supporting this motion if it can be shown that the proceedings of the meeting were of Mar. 5 were legal." Ald. Parks was not in attendance.

The Council could appoint. Ald. Whelan—"The city solicitor's opinion is incorporated in the motion. Mayor Ketcheson—"The very fact that every member of Council or committee did not object was prima facie evidence to quote his authority for the Mayor to quote his authority for appointing a substitute. He read the procedure by-law to show that there was nothing in the by-law or the act to warrant the mayor doing as he did, and hence all procedure was null and void. He had got the opinion of two lawyers in the city and both said the Mayor had no such authority. One was an ex-mayor and the other an ex-alderman. He worked this Council was in duty bound to oppose the proceedings. If it should turn out that the proceedings were illegal, anyone could upset the acts of the Council.

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Council returned to the first order of business. "Are there any objections to confirming the minutes?" asked the mayor.

Ald. Parks—"Yes, I still object." Ald. Robinson—"I object to it also. The whole thing is wrong. Our confirming the minutes does not make it legal."

The motion to confirm the minutes carried, 6 to 3, the yeas and nays being recorded on Ald. Robinson's request. Yeas—Deacon, Marshall, St. Charles, Smith, Whelan, Woodley. (6) Nays—Parks, Platt, Robinson. (3)

Council decided to hear any deputations present among the large gathering of citizens. "The opportunity is given now, which will not be repeated this evening," said the mayor.

Mr. W. R. McCreary asked for the opening of a drain on Geddes St. Yeas—Deacon, St. Charles, Whelan, Marshall, Smith, Woodley. (6) Nays—Parks, Platt, Robinson. (3)

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The recommendation carried. The fire recommendations were referred back to the special fire committee.

Mr. Porter's fee and expenses were only \$47.00 for appearing in the city's interest at the hearing at Ottawa for further protection on the Bay Bridge Road. Mr. Porter charged only one-half fees.

The Bell Telephone Co. per Mr. H. B. Stork, local manager, thanked Council for its permission to use a room in the City Hall for a meeting.

A letter referring to the condition of the board sidewalk on Charlotte Street was signed by Mrs. Green. It was referred on Ald. Deacon's suggestion, to the committee.

A letter from the city clerk of Peterboro suggesting a \$10 tax on single men not tenants or tax-payers, in addition to the present tax, was read.

Ald. Parks—"Was it Ald. Smith's intention to charge \$1.50 each for chairs for the City Hall when he knew they cost 90c?"

Ald. Smith—"That order was placed through the Thompson K. K. K. whatever price they charged, I have nothing to do with."

"That's not so," said Ald. Parks, who asked Mr. J. L. Tickell to give a letter. The alderman read that the order was placed by the Dominion Bedding Co.

Ald. Smith said he had a few documents he would produce at the proper time.

Ald. Robinson Interrogates Ald. Robinson—"I wish to inquire if there is any minute on the committee book regarding the order of the chairs." City Clerk—"I don't think there is." Ald. Robinson—"Was this contract laid before the executive committee?" Ald. Woodley—"No. It was before the Market and City Property Committee."

Ald. Robinson—"No contract involving an expenditure is legal until approved by the executive. Why was it not legally done?" Mayor Ketcheson said all the coal for the gas department was purchased, and only came before the executive when the bills came in.

Ald. Robinson—"The gas is a department." Ald. Smith—"Was there any record on the minutes for an increased expenditure of \$100 on the City Hall? Did it ever come before the executive?"

Ex-alderman Duckworth said Ald. Parks without any authority took upon himself to go with oil painting which meant an extra expenditure of \$100, making the cost \$400, instead of \$300 for City Hall repairs.

Ald. Parks replied, stating his authority for building a movable scaffold which saved much money. The contractors agreed to reduce their tender \$50 if the city built the scaffold, which cost only \$27.50. An alderman wanted water, colors Ald. Parks' suggestion was that it be done in oil. The committee decided on oil finish. "I did not authorize the contractors to put on oil or cloth. This is what they are bringing against me for trying to bring up the chair deal."

Ald. Robinson—"When does the contract with the county terminate as to the cost of administration of justice?"

Ald. Woodley could not state and as he still kept the floor, Ald. Robinson told him he might as well sit down for he did not know.

Ald. Robinson—"Will you bring it up at next night?" Ald. Woodley—"No. I will not."

Ald. Robinson asked if the statistics had been compiled from time to time as required to be used when the equalization came up. City Clerk—"Not that I know." Ald. Robinson—"Will the city solicitor represent the city when this matter is gone into?" Mayor—"The city solicitor must answer that. I don't know his mind. Did you keep statistics when you were in the council?" Ald. Robinson—"The time has nearly arrived. That's why I've asked. The expenses of administration are less now since prohibition. I think we should get ready and get a reduction."

Ald. Parks—"Are you, Mr. Mayor, going to make an apology to the rate-payers of Belleville here through the press, for the unfair treatment you allowed the Council to give the Tickell & Sons Co.'s tender for the chairs, it being the only tender submitted, and also give to the city treasurer a cheque for the difference in the price the chairs were bought for and the price the city has paid for them, something over \$80. If you do this, the notice of motion of Ald. Robinson which comes up tonight as a motion, will be withdrawn, and by so doing you will save the city the cost of the investigation asked for,

perhaps \$75 or \$100?" Mayor Ketcheson—"I would like to say that my name is Ketcheson. I have done no wrong. If you or Mr. Tickell will make a charge over your own signature, I'll give you all the investigation you want and it won't cost the city a cent."

Mayor—"I don't take any insinuation from a duck like Ald. Parks." Ald. Parks—"I'm no duck."

Ald. Platt said that the city loaned the Tivani Steel Co. \$1,500 some years ago. In 1914 they paid \$150. They have skipped 1915, 1916 and 1917. The company owes the city a total of \$717.60 today, besides \$900 balance. This is pretty loose financing. "I don't think the company is giving the city fair treatment."

Mayor Ketcheson said he knew very little of this arrangement. He knew the company had been struggling hard. Last year they had spent \$20,000 in Belleville. They are gradually getting on their feet. The mayor saw a letter from Mr. Wallace offering payment as soon as possible. The indebtedness is secured by a city mortgage on the buildings and plant of the Tivani Steel Co.

Motion for Investigation Taken up. Ald. Robinson's motion on the chair deal was taken up. The mayor said: "I want the citizens and aldermen to understand that this is not going to be a debating society. No one outside of this council has a right to speak when the Council's discussion begins. We don't want to hush anything up. Two aldermen and one not a member of the Council attacked me viciously last meeting night, and I am going to have something to say to them tonight."

Ald. Robinson—"Name them." Mayor Ketcheson—"I'm looking right at them."

Ald. Robinson said Acting Mayor Woodley allowed everybody to chip in. He did not think the censure deserved. Ald. Woodley had said he wanted to see the entire matter settled two weeks ago.

Ald. Woodley did not recollect wanting the matter settled then. Ald. Robinson read his motion: "That charges having been made in the Belleville newspapers, that the tender for chairs for the City Hall received unfair treatment, therefore that His Honor Judge Willis be requested to investigate the same under the provisions of section 248, chapter 192, R. S. O., 1914, of the municipal act, providing that the cost of said investigation be not more than \$100."

Ald. Robinson said he had not yet said a word against the mayor. He had not said two weeks ago anyone was guilty of wrong doing. All he wanted was an investigation. He proceeded to read a verbatim account of his speech at the meeting of Mar. 5 to show that he made no derogatory remarks of the mayor or any alderman.

The answers to inquiries two weeks ago were not satisfactory. Mr. Tickell is not asking for any profits. He is acting simply on principle. He thinks he is unfairly treated. His firm really deserved the order as his price was less than what the city paid.

The terms used to the mayor were gentlemanly ones. The mayor who says there was no wrong doing, and the aldermen, should then welcome an investigation. Mr. Tickell, to leave no chance to allow shirking of the matter, offered to go good the costs. "Why not clean up this matter and let the Council keep its mood name if it has one." (Laughter)

Ald. Parks as seconder, outlined his stand in the matter and the events leading up to the purchase of the chairs. Just before a Council he suggested to the mayor that a meeting of a committee was necessary to consider the chairs. The mayor shoved him aside as if he were a dog and said there was no time for that. Later a committee meeting was held. "I did not stay. They met. They sent the janitor to get tenders. Mr. Ed. H. Tickell put in a clear tender which the mayor says he cannot read at all. Why did not Ald. Duckworth advertise for tenders, instead of spending evening after evening in an alderman's store? The North American Bent Chair Co. says Ald. Smith ordered the chairs. The chairs, with discount, cost 90c. The account for the chairs was peddled up and down street and it landed in the Thompson K. K. K. Co.

This condition of affairs had run on for years. Last year he stood alone. Any man who votes against an investigation must be guilty of something.

Mr. Mikel Presents Request. Mr. J. L. Tickell said he had had no satisfactory answer. Mr. W. C. Mikel, K. C., had been chosen to present the request for an investigation.

The courtesy was extended to Mr. Mikel to present Mr. Tickell's request. The motion was a simple one after all, he said. Little now could be given on the matter. It is idle to discuss any facts that might come before an investigation. No one is accused, but a charge has been made. The section is made use of by municipalities.

Mayor Ketcheson—"If Mr. Tickell or any other citizen is ready to make a charge in writing that some member of this council profited illegally, I am ready to grant an investigation."

Mr. Mikel continued: "Investigations go farther than that. They cover mistakes, irregularities, and mismanagement, in which no one can act. It is not necessary to charge anyone. There is no chance that any alderman will be hardly dealt with. An investigation cannot be forced on the Council. The aldermen are in possession of all the facts, but the public does not know them. It would be more satisfactory to the public to have all brought out. The matter could be cleared up in a day as there are no outside witnesses. If a day's investigation can clarify the air, all would feel better to know the result. Mr. Tickell is not pursuing the matter for a conviction. "If you turn down the request, you leave it to the public who may think other than you do."

Ex-alderman Jas. Duckworth Speaks. Ex-ald. Duckworth criticized Ald. Parks for persistently following the Market and City Committee, and for doing nothing but talk for two years of a heating plant. Ex-ald. Duckworth reviewed the City Hall repairs situation, stating that Ald. Parks had so talked over the contractors that they would not listen to the speaker (Ald. Duckworth.) Ald. Parks, he thought had been as contrary as man could be. If Ald. Parks had done any constructive work and could show it, he (Ex-ald. Duckworth) would take off his hat to him. (Laughter)

Referring to the chair purchase Ex-ald. Duckworth said after the last Council meeting last year, he told Ald. Parks he had a tender for chairs. Ald. Parks said he knew there was going to be something done and went home. Ex-ald. Duckworth said the tender was opened by himself with the aldermen around the mayor's table. He recollected reading that the tender called for \$1.35, \$1.65, \$1.85, and \$2.00. He explained how he quoted \$1.70 for the second chair in a letter to the press.

He would like anyone to show where he had done anything wrong in his term of service. He made enemies he knew because of trying to save the city money.

He had never been approached by anyone on a shady deal. He paid upwards of \$300 taxes annually and it would not be up to him to let irregularity go on.

Ald. Parks reiterated that he knew of no committee meeting being held for the chair purchase.

Mayor Ketcheson's Reply Mayor Ketcheson's reply to the allegations of irregularity was not a lengthy one. He asked who was telling the truth, Mr. Tickell, Ald. Parks or Ald. Robinson when they spoke at the last meeting concerning his absence or in reference to the matter of the introduction of the resolution for an investigation. He recalled the evening after a council meeting last year when Ald. Duckworth asked for a short committee meeting saying he had a tender for chairs. Not an alderman had left the chamber when this was said.

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A SAD STORY

The Bancroft Times, in its issue of March 8, tells a story that gives us a vision of callous disregard of every patriotic sentiment and of every feeling of gratitude, such as has not been equalled since the commencement of the war. The story follows:

The death occurred in the Peever settlement on March 5 of Chas. H. Reiss, who arrived home about two weeks ago from overseas. The deceased enlisted with the 80th battalion, and served for over a year in the trenches. He was wounded, and appears to have been discharged from the hospital while still in a weak condition. When he landed at Maynooth it is alleged that he could not get anyone to drive him home. He had to walk a distance of seven or eight miles, and the effort was too much for him. He contracted a severe cold, which developed into pneumonia and caused his death.

Surely, surely, there must be some mistake. The cold brutality of allowing any man in a weakened condition, after being discharged from a hospital, to undertake a walk of seven or eight miles, over roads thickly covered with snow in the dead of winter, would be hard to conceive of in any enlightened Canadian community. But when that man had been overseas and had received wounds while he was fighting to defend the very homes and firesides of those whom he left behind at Maynooth, the thankless inhumanity of allowing him to find his own way home is all the more amazing.

If such treatment as this were to be meted out to our returned heroes what would be the effect on recruiting?

We cannot, however, believe that the good people of Maynooth would generally be guilty of any such debased form of positive disloyalty, as is illustrated in the story given above. But we do think a searching investigation should be held and if there were any individuals so recreant to patriotic duty as to have refused to assist a wounded soldier to his home, their names should be given all the unenviable notoriety that such hardened ingratitude merits.

There must be some mistake. Perhaps it was somewhat similar to the case of Sergt. Charles Gibson, a veteran of three wars who was wounded in action and invalided home to Belleville some months ago. There was no one to meet or greet him at the station and he was driven to his home by Inspector Arnott, who happened to be at the depot that day with his buggy. No one was there to greet Sergt. Gibson because nobody in the city knew that he was coming at that particular time or on that particular train. But a mammoth demonstration a few evenings later told Sergt. Gibson that the hearts of the people of Belleville were in the right place and that they had not forgotten.

A NEW AND BETTER BRITAIN

When the smoke of this great conflict has been dissolved in the atmosphere we breathe there will reappear a new Britain. It will be the old country still, but it will be a new country. Its commerce will be new, its trade will be new, its industries will be new. There will be new conditions of life and of toil, for capital and for labor alike, and there will be new relations between both of them and forever. There will be new ideas, there will be a new outlook, there will be a new character in the land. The men and women of this country will be burnt into fine building material for the new Britain in the fiery kilns of the war. It will not merely be the millions of men who, please God, will come back from the battlefield to enjoy the victory which they have won by their bravery—a finer foundation I would not want for the new country, but it will not be merely that—the Britain that is to be will depend also upon what will be done now by the many more millions who remain at home. There are rare epochs in the history of the world when in a few raging years the character, the destiny of the whole race is determined for unknown ages. This is one. The winter wheat is being sown. It is better, it is surer, it is more bountiful in its harvest than when it is sown in the soft spring time. There are many storms to pass through, there are many frosts to endure, before the land brings forth its green promise.

But let us not be weary in well-doing, for in due season we shall reap if we faint not.—Lloyd George at Carnarvon.

THE ICE BRIDGE

This week we visited Niagara Falls and saw the famous ice-bridge. The bridge this year was said to be the greatest proposition of the kind in recent history and we were therefore keyed up to see something on a pretty lavish scale. We had visited Niagara many times before, but our tours in that direction always occurred in the summer season with no ice in sight.

We wished to see Niagara in its winter garb and judged that the present continuously severe winter would give plenty of ice-making temperatures. We had fed our imagination with books of views, and photographs of former alleged ice-bridges, showing crystalline mountains, with crevasses, precipices, yawning abysses, chasms, geyzers, gorges, avalanches and other features, reminding one of far-away Switzerland.

We have been and we have seen the famous ice-bridge and, frankly, we came away disappointed. As a hair-raising feature of the scenery the bridge did not live up to the advance notices. It is about as tame and flat a hair-raiser as has come under our notice for a long time. We have seen ice-bridges over the Moira every spring that could discount the Niagara phenomenon by about one hundred per cent.

The mountains and chasms were there all right but they formed no part of the ice-bridge. They are the rocks below the American fall that have become covered with an ever thickening coat of ice. The spray as it rises freezes to the surface of the rocks and has formed mounds of ice said to be in one place over seventy feet in thickness. At other places great icicles are suspended from the cliffs as much as eighty feet in length.

The real ice-bridge is somewhat further down the river and is merely an accumulation of broken ice that has become congealed into a solid, flat field of uneven surface.

It was formerly a favorite accomplishment of tourists to cross the ice-bridge. But on Tuesday a soldier, with fixed bayonet, barred the passage way down the cliff. It is now five years since any tourist has been permitted to cross by the ice from shore to shore.

On Sunday, February 4th, 1912 occurred a tragedy that has ever since caused the crossing of the bridge to be among the forbidden pleasures. On that day Mr. and Mrs. Eldridge Stanton of Toronto and Master Burrell Hecock of Cleveland, Ohio, were carried to their death, as the ice-bridge gave way with a thunderous report and without a moment's warning, to be broken up in the Whirlpool rapids. Young Hecock might have saved himself but he paused to aid Mrs. Stanton who was fainting. A brass tablet on the Canadian side, immediately above the location of the ice-bridge, tells every passer-by, in brief form, the story of how this seventeen-year-old hero came to his death.

GROWING MORE POTATOES

With the lowly spud at four dollars or so by the bag and seventy-five cents by the peck the question of the best methods of growth and production assume a new importance. From a circular that has reached our office we glean the following facts.

Fifty years ago an acre of potatoes yielding 110 bushels required fifty-five hours of man labor. Now an acre yielding 220 bushels requires but thirty-eight hours,—thanks to the potato planter and digger. One man with a good planter can open the rows, distribute the fertilizer, drop the tubers and cover them over an area of three to five acres each day. Planters are now being used in many communities and a greater area covered. Best methods of cultivation and fertilization assist in reducing the cost per bushel of growing potatoes, at the same time increasing the yields.

"Take care of your fields and the quality will take care of itself," says H. J. Lurkins, Michigan's well-known potato grower and authority, and county agent of Berrien County. Mr. Lurkins has grown an average of 454 bushels of potatoes to an acre on a 25-acre field. Hence, his word should carry some weight. Mr. Lurkins believes in planting none but the highest grade of seed from carefully selected stock grown in a seed plot. He manures his ground heavily a year ahead of the time it is put to potatoes. He plows it early in the spring and re-enforces the manure with a suitable well-balanced commercial fertilizer. He says the potato is a lazy plant and must have its plant-food close at hand, if best crops are to be secured. Mr. Lurkins grows 2,000 to 10,000 bushels of potatoes every year. His yields are high and his quality is always of the best.

Much of the soil in Hastings County is better adapted for the growth of potatoes than for any other purpose. This is particularly true of the lighter soils in the Oak Hills section and

farther to the north about Bancroft and Maynooth.

There have been few attempts in this district to grow potatoes on an adequate commercial scale or to employ labor-saving machinery, and yet the potato-crop is one that is easily grown and highly profitable. It is a rare thing to find a field of potatoes of even five acres in extent and primitive methods of planting, cultivation, harvesting and marketing are still employed. It is not possible to go into a neighborhood here and secure a car of potatoes uniform as to variety, quality and size. Co-operative growth and marketing would do wonders.

We have already seen the value of co-operation in our creameries and cheese-factories in securing an output that is uniform in excellence and that commands top prices in the world's markets.

The quality and flavor of the potatoes that are grown in the Oak Hills are the superior of anything that this earth produces anywhere. The finest potatoes of New Brunswick, Maine or Michigan are but poor imitations. If these potatoes were grown on an adequate commercial scale, uniformly graded, properly advertised and marketed, there is in Toronto and Montreal a demand for these high-class goods that can never be over-supplied.

As it is now everything is done by haphazard. One man grows an early, round, white variety, while his next neighbor grows a long, red late variety, entirely different in texture and flavor. The two are thrown together in a car and the ultimate consumer is altogether dissatisfied.

Co-operation and uniform methods would overcome these drawbacks and open up to the grower a gold mine as yet untapped.

HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF

History has a habit of repeating itself. It was the prolonged wars waged by the Bourbon Kings of France, combined with the decay of the Feudal System; the riotous extravagance by the rich, the miserable poverty of the poor, which in a moment of stress for food set the match to the tinder which was awaiting the revolution. The outbreak in Paris was precipitated by the outcry and the demand of the women for bread. "If they cannot get bread, why don't they buy buns" was the traditional remark of a Bourbon Princess. The revolt of the women spread to that of the men and once the tide of revolution set flowing, it soon was beating upon the footsteps of the throne, then mounting higher swept Louis the Sixteenth of France and Marie Antoinette into oblivion. The carnage, which followed, a veritable reign of terror, is read upon the pages of French history with every glamour of attraction.

History is partially repeating itself in Russia. The war has precipitated a revolution. The bureaucracy, under the sanction of the Czar, profited mightily by the early lessons taught by the war. It was manifested through much of its personnel, predisposed towards the Germans. The latter had under the guidance of the crafty statesmanship of Germany overflowed through Russian Poland even into the high councils at St. Petersburg. The pro-German element honeycombed Russian society itself. It was represented in almost every department of public effort. It found an auxiliary in the greed of some Russian bureaucrats, who controlling the supplies of food in Russia, has in countries even democratic, actually cornered food while the masses of the people were starving. As in Paris of old, so too in Petrograd of today, it was the food question, that struck the match which lit the torch of revolution.

Governments may change in obedience to adverse votes in the Duma, but it was ever the same old clique with a new mask in the premiership. There was such a change a few days since. A new minister was in charge of the food supplies. People demanded food, but in the interests of the bureaucrats, who were cornering the food and coining wealth out of the pangs of hunger of the masses of the people, they were told that the arrival of flour had been delayed by a snow-storm. Suspicion was aroused because high prices were maintained. The revolution broke out, and during the course of the revolution it was found that vast stores of flour and food existed in the capital despite the minister's denial otherwise.

But a revolution could not succeed unless there was a widespread organization. That organization was found to exist. The Czar dissolved the Duma but the Duma hoisted the flag of revolt by declining to be dissolved. It became a war between the immature parliament of Russia and the old form of government. The army, composed of the masses of the people, too was evidently disaffected. Regiment after regiment declared for the parliament, thus initiating in a measure some stirring scenes in English history with which its students are familiar.

History is being made rapidly these days.

The American railway brotherhoods have

determined to strike because they are "sick of arbitration." Well, it is up to the general public to make those who prefer the resort to force to the resort of arbitration sick of the resort to force and glad enough to accept arbitration.

The Belleville Board of Education propose to undertake a very necessary, important and patriotic work in trying to interest the children of the schools in the growth of vegetables in the home gardens and in vacant lots. To transform ugly weed patches into luxuriant vegetable gardens is something worth while at any time, but just at this present period of food scarcity it becomes a patriotic duty. But in addition there is the pleasure that comes to the child from having done something both useful and deeply interesting. There is also the added value of very practical, wholesome, technical education.

On Saturday potatoes were selling on the Belleville market for four dollars a bag. This price may be modified somewhat after the weather becomes sufficiently warm to ship potatoes from New Brunswick and Alberta where they are still said to be plentiful. But there is no prospect that potatoes will be anything like cheap before the arrival of a new crop.

Those who have vacant lots or gardens can help matters out greatly by planting as soon as the soil is sufficiently dry and warm to be worked. Early plantings escape both rot and blight and will give a good yield by the first of July. By the middle of July they will be almost full grown.

In the heavy soils about Belleville, the late planted potatoes are pretty certain to become afflicted with the rot, unless conditions are very favorable. The early planting gives a smaller but far more certain yield and the quality is usually of the best.

If potatoes are planted early, cabbages or other vegetables may be planted between the rows at a later date and thus two crops may be secured from the same plot in one season.

It appears from the report of the work of the Bureau of Education for the natives of Alaska that the reindeer enterprise has successfully passed through two stages—the introduction of the animals to a new country and people and the development of an administration which has fairly well established the industry. There remains the successful commercializing and advancement of the enterprise from a branch of industrial education to a leading industry. The latest available reports show there are seventy-six Alaskan reindeer herds consisting of 70,243 animals, a net increase of twenty-one per cent. in a year, notwithstanding the fact that nearly 9,000 were killed for meat and skins. Carcasses shipped to Seattle brought twenty to thirty-five cents a pound. Of the total of animals, 1,140 natives own sixty-six per cent.; five per cent. are owned by the Government; ten per cent. by missions and nineteen per cent. by Lapps and others. Total income of the natives from reindeer for the year, exclusive of the meat and hides-used by themselves, was \$31,997.

The fear that the potent pro-German influence at Petrograd would bring about a separate peace between Russia and Germany has been a nightmare for some months past. The nightmare has passed.

A BOY'S SUMMER

A boy's summer—Can't you see them hallowed spots of memory? The old mill race, with sun ashine Betwixt its banks of velvet fne? The hilltops green and over yon The woods that beckon—coax—y' on To be a youngun' free and wild As any wanderin' story child?

A boy's summer gold and blest, A fish pole where it's handiest, A dam across the medder streams, A top, a spool, contraption schemes— A pathway to the "hi-hole's" perch— A whistle made of silver birch For Pan to pipe the roundelays That sing of boyhood's summer days!

A boy's summer! See that sign— Or ain't your eyes as good as mine? Two fingers up that overtop The penny rite and jimson crop, An' tempt some youngun' 'th he must Go traipsin' off through dimpled dust Of paths that only younguns know, Where boys can swim in birthday clothes!

A boy's summer! God above, I know what You're thinkin' of! For us that's old an' growin' white An' fallin' in our sense an' sight, You fashion golden days like these, So's't we can set beneath the trees, An' lookin' yonder through the haze Kin dream of boyhood's summer days.

—John D. Wells.

Other Editors' Opinions

THE MINISTER OVERSEAS

It was a handsome compliment that the deputation from St. Andrew's Church, Cobourg, paid Lieut. Col. Beattie when they waited upon the Presbytery of Peterboro yesterday and asked the members to decline to accept his resignation as pastor. The presence of the delegates, and the kind things they said about Lieut. Col. Beattie, expressed eloquently the regard in which he is held by his people.

Lieut. Col. Beattie is one of the most distinguished chaplains in the Canadian forces now overseas, and it is little wonder that his people and the residents of Cobourg generally are proud of him. He goes into the very presence of death with the soldiers, and has saved the life of many a man by his prompt aid in getting him to the hospital. Lieut. Col. Beattie has, besides, written home some of the most interesting and instructive letters that have been received from Europe.

It was characteristic of the lieutenant colonel to tender his resignation. It was the interests of his church at home, rather than his own welfare, that he had in mind when he asked to be relieved of his clerical duties. He had been given leave of absence for the duration of the war, but the conflict has already lasted longer than he thought for at the start, and the prospects for bright. Lieut. Col. Beattie thought the church would suffer without a regular pastor, and offered to quit.

The members of his congregation at home are unselfish in this matter as their gallant pastor himself. No matter how long the war lasts, they are anxious to see him remain at his post in Europe until the close, and to come back to them when the war is over.

Here is certainly a model relation, alike creditable to both, between pastor and people. Many a man has given up a lucrative position in public or private life to go to the war with the understanding that his place will be kept for him until his return. His employers are making sacrifices when they dispense with his services, but we have yet to hear of the first case of a soldier in Europe being asked to resign permanently under such circumstances, or of having his resignation accepted even if he sent it in.

There are churches in Canada that have pastors at the front in capacities other than that of chaplain. Some of these have reverted in rank in order to get into the front of the battle. In their congregations at home there are, unfortunately, some members, slanders themselves usually who talk of the church suffering in the absence of the pastor, and believe that he should make way for another. The pity of it is that in all his labors before the war broke out, the ministrations of the absent pastor have failed to work a change for the better in the nature of such specimens of humanity. The pearls have been consumed to no purpose. Those who devoured them are ravenous and untamed as ever.—Peterboro Review.

NOT NEUTRAL

Practically every English language newspaper of importance in the United States has maintained a neutral attitude in this war as far as treatment of European belligerents is concerned; but those who are truly American, have upheld American rights and are therefore pro-American. If they have denounced Germany's ruthless submarine warfare, it is because Americans have been among the victims. They are not neutral when the honor of the United States is at stake.—New York Commercial.

POOR PATRIOTISM AND WORSE POLITICS

Bedlam never produced a proposal that carried a greater appearance of futility and folly than the scheme to call for 50,000 volunteers for the home defence of Canada.

Sir Edward Kemp has apparently permitted the Borden Government to become responsible for the half-baked desigus of a hierarchy of administrative soldiers.

Voluntarism is to be loaded up with fifty new regimental establishments of colonels and majors and staffs. The officer who has never gone overseas is to be further glorified and promoted and paid, to the prejudice of the soldier who has gone overseas.

The Borden Government has placed itself in danger of being despised for a leadership that is not strong enough to attempt conscription nor wise enough to let voluntarism alone. The whole scheme is an example of poor patriotism and worse politics.

—Toronto Telegram (Con.)

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NEWS FROM NEARBY DISTRICTS

TRENTON

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Long, Ford St., spent Thursday in Belleville. Mrs. Arthur Jones of Belleville, was in town on Monday. Mr. R. J. M. Webb was in Belleville on Saturday. Mr. Alex. Weddell has been transferred from the Almonte branch to the Belleville branch of the Molson's Bank. Mr. Gerald Murdock has rented his house, furnished, to the director of the Canadian National Features Ltd. Canon Gould and family of Toronto, are coming to 'The Grove' again this summer. Mr. W. A. Fraser returned on Tuesday from a fortnight's trip to Chicago and other western points. We are sorry to hear that Pte. E. H. Evans, son of Mr. J. D. Evans C. E., is ill in an hospital in France with septic poisoning in the left leg. Pte. Cecil Webb of the 25th Batt., of Mr. R. J. M. Webb of the Molson Bank, left on Monday for Kingston where he will take a course in the signalling corps. A pretty wedding took place at the residence of Mr. Nicholas Harit, Deputy Reeve of Murray, on Wednesday, Mar. 7, when his only daughter, Marjorie Frances, was united in marriage to Mr. Arthur McConnell of Springbrook. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Canon Armstrong in the presence of a large assembly of friends. Little Helen Bateman, dressed in blue silk, acted as flower girl. The bride, who was given away by her father, looked charming in a gown of ivory crepe-de-chêne and nines, and tulle veil wreathed with orange blossoms. Mr. Clayton McGuire played the wedding march, and during the signing of the register, Mrs. Laird, sister of the groom, sang "I Love You Truly." Following the ceremony, a delectable wedding breakfast was served, Mr. and Mrs. McConnell leaving shortly afterward for Toronto and Hamilton. The bride was the recipient of many useful and beautiful gifts, the groom's gift to the bride being a sunburst of pearls. —The Courier.

Major Weller was in Belleville on Tuesday. Mrs. P. J. O'Rourke was in Belleville on Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Long, Ford St.

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STRANGE HOLD OF THE TRAFFIC

Mr. Tennyson Smith Tells How Church and Parliament in Great Britain are Held in Subjection by the Liquor Traffic

From Monday's Daily. In the Salvation Army Chateau Thursday the Temperance Campaign was continued. The Salvation Army Band led the singing of several hymns. Adjutant Ritchie presided and expressed his gratification that they had the honor of a visit from so distinguished a speaker as Mr. Tennyson Smith, whom he had heard some years ago. Mrs. Tennyson Smith again sang with much acceptance Alexander's song, 'Everybody Should Know.' Mr. Thomas S. Morris, Grand Councillor of the Royal Templars for the Province of Ontario was introduced and gave some interesting particulars as to the objects and work of the Order, pointing out the need for present for all temperance workers banding themselves together in existing organizations for the purpose of continuing the work until Dominion Prohibition had been secured. He spoke also of the advantages of the insurance department of the Order and urged persons to join.

Mr. Tennyson Smith gave his address on "The Search-Light Flashing on the Liquor Traffic," illustrating his subject with tragic and humorous incidents graphically related. He also showed two banners with striking designs from which he drew forceful lessons. The lecture was somewhat different in character from the most of those which have preceded it, as it did not lend itself quite so much to dramatization, but it was especially useful in the information which the speaker gave and opened the eyes of his hearers to the corrupting influence of the traffic. He produced a number of share-lists of liquor companies and gave some startling facts with regard to this phase of the traffic in Great Britain, and showed how almost every department of public life was demoralized by the financial interests represented by the shareholders. The police, the press, the medical profession, the municipality and the government all being implicated.

He said that some years ago an investigation showed that 178 clergymen of the Church of England were shareholders in Guinness's Brewery of Dublin. He however, deprecated any attack by the Non-conformists of England upon the Anglican church for he said that at that time most of the Non-conformists had liquor sellers holding office in their churches, and were thus guilty of complicity with the traffic for the sake of unholy gain. Another item was the production of a leaflet which was a reprint of an article which he published in the paper of which he was then editor, entitled "Public Pundits," and which he had distributed to the members of the House of Commons, showing that 129 members of parliament were shareholders in breweries, distilleries and other liquor concerns, 13 members of the government and 9 members of the cabinet, and stated that that very parliament passed a law to compensate the liquor traffic, thus taking money out of the pockets of the public to put into their own. He thus showed the enormous power that has to be fought in England when any effort is made to carry temperance legislation, and urged that Canadians should remember this. He expressed the opinion that both at Ottawa and at Quebec drastic legislation was hindered by similar vested interests though not on so great a scale, and expressed his regret that the law did not in this country allow him the privilege which he had in the home-land of demanding to see the books of any limited liability company and thus ascertain who was financially interested in the traffic and expose them publicly as he did at home. He said they would never rest until all the breweries and distilleries were closed down in Canada. He appealed to all temperance people to join some organization so that they might be a powerful force in the country, and specially commended the Royal Templars of which he had been a member for many years. He concluded with a stirring peroration illustrating the importance and power of organized effort.

After the meeting Mr. and Mrs. Tennyson Smith went by invitation to the banquet given by the Royal Templars in their Hall, and were

officially introduced to the lodge in session by Mr. Henry, and were given a rousing welcome. There will be no meeting tonight as no meeting on Saturday night as Mr. Tennyson Smith will take a much needed rest in preparation for a heavy day on Sunday. A great meeting is expected on Sunday afternoon in the Tabernacle Methodist Church. The campaign closes on Tuesday night with Mr. Tennyson Smith's evening of dramatic recitals of which we give particulars elsewhere.

FAREWELL GREETINGS FROM SCHOOLMATES

On Friday evening, March 9, a number of children of Foxboro public school gathered together at the home of M. A. Snider to spend a social evening with the children before leaving Foxboro for their future home in Saskatchewan. After an hour had been spent in games and music, the following address was read by Harold Longwell: Dear Beatrice, Bessie, Phyllis, and Blair— We, your school mates have gathered here because we know that you will soon be leaving our midst. During the months you have been with us, we have learned to appreciate your friendship. We have enjoyed our school life better because you have been with us to share in our work and our games. We will miss you very much and will remember you when you are far away. We hope you will have much pleasure and success in your western home and school, but hope you will not forget your loyal school-mates of Foxboro Public School, the ice-slide by the wood-shed in winter, nor the basketball and base-ball in summer. We hope you will all grow up to be noble women and men and we will try to do the same, so that we may meet again in Heaven, for we may not meet again on earth. We have brought these gifts to you and ask you to accept them as a slight token of our regard for you. When you use them we hope you will have pleasant remembrances of us and of your stay among us. Signed on behalf of your school companions.

Jack Lake, Harold Longwell, Mr. Snider, also Beatrice, thanked the children for their gifts and also for their many kindnesses during their stay among them. Lunch was then served by Mrs. Snider the children leaving shortly afterwards for their several homes, much pleased with their outing.

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SMALL MARKET ATTENDANCE

Butter and Eggs Higher in Price - Chickens Were High in Price
(From Saturday's Dairy)
The gales which prevailed during the night, the bad roads, and the downpour of rain, had disastrous effects upon the St. Patrick's market today. The square had very few vehicles, and the offerings were mainly potatoes at \$4.00 per bag; apples at 25c and 30c per peck; and vegetables. The inner market was small, about one quarter of its size. Eggs advanced in price again, selling at 35c to 40c, although buyers are paying only 30c and 32c. Butter was steady at 45c to 50c per pound. Chickens were very high at \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00 per pair. The meat market is a little easier, hogs offering at \$14.75 live; beef at \$15 per cwt headquarters; veal 14c per pound and lamb 25c per pound. Grains show no change, wheat \$1.65 to \$1.70; oats 65c.

The flower display included the following: hyacinths, 25c per pot; tulips, 25c; shamrocks, 25c.

Legislative Snapshots

(By Don Hunt.)
C. M. BOWMAN, M.P.P. for West Bruce
The Chapter of the Opposition and father-confessor. The pleasant-faced man, To whom you go when you are troubled. He's Chief Whip. But his scorpions Lack cruelty. Has been in the House For two long decades. Twenty years ago, His beard was black; Today—he has none!

MASSASSAGA

Mr. and Mrs. B. Tripp and Mrs. Jack Gay took dinner with Mr. Jay Anderson on Tuesday last. Mr. Richard Collins and Miss Margaret spent a day with his son, Mr. W. Collins. Messrs. A. J. and A. W. Anderson spent the week-end at Fish Lake. Glad to report Mr. Harry Jose able to be around again, also Miss Hattie Broad.

The Misses Gladys and Hazel Collins, aged 7 and 9 years, worked a pair of pillow shams and sold tickets for them amounting to \$12, for the Massassaga Red Cross. The shams were drawn for on Mar. 8, Mrs. Jas. Howatson of this place being the winner. Mr. Ase Broad is under the doctor's care. We hope for a speedy recovery.

GETTING OUT OF CANADA

Every country has its citizens who for one reason and another do not like the idea of shouldering a gun in defence of their country and their flag. While Canada, with a population about the size of that of New York State, has recruited nearly half a million men for the overseas war, there are hundreds of military age who fear that compulsory service will come, and are getting out of Canada as fast as they can. They are coming into the United States believing that by so doing and remaining in this country until the war is over in Europe, they will be able to escape military duty. Port Huron is one of the favorite places for crossing. During January the immigration officer there had 1,231 applications of persons wanting to leave Canada. Of this number, 52 applicants were rejected. This is the greatest number to leave Canada in any one month since the war began—Oswego Palladium.

DOMINION PROHIBITION ARMY SONG

The following song to the well-known tune of "It's a Long Way to Tipperary," was recently composed by Mr. Tennyson Smith, and it goes with a fine swing at its meetings. Right throughout the country, let us raise this rallying cry. Fight for Prohibition until Canada is "dry." See Prince Edward Island lead the way in this fair land, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick take the noble stand.

In the face of such a situation, it is felt that Canada will support the Commission in larger measure, once the facts are known. Contributions are earnestly invited by the Central Belgian Relief Committee, 69 St. Peter Street, Montreal. They may also be sent to any branch Committee in Canada. The safety of the relief ships traversing between this country and Rotterdam is now assured.

Opinions From Our Contemporaries

FAVORS A MARGAMATION

Our Tweed Contemporary, in commenting on the vacant county clerkship, seems to be under the impression that the work of clerk and treasurer cannot be properly performed by one person. This view does not seem to be well founded because of the fact that in four of the largest counties in the province, these positions are filled by the same person. These counties are Durham and Northumberland, Peterborough, Victoria and Waterloo. In Waterloo, with an equalized assessment one-third greater than Hastings, the position became vacant by death last year and both offices were again given to one person, showing that in this county the amalgamation of the two offices appears to have given satisfaction.

VENEREAL DISEASE IN BRITAIN

Since the publication of the report of the Royal Commission on Venereal Diseases, the British Government has adopted several of the recommendations contained in it. One was the establishment in each county or borough of clinics, or treatment centres, in which expert treatment was available free. But a few days ago the Home Secretary gave notice in the British Commons of an amendment to the Criminal Code making the communication, knowingly, of venereal disease a criminal offence. Lord Rhondda, as head of the Local Government Board, is bringing in a measure suppressing secret remedies and quacks. Speaking of the latter, Sir Malcolm Morris, the eminent surgeon, says: "These so-called specialists, who are nothing more or less than unqualified, unscrupulous, charlatans and harpies, preying on the fears and credulity of their hapless clients, are at once a standing disgrace and a danger. Their own ignorance of the diseases they profess to treat, and in not a few cases, their deliberate suspension or prolongation of the cure, for the sake of adding to their extortionate fees, have helped to disseminate the plague, and multiply its baneful consequences." Dr. Douglas White gave evidence three years ago, before the commission, that there were three million syphilitics in the United Kingdom—one in every fifteen of the entire population. The conditions resulting from the war seem to have spread, rather than contracted, the menace, and the military authorities have had a big problem handling it among the soldiers. The "quacks" referred to by Sir Malcolm Morris have had a large harvest.—Toronto Mail and Empire.

EVANGELISM

The work of 'Billy Sunday' at Buffalo is giving renewed notice to the work of Evangelism in the churches. At present, speaking generally Evangelism is at a discount, and very often pastors prefer to do without Evangelists and churches do not want them. There may be ground for some of these criticisms but it is also true that the modern church, in thinking little of the Evangelist and that for which he stands, is often revealing its own weakness. This is due not so much to the decline of special services as to the loss of the evangelistic spirit. It might be an advantage to dispense with the professional Evangelist, if the church became Evangelistic. The work of the Evangelist is essential, and if the old order is not good enough, then it ought to be possible to discover a better. Not long ago an interesting account was given of a noteworthy movement among the churches of the Rawdon Circuit, Bay of Quinte Methodist Conference, where through special services and meetings, a remarkable spirit was evinced which led to decided blessing. If similar movements took place throughout the Dominion, it would prepare Canada for the right use of the victory which we are hoping and expecting to achieve in Europe. The main thought is the work rather than the man, for Evangelism, while not everything, is certainly the first thing, and if there are no conversions, there can be no church, though where conversions are the constant aim and regular experience all else will prosper. Someone has said that when the prodigal came home the saints fed on the fatted calf and the house was alive with joy. It is certainly true that a church that ceases to be Evangelistic is in danger of ceasing to be Evangelical.—Tertius in Saturday's Globe.

HIS LAST PIECE OF COPY

Could anything have been more beautifully appropriate than that the last piece of copy that the departed Editor of the 'Pioneer' touched was the following extract from Whittier. It was found upon his desk after he had left the office for what proved to be the last time: "When I am dead, if men can say 'He helped the world upon its way,' If they can say—if they but can—'He did his best; he played the man; His way was straight; his soul was clean; His fallings not unkind or mean; He loved his fellow men and tried To 'help them;' I'll be satisfied." Now that he has fallen on sleep, men can certainly pay this noble tribute to Frank S. Spence with all sincerity. The poet has painted the portrait in these lines.—The Pioneer

MOUNT ZION

Mrs. C. Ostrander is visiting her sister, Mrs. John Crosby. Mr. Harry Rosborough met with a very painful accident on Friday at the Chemical Works in Trenton. While using a pick-axe, the pick glanced and went through the ball of his foot. Mrs. G. Way entertained a number of ladies from Stockdale on Thursday, with a chain tea. A meeting was held at Mr. D. McDonald's on Thursday night to form a new branch of the telephone line. Mr. G. S. Way is busy getting out material for his new barn. Mr. Green has the contract for the building.

CHORUS

It's a long way to Prohibition, It's a long way to go. It's a long way to Prohibition, But we've travelled far we know. Good-bye to the traffic, Farewell to its snare, It's a long way to Prohibition, But we'll soon get there. Manitoba and Alberta fight and win the day, B. C. and Saskatchewan, both sweep the drink away. With Ontario "dry" we've won eight provinces in nine. Now we'll never rest until Quebec's brought into line. Chorus:—It's a long way to Prohibition, etc. To the Federal Government, we make our claim at last, That a Prohibition Law, Dominion-wide be passed. Stopping manufacture and the importation, too. Then we'll show what Prohibition, fairly tried, can do! Chorus: It's a long way to Prohibition, etc.

NERVOUS CHILDREN

The Trouble is Often Really St. Vitus Dance—Do Not Neglect It. Many a child has been called awkward, has been punished in school for not keeping still or for dropping things when the trouble was really St. Vitus Dance. This disease may appear at any age, but is most common between the ages of six and fourteen years. It is caused by thin blood which falls to carry sufficient nourishment to the nerves, and the child becomes restless and twitching of the muscles and jerking of the limbs and body follows. In severe cases the child is unable to hold any thing or feed itself. St. Vitus Dance is cured by building up the blood. The most successful treatment is to remove the child from all mental excitement, stop school work and give Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. These pills renew the blood supply, strengthen the nerves, and restore the child to perfect health. Here is proof of their power to cure. Mrs. S. Sharpe, Oakville, Ont., says:—"When my daughter was nine years old she was attacked with St. Vitus Dance. She was sent to a sanatorium where she remained for nine weeks, without any benefit. Indeed when we brought her home she was as helpless as a baby. I got a supply of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and continued giving her half a pill after each meal for several months, when she had fully recovered and has never had a symptom of the trouble since." You can get Dr. Williams' Pink Pills through any dealer in medicine or by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont. Mrs. F. H. Henry and Master Floyd with Miss Florence Lake, McDonald Ave., returned on Saturday from visiting Deseronto relatives.

From the Countryside

STIRLING

Mr. E. J. Podd, of Belleville, was in town on Wednesday.

Mr. Harold VanAllen has enlisted with the Highlanders.

Mr. W. U. Grayne is spending a few days in Belleville and Trenton.

Dr. Zwick has returned from Clifton Springs very much improved in health.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Holden left on Monday for their home in Stranear, Sask. We wish them every success in their new home.

Mr. Henry Barrow, who has been visiting friends and relatives for the past few months, left on Friday for his home in Mantario, Sask.

—The News Argus

TWEED

Rev. Father Murtagh, of Marmora, and Rev. Father O'Riordan, of Madoc attended the mission held in St. Catharine Church during the week.

Capt. Wallace who has been in charge of recruiting in Tweed for the past five months has received notice of his transfer to Campbellford. He is being replaced here by Lieut. Bergeron, of Wellington.

Jas. Gonyon, the famous hunter and trapper of the north, was in town on Monday enroute to the west to visit his son.

Miss Gladys Black has been chosen as one of the 10 Canadian nurses who are to be connected with Queen Alexandra Imperial Nursing staff. She expects soon to leave for overseas.

Mrs. (Rev.) Jas Rattray who has been undergoing treatment at the Toronto General Hospital for the six weeks returned home on Monday. Her many friends will be pleased to learn that she is much improved in health.

Mr. Wm. Whalen returned on Monday from Big Rapids, Mich., where on March 3rd he attended the funeral of his sister the late Mrs. Thos. Cavanaugh, the deceased whose maiden name was Bridget Whalen was formerly a resident of Stoen.

Capt. Wallace, the local recruiting officer, has informed us that the names of those eligible to enlist in Tweed have been forwarded to him by the National Service Board and that a canvass of the man will be made to learn their reason for not enlisting.

—The Advocate

MARMORA

Mr. Fred Eastwood left on Monday for Toronto, where he has obtained a good position.

Rev. F. Woodger, of Bowmanville, is visiting his son, Rev. W. P. Woodger, for a week or two.

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Murphy and family, who have been visiting the latter's mother and other relatives in this vicinity, left for their home in Palmer, Sask., on Tuesday morning.

Mr. Desmond Gehan, who has been attending the Peterboro Business college, was successful in passing his diploma examinations. Since graduating he has accepted a position with the Dominion Express Co., and his excellent chance for advancement. We congratulate Mr. Gehan, on his success.

Mr. Chas. Nichol, suffered quite a serious loss on Tuesday, when his horse broke its leg and had to be shot. The animal got loose in the stable and kicked the door open and when it got out began running and jumping and playing in some way it caught its foot on the edge of the sidewalk, snapping the bone of one front leg just above the hoof so there was no possibility of it being able to use its foot again.

Last Friday evening Mystic Lodge No. 278, I. O. O. F., Marmora, was merged with Springbrook Lodge. The proceedings were in charge of Mr. Brooks Grand Secretary of the I. O. O. F., Grand Lodge, and Mr. Geo. Short, D. D. G. M. A number from Marmora Lodge went to Springbrook for the meeting. After the business for the evening had been disposed of an oyster supper was served and all present had a very enjoyable social time.

Application will be made at the present session of the Ontario Legislature for a Special Act to consolidate the Debenture and Floating Debts of the Village and to create a Patriotic Fund. The cost of erecting the town hall exceeded the amount realized from the sale of the debentures by about \$1800. The fire protection system also cost over \$400, more than the sum realized from the sale of the debentures and the unusually large expenditure for charity and Board of Health last year brought the floating debt of the village to over \$2500. The interest

on this amount, alone would be over \$150 annually without reducing the debt.

The amount required annually to meet the payments of the various debentures is nearly \$2500. In addition the calls for Patriotic purposes are likely to increase rather than diminish and the Council feel it is advisable to create a fund to meet these requirements rather than to take it out of current revenue.

The Herald

CARRYING PLACE

A few from here attended the dance at Peck's Hall on Friday night. The 'At Home' held in the hall on Tuesday evening was well attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bonter, Mrs. S. Church and Mr. Ray Church visited at M. J. Vandervoort's on Friday evening.

Miss Ila Rowe has returned home after visiting her cousin, Mrs. Harry Allison, for a couple of days.

Sorry to report Mr. Francis Weese having the misfortune to break his leg on Friday.

Miss Vera Brickman from Victoria, took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bonter on Wednesday.

The Guild was held at the home of Miss M. Corrigan on Wednesday afternoon.

Quite a few from here attended the Red Cross meeting at Mrs. Thomas Ayrhart's on Thursday afternoon.

Mr. Ray Church drove to Trenton Monday evening.

Master Geo. R. Harris invited a few of his boy friends to dinner on Sunday.

Mr. Samuel Burley is still suffering with rheumatism.

The Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs. C. Pearsall on Thursday afternoon.

Mr. Henry Flindall is on the sick list.

Miss Ila Rowe called on Mrs. McLaughlin Friday afternoon.

Miss Edna Hawkins has returned home after spending a few days with Mrs. Marshall Peck.

Mrs. H. Meyers and Lillian called on Mr. and Mrs. Smith Rowe on Sunday afternoon.

Miss Vera Brickman has returned home after visiting relatives here.

Mr. Carson Hubbs has secured a position over in Trenton round house.

Mrs. Geo. Taylor and son, Earl, visited at Mr. Frank Hall's on Sunday evening.

6TH LINE SIDNEY.

The oldest resident in the 6th con. of Sidney passed away at an early hour on Saturday morning in his 89th year. It being the death of Mrs. Jane Cole. Deceased was born in Adolphustown in the year 1829. The funeral service was conducted by the Rev. L. M. Sharpe in Scott's Methodist church on Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Cole was widely known, her husband preceding her to the tomb about 18 years ago. She was a Methodist in religion. The remains were placed in Frankford cemetery.

Mr. Charles Pearson had the misfortune to slip and fall on an oil can and seriously hurting his hip. He is under the care of Dr. Simmons.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Leach, of Murray, were guests at Mr. J. J. Reid's, on Sunday.

A number from this way have been attending the revival meetings in Stirling.

Mr. and Mrs. Moon and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Scott were guests at Mr. Morley Scott's on Sunday night.

Mrs. Chas. Demille spent Friday in Belleville.

Mrs. Ernest Lott has returned home from visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace of Glen Ross.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bell entertained friends on Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds of Foxboro, were guests at Mr. E. Sine's on Sunday.

Mrs. Nelson Beatty and daughter

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Miss May and Mr. Wilmot Rose spent one day this week in Belleville.

Miss Bessie Scott has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Montgomery, of Rawdon, spent Sunday at Mrs. Foster's.

Mr. Geo. Acker was visiting old friends on Sunday.

Mr. Gerald Sine and Mr. Ross Datoe were in Belleville on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Scott and Mrs. Holden spent Thursday in Trenton.

MELVILLE

On Saturday morning, a team of spirited horses belonging to Mr. J. H. Chase, ran away as Mr. Chase was on his way to Mountain View with

a load of calves and sheep. Mr. Chase was thrown off and badly bruised about the shoulders, the horses, dashing out of sight in a very short space of time and completely demolishing the sleigh. The horses were caught by a neighbor and escaped without injury as did also the calves and sheep. Mr. Chase is recovering from the painful effects of the accident.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Jeffery, Oshawa, spent a few days last week with friends at Melville. Mr. Jeffery has transferred his blacksmith business here to Mr. Alva Miller, Coneseon, who will commence work in the near future. A capable blacksmith is considered a necessary convenience to Melville and surrounding country.

Rev. H. H. Mutton attended the Prince Edward Sunday School Convention in Platon on Thursday.

Miss Eida Mikel is spending a few days with friends in Frankford and Toronto.

Several from this locality attended the memorial service for the late Gunner Earl Parliament who died recently in England. Gunner Parliament was the son of Mr. Elton Parliament, Salem. The service was conducted in the home church on Sunday afternoon, by Rev. C. J. Gall, Coneseon.

Mrs. Lewis Wallbridge returned on Sunday to her home at Huff's Island, after spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Kinneer.

Mr. and Mrs. James Morton were guests of Col. and Mrs. Ferguson at Hotel Alexandria, Wellington, Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Weeks were at home Tuesday evening to a party of friends who enjoyed the music of Mr. Week's new Victrola.

Mr. George Rice and bride (nee Miss Elmira Ives, Colborne) are spending a few days with friends in this locality.

Miss Lida Weeks spent several days last week with Mrs. J. Kinneer.

The Ladies of the Red Cross Society met for sewing and knitting at the home of Mrs. James Morton, Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Fred Morton has been spending several weeks at Huff's Island with her mother, Mrs. Wallbridge, who is ill. We are pleased to report Mrs. Wallbridge's condition improving during the past week.

Recent arrivals and departures:— Messrs. Jas. and W. H. Morton in Belleville, Saturday; Mr. and Mrs. Gregg Titus, Toronto, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Brooks, last week; Mr. Albert Carley in Belleville, Friday; Miss Madeleine Weeks guest of Mrs. H. Huycke, North Lakeside, Tuesday; Mr. and Mrs. Ross Cruickshank, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Smith, Sunday; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bush, recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Weeks; Mrs. Lewis Wallbridge, guest of Mrs. W. H. Anderson; Thursday; Mrs. Fanny Kemp and children North Lakeside, week-end guests of Mrs. Fred Weeks.

BETHANY

The recent heavy rains have made the roads almost impassable in some places.

A large crowd listened to an interesting discourse by our pastor on Sunday.

Miss Lela Ross, of Belleville, visited at Mr. Fred Swain's on Sunday. The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Denke was buried on Thursday. They have the sympathy of their many friends in the loss of their little one.

Mr. and Mrs. A. McFarlane, Melrose, and Mr. and Mrs. J. McCullough Sidney, visited at Mr. E. W. Brown's on Friday.

Mrs. Fred Swain spent a few days last week visiting friends in Belleville.

Mr. and Mrs. McCutcheon, of Belleville, visited at Mr. A. H. Easton's on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Hamilton visited his sister, Mrs. J. Snarr, Wellman's Corners, last week.

The Misses Garrison entertained a few friends one evening last week.

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A motor-driven sleigh, which looks like a long boat, has made its appearance on the streets of Montreal. It is the invention of eighteen-year old Clarence Dettler, son of Sidney Dettler, Westmount. After trial trips along the city streets, where its qualities as a navigable craft have been given the severest tests, and along country roads, where it has attained thirty miles an hour, carrying two passengers, its inventor is satisfied that he has solved most of the problems of winter locomotion.

Its bright, red color, its low, lean, boatlike build, the unaccustomed chug-chug of its engine and the smoothness with which it slides over snow and ice attracted much attention as the motor-sleigh raced along Dorchester street yesterday afternoon, with Clarence Dettler at the wheel.

Dogs have not yet got used to the strange apparition, and they challenge it as they used to challenge automobiles before they realized that automobiles were dangerous. Traffic policemen are not quite sure what they should do about it—whether it comes within the meaning of the Act, and if so, which Act.

Motor Bobsleigh

Clarence Dettler's motor sleigh is different in design and principle from the propeller-driven contrivances which took Sir Ernest Shackleton over the ice, or from the converted automobiles, with runners supplanting the front wheels, which one or two enterprising Canadian farmers are using to climb hills in winter. The inventor calls the machine a motor bobsleigh. Its motive power is a Harley-Davidson 3 h.p. motor cycle engine, which drives by means of a shaft and belt a heavy motor-cycle wheel. This wheel is at the stern of the car. It is fitted with heavy tire chains, which, gripping the hard snow of the road, drive the car forward as the paddle wheels drive a steamer.

Thus far the mechanism is very simple—almost obvious. But if that were all, the sleigh would not work. It would pull up every time it went into a hole in the road and the wheel left the ground. To keep the wheel on the ground and make it follow the contour of the road, a very ingenious spring is used. This is the device which the inventor has patented. It is being tested at a time when successive thaws and frosts have made the roads very bad, but it is shaping well in the tests. In former attempts to build motor-sleighs for road purposes, spikes have been used as paddles on the wheel. These have proved a failure; while they work fairly well on

Germans Burn Over 300 Villages Continue Retreat Over 90-Mile Front

GERMANS ARE RETIRING ALONE ONE-FIFTH OF WESTERN FRONT

No Halt in Teuton Retirement Who Spread Devastation in Their Path--Have Fired 300 Villages--Berlin Admits Big Withdrawal--Turkish Army in Full Flight in Mesopotamia--Russians Capture Van--Chinese Troops Seize German Concessions--R. R. Strike Called Off This Morning.

HUNS ADMIT RETIREMENT

BERLIN, March 19.—Evacuation of territory over a wider sector on the French front extending from Arras to the Aisne river is announced by the German war office.

OVER 600 MILES OF FRENCH TERRITORY EVACUATED.

PARIS, March 19.—Tomorrow or the day after two entire French departments, those of the Oise and Aisne will be liberated from the German invader. The total territory now regained is roughly calculated at 620 square miles.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR DUCHESS THIS MORNING

TORONTO, March 19.—A memorial service in honor of her late Royal Highness, the Duchess of Connaught was held this morning at St. James Cathedral, His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, and party were present as well as members of the Cabinet, members of parliament, the city council and other public bodies.

MESOPOTAMIAN TURKS PUT TO ROUT

LONDON, March 19.—British War Office announces British army in Mesopotamia has put the Turks to rout. The Turks are in full flight towards Samara 75 miles northwest of Bagdad.

VAN CAPTURED BY THE RUSSIANS

LONDON, March 19.—Capture by the Russians of the City of Van in Turkish Armenia is reported in a Reuter despatch from Petrograd.

GERMAN RETREAT CONTINUES

PARIS, March 19.—Reports from the western front state that the German line continues its retreat over a section representing one-fifth of the vast front from Switzerland to the sea. Both British and French cavalry are taking part in the close pursuit of the enemy. There are no indications yet of a German halt. It is estimated that 300 villages have been red by the Germans many of which are still burning.

CHINESE TROOPS SEIZE GERMAN CONCESSIONS

PEKIN, March 19.—Chinese troops have seized the German concessions at Tien Tain and Hankow.

LARGE GERMAN MUNITION PLANT BLOWN UP.

COPENHAGEN, March 19.—A large munition plant at Cologne was blown up, killing several hundred German workmen.

GREAT PROPOSED STRIKE CALLED OFF

NEW YORK, March 19.—Proposed strike on the railways was officially called off this morning.

THE GERMANS ARE STILL IN RETREAT

LONDON, March 18.—The Germans continued their retreat on the Somme today, yielding between 400 and 600 square miles of territory to the British and French along a front of nearly 100 miles extending from the Arras sector to the Oise River. Pressing close on the heels of the retreating enemy, the French and British troops occupied mile after mile of open ground, and are still pushing forward.

The German retirement reached its greatest proportions within the Arras and Uoyon salients which now have been nearly eliminated. At points in the former section the British advanced to a depth of ten miles, while the French forward movement reached a depth of twelve miles at places within the Noyon loop.

About seventy villages and towns fell into the hands of the allied soldiers during the day. The important fortified centers of Peronne, Chaulnes and Nesle were occupied by the British while the French took the strategic town of Noyon, the largest center to fall in the German retreat.

In the Noyon sector the British and the French forces have joined hands in the advance, their lines temporarily overlapping for a distance of several miles. Together they entered Nesle this morning, where they were greeted with cheers by the remaining residents.

At almost every point along the whole front, the allied sol-

diers are out of the trenches, and for the first time in months the cavalry of both the French and British armies is operating extensively in wide open territory. In every direction mounted troops are being sent forward ahead of the main forces. At few points have the opposing forces met in battle. Even encounters between German rearguards and the allies' advanced units have been rare, so rapid has been the German retreat and so cautious have the French and British commanders been to prevent their soldiers from falling into a possible trap.

RUSSIANS SWEEP FORWARD ON WIDE FRONT IN PERSIA

LONDON, March 18.—The capture by the Russians of the City of Van in Turkish Armenia, is reported in a Reuter despatch from Petrograd.

The capture of Van indicates that the spring movement is now on.

A Petrograd despatch says the Russians are continuing pursuit of the Turks in Persia. The war office today announced that a Turkish column had been cut off by Russian cavalry and had fled into the mountains.

TORPEDO BOATS SHELL KENTISH COAST TOWNS

LONDON, March 18.—German torpedo boats shelled towns along the Kentish coast early Sunday morning, but did little damage, according to an official statement issued tonight.

The text reads:

"Some enemy torpedo boats and destroyers approached the Kentish coast at 12.45 o'clock Sunday morning. They fired a number of shells at certain coast towns. There were no casualties. The material damage was slight, one occupied and two empty houses being hit."

THREE AMERICAN VESSELS ARE SUNK BY SUBMARINE.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—Three steamships flying the American flag have been accounted for by Germany's unrestricted submarine warfare. Their total gross tonnage was 14,587.

Early cables from London indicate that 48 members of the crews, including 34 known to be Americans by birth or naturalization, were not accounted for, but later advices showed a total of 22 missing.

The American freighter "City of Memphis" with more than 50 American sailors on board, was sunk by gunfire.

London reports that the American tank steamer Illinois, of 5220 tons, from London for Port Arthur, in ballast, was sunk at 8 o'clock this morning, without warning, and that the crew was landed.

The American steamer Vigilance, 4115 tons gross, was also sunk without warning, a London despatch announced. Fourteen of the crew were reported missing.

A second despatch from Consul F rost stated that 33 survivors of the City of Memphis landed at Queenstown, and that seven Americans were among the 15 landed at Schull.

BRITISH DEFEAT TURKS AWAY PAST BAGDAD

LONDON, March 18.—The British army in Mesopotamia has put the Turks to rout, it is announced officially. On Friday afternoon the Turks were in full flight towards Samara, 75 miles northwest of Bagdad. The retreat continued during Thursday an on Friday afternoon the whole enemy force, consisting of three Turkish divisions was in full flight in the direction of Samara.

GERMANS POISONED WELLS BEFORE RETREATING

British General Headquarters in France, March 18.—It was officially stated today that poisoned wells were found in the village of Barleux, southwest of Peronne, which was occupied by the British in the wake of retreating German garrisons. This serious accusation was made in a report by the British doctors on an analysis of the water. The British test all waters in occupied territories, in order to safeguard the troops from various diseases. They were startled to find that the Barleux wells contained a deadly poison.

Other wells in the line of the German retreat have been filled up, but this was the first indication of poison in any of the wells.

HARRY J. PRICE REPORTED SLAIN

High School Boy Who Left with 39th Battalion—Was Member of Christ Church

Harry J. Price, who left Belleville with the 39th Battalion is reported to have fallen in action in France. He is another one of the boys on Christ Church honor roll which is growing step by step. Seven or eight of the congregation's brightest young men have already been slain in the war for freedom's cause. Last evening the rector, Rev. R. C. Blagrove, D.D., announced the sad news and at the close of evensong, Mrs. Campbell, organist, played the "Dead March in Saul" the congregation and choir reverently standing.

Harry J. Price was a native of England but had spent eight or nine years in Canada when he enlisted. He lived for some time at Wallbridge, Ontario, and passed with high honors the High School entrance examination, being second on the list of candidates. In the autumn of 1913 he entered Belleville High School. His academic career wa-



HARRY J. PRICE

Formerly of 39th Battalion, Reported Killed in Action.

brilliant, but was cut short when on January 8th, 1915 he enlisted for overseas service. He was put on the recruiting staff and was given rank of corporal in the 39th Battalion. Previously he was a sergeant in the 15th regiment and a member of the cadet corps of the Belle H. S. He was possessed of literary skill and won a prize in the lower high school.

While in Belleville he stayed at the Marchmont Home. He was a faithful member of Christ Church and sang in the choir. During his service abroad, the choir of the church remembered him and sent him a prayer book which he acknowledged in a recent letter. Before he left Belleville he had been presented with a copy of the Book of Common Prayer by Rev. Dr. Blagrove. This he took to the front and one day he left it with some belongings in a trench. When he returned the articles were gone as a shell had struck that part of the trench. He wrote to the choir telling of the loss and requested them to send him a new prayer book, which was done.

He was an exceedingly bright young man and the report of his death has caused deep grief to those who knew him. He had no relatives in Canada.

CASUALTIES

Killed—
J. S. Badgley, Madoc, infantry
E. Wardhaugh, Belleville, infantry
Died—
W. A. Chisholm, Grafton, engineers.
Missing—
A. Z. Tufts, Tweed, infantry
W. J. Mitchell, Maynooth, infantry

EDWARD WARDHAUGH KILLED.

Definite word has been received that Pte. Edward Wardhaugh, who was reported some time ago as missing and probably killed, was slain in action on November 18. His name is in today's casualty list among the fallen.

THE NEW MILLINERY MODES ARE INDEED "CHIC"

The formal opening days are over but we're going to make every day an opening day as far as the introduction of New Hat Styles are concerned. You've seen the charming New Styles already displayed showing the latest trend of fashion such as the Tall stove pipe crown, the wide undulating brim, the odd turn up and turn over turban, the sailor that rolls up roundly or spreads out straight, and above all the mu-broon droop that characterizes three out of every five hats these days. Chinese colorings & decorations are much in vogue. The effect on the colors is Black, Green, Purple, etc. Brass, Grey, is most pleasing. Your early and frequent inspection invited.

(2nd Floor)

NEW YORK SEPARATE SKIRTS

NEW YORK FASHIONS

THE CHINESE NOTE A FAVORITE

These are the days that Fifth Avenue Blossoms forth in all the various colorings and designs you'll see in a bit of Chinese Embroidery or a collection of Chinese Peccolins. Everywhere these Bewitching New Colorings are in evidence, more particularly on the dresses and hats. Yellow the Royal color of this celestial land, Rose, Jade Green and even the vivid Chinese Reds are seen again and again. But through he has fallen victim to a passion for each shade, New York finds a grater moderation than usual in their application for she has learned from the Chinese the value of back grounds, and thus the pale Pinkish Greys, Soft Puffs and Leather tones have grown much in prominence and after Navy Blue are the chosen hues for Suits and Dresses. Just by way of variety you will occasionally see a Gay Gold or Mustard Colored Suit; a top coat of Jade Green Gold, Blue or Ruby Red, but with these are worn Neutral tinted Hats and Boots of the darkest of dark Brown, Buff or Grey.

Many other of fashions novelty features were borrowed from the same source. The Tassels that trim everything from Hats to Hand Bags, the Sashes that adorn Suits and Dresses, and the Hats with Pagoda like crowns and especially in the Embroideries with Chinese Motifs.

"New York March 8, 1917.

OUR HONOR ROLL

Seven of the Ritchie Co. Employees have donned Khaki since the commencement of war. We have had a large picture of the seven framed, and it is now to be seen in the men's window. See it when down town.

SEE WINDOWS TONIGHT

The Ritchie Company Limited

POLLYANUS COLLECTED \$35.16

The Pollyannus on Saturday, St. Patrick's Day, collected \$35.16 by selling shamrocks on the streets of Belleville. This collection is considered excellent in view of the rain storm. The proceeds go to purchase sweets for the Tommies.

DEATH OF CHILD

George Stanley Firth, fourteen day old son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Firth, 18 Jones street died on Sunday after three days of illness. The funeral took place this afternoon.

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THE IRISH TANGLE

Whether or not the Empire, as distinct from Great Britain, had any desire to take sides in the Irish question, the latest development of the situation, has made it imperative that it take an interest of a more than academic or "interested spectator" character.

The resolution introduced by Mr. O'Connor was very smartly worded and in view of the repeated declarations of British statesmen as well as those of Allied nations it is difficult to see how the appeal founded on the resolution can be logically met.

There is something to be said on both sides, but it can scarcely be denied that on the facts of the situation the Home Rule element has the upper hand, whether or not their action in stressing the situation meets with general approval.

It is in fact impossible, accepting the principle laid down in the resolution of Mr. O'Connor, to agree to the proposition of Home Rule for Ireland as a whole. A large portion of Ireland wants Home Rule, another portion does not and on the basis of government by consent of the governed, it is no more right to force Irish government upon Ulster than it is to force English government upon the rest of Ireland.

rationally provided for, but it is not meant that Ulster may determine what is to be done for the rest of Ireland. If the Ulster people do not want Home Rule they can be excluded from the scheme, but that does not give them the right to deny Home Rule to Catholic Ireland.

It might be further said that the whole question of Home Rule has been approached in a wrong way. The Gladstonian Liberals have left their successors a legacy they might well wish to be rid of. The real solution lies along federal lines, the adoption of a federal system like that of Canada for the United Kingdom.

A MARVEL TO THE EAST.

Haroun al Raschid, the most celebrated of the Caliphs of Bagdad and a great ruler of the Middle Orient, met many strange adventures in his midnight roamings through the streets of his magnificent capital and from Zobia and others he heard most wonderful stories as freaks of the imagination but it is extremely doubtful if in all these mental fights, the strange reality of today was anticipated.

In the Mesopotamian theater of war the military situation is not only absolutely reversed from that of a year since, but the Indo-British army sweeps with apparently irresistible force. Its marvellous advance finds only a comparatively recent counterpart in Lord Kitchener's achievement in the Battle of Omdurman and the capture of Khartoum.

The story of the advance of General Townsend towards Bagdad a year ago and his compulsory retreat towards Kut-el-Amir where he was cut off and afterwards starved into surrender, form now a well known part of contemporary military history.

highly developed monitor lines to enable them to operate actively as it apparently is doing with the land forces. The Indo-British troops have kept closely to the river's bank, where it would not be surprising to learn there is a considerable flotilla of warships of the type, developed through the present war, known as river monitors.

The throne of the Caliphs has passed under the sway of the once barbarians of the northernmost isles of Europe. Enver Pasha, who has just returned from Asia Minor to Constantinople, states that the Turkish situation was never better since their entrance into the war.

READING METERS

In Memphis, Tenn., there is a movement afoot to have pupils in the public schools taught to read gas, electric and water meters. The movement is supported by the Mayor, who says it should result in a great saving to citizens.

And while they are teaching household mysteries a simple course in plumbing would not be a bad idea. A high school physics course would be made more practical as well as more interesting to the students by the introduction of simple problems of plumbing.

Houses would be better built if the people who were going to live in them had up-to-date scientific knowledge of how these houses worked.

The strange thing to Americans, in all the German comment on the Berlin plot to turn Mexico and Japan against the United States is that there is no suggestion of shame or repentance over this betrayal of a friendly nation.

A Rochester street car conductor recently succeeded in making a crowd congregated around the rear of his car move up forward. Most of those on the back platform were women and they did not move when he suggested that there was "plenty of room in front."

Before long, Chicago will lose 400 billboards, but no one will regret their loss except the owners of the disfiguring objects. The signs were erected in violation of the city ordinance prohibiting such advertising displays in residence districts.

probably upon the owners of the billboards have been notified to tear down the sign. If they do not the building commissioner will do the work.

Do you like horehound? Your grandfather did in the bygone days, when he was a little boy and his father did not mind how much he had, for it was considered "good for his system."

The alligator has graduated into the useful class. At last his sluggish energy has been usefully directed. Recently a 600-foot twelve-inch sewer pipe in Fort Meade, Fla., became clogged with sand and dirt.

THE BOY WHO DIDN'T PASS.

A sad-faced little fellow sits alone in deep disgrace, There's a lump arising in his throat and tears stream down his face; He wandered from his playmates, for he doesn't want to hear

In the apple tree the robin sings a cheery little song, But he doesn't seem to hear it, showing plainly something's wrong; Comes his faithful little spaniel for a romp and bit of play,

Oh, you who boast a laughing son and speak of him as bright, And you who love a little girl who comes to you to-night With smiling eyes and dancing feet with honors from her school,

—Michigan Christian Advocate.

Opinions From Our Contemporaries

IRELAND A SOVEREIGN STATE

The real purpose of the Irish agitators has been formally and officially stated in a resolution passed by the Irish National League—the new organization that now controls the Home Rule agitation. The demand is that Ireland be made a sovereign state.

so short-sighted as to believe these demands should be granted. To show our readers just what the sum total of the Irish demands are, we quote from the manifesto of the League as follows:

"THE IRISH NATION LEAGUE CLAIMS THE RIGHT OF IRELAND TO RECOGNITION AS A SOVEREIGN STATE. It asserts, too, and discloses a plot to embroil Mexico and Japan in war with United States in this effort she is dragging into the war against her the only great power that has remained neutral, hoping that some miracle will happen to stay the tightening of the ring of steel that is crushing her into submission. If these frenzied efforts fail some historian of the near future will write the history of the Rise and Fall of the German Empire—New York Commercial.

GERMAN FOLLY

Foreign Secretary Zimmerman's amazing note to the German Minister at Mexico, transmitted through the hands of Count Von Bernstorff, German Ambassador at Washington, discloses a plot to embroil Mexico and Japan in war with United States in this effort she is dragging into the war against her the only great power that has remained neutral, hoping that some miracle will happen to stay the tightening of the ring of steel that is crushing her into submission. If these frenzied efforts fail some historian of the near future will write the history of the Rise and Fall of the German Empire—New York Commercial.

ernment could think of betraying its allies in the war against Germany. If Japan were to turn traitor she would seek rich spoils in Asia and not in America, but it is ridiculous to discuss the idea.

We may also dismiss from serious consideration the thought that Carranza could be cajoled or bribed into waging war on the United States to "re-conquer the lost territory in New Mexico, Texas and Arizona." Signs are not wanting that Carranza was influenced by German agents to talk about an embargo on exports of oil to advance the cause of peace.

Germany wishes to embroil us in war with Mexico by creating a condition that will force us into armed intervention. It would suit Germany's purpose very well if we spent the next five years in conquering Mexico and the South American Republics because they allied themselves with Germany. It would be to Germany's advantage to create a Japanese war scare on the Pacific coast which would force the Federal Government to keep a large fleet of warships on the Pacific Ocean instead of employing them to protect our commerce from German submarines on the Atlantic Ocean.

How much more evidence of similar character is in the hands of President Wilson and the State Department has not been disclosed, but this Zimmerman note is enough to prove the malignant purpose of the German government to embroil the United States in war with Mexico and Japan, and it also furnishes convincing evidence that Germany expected the United States government to declare war as soon as unrestricted submarine warfare began. The Kaiser and his advisers must be mad or grossly ignorant to let anyone in authority make such a proposal. To Americans, the idea of giving Mexico the three border states as spoils of war is grotesquely absurd.

In what spirit would other Latin-American republics receive this wild proposal? Mad as Foreign Secretary Zimmerman's note seems to Americans, it clearly discloses the hate that Prussian Junkerdom has for us. We can no more trust the German Empire than could poor Belgium. This Zimmerman note is in its way as foul a treachery as was the invasion of Belgium. Germany would throw us to the wolves if she could get them to back to the feast. The world cannot know peace while such a Germany exists. This note was written far in advance of the rupture of diplomatic relations and in cool anticipation of what was to follow the declaration of ruthless submarine war. Its publication shows up the canting hypocrisy of the German Chancellor's recent speech in the Reichstag.

Only one conclusion can be drawn from this Zimmerman note. Germany must be desperate in the face of a break-down at home and the shadow of overwhelming defeat on her frontiers. Her plots to foment revolutions in Ireland, India, and South Africa failed long ago, and now she is making this fantastic effort to detach Japan, and probably Russia, from the ranks of her foes in this effort she is dragging into the war against her the only great power that has remained neutral, hoping that some miracle will happen to stay the tightening of the ring of steel that is crushing her into submission. If these frenzied efforts fail some historian of the near future will write the history of the Rise and Fall of the German Empire—New York Commercial.

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Duma Now Control Russia Election a Decide Form of Govt.

Russian Ministry, Charged With Corruption and Incompetence, is Swept Out of Office Following Disatisfaction With Prosecution of War, and Duma Now in Complete Control—Grand Duke Michael Alexandrovitch Becomes Regent While the Czar is Besieged in His Palace.

LONDON, March 16.—A Petrograd despatch to The Daily Chronicle, dated Wednesday, says the Empress of Russia has been placed under guard.

PETROGRAD, March 16.—The Emperor of Russia has abdicated, and Grand Duke Michael Alexandrovitch, his younger brother, has been named as regent. The Russian ministry, charged with corruption and incompetence, has been swept out of office. One minister, Alexander Protopopoff, head of the interior department is reported to have been killed and the other ministers, as well as the president of the imperial council, are under arrest.

A new national cabinet is announced, with Prince Lvoff as president of the council and premier, and the other office held by the men who are close to the Russian people. The members of the new national cabinet are announced as follows:

- Premier, president of the council and minister of the interior, Prince Georges E. Lvoff.
- Foreign minister, Prof. Paul N. Mulukoff.
- Minister of public instruction, Prof. Manuiloff, of Moscow University.
- Minister of war and navy, ad interim, A. J. Guchkoff formerly president of the duma.
- Minister of agriculture, M. Inchingareff, deputy from Petrograd.
- Minister of finance, M. Tereshtenko, deputy from Kiev.
- Minister of justice, Deputy Kerenski, of Saratoff.
- Minister of communications, N. V. Nekrasoff, vice-president of the duma.
- Controller of state, M. Godneff, deputy from Kazan.

BEGAN A WEEK AGO

Events leading up to the revolution began a week ago with street demonstrations of working men, who quit work as a protest against the shortage of bread. The first two days mounted patrols kept the crowds moving without resorting to violence. When ordered to fire on the people they refused. Police were substituted and a battle occurred between them and the troops. Regiment after regiment joined the revolters and seized arsenals and other strategic points.

Until Sunday there was no intimation that the affair would grow to the proportions of a revolution. From then until Tuesday morning almost continuous fighting in the streets and thruout the city occurred leaving the revolutionists in full control. The latter then proceeded to reorganize the government.

Today the city emerged from a week's nightmare of revolution and figuratively smiled under a brilliant flood of sunshine following the series of gray days ending with a snowstorm yesterday morning.

Planks were pulled down from windows long closed. Stores, banks and business establishments of every description reopened their doors for the resumption of ordinary activities, seemingly as confidence in the new temporary government gained in force. Truck sledges and

little sleighs for hire, the most widely appreciated conveniences of Russian cities, began to appear again in the streets, which for six days had been absolutely void of any means of transportation. Newspapers, with the exception of revolutionary publications which sprang into life with the success of the revolt, had failed to appear. Street car service at noon had not been resumed, but it was believed that night would see partial service.

BUILDINGS BURNED

The only visible signs of the desperate clash of authority which turned the city into a battleground were the charred ruins of the jail, which are still pouring a cloud of smoke skyward and here and there the remains of other police institutions and the homes of the few individuals who were regarded as offenders against the rights of the people. In front of other government institutions, which apparently it was not seen fit to destroy, are piles of charred embers, showing where wreckage and documents had been dumped and consumed.

The defenders of the old regime put up a last feeble defense last night from the roofs of the wrecked Astoria military hotel and St. Isaac's Cathedral, facing on two sides of the same square. They were soon silenced by the sharpshooters of the new authority.

With the reopening of bread, sugar, tea and meat shops queues of women with shopping bags and baskets lined up often to the length of a block, to replenish stores exhausted by the long siege. The most phenomenal feature of the revolution has been the swift and orderly transition, whereby the control of the city passed from the regime of the old government into the hands of its opponents. Until Sunday disorders in the streets, which never went beyond quiet gatherings or mild demonstrations, could not properly be termed a revolution at all.

GOVERNMENT OVERTHROWN

The government was declared to be overthrown by the duma leaders, who met in the Maveritchsky palace after the regular sessions had been adjourned, and in a telegram to the emperor the popular representatives declared that a special committee composed of the leaders of the various parties in the duma would submit a list of names for the new cabinet.

Simultaneously it was reported that all the ministers except M. Protopopoff had resigned.

The imperial palace at Tsarskoe Selo is said to be in a state of siege, but thus far no firing has been reported between the guards defending the palace and the revolutionists and troops.

It is stated that Gen. Michael V. Alexieff, former chief of staff, has been offered the military dictatorship.

On Monday which was the turning point in the battle between the government troops and mutineers, all the principal strongholds, arsenals, factorless and barracks, including the Peter and Paul fortress and artillery headquarters fell into the hands of the revolting troops, and the revolutionists were plentifully supplied with rifles and ammunition. At the same time all the prisons for political offenders were thrown open by the revolutionists and the prisoners marched out to join the emancipators.

000 in the new war loan.

Ald. Marshall said he understood that where a large amount was taken, the bank divides the commission with the one who takes it to the bank.

Mayor Ketcheson said this was wrong, as the bank would get the commission. Division of it was not legal.

Ald. Deacon moved that the mayor, the chairman of the executive and the city treasurer be authorized to subscribe \$25,000 to the war loan, through the Bank of Montreal. The manager of this bank was the only solicitor. The recommendation carried.

The Wounded and Disabled Sailors' Relief Association solicited a subscription. The mayor thought it quite in order to give \$500. Some cities in Ontario have given from \$2000 to \$8000. The sailors are the men to whom we owe the greatest debt.

Ald. Robinson suggested \$250 and later moved \$300. The mayor moved in amendment a \$500 grant. Ald. Platt suggested a further inquiry.

Ald. Deacon thought the matter should be gone into systematically. One mill on the dollar for patriotic purposes would raise \$6,000 for the year.

The amendment and motion were withdrawn the latter being referred to the council on Monday.

"The Masonic Sun" management wrote suggesting that the City of Belleville advertise in that journal the coming Grand Lodge in Belleville.

Ald. Deacon moved that the city take 4 months' advertising on the inside page for \$50. The resolution carried.

Ald. Deacon read the report of Messrs. R. S. and W. S. Lea, of Montreal on the proposed changes at the waterworks, plant by the installation of electric and gasoline pumps.

To satisfy the fire underwriters we must have a capacity of 4,500,000 gallons per day said Ald. Deacon. "We cannot get the pumps installed within five months. We have to look ahead to this city's population being perhaps 18,000 or 20,000 in the next five years. The new pumps can be installed this year but not before the warm weather. The Hydro and the engineers' plans practically agree. The Hydro will draw up specifications. They will submit them to the council. They will call for tenders and suggest to the council the estimated cost."

Ald. Deacon moved the following recommendation, which carried:—"That the Hydro Electric Power Commission be authorized to draw up plans and specifications for new pumps for the Waterworks Department as per their report dated Feb. 10, 1917. And the said plans and specifications have had the approval of this council. That we authorize the Hydro Commission to call for tenders for the same, that they be authorized to open said tenders, tabulate them, and advise us regarding what tenders to accept."

Ald. Deacon said he had interviewed the fire underwriters in Toronto. It was said it was wise to put the two buildings in one fire building and to purchase a motor truck besides having two horses to follow if necessary. A duplicate main, more hydrants and a fire alarm system would result in a saving of 150 on the insurance rate.

Ald. Parks told of having taken up the problem of a fire alarm system with the underwriters.

Ald. Whelan "Could not No. 1 company and apparatus be amalgamated with No. 2 at No. 2 Hall now?"

Ald. St. Charles "I don't know why it cannot be done until a new hall can be built."

Ald. Deacon "Then you can have every man under one roof."

Ex-Mayor Panter asked as to the possibility of getting a walk on Ridley Avenue.

Ald. Whelan said the labor problem might interfere with the construction of sidewalks this spring. It would be endeavored to construct all walks petitioned for.

The account of R. S. and W. S. Lea for investigation of the waterworks system for 4 days work and expenses was \$223.55

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A later despatch says Grand Duke Nicholas has reached the Russian capital and that he probably will take command of the troops.

CURLERS WIND THE SEASON

(From Friday's Daily)

The curlers last evening wound up with a banquet one of the best seasons in its history. The club room was crowded with members and a most enjoyable time was spent. The president, Mr. T. E. Ketcheson presided and presented cups to the winners of the season's games and or the bonspiel.—Dr. Day who carried off the club cup and Mr. Bert Backus, who won the Hyman trophy. Both the winners made happy replies. A number of members made voluntary speeches, among them being Judge Wills, G. H. McArthur, Col. Allen, Dr. Clarke, Frank Mitchell, James Farley and others. A presentation was made to Mr. Ernest Schoeper as a token of the club's appreciation of his capable management of the rink. Many spoke in the highest terms of the efforts of President Ketcheson and his officers to make the season a success.

Last evening Mr. R. A. Backus skipped the winning rink in the bonspiel against Mr. McArthur. The rinks were as follows:

L. P. Hughes W. Frith
J. H. Bryant O. H. Scott
J. W. Kinnear J. A. Borbridge
R. A. Backus G. H. McArthur

skip 13 skip 10
Tomorrow (St. Patrick's Day) Mr. Frank Dolan, the veteran curler will skip an Irish rink against another rink. This has been a custom with Mr. Dolan for many years.

THE CHURCH IN THE DARK AGES

Correspondent Resents Statement that Catholic Church Was Affected by Superstition.

Editor Ontario,—

Sir, I thought and all thinking people thought that the time had come when men posing as educated and religious, could meet and transact their own business without throwing out the old, re-hashed culmities against the Catholic Church as appeared in the 13th of March issue of 'The Ontario' in a report of a sermon.

Scholars and historians of all denominations and countries have exploded these traditional lies that the Middle Ages were 'dark ages,' or that the 'Church of Rome' was led into superstition.

Here are a few quotations from such writers who are not Catholics, and the so-called 'dark ages.' Guizot, the French historian, declares that it was "the Church of Rome with its institutions that conquered the barbarians and became the bond, the medium, and the principle of civilization between the Roman and the barbarian worlds." (La Civilisation en Europe—lec. II, p. 50.)

Again, the Protestant Bishop Lightfoot says, "The brilliant roll of famous men, great men of science, great philosophers and divines, great architects, poets, and painters, and others whose lustre has indeed been dimmed by the breath of time, but who nevertheless exercised a spell of transcendent power over the minds of their own time and succeeding generations." (England During the Latter Half of the Thirteenth Century—p. 54.)

The Anglican Canon Farrar in his 'Christianity and the Race' says: "Consider what the church did for education. Her ten thousand monasteries kept alive and transmitted that torch of learning which would have otherwise have been extinguished long before. A religious education incomparably superior to the mere atheism of the noble's hall, was extended to meanest serfs who wished it. This fact alone proclaimed the dignity of the individual, and elevated the entire hope and destiny of the race. The humanizing influence of the schools and universities, the civilizing propaganda of mission-ary zeal, were they not due to her?"

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And more than this, her very existence was an education." Then Arthur Leach in the 'Contemporary Review'—Vol. 66, p. 675' says: "There is not the smallest doubt that the provisions for secondary education was far greater in proportion to population during the Middle Ages than it has been since. Education was, if not a first charge on the endowments of the Church, at all events, a well recognized part of the duties for the performance of which the endowments were given. The result was that as the Church was ubiquitous, so education was found in almost every place they were required." The Protestant Professor, F. J. Powell, in the 'Fortnightly Review'—Vol. 74, p. 377' says: "The adherents of the Church of Rome have never failed to cast two reproaches on those who left them. One, that the Reform was brought about by intemperance and calumnious abuse, by outrages of an excited populace, or by the tyranny of princes. The other, that stimulating the most ignorant to reject the authority of their Church, (the Reform) instantly withdrew this liberty of judgment, and devoted all who presumed to swerve from the line drawn by it to virulent obloquy and sometimes to bonds and death. These reproaches, it may be a shame to own, can be uttered and cannot be refuted."

I will, with your kind permission, give some more quotations on this matter in a future issue. Respectfully submitted by A. Reader

THE DARDENELLES INQUIRY

Because of its contents and tragedy, the report of the Dardanelles Commission of Inquiry will rank among the foremost documents of British history. The reversal of judgment on Feb. 20, which cancelled the decision to send the 39th Division to Gallipoli, and the grievous delay in notifying the First Lord of the Admiralty were very costly. The Commission is of the opinion that Lord Kitchener did not sufficiently avail himself of the services of his General Staff. More work was undertaken by him than it was possible for one man to do. The result was confusion and want of efficiency.

Neither Mr. Asquith, the War Council, nor the Cabinet of that time come well out of the inquiry. The attitude of Lord Fisher is supported in minority judgment. The Council did not meet between March 19 and May 14, while important land operations were undertaken. Mr. Winston Churchill emerges from the initial investigation as the originator of a tremendous idea which might have resulted in complete success.

The ultimate advantages and disadvantages of the mighty undertaking cannot yet be determined. Britain and Australasia and the Empire will defer judgement waiting for the final report, for knowledge of why Russia demanded action, and for details of the political advantages achieved in the operation. For Lord Kitchener, the Dardanelles is only one of many problems which singly might have overwhelmed lesser men. The miracle is what he accomplished. The admiration will be for that accomplishment.

It is too early yet to pronounce judgement upon the strategy that decided the Dardanelles operation. Britain and Australasia realize the heavy price in men and the human tragedy of the landings and the beaches. But in the vital considerations of international effect, Gallipoli may have been a determining influence in destroying the whole eastern policy of the enemy. The Commission in its initial report indicates the defeat of Germany's Egyptian designs. What of the plan for revolt in India and for the establishment of Hohenzollern dominion over the great Eastern Empire of Great Britain? History may easily record Gallipoli as a master stroke of world strategy which just failed of success.—Toronto News

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INVEST \$25,000 IN WAR LOAN

Is Executive's Proposal—Widening of Burnham Street—Minor Business of Committees.

(From Friday's Daily)

Last evening the executive committee of the city council decided to invest \$25,000 of the sinking fund in the new war loan. Mayor Ketcheson and all the aldermen were present.

Mr. Johns, former caretaker of the parks asked for reappointment this year. The appointment will not be made for some time yet.

Mr. Luffman, the owner of a lot on the corner of Burnham and Dundas street, a portion of which the city is going to buy in order to widen the street, appeared before the public works committee.

The mayor stated that a deal had been made for the land, but Mr. Luffman thought it was for a less

amount of land than Mr. J. S. Henderson figured.

Now to square the street out said Ald. Whelan the requirements were found to be nine feet wide at one end and eleven feet at the other.

Ald. Woodley said as he remembered, it was not the amount of land required that was mentioned but an amount sufficient to make the street line straight.

Mr. Luffman stated that the city Engineer had mentioned a strip nine feet wide. The engineer had told him the other day that nine feet was all that was required.

The mayor and Ald. Whelan suggested that 10 feet frontage on Dundas street be allowed.

Mr. Luffman said he was willing to agree to this for \$300. This includes the purchase of Mr. Luffman's and Mrs. Taylor's property on the west side.

A resolution was passed authorizing the purchase of a strip of land. An account of Mr. Walter Patterson for \$15 was again left over.

A petition was read from Mr. T. S. Carman asking for a pavement on the East side of Bleecker Ave. in

front of five new houses.

Ald. Robinson spoke of a new grocery having opened up on Wharf street. The proprietor owns four houses. A walk is needed in that section. The matter will be taken up.

A youth of 16 years representing Heaton's Agency solicited municipal advertising of the council to the amount of \$40 or \$50 for a page or a half.

Alderman Robinson "I think it would do the city about 50c worth of good." I move that no action be taken.

Mayor Ketcheson "I'm a great believer in advertising."

"From the agricultural standpoint, we are the best advertised city in Ontario," said the mayor.

The motion carried.

Ex-Mayor Panter was present and appealed to the council to grade Lingham street, on which a large number of houses have been built. It was felt a reasonable proposal.

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BAND OF WAR WORKERS

The Ladies of West Belleville assembled on Tuesday afternoon for the purpose of organizing a band of war workers. A goodly number were present and proceeded with organization and election of the following officers:

Hon. Pres.—Mrs. Bailey and Mrs. Anderson.
Pres.—Mrs. McMullen
1st Vice—Mrs. A. E. Wrightmyer
Sec.—Mrs. J. S. Hurst
Asst. Sec.—Mrs. W. A. Woodley
Treas.—Mrs. Lucas
Convener of Sewing—Mrs. Grose
Asst. Con.—Miss Harrison
Committee—Mrs. C. Walters, Mrs. J. Meagher, Mrs. E. Britton, Mrs. A. E. Bailey, Mrs. A. Morris, Mrs. C. Hall with power to add to number.
The machinists—Mrs. Britton, Mrs. Meagher, and Mrs. Luscombe.
Buying Com.—Mrs. Grose, Miss Herby, Mrs. Luscombe and Miss Falkner. This is an important branch of the Women's Red Cross. We extend cordial and felicitous invitation to all ladies in West Belleville to attend and become members at our next meeting which will be held Tuesday at Queen Mary school at 2 p.m. Any person having a sewing machine and table not in use which they would kindly loan for the work would be very acceptable.

**Tennyson Smith
Dramatic Recitals**

Will lecture tonight at 8 in Emmanuel Reformed Episcopal Church. Admission Free. Collection.

TOMORROW (TUESDAY) NIGHT, at 8 in Y.M.C.A. Hall Special and Farewell Night.

Admission 35 cents. Illustrative of "Humorous, Pathetic, and Tragic Phases of Life." A half ticket will admit a child under 12.

Persons who purchase tickets before the night will be admitted by an early door at 7.30. Tickets sold at door 7.45. Commence at 8.

Tickets at Y.M.C.A.; Bleecker's Drug Store and Belleville Pharmacy.

splendid address on the work of the order after which he called on Bro. S. C. Moore and Bro. Smith who treated the gathering to start, pitiful addresses. Bro. Morris then closed the lodge and all were invited headed by Sister Boardman, chairman of the refreshment committee to the dining hall, where about ninety people sat down to one of the finest repasts ever served by the ladies of Belleville council. The inner man being fully satisfied the gathering again made their way to the lodge-room where a social hour was spent in games, songs, etc. About 2 a.m. the pleasant event was brought to a close. It is expected Belleville council will add from 25 to 50 members to their lodge this coming week. A special meeting is called for Wednesday evening.

**Says She Suffered
For Many Years**

Then Dodd's Kidney Pills Cured Her Kidney Troubles

Mrs. Felix Asch Found no Relief in Doctors' or Hospital Treatment, but Dodd's Kidney Pills Brought a Speedy Cure.

Haldimand, Gaspé Co., Que., Mar. 19.—(Special)—Mrs. Felix Asch is telling her numerous friends here that her complete recovery from kidney disease from which she suffered for years is due to the splendid work of Dodd's Kidney Pills.

"My trouble started from a strain," Mrs. Asch says. "I suffered for years. I was attended by a doctor and was also treated at a hospital. I suffered from stiffness in the joints, I had a bitter taste, especially in the morning, and at times was subject to severe headaches. I had a pressure and often a sharp pain at the top of my head and my skin itched and burned at night."

"Neither from the doctor nor at the hospital did I get any permanent relief. Then I started to use Dodd's Kidney Pills and two boxes did me so much good I feel like recommending them to everyone who has kidney trouble." Dodd's Kidney Pills cure sick kidneys. Cured kidneys strain all the impurities, all the seeds of disease, out of the blood. That makes good health all over the body. That's why those cured are so enthusiastic in regard to Dodd's Kidney Pills.

VISIT OF TRENTON COUNCIL R. T. OF T.

On Thursday evening, March 15, Trenton Council, R. T. of T. in goodly numbers by invitation visited the Belleville council. Shortly after 9 p.m., Bro. B. O. Frederick, Select Councillor, of Belleville, called the lodge to order and invited Sister Spicer, S. C. of Trenton council to a seat on the platform. During the lodge meeting, 3 candidates were initiated in the order. On motion the lodge was adjourned, Sister Spicer being asked to take the chair and the members of the Trenton Council treated the gathering to a splendid program, consisting of the following recitations by Sister Johnson, Mr. Arthur and others; duet Sister and Miss Edna Johnson, solo by Miss Tena Johnson. While the program was being rendered, a splendid addition was made to the company by the arrival of Grand S. C., Bro. T. S. Morris of Hamilton, and the celebrated temperance lecturer, Bro. Tennyson Smith and wife and Rev. Bro. S. C. Moore who were received with lodge honors and all were invited to seats on the platform by S. C. Bro. Frederick who then asked Bro. Morris to take the chair. Bro. Morris then gave a

OFFICERS RETURNING

Col. Preston and Major Bywater are Now in Canada.

Major A. E. Bywater of Trenton, of the 4th battalion who left Belleville with the 29th as Jr. Major, reached St. John, N.B., on Friday. The Major was very badly wounded last year.

Lt.-Col. Preston, O.C. 39th Battalion is also with the party of returned Canadians.

Advertise in The Ontario

SCORES OF NEW INDUSTRIES ARE LOCATING IN CANADA

Millions of Dollars Invested in Building Plants Along the Grand Trunk.

Montreal, Mar. 15.—The industrial development of Eastern Canada is continuing in truly remarkable fashion. Many new industries are locating in this territory each month, big new plants are being erected and many of the established concerns are making large additions to their factories.

Mr. Wm. P. FitzSimons, Commissioner of Industries, Grand Trunk Railway System, states that there is great activity among manufacturers in this regard in all the centres served by the railway. New plants representing a capital investment of nearly \$12,000,000 have been placed along the company's lines within the last twelve months. These new industries number approximately seventy-five and will employ more than 10,000 hands when in full operation. An additional \$5,000,000 was spent in that period in extensions to manufacturing, providing work for another 4,000 men.

Among the largest of the industrial concerns to select locations served by the Grand Trunk, during the past year, were the Dominion Sugar Company, Limited, at Chatham, British Munitions Limited, at Montreal, St. Catharines Steel and Metal Company, at St. Catharines, Kellogg Toasted Corn Flakes Company, at Toronto, Dominion Dustless Sweeper Company, at Peterboro, and William Kennedy & Sons Limited, at Collingwood. These six plants alone represent an investment of approximately \$3,000,000.

Among the plants under construction is a large refinery at Port Colborne, Ont., for the International Nickel Company of New York and New Jersey. The building of this plant is of national importance, not only because of the large investment involved, amounting to several million dollars, but because it places within the Dominion the refining of invaluable nickel ore and the distribution of the finished nickel work which had been previously done outside of Canada.

FURTHER PARTICULARS OF THE CORDOVA FIRE

The Mariposa Herald Gives the Following Further Particulars of the Cordova Fire

Another chapter in the checkered history of Cordova Mines was brought to a close on Monday night when the big mills, No. 1 shaft house and the blacksmith shop were totally destroyed by fire. The origin of the fire appears to be a mystery, but it started in the shaft house. The buildings were all of wood and contained some immense timbers. They burned with surprising rapidity so that it was impossible to check the fire, once it got started, until it burned itself out.

During the past year the old compressed air system had been done away with and a modern electric power system installed. The mine had only been in operation for a few weeks, and a number of men were at work below ground when the fire started. All but three escaped through another shaft, but the three were cut off. They were not rescued until noon on Tuesday, and before that time little hope was entertained that they would be taken out alive, as the burning timbers and red-hot metal which had fallen down the shaft, had filled the mine with smoke and steam. However, the men succeeded in reaching the third level where there was a store house for powder and other supplies, and by going in there and closing the door, they escaped. When brought to the surface, two were little the worse for their experience but the third was somewhat upset by the shock and nervousness.

Cordova Gold Mine has been very unfortunate. Time after time operations have been started, but either some accident or the cost of operation would cause it to shut down. Thousands and thousands of dollars have been lost by investors in this mine, while comparatively few have ever realized very much by being connected with it.

FAILED TO TURN IN RED CROSS MONEY

E. B. Breden Convicted of Theft From the Secours National

E. B. Breden was convicted before Judge Costworth in the Criminal Sessions Court, Toronto, on Friday, of having stolen banks, flags and certain moneys, the property of the Secours National. He will be sentenced today. In October last, the accused was one of the promoters of the International Production Co., and he made arrangements with Mrs. Sidney Small, of the Secours National, for the production, under the auspices of that organization, of an "all star revue" at the Park Theatre. It was arranged to take voluntary collections on behalf of the French Red Cross, and cardboard banks with 400 tags were sent up to the theatre. Mrs. Small testified that after the first night's performance, she called at the theatre to take away the banks, and that Breden advised her to leave them as they might be required for the next day's performance. The banks, flags and moneys collected were not seen since. Breden, testifying on his own behalf, swore that the banks and money had been placed in the safe of the Park Theatre by T. Harris, the manager. He said that he had never seen the money nor had he shared any of it. Harris admitted that the money had been used by him for purposes other than had been intended, but announced that he was willing to turn the money into court. The Court advised him to turn the money in immediately for his own sake. Breden is well known in Belleville where he was once a recruiting officer.

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To Mr. and Mrs. George Smith.— We, your many friends and neighbors, are gathered together on this occasion for the purpose of expressing our sincere regret on your removal from our midst. We have found you a brother and sister of honor and high principle. While we realize that our church and community sustain the loss of your fellowship, we also feel that the community in which you are about to reside will be distinctly enriched by your presence. As neighbors and friends we desire to pay tribute to the sterling character of your friendship and service. We are losing true friends and noble fellow-workers in the Master's Vineyard. In the various departments of the church work, your faithfulness has been exemplary and your services appreciated. The Ladies' Aid Society of Spen-

cer Church will feel the loss of Mrs. Smith's fellowship in worship and service. Your long years of residence have witnessed many changes in our midst, but through all the changing experiences of life, you have always been ready and active in any work of service or labor of love. It is a matter of sincere gratification that we can thus express our appreciation of worth, and also to wish you much joy and happiness in your new home. We hope your later years may be crowned with many blessings, and that in your new home and surroundings you may find the true fellowship which you are so capable of returning. We wish you to accept this slight token of our universal respect and esteem, and may it reflect pleasantly on the happy associations of former days. Signed on behalf of your friends and neighbors,
Mr. Alva Brown,
Mr. Toppan.

THOUGHTS BY THE WAY

THE SHAMROCK

Written for The Ontario by "Wayfarer."

There's a dear little plant that grows on our isle; 'Twas St. Patrick, himself, sure, that set it.

It thrives through the bog, thro' the brake, thro' the mireland, And he called it the dear little Shamrock of Ireland;

The sweet little Shamrock, the dear little Shamrock, The sweet little, green little, Shamrock of Ireland.

ment in our cemeteries with the inscription, "Born in Ireland," bears mute, but eloquent testimony.

But Ireland ever continues to bind the hearts of her children to her with hands of steel, calling ever more with poignant longing to her exiles across the weary leagues of waste and bitter sea.

THE IRISH MOTHER.

There's a humble little cottage far away in sweet Tipperary, Where a little Irish mother sits forlorn by the door;

Oh, poor little Irish mother, sure 'tis you that's sad and lonely Since they left you, like the wild geese in the springtime flown away.

Oh, poor little Irish mother, far away in sweet Tipperary, 'Tis of you the boys are thinkin' as in foreign ways they roam.

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The following poem further faithfully depicts the plaintive home-sick longing of an Irish heart:

Dungarry, an' the golden gorse abloom, Dungarry, an' the bee upon the wing, Oh, sadly through the midst of years ye loom;

Dungarry, an' the little winding road; The dusty little road beneath the hill— Oh, many a weary foot, an' many a load

Dungarry and a cabin by the burn; A cabin, oh, Dungarry, it is home; An' many a time I stop my feet an' turn—

The dust of many a mile is on my feet, Dungarry, but the song of many a bird Is echoing still, an' sweet, oh! sadly sweet,

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This is just a picture, at this appropriate season, of the sunny side of Ireland; the darker picture, the one of a troubled Ireland, we shall not attempt to portray.

TWEED

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Black, of Detroit, were in attendance at the funeral of her father, the late J.W. Shaw which was held on Monday.

We are pleased to report that Mr. Ed. Kehoe, of Camrose, Alta., formerly of Actinolite, who has been in the toils of typhoid fever for the past two months, is convalescing and has removed from the village to his farm.

According to the Bancroft "Times" potatoes are selling at \$2 per bag in that village. We pay \$3.25 in Tweed.

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THE MARCH AILE GAY SERVICE

To Deputy Returning Officer and Agents on Conduct of Poll.

(From Thursday's Daily) At the Hungertord election investigation which was finally settled yesterday in the police court, Crown Attorney Carney said he felt the public interests have been fully served.

There was no disposition he said on the part of those behind the prosecution to demand the imposition of heavy punishment on Mr. J. W. Burley. The penalties in such cases were not always satisfactory.

Mr. Peter Forbes Sherr, the informant, did not desire to make a cent out of the prosecution. The settlement was arranged with the understanding that no prosecution should follow on the informations laid against George Weir and John T. Coultter.

The costs had been satisfactorily arranged at \$131.25 for which Mr. Burley had given a check. The new charges were marked withdrawn, Mr. Butler explaining the stand of the defence that no other prosecutions take place for alleged irregularities at the polls.

Magistrate Masson expressed his satisfaction that a settlement had been reached. No more good could have been brought out even if further prosecutions took place.

The Magistrate referred to irregularities, evidence of which was given. There are such at almost every pool. Those in the poll think they can run it as they like, and go farther and farther until some one gets angry and there is a prosecution.

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IMPROVEMENTS TO WATERWORKS

Report on Installation of Electric and Gasoline Engines—Zwick's Island Infiltration Scheme.

The report of Messrs R.S. and W.S. Lee, of Montreal, who have forwarded to the city a report on the proposed new pumping plant was read by Alderman Deacon at the Waterworks Committee.

The report suggests means of increasing the capacity by a new line at a lower level after it leaves the bay or by the use of an siphon if the present line is airtight.

It is not necessary to defer ordering the equipment until a decision is reached with respect to the source of supply or the treatment it may in the future require.

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Considering every feature of the case, it is our opinion that the city is well advised in its proposal to discard the stream driven outfit and adopt a motor driven and gasoline engine driven plant.

A completely fireproof building to house a motor driven plant is required.

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WILL TAKE UP GARDENING IDEA

Board of Education Asks Principals to Furnish Data of Scholars Willing to Work Land in the City.

(From Saturday's Daily)

The Board of Education met last evening in regular session. The members present were Messrs. Mallory, (chairman) McCreary, Sneyd, Baily, Woodley, Reid, Ketcheson, Ponton, McGie, Ackerman, Moore, Pascoe, and Elliott.

Inspector J. A. Houston's report on the High School, was read. It showed that the attendance is: boys 124; girls 179;—total 303. Discipline is good.

The lower grading in physical culture is the fault of the Board, not of the teachers. There is absolutely nothing in the nature of equipment.

The Chairman, Mr. Mallory, thought the report should be a considered a matter for congratulation.

Col. Ponton was pleased with the report, but desired to impress upon teachers and scholars the absolute need for a sound knowledge of the English language.

Principal MacLaurin wrote referring to the inspector's report. It was generally satisfactory, although the grading of English as I—II was not understood, because the inspector did not hear one of the teachers at work.

Inspector Clarke's report for the public schools showed an average daily attendance of 1292 on a registration of 1489 pupils.

The need for gardening in these days to increase production, and the benefits of gardening upon the physical, moral, and spiritual life of the child were urged by the inspector.

The Deputy Minister of Education wrote stating that the proposition re the High School site was still under consideration.

Mr. W. J. McCullough made an offer to tune the school pianos (four in number) twice a year for four dollars each piano. The Board decided to accept the offer.

Mrs. Hurst, Dunbar St., wrote asking permission for West Belleville ladies engaged in Red Cross work to occupy the assembly room in the Queen Mary School one afternoon per week.

The request was granted.

The Board decided that Mr. B. Mallory and Mr. F. S. Deacon be delegates to the meeting of the Educational Association, in April.

The problem of the site of the proposed college again aroused discussion. There seemed uniformity of opinion.

Mr. Bailey thought it unwise to delay the purchase. "I don't want to see the High School moved, and two-thirds of the citizens hold the same view."

Mr. C. M. Reid said the grounds were needed for a new public school. "The place for the High School is in Murray Ward. The residents of East Belleville do not want the school on the Bridge St. playgrounds."

NEW PAPER FOR BELLEVILLE

Monthly Publication to be Issued by the Ritchie Company.

We welcome to the journalistic field a new publication to be issued monthly by the Ritchie Company of this city.

The primary purpose of "Store News" is to give to its readers some idea of the different lines of goods to be found in the great Ritchie stores.

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BIRTHDAY PARTY AT BRIDGE ST.

Unique Entertainment Under Auspices of Ladies' Aid Last Evening.

(From Saturday's Daily)

The Ladies' Aid Society of Bridge Street, presented last evening a unique and most delightful entertainment called a "Birthday Party."

In a prominent position was placed a large cake, upon which 25 candles were placed, signifying the ages of the guests. No one was presumed to be older than 25 years.

Mr. W. J. McCullough made an offer to tune the school pianos (four in number) twice a year for four dollars each piano. The Board decided to accept the offer.

Mrs. Hurst, Dunbar St., wrote asking permission for West Belleville ladies engaged in Red Cross work to occupy the assembly room in the Queen Mary School one afternoon per week.

The request was granted.

The Board decided that Mr. B. Mallory and Mr. F. S. Deacon be delegates to the meeting of the Educational Association, in April.

With so thorough a preparation at hand as Miller's Wm. Powders, the mother who allows her children to suffer from the ravages of worms is unwise and culpably careless.

Local Business Directory

Table with columns for LEGAL, INSURANCE, DENTISTS, MEDICAL, ASSAYERS, AUCTIONEERS, and LADIES' TAILORING. Each column lists various professionals and their services.

RIFLE CLUB

The Belleville Rifle Club held a shoot last evening with the following scores: C. J. Symons 99, J. C. Wills 97, A. R. Symons 96, G. Brown 96, A. Edwards 96, H. Hall 95, J. Woodley 93, W. J. Andrews 91

TRENT VALLEY LEAGUE

The fourth annual meeting of the Trent Valley Trapshooters' League will be held in Belleville on Good Friday, April 6th. Four outside clubs will be represented, Peterborough, Cobourg, Port Hope and Stirling. After the meeting there will be a picnic and a shoot. The annual meeting will bring to Belleville about fifty visitors.

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