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REAL TALENT IN AMATEUR PLAY

"A Pair of Idiots" Presented by Dramatic Club of the Women's Institute with Remarkable Success—Amazing Performance in Many Ways.

Ability and adaptability existed in every line, every action, every absurd crisis, of that delightful two-act comedy, "A Pair of Idiots", presented in the Athens Town Hall Wednesday evening last by the Dramatic Club of the Women's Institute in aid of the Public Library. Once in a blue moon an amateur play is produced in which each member of the cast fits the role assigned as if it had been constructed for him, and if that is true "A Pair of Idiots" must have had the benefit of lunar beneficence. Comedy, though it was, and light of plot as it had to be, there was a freshness and exuberance of good spirits running through it that endeared it to the audience and they "caught on" so spontaneously that the players gloriied in their work. The result was a delightful performance, and it is hoped will prove conclusively that bright comedy is much preferred to melodrama which has held the boards in rural productions for years. Although the weather was unfavorable the auditorium was fairly well filled and the event was a financial success. The lighting system of the hall had been repaired by the installation of two small Earl acetylene gas machines. (It will be remembered that the main supply plant was destroyed by fire several weeks ago.)

The dramatis personae was as follows:

Colonel Archibald Bradley, a hot-tempered Virginian gentleman.....
..... Jas. E. Burchell, B.A.
Peter Jennings, from Arkansas.....
..... Mr. Geo. Drummond
Dr. George Gunther, Peter's friend.....
..... Mr. M. D. Halpenny
Miss Lucretia Bradley, the Colonel's maiden sister.....
..... Mrs. Crawford C. Slack
Miss Jean Bradley, the Colonel's daughter..... Miss Gertrude Cross
Miss Winifred Lester, the Colonel's niece and ward..... Miss M. Hubbs, B. A.

The play was woven around the existence of a will by which Peter Jennings was to inherit a fortune if he married Miss Lester, the Colonel's niece. The conditions of the will were odious to the young people, and although they had not seen each other, they decided to throw up the fortune rather than be forced into matrimony. How he met her without discovering her true identity, how they decided to feign idiocy, the complications of mistaken identity, the idiosyncrasies of the Colonel and his sister, the case of pride versus love, were worked out so clearly, and withal so ludicrously, that memory fails to recall a more pleasant evening's entertainment.

None of the parts was subordinate. They all called for good acting; Miss Hubbs as Miss Lester, and Mr. Burchell as Colonel Bradley, the principals, were most ably supported by the other members of the cast.

Preceding the play, Miss Wilma Steacy gave a humorous reading; a ladies' double quartette sang; and Misses Lillian Burchell, Generva Yates, and Olive M. Usher played a piano trio. Between acts, Mr. Clarence Washburn played violin solos. The musical program was excellent.

Appeal Dismissed

At Osgoode Hall, Toronto, Tuesday of last week in the appellate court the appeal in the matter of Myers vs. Stoeness was heard. The appeal was from the judgment of Judge Dowseley, who awarded a verdict to the plaintiff when the action was tried in Brockville. It concerned three promissory notes over stock in a black fox farm at Westport, which the defendant was alleged to have torn up. The higher court dismissed the appeal. Hutcheon & Driver appeared for the defendant.

Death of Mrs. Vickery

The death occurred at Newboro on Saturday morning, Feb. 3, of Mrs. Caroline Vickery, widow of Mr. Sanford Vickery who predeceased her about 12 years ago.

The late Mrs. Vickery was one of the most highly respected and well-known residents of that village for the past thirty years, and was held in the warmest regard by those who enjoyed her intimate friendship. Mrs. Vickery had been an invalid for the past nine years but bore her sufferings with true Christian fortitude. About two weeks ago deceased contracted a cold, which later developed into pneumonia and ultimately caused her death.

Deceased leaves to mourn her loss two sisters, Mrs. Miller of Neepawa, and Mrs. Barber, of Kelwood, Manitoba, the latter being with deceased during the past three months, and Mrs. Morrison her niece, arrived about three weeks ago and to whom much sympathy is extended.

The funeral was held on Monday at 2 p.m. from her late residence, Main street, Newboro, where evidences were not lacking to show the popular esteem in which the deceased was held. There was a large gathering of friends and relatives and the funeral services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Hall, rector of the Anglican church, and the body was afterwards interred in St. Mary's cemetery.

The pallbearers were Messrs R. Hamilton, W. H. Whaley, G. S. Wrathall, G. Bowden, C. Hall and G. S. Duncan.

Wiltsetown School Honor Roll

IV—Morris Earl, Elmer Parish, Bessie Parish.
Sr. III—Marion Earl, Mazie Redford, Harvey Dillabough.
r. III—Maude Algure.
Sr. II—Clifford Redford
Jr. II—Ina Algure, Beatrice Par-I—Jock Earl.
Pr.—Polly Algure, Laura Redford.
No. on roll—13
Average attendance 10.04.
V. J. Beaman, Teacher

Mrs. John Berry

The death occurred in the General hospital at Kingston on Friday of Mrs. John Berry, of Seely's Bay. The deceased was born in Leeds County. She was 42 years of age. Her maiden name was Patience Singleton. She was a daughter of R. Singleton.

LOCAL ITEMS

Mr. A. E. Putnam, of Seely's Bay was a week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Smith.

Mr. Dunham, of Brockville, is at Charleston Lake putting a pile driver in commission for work on the new wharf.

Mr. S. Seaman, of Toronto, was a guest for a few days of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Percival.

Mr. Clarence Knowlton who, is specializing in optical work is in Toronto in the employ of one of the big optical houses of that city.

Mr. Frank Gifford found a duck of a rare species yesterday. It had evidently flown as far as it could and was easily captured. Its color was dark slate with white breast and white tipped wings. The tail was short and the beak long and sharp.

A Celebrated Suicide.

Haydon, the celebrated historical painter and writer, at a time in his life when he was overcome by debt, disappointment and ingratitude, laid down the brush with which he was at work upon his last great effort, "Alfred and the Trial by Jury," wrote with a steady hand, "Stretch me no longer upon this rough world," and then was a pistol shot put an end to his unhappy existence.

Dressing the Pillow.

A little child, not three years old, was sleepy, and his mother carried him to his crib, but the pillowslip had been removed by the maid for the laundry, and the child, looking up beseechingly into his mother's face, said pleadingly, "Please put a shirt on my pillow."

Good Times and Bad Times

It is well to remember that the conditions under which we working people live are always changing. Working people mean lawyers, doctors, mechanics, manufacturers, bankers or farmers. Every one labors with his head or hands. The time to save is naturally in good times. The time to be glad you save is in both bad and good times, but do not forget that you cannot save at all during bad times. Good times are here to-day. What do you think of a sum put every week in the Bank against the day when bad times are here.

The Merchants' Bank

OF CANADA.

ATHENS BRANCH.

F. A. ROBERTSON, Manager

LOCAL ITEMS

Mrs. Melzer Ferguson ill with pneumonia.

Reeve Holmes left yesterday on a business trip to Ottawa.

Mr. Levi Wilson has gone to Brockville to work in the munition factory.

Miss Ina Hawse has been visiting Plum Hollow friends.

Miss Stafford, Seely's Bay is a guest at A. Mulvena's.

Mrs. S. Boddy, Elgin street, is on the sick list.

Miss Della Niblock, of Brandon, Man., is a guest of friends here.

This is St. Valentine's Day and the 21st is Ash Wednesday the first day in Lent.

Miss Mellie McKeggan, of Addison, was a guest of Miss H. Latimer last week.

Ladies of the Young People's Club who have sewing out are requested to turn it in Friday evening as it is desired to make a shipment at once.

Mr. J. Ritchie Bell, of the Sailors' Mission, Montreal is expected here early in March to conduct evangelistic services in the Methodist Church.

Miss Orma Fortune has finished her apprenticeship as dressmaker with Mrs. W. Topping and returned to her home in Mallorytown

It is reported that Company D, Ogdensburg's section of the National Guard, may be sent to Massena, N.Y., for guard duty.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Johnston and two children, of Watson, Sask., have been visitors in the village, guests of their uncle, Mr. D. L. Johnston.

The Smith's Falls town council has made grants of \$5,000 to the Patriotic Fund, and \$1,000 to the Red Cross Society.

Mr. F. W. Duggan, field secretary of the Dominion Alliance was in Athens yesterday arranging for a field day for Leeds County on March 11.

Despite bad weather and almost impassible roads the Patriotic Assembly of the Young People's Club was a gratifying success. The attendance was remarkable all things considered.

The new Orange Hall on Princess street, Kingston, was dedicated Thursday by the Grand Master of Ontario East, Capt. E. H. McLean, of Bowmanville. There was a big gathering from all parts of Ontario.

Andrew Urshan, a Syrian of Persia a Pentecostal Evangelist, has been conducting services in the Mission here. He had some narrow escapes during the Armenian Massacres of this war.

A number of Athenians drove to Henry Crummy's recently to attend the farewell party given in honor of Stanley Crummy who has enlisted and goes to Kingston shortly to begin his training. A wrist watch and other tokens were presented.

The weather this winter is enough to try the patience of the most optimistic. For an interminable time, it seems, snow has been falling and piling up. The roads are full, often higher than the fences. Railway trains run irregularly, and during the frequent storms, not at all. The temperature is often below zero—very far below.

Ross Mansell, of the Canadian West was a visitor in town last week.

Miss Bertha Eligh is spending a few days with her grandmother, Mrs. H. Clow.

Lieut. Rowe and Sergt. Becket have opened up a recruiting office in the Parish block to secure enlistments for the new company of the 156th.

Rev. H. S. Putnam and Mrs. Putnam and daughter of Marlborough, Mass., are guests of the former's sister, Mrs. N. E. Smith. On Sunday, Mr. Putnam preached in the Methodist church.

A meeting of the local branch of the Leeds Farmers Limited will be held in the Agricultural office at 8 o'clock on Saturday evening. All farmers are welcome.

A company is being formed by a number of gentlemen in Gananoque and vicinity for the purpose of manufacturing rennet, which is one of the requirements of the dairying industry.

Among the invalided soldiers who arrived last week in Kingston from Quebec, were Sergt. C. Crossman, Crosby, Pte C. Greenham, Athens; Pte A. Gore, Westport; Pte. J. Trickett, Kemptville, and Pte. A. McCallum, Philippsville.

A handsome lamp and valuable jardiniere were presented to the township clerk, Mr. R. E. Cornell and Mrs. Cornell by an appreciative council. Mr. Cornell has filled this position with dignity and efficiency for upwards of twenty-five years.

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LESSON VII. February 18, 1917. Jesus heals a nobleman's son.—John 4: 46-54. OOMMINTARY.—Christ's return to Galilee (vs. 43-45). After the two days, (R. V.) after the two days that Jesus was constrained to remain at Sychar to preach to the people. It is evident that his work there was permanent from the fact that Philip, Peter and John met with marked success in their ministry in Samaria a few years later (Acts 8: 25). Went into Galilee.—Jesus and his disciples went on their way from Judea to Galilee when they halted at Jacob's well. It was about twenty miles from there to the border of Galilee, and nearly twenty more to Cana. A prophet had no honor in his own country.—Matt. 13: 57, Mark 6: 4 and Luke 4: 24. Jesus speaks of Nazareth as his own country. He was going into Galilee to continue his ministry, but not to Nazareth at this time, for that being his own country, he would not be well received. A second view is that expressed by Whedon: "From Samaria, where Jesus was honored, he departs after a brief sojourn, to his own country, Galilee, where he was, in the comparison, without honor; and he must go to win their honor, and convert, if possible, their hearts from contempt to adoration." A third view is that, since Judea as the place of Christ's birth, the centre of the Jewish religion, his father's country, where he had been enthusiastically received; hence he was going into Galilee where the people would welcome his ministry. The first view appears the most reasonable. The Galileans received him—they were not so firmly wedded to Jewish traditions and were not so prejudiced against those who did not bear the marks of the Jewish hierarchy as were the Jews of Judea, hence they were open to conviction. Many Galileans had been at the Passover in Jerusalem, where Jesus drove out the traffickers from the temple and saw others of his works and were convinced that he was the Messiah. They also went into the feast.—The males among the Israelites were required to attend the three great feasts at Jerusalem each year. The feast of the Passover was one of these. The feast of Tabernacles. The people were to bring an offering to the Lord on each of these occasions. II. The nobleman's request (vs. 46-49). The Cana of Galilee. This was a town four or five miles northeast of Nazareth. It was here that Jesus performed his first miracle, that of turning water into wine. Nathanael, one of his disciples, lived in Cana (John 1: 21). A certain nobleman.—A man who had a considerable position in the Roman government as he lived in Capernaum. We are not informed of his name, and the suggestion that it was Chuza, whose wife Joanna ministered to Jesus (Luke 8: 2), is more conjecture. A Capernaum. Capernaum was a city of considerable importance in the time of Christ. It was situated on the northwest shore of the Sea of Galilee. Excavations have revealed interesting ruins there, some of which appear to be those of a synagogue, perhaps that built by a centurion (Luke 7: 14). When Jesus and his disciples had heard of the wonderful works which he did and he was convinced that he had power to heal his son, who was at the point of death, he had heard that he was in Cana and hence he went to reach. Went unto Him, and besought Him.—His anxiety about his son and his confidence in Jesus lead him to five miles from Capernaum to Cana to entreat Jesus to go to his home. Come down.—Capernaum being on the shores of the Sea of Galilee and being on the hills, there was a descent of about two thousand feet in passing from Cana to Capernaum. Except you see signs and wonders.—The words of this verse are, as it were, an ejaculation, a thinking aloud of Jesus. He seems that to awaken this man He must

more than heal his son: He must to that sign add an additional wonder.—Whedon. Christ's miracles are never mere wonders to excite astonishment; they are signs of heavenly truths as well as this is their primary characteristic.—Plummer. Ye will not believe.—The great desire of Jesus was to convince the people that the kingdom of God was within their reach. He would have them believe in his Messiahship for their own present and eternal salvation. Therefore He was ready to perform miracles to bring the people to accept the truth by which alone they could be saved. 46. The nobleman saith unto Him.—This troubled father had not entrusted this urgent matter to another, but had urged himself, if he had pride of position, he laid it aside to come personally to Jesus for relief. Sir, come down ere my child die.—The longing desire for his child's recovery was mixed with faith. He had no hope that his son would live if Jesus did not heal him and he believed that Jesus could raise him up. He thought it necessary for Jesus to go where the sick one was in order to restore him to health, hence the urgency of his plea for Him to go down to Capernaum. He was about to receive a more comprehensive understanding of the power of Jesus. 47. The rewarder of faith (vs. 50-54). 50. Go thy way; thy son liveth.—The answer to the nobleman's earnest plea had come, but not in the way he had expected. The words that fell from the lips of Jesus were such words as he had never heard before. Thy son liveth, must have thrilled the soul of that father with joy. The man believed the word.—His idea that Jesus must be at his son's bedside and that his son was at once despatched, and his faith accepted his word. He saw no evidence that his son would recover, but he took Jesus at his word. He went his way.—He acted his faith and obeyed the Master. He had no occasion to plead longer with Jesus. The nobleman had faith when he started from Capernaum. He also had faith as he began his homeward journey, otherwise he would have continued his plea for Jesus to go home with him. 51. His servants met him.—On his way to Capernaum he met his servants, who had been sent to tell him the good news of his son's recovery. Thy son liveth.—The nobleman had heard these very words from Jesus some time before this and he believed them and was comforted, and hearing them now from his servants assured him that he had not trusted Jesus in vain. 52. Enquired.—...the hour.—It was natural that he should ask this question, for he wished to know whether the cure was wrought at the time Jesus spoke the words, "Thy son liveth," or later. Began to amend.—Began to recover. Yesterday at the seventh hour.—According to Jewish reckoning, this would be one o'clock in the afternoon. The nobleman had probably started early in the morning to find Jesus, and had arrived in Cana at about noon. His interview with Jesus was at one o'clock, and he started homeward as soon as he conveniently could. It would be difficult to make the journey to Capernaum, as tired as he and his beasts would naturally be, the same day, hence it is naturally that he should stop for the night at some village on the way. The fever left him.—It was not a case of slow recovery, but the disease left so its hold at once. The fever knew.—The cure appeared to him as having been wrought by the power of Jesus. It was not a natural recovery nor was it a mere coincidence. It was a revelation. His son's faith was rewarded in the healing of his son. It was rewarded in a most welcome manner in the salvation of his entire household. 54. This is again the second miracle.—When Jesus came into Galilee after his baptism, he performed the miracle in Cana of changing the water into wine; and when he came again into Galilee, from Judea, he healed the nobleman's son. The former miracle confirmed the faith of the disciples in him, and the latter convinced the nobleman and his family of Christ's Messiahship.

REAL AGRICULTURAL BOOKS.

To get together a number of authoritative works along the line of one's own business, makes a good starting point. A man should be a better farmer if familiar with "why" as well as the "how." Abnormal seasons, such as we have experienced for the last two years, are sure to create new problems. One who has trained himself by practice and experience to plow a straight furrow, feed a prize-winning steer or breed a cow into the advance Registry, will be all the better ploverman, feeder or breeder if he knows what the best agricultural books have to say about these subjects. For instance, such a book is "The Fat of the Land," by John Williams Streeter and published by Grosset and Dunlans, New York. When it came out ten or twelve years ago it created quite a stir and was widely read. I remember hearing the late Dr. James refer to this book some years ago while addressing a meeting of dairymen. "If," said he, "you think of buying some reading matter and have only the price of one book to invest, by all means buy 'The Fat of the Land,' it will pay you." I, for one, took the advice and found it gilt-edged. Another book from which I have derived a good deal of pleasure and profit is entitled "Our Farming," by T. B. Terry, of Ohio, and published by The Farmer Co. of Philadelphia. Other books that should find a place in any farm

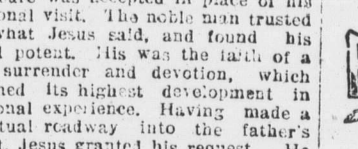
THE LIBRARY EVERY FARMER SHOULD HAVE

What Books to Buy and What Books to Avoid—Study Your Business, Your Country and Life—Build Up Your Very Own Library.

With the next few months of long winter evenings would it not be a good thing for the farming community to make some arrangements for a supply of reading material. Cultivating the soil is good, without a doubt, but why not give the mind a little cultivation as well? "But we have no circulation library here in the country," objects someone, "and books are expensive to buy." In my opinion it is the book that one is willing to pay good money for that is going to be read, considered and digested. If the Baconian philosophy is true the farmer need not regret very much Mr. Carnegie's oversight in not providing him with free copies of Laura Jean Libby or the average best seller. It's a little too easy to get the borrowing habit when convenient to public library. Nine times out of ten the books read under these circumstances are strictly "junk." Mind I am making no attempt to discredit what is a splendid institution and altogether worth while, but like most big things there is a weak side to it. Hence, the man who gets his mail at Jones' Corner should not envy the urbane and his be-pillared book-table. All he has to do is to start a better one—for his own use—and at a very reasonable outlay. One of the principal things to remember is, that a library is not necessarily a collection of books. To deserve the name it must mean more than that. It cannot be bought by the foot or the yard, according to the limit of one's pocketbook. The real thing is a natural outgrowth of the owner's tastes and requirements. It may have its beginning in one volume or a dozen, and may be added to from time to time as circumstances suggest.

library are Henry's "Feeds and Feeding," which stands unsurpassed in its line; Roberts' Fertility of the Soil; Davenport's Principles of Breeding, and the Bailey books that cover a wide range of horticultural topics. Then I see no reason why the farmer may not profitably develop a sort of all-roundness in his reading. We know, or ought to know, that production is only half of his business. No matter how beautiful his crops, how splendid the quality of his crops, if there is no market for them his labor has been in vain. Really there is no getting around the fact that a prosperous agriculture depends in a large measure on a proper system of distribution. To-day, market regulations and almost everything connected with the farmer's selling operations, has been the work of somebody else. What more important move could be made, then, than reading some of the books and periodicals dealing with this phase of the situation. But after one has waded through the intricacies of science and economics it is all too welcome something of an entertaining nature. A steady diet of beefsteak gets monotonous; a variety menu keeps a proper balance and makes us ready for more. In the realm of literature, books of fiction serve as a kind of desert, but if one happens to like pie, that is no reason why he should make a meal of it. I am, by no means, one of those who cry down fiction, provided it has some elements of value in it. There are, however, so many books in this class published nowadays that in buying it is well to practice some system of discrimination. Usually, I believe the publishers plan to give new books on the market in the spring and fall, like the milliners and the tailors. As a rule, they go out of fashion just as quickly. Then, again, I never like to risk \$1.50 on the new comer because the publisher proclaims it to be "the greatest American novel." Buying best sellers on this basis is a pretty sure way of dropping one's small change. It's a good plan to let the early enthusiasm of promoters cool off. After a year or two, if the book still appears to be making headway, and seems to be catching popular sanction, it may be safe to purchase. An old gentleman who has gotten together a really useful library, said to me once: "Never buy fiction until the copyright runs out. You gain in two ways. First, they will have dropped one-half in price; second, if they are still alive, they'll be masterpieces and well worth having." The advice looked good so I have browsed quite freely in the literary fields of Dickens, Scott, Thackeray and a score of others, ranging all the way from Fielding to Robert Louis Stevenson. They may not have added much to my store of agricultural knowledge, but I do claim they give one a broader outlook on the world of affairs and improve the quality of his citizenship. Once let a man's mental horizon become bounded by the limits of a hundred acre farm and he becomes dwarfed in mind, body and soul. In these days of history-making

ness and persistency in prayer brought physical and spiritual life to the household. T. R. A. Painful Swellings Reduced Muscular Strains Ended Such Troubles Now Quickly Rubbed Away by Powerful Remedy. If you have any muscles that are strained or a weak, tired and frequently subject to rheumatic pains, if you have any painful swellings that refuse to go away—get busy with Nerviline. This is the very sort of trouble that Nerviline is noted for curing quickly. I have proved Nerviline simply a wonder in reducing a hard, painful swelling. It followed an injury I received in my left leg and caused me great pain and discomfort. The muscles were strained and sore, and no other remedy gave the ease and comfort I got from rubbing on Nerviline. There is a soothing, pain-relieving power about Nerviline that touched the root of my troubles. Nerviline reduced the swelling, it destroyed the pain, it brought my limb back to perfect condition. The experience of Mr. Bowen, whose home is in Andover, is not unusual. Thousands are proving every day that muscular pains of every kind, chronic rheumatism, lumbago, neuralgia and sciatica will yield to Nerviline when nothing else can possibly cure. Nerviline is an old-time family pain remedy, used nearly forty years with great success, 25c. at all dealers.



TREATMENT OF SOILS. As a general thing no injury comes to a sandy soil if handled while it is wet. A clay soil, however, would suffer from such treatment. The effect would be what is known as puddling. Even if a clay soil is harrowed when wet, there will be more or less puddling. When in this condition it becomes cloddy and impervious to air and water. When the land is just moist enough to break up mellow is the proper time to plow it. It must be neither wet enough to leave a slick surface where rubbed by the moldboard, nor dry enough to break up in large clods. Should continued rain follow wet plowing, not much, if any, harm would follow. It is the hot, dry winds that leave a mass of unmanageable

one is likely to be attracted to the warring nations and become interested in the stories of their rise and development. Macaulay's "History of England" and "Green's Short History of the English People" are two standbys that should find a place in any library. The former especially, is a model of clearness and fluency of style, the mere reading of which cannot help but be beneficial, aside from the historical facts he clothes so attractively. Guizot's "History of France," and Grote's "History of Greece" are authoritative works on the countries with which they deal, and will be found fairly readable.

STUDY OUR OWN COUNTRY. Coming down to our own country, still comparatively young, there are several monumental works, such as Kingsford's, that treat exhaustively with Canadian history. I prefer, however, to take our own history in biographical doses, of which we have a number of very readable ones. In fact, the whole story of Champlain down to under quite a formidable list called "Makers of Canada." Perhaps most people would not care to read all the "Makers" or go to the expense of buying them. There are, however, some of them belonging to our own times that are almost indispensable to anyone wishing to get a reasonable and easy grasp of Dominion affairs since Confederation. The biographies that I can especially recommend are the lives of Sir John Macdonald, Alexander McKenzie, Geo. W. Ross and Sir Charles Tupper. You will not be satisfied to read any of these from a lending library on the two weeks' limit. They will stand re-reading and become more interesting on an extensive acquaintance.

EACH HAS A FAVORITE POET. Now, what about poetry? Most people will declare without any hesitation that they don't read it. But then, there are poets and poets, which makes a difference—sometimes. I have heard individuals who readily handed down the negative verdict on the muse who could quote whole passages from Bobby Burns, dialect and all. Many prose people admit a fondness for Kipling's "brassband" measure, and all of us are unconsciously quoting Shakespeare every day, for scores of our common expressions are but thinly paraphrased Shakespeareisms. When it comes to putting the poet on the library shelf, he takes little space and the cost is a trifle, thanks to the compression of modern publishers. Wordsy as his flights sometimes are, a little culling here and there to get rid of the dross and the refined gold becomes quite amenable to one's volume. Someone has said, "A library without the poets is like a garden without a flower or a house without a woman." It is quite evident that the man who likes an occasional dash of the sublime in his reading matter wants to get away at length from the busy-burly of dollar chasing. He will, therefore, consult his tastes and have them represented on his library shelves. —CANADIAN COUNTRYMAN.

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Table with columns for various market reports including Toronto Markets, SUGAR MARKET, and CATTLE MARKET. Lists items like Dairy products, Eggs, Cabbage, and various types of sugar and cattle with their corresponding prices.

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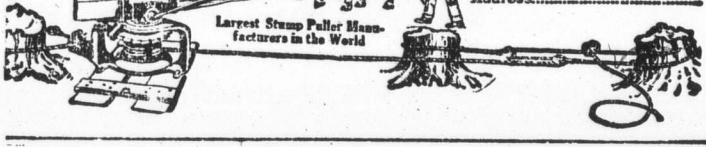
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HER HUMBLE LOVER

"Stop," she said, thoughtfully. "You say I don't understand her. If she is to be my daughter—and mark me, Frederic, if it is as you say, that you cannot forget her, or be happy without her—she will be my daughter."
"Mother!"
"Listen to me! If it is to be, then it is necessary that I should understand her, Frederic. She shall come here. I will ask her to come and stay."
His face flushed, then paled again, and he shook his head.
"She will not come while—while I am here."
"You must go away," she said, resolutely.

His face darkened with a look of disappointment.
"Why should I go away?" he said. "What good will that do? I shall go and leave her to—to—" he did not finish, but she understood him.

"If there is any one else," she said, "and I know whom you fear—that adventurer who is haunting the place—he will not have any opportunity of seeing her while she is here. She will come if you go away; and she shall stay and get accustomed to me and the Park. She will learn to value all that she has so foolishly refused, and grow to regret and wish that she had not done so."

His face brightened. Like all men of his type, he was sanguine, and ready to be hopeful.
"I see," he said. "If she would but come!"

Lady Blyte smiled scornfully.
"Do you think that her aunt will allow her to decline an invitation to the Park? She will come, be sure of that! I will go and ask her to-morrow. You must start by the first train, so that I can say that you have gone. She shall stay a week and then—ah, then we shall see whether she will refuse to be the mistress of the Park!"

Sir Frederic laid his hand on her shoulder gratefully.
"Mother, I know how much this costs you. It is in a low voice, 'I am very grateful for your goodness to me. Yes, I will take your advice. I will go to-morrow on the first train to London, anywhere, and she will come here.' With a sign as if she were of the delirium it would afford him to be near her."

"Let her go to—" she said, steadily, but her lips trembled as she spoke. "I have a great deal to say to you, my dear. I have always depended on you for the desire of your heart, and I will succeed in this though I must—I have—"
her eyes flashed as she looked up at him.

"Don't say that, mother," he said, wincing. "You won't say that when you know her. No one could hate no one could help loving her. Let me go now, I am worn out," and he stopped and kissed her, and left the room.

Lady Blyte rang the bell.
"Tell Lovel to pack his master's portmanteau," she said to the butler.
"Sir Frederic is going to town by the first train."

Hector Warren, having no carriage, walked home from necessity rather than desire. The cottage in which he lived was situated in a lane leading to

the beach. It was a modest looking lodging, quite in harmony with his appearance and position, and Mrs. Thompson, the landlady, declared that since she had taken in lodgers she had never known any gentleman give her less trouble than Hector Warren did.

He lived as frugally as the fishermen, and declared Mrs. Thompson, only had one bad habit—that of sitting up late into the night, or the morning, smoking his pipe, and sometimes pacing his small room; but as Mrs. Thompson was never kept up or awake, it didn't much signify.

It was a mystery to her, as he was to every one else who interested themselves in him. No one ever came to see him, and there were very few letters sent or received by him by the rustic postman. But amongst these Mrs. Thompson had noticed with feelings of awe, several inclosed in very thin envelopes, and bearing strange, foreign stamps. These the good woman always looked at most carefully, and stuck up on the mantel-shelf as if they were curiosities.

Hector Warren walked home from the dinner-party at Lady Rookwell's, wetting his thin boots, as Sir Frederic had done, and entering the hamlet cottage almost as dazed in mind as Sir Frederic himself.

Usually so self-possessed and impulsive, to-night he is thrilling with excitement and emotion.

His hand, as he laid it upon the modest latch of his parlor door, trembled almost as much as Sir Frederic's and his brow was knit as if with the result of a mental struggle.

For a moment he stood in the dark room, with the match box in his hand, peering through the door-crack, but Lady Blyte had uplifted to him when she said good-night, he could feel the

her voice was ringing in his ears. A husk of passionate love swept across his face, and transformed it, and his lips formed the words, "My darling!"

Then he lit the candle and looked round the room, also as he did so his glance fell upon one of the foreign

letters, and he was seized with a sudden tremor. He looked at it for some time, and then he turned to the door, unlocked it, and looked out into the street.

"No," he said, "no," he murmured, "Too late. I cannot throw aside the past! I cannot link her to such a life as mine! And yet—and yet—oh, my darling—my darling! how happy I could have made you but for this—but for this! Shall I venture even now? No, it would kill me, and that is flight. And yet to-night I felt so safe—so secure! I felt that here was the one woman in the world who would brave all that it could say, for my sake! But I dare not! If this be true love, and I know that it is, I dare not risk it. One word of this would kill her! I must go!"

With a groan he flung the other letters aside, and took a Continental Bradshaw from the table, and turned over the leaves indifferently purposelessly.

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"What is strange? what is it, Joseph?" demands Mrs. Podswell, irritably. "I do wish you wouldn't startle me so. What has happened? If there is anything more calculated to upset a person with my nerves, it is such uncalculated exclamations. Is any one dead?"

"No, no, my dear," answers the rector. "Certainly not; it is only a letter from Mr. Warren."

"Oh!" says Aunt Podswell, with a contemptuous sniff. "And what is it?" Signa feels the blood rush to her face, and she bends over the coffee service with downcast eyes. The rector smooths his chin and coughs.

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looking envelopes stuck upon the mantel-shelf, and his expression underwent a complete change. Setting down the candle, he sank into a chair, and sighed heavily, his eyes fixed upon the envelope stuck up above him as if it were a familiar demon.

He sat there for full five minutes, then he rose and reluctantly, slowly reached for the letter, and opened it.

As a man who reads unwelcome news, he read the letter through; then with a sigh he tore it into fragments and threw it into the grate, and began pacing the room.

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"Has he gone for good?" asks Mrs. Podswell, in a tone that implies a hope that she may receive a reply to the affirmative.

"I suppose so," says the rector. "He incloses the keys, and he says nothing of coming back."

Aunt Podswell sniffs suspiciously.
"Well, Joseph, I hope no harm may come of the young man's visit."

"Harm, my dear!" says the rector, mildly. "I don't see—"

"Perhaps not; you are not over-acute, Joseph, at the best of times. I don't accuse him of any harm, by no means; I only hope that nothing unpleasant may result from his visits to

the Grange. You will remember that I was opposed to his having the key for the first."

"Certainly, certainly," says the rector, "but seeing that he had brought the earl's written authority, I don't see how we could have refused him the key, my dear. At any rate, he has gone, and there's an end of it. I think we did right to be civil to him, Amelia; and if he should meet Lord Delaware he will admit that we have done our best for him."

"Yes," says Aunt Podswell, complacently, "and, as usual, meet with the common gratitude. He does not think it worth while to walk in and say good-bye."

"Sudden business, my dear," remarks the rector, faintly.

Aunt Podswell turns to Signa suddenly.
"You saw him last, last night; did he say anything of the sudden business?" Signa asks.

Signa, to whose face something like color had returned, shakes her head.
"No, nothing."

"You see, he never said a word, and there was no post in last night. He could not have got a letter—"

"The foreign mails, my dear."

But Mrs. Podswell's suspicion will not be allayed. She had been ready to quarrel with Hector Warren for coming, and she is ready to quarrel with him now for going.

"There is something wrong about it, I am sure, and you will see, mark my words!" and with a shake of the head and a deep sigh, she retreats to her room.

Signa sits silent and patient, while the rector crumbles his toast and

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turns over his letters and papers; then, when she has declined a fourth cup of coffee, she rises, and makes her escape.

"Gone! And without a word! Why had he not said 'Good-bye' last night—why had he left her without a sign? Was it possible that he had thought she had accepted Sir Frederic? No, that could not have been the reason, for he—Hector Warren—had said no word of love to her. After all, she had no cause for complaint; he had been kind to her, very kind, while he had been here; and now he was gone, and there was an end to the dream that had been so pleasant, and almost so brief."

But there was an aching void in her heart as she stood over Archie and watched him at his writing, and once she sighed so deeply that he looked up suddenly with his shrewd face full of sympathy and wanted to know what was the matter.

Presently there came a knock at the door, and Mrs. Warren, opening it, said that Lady Blyte was in the drawing-room, and would Miss Signa come down?

"Lady Blyte!" exclaimed Archie, with a prolonged whistle. "Why, she never visits anywhere! I wonder what she wants, Signa? Aren't you afraid?"

"Not in the least," said Signa, with rather a weary smile. "Go on with your geography lesson, dear, and try and learn it before I come back."

Then she went down with a little feeling of curiosity and embarrassment. But she need not have felt at all uncomfortable. Lady Blyte was a high-bred lady, and knew how to be gracious. She was very gracious, and as Signa came forward, the old lady held out her hands, and drawing the slim figure toward her, kissed Signa's forehead.

"My dear," she said, "I have come to ask a favor."

"Of me?" inquired Signa, with a little smile of wonder, and yet with that calm self-possession which never failed to arouse fresh surprise in Aunt Podswell's bosom.

"Yes, of you," said her ladyship, thinking as she scanned the girl from head to foot, how beautiful she looked, how full of youth and grace, and that nameless charm which, for want of a better word, we call prepossessioning. "Yes, of you, my dear. I want you to take compassion upon a lonely old woman, and come and keep her company for a few days."

Signa, remembering all too vividly the scene in Lady Rookwell's conservatory, recalling Sir Frederic's hot vows and bitter disappointment, was appalled at the idea of going to stay at the house of the man she had refused; and a hot flush crossed her face; but Lady Blyte smiled calmly and even sweetly, for there were times when she could bury her pride out of sight, and this was one of them.

"I am quite alone, my dear," she said. "As I have been telling your aunt, my son left me this morning to pay a long visit to a friend in London, so that we shall be quite tête-à-tête. If you think the prospect too awfully dull, my dear, I will try and forgive you; but on the other hand I shall be really glad if you will come and keep me company for a few days."

"Signa will be only too delighted, dear Lady Blyte," commenced Mrs. Podswell, but her ladyship stopped her, with rather a dry and haughty smile.

"There cannot be much that is delightful in the prospect," she said, "but I will try and make the few days as pleasant as possible, and she bent her proud eyes on the beautiful face inquiringly."

Signa raised her eyes. She had been thinking. She had promised Sir Frederic that she would forget what had passed between them, and had agreed that they should remain friends; why should she not go? If he had been at home, it would have been impossible, of course, but he was away, and his proud mother, feeling lonely, had come almost humbly to beg for her company—yes, she would

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"Stop," she said, thoughtfully. "You say I don't understand her. If she is to be my daughter—and mark me, Frederic, if it is as you say, that you cannot forget her, or be happy without her—she will be my daughter—

looking envelopes stuck upon the mantle-shelf, and his expression underwent a complete change. Setting down the cards, he sank into a chair, and sighed heavily, his eyes fixed upon the envelope stuck up above him as if it were a familiar demon.

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A World Without Papers

New York Editor and Publisher. Billy Sunday is not celebrated for moderation of statement...

In the February issue of Red and Gun, now on the news-stands, Bonny-castle Dale, the naturalist writer, describes in 'Hunting with the Modern Camera'...

SHERWOOD SPRING

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hart were guests on Tuesday last at the home of Mr. Stewart McMillan...

Mr. M. Campbell, Brockville is a guest at the home of Mr. Sherwood Elliot.

Mr. A. W. Empey and his employees have finished cutting ice for the ice-house at Baternut Bay.

Mr. E. P. Eigh is confined to his home, suffering from an attack of influenza.

Miss Bessie Cowan spent the weekend at her home in Brockville.

There was no school on Friday owing to the storm.

Not being able to make his regular trips for three days Mr. Arden Clow resorted to skis to deliver delayed mail.

Last Thursday night, the patrons of Plum Hollow Cheese Factory held their annual meeting.

PHILIPPSVILLE

There died suddenly on Thursday last at his home about two miles from this village, Mr. John Atchison...

Mr. Harry Wood has moved to his new factory at Sand Bay.

Mr. Robert Preston of Chantry, having bought Mr. Wood's share in the Farmer's Poole, has moved into his new home here.

Stanley Harkin has moved his family to the Thomas Dwyer farm for 1917 and 1918.

A number of young ladies took tea with Miss L. Nolan one evening last week.

Jessie Brown received a very painful bruise when his foot became jammed between two heavy logs.

Mr. J. Thompson is improving after an attack of pneumonia.

W. B. Phelps spent a day in Brockville recently.

Rev. Mr. Barker, Baptist minister of Delta again filled the Methodist pulpit on Sunday owing to the continued indisposition of the pastor, Rev. Mr. Stilwell.

Miss Lucie Whitmore spent a few days in Brockville last week.

The news that Pte Clifford Kirkland was wounded and in a hospital in France for repairs was received with sorrow by his many friends in this village.

ORIGIN OF LAUGHTER.

Carrying the Analysis Back to the Lowly Prehistoric Clam.

Laughter is an involuntary physical reaction. Hughlings Jackson calls it "one of the innumerable epilepsies to which man is subject."

The claim of our psychologist carries us a long leap backward to the most elemental form of animal life.

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SPOILED HIS SYSTEM.

He Thought It Couldn't Be Done, but He Is Wiser Now.

I know a man who wears his shirts in chronological order—that is, if he buys a new shirt he tags it with his initials, numbers it and places it at the bottom of the pile.

"Don't you believe it!" he said. "The person doesn't live who could upset my system!"

But I met him a few days ago—for the first time in a year. He was hurrying to catch a car, so I had only time to ask him how he was and how things were going.

"Have you a five dollar bill that you don't know what to do with?"

"Well, you asked me for one I didn't know what to do with."

MORE BRITISH BLOWS

Another Advance Made on the Somme Front.

Strong System of German Trenches on Southern Front of Ridge North of Beaumont-Hamel Was Captured—The Total Number of Hun Prisoners Exceeded the British List of Casualties.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—British troops captured Saturday night a strong system of German trenches on Serre Hill, north of the Ancre, on a front of over three-quarters of a mile.

Two hundred and fifteen Germans surrendered to the British and they went as prisoners to the rear.

The British had to fight to hold the ground on the Sully-Saillies Hill, east of the village.

"Another highly successful local operation was carried out last night. A strong system of hostile trenches, lying on the southern front of Serre Hill (north of Beaumont Hamel), was attacked and captured on a front of over three-quarters of a mile.

"We repulsed this morning by our fire an enemy attempt to approach our lines south of Sully-Saillies. We entered foe trenches during the night in neighborhood of Pys, southwest of La Bassee, north-east of Neuve Chapelle and south of Fauquissart.

German attacks against the new British positions east of Sully-Saillies, on the Somme front, were unsuccessful, according to the official statement from British headquarters in France, issued Saturday night by the War Office.

"The enemy attempted raids during the night southeast of Neuville St. Vaast, east of Vermelles and south of Neuve Chapelle, but were repulsed in each case with considerable losses, leaving a few prisoners in our hands.

"A party of our troops entered the enemy's lines east of Neuville-St. Vaast, destroyed a machine gun emplacement and returned without casualties. This afternoon we carried out a very successful raid opposite Givenchy.

"The artillery has been active on both sides of the Somme, in the neighborhood of Serre and in the Ypres sector. Four explosions were caused in the enemy's lines by our fire."

Prompt Victory Promised. PARIS, Feb. 12.—General Castelnau, chief of the French military delegation at the conference of the Entente Allies at Petrograd, is quoted in a despatch to The Temps from the Rumanian capital, as saying:

"One has only to compare the military situation of the Allies in the month of January, 1916, with that of January, 1917, and he will be compelled to admit that the conditions for the forthcoming spring campaign are much more favorable than they were last year.

"I can say that each day we are coming nearer to the realization of our objects. The brave Russian army, which has assumed a formidable task; the gallant Italian troops, and, finally, the Anglo-French forces, which are increasing in number, constitute the best guarantee of our final victory, which hereafter, will come promptly. In the meantime the military power of the Allies remains unshakable. The Germans have procured success only on secondary fronts.

"With regard to the principal fronts, on which decisive action will occur, our enemies have shown themselves powerless to obtain any serious results."

Food Riots in Austria. ROME, Feb. 12.—The Vatican has information from Austria that food riots have been repressed with bloodshed, and that frequently soldiers have refused to fire upon the citizens.

Vatican clergymen and Cardinals have been asked to implore the Pope to stop the war in order to save Germany and Austria-Hungary.

Swiss Protest. PARIS, Feb. 12.—The Swiss Federal Council, in its reply to the German note on the new submarine campaign, enters an energetic protest against the announced blockade and reserves all the rights of Switzerland as a neutral, according to the Havas News Agency's Bern correspondent.

It expressed confidence, however, that the German Government will take all necessary measures to assure the protection of Swiss interests.

FRANKVILLE

Feb 12

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Johnston, Sask., has been visiting his aunt, Mrs. Enos Soper, here.

The members of the Frankville Red Cross wish to tender their thanks to the Patriotic Assembly for the donation of fifteen dollars.

Mrs. Frank Livingston, who spent the past ten months with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Striketoot, left last week for her home in Roleau, Sask., accompanied by her cousin, Mrs. Emma Rathwell.

Mrs. Wm. Tackberry, of Greenbush, was visiting her sister, Mrs. Geo. Cannon, last week.

Mrs. Clark Eaton is ill with the la grippe.

Miss Ebel Brown, teacher at Lehigh's, was laid up last week so there was no school.

Mrs. Morton Livingston, of Brockville, has moved here to live.

Last week Stanley Livingston was transferred from the Bank of Commerce in Smith's Falls, to Timmins in Northern Ontario.

CHANTRY

Miss Doreen Davis left Monday morning for Cornwall to enter the General Hospital as a nurse in training. The young people regret having her leave our midst.

Mr. S. M. Seaman is down on a business trip.

Our little village is having a general change this week. Mr. F. Moulton moved back to his farm; Mr. F. Seed took up residence in his new home the Seaman house; and Mr. R. Preston moved to Philippsville, where he has bought an interest in the cheese factory.

Mr. J. N. Davis is ill with a lame back.

Mrs. Matilda Seed was called to Delta on account of the sickness of her daughter, Mrs. A. Irwin.

The Late Gershom B. Stevens

The funeral of the late Gershom B. Stevens took place to Plum Hollow cemetery Saturday Feb. 3 at 1 p.m.

On Jan. 16 a telegram was sent to Mr. J. H. Stevens to the effect that Mr. Stevens had been admitted to the hospital at Fort George, B. C., and asking him to come at once.

Owing to the fire in the Bell central at Athens and the fact that the mail did not run for three days, the telegram was not delivered until Saturday the 20th.

Mr. Stevens immediately wired that he would leave for the west as soon as possible, but while making arrangements to leave, another wire was received stating that Mr. Stevens was dead and asking what to do with the body.

Arrangements were made to bring the body east and it arrived by C. N. R. Saturday morning. The immediate relatives present at the funeral were; Miss Annie Stevens Regina; Mr. J. H. Stevens, Athens, Mrs. J. C. Stuart, Osgoode, and Dr. Stevens, Westport. The late Mr. Stevens left Athens for the west some 28 years ago and was 58 years of age.

We want everybody in this district to read THE REPORTER.

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WILL TRY CONSCRIPTION.

India is to Come Under Military Service Act.
 LONDON, Feb. 12.—A special despatch from Delhi says:
 Lord Chelmsford, the viceroy, presiding over the imperial legislative council, said that the Government's activities were being concentrated upon how best to assist the empire to achieve victory. India must be ready to place all resources at the disposal of the Empire. He did not wish to minimize the efforts already made, but for the future the motto must be "effort and yet greater effort." Lord Chelmsford asked the new members to continue to co-operate in avoiding controversial questions.
 Referring to the recent ordinance requiring all European males in India between the ages of 18 and 50 to register, the viceroy stated that the time had now arrived for India to release for service in the field British units which otherwise would be employed on garrison duty. The necessities of war made it imperative to organize an Indian defence force. It was therefore proposed to introduce a bill whereby all European British subjects between the ages of 18 and 41 would be liable to general military service in India. Those between the ages of 41 and 50 would be compulsorily enrolled for local military service, and youths between the ages of 16 and 18 would be enrolled for military training. The Government also proposed enrolling Indians in their own units for general military service in India for the duration of the war.

TURKS BADLY BEATEN.

Lose Position Held by Gen. Townshend During Siege.
 LONDON, Feb. 12.—An official report issued Sunday night describes briefly a British success against the Turks in Mesopotamia, a new line being occupied by the British of about three and a half miles to a depth of more than half a mile. The text of the statement reads:
 "In Mesopotamia during Friday night and Saturday four Turkish attacks on the right were repulsed, and the British held on the enemy trenches on the left was rapidly extended by bombing attacks. Later after a heavy bombardment a successful assault was undertaken against trenches west of the liquorice factory which General Townshend held throughout the siege of Kut, whereby we secured the factory and five hundred yards of enemy trenches.
 "As a result of these operations a new line has been occupied on a frontage of over 6,000 yards, and the enemy pushed back for a depth varying from 800 to 1,200 yards. All the evidence shows that the Turks suffered heavily."
 The British offensive south of Kut-el-Amara was resumed successfully on Friday, says an official statement on the campaign issued Saturday night. Under cover of a heavy bombardment a portion of the new Turkish front line west of the Hai River was secured and consolidated in the face of two counter-attacks and two bombing attacks. Further westward, the statement adds, Turkish trenches were penetrated and by successful bombing work were secured and consolidated along a front of 1,200 yards.

Austrians Are Active.

ROME, Feb. 12, via London.—An attack in considerable force was made on the Italian lines east of Goritz on Friday night. The War Office announced Sunday. The Austrians were repulsed at nearly all points, and such portions of the front lines as have not yet been recaptured by the Italians have been held under heavy fire, it is declared.
 The statement says that "after heavy artillery and trench mortar preparation the enemy in considerable force attacked our positions on the western slopes of Santa Caterina, northwest of San Marco and east of Vertobizza, between Sober and the Gortitz-Dornberg railway. After heavy fighting the enemy was repulsed nearly everywhere. Some very small portions of our front-line trenches which have not yet been recaptured are kept under our heavy barrage fire. We captured more than seventy prisoners."

Fighting the Pirates.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 12.—Nicholas Murray Butler, President of Columbia University, declared in an interview here Saturday that the submarine Deutschland has been captured by the British.
 "I have positive knowledge," he said, "that the Deutschland is one of eighty-five German submarines in one British port. I know that the British have captured not less than 200 German submarines."
 "The Deutschland now lying at Bremen is another submarine with that name painted on it to support the story that the submarine carrier never started on a third trip," Butler said.
 "The German submarine plan will not succeed," Butler claimed. "The British patrol and the active submarine arm of the British navy will prove their efficiency to adequately and most effective deal with the blockade," he declared.

A Knockout for Foe.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—In a letter read at the war loan meeting Saturday, Vice-Admiral Sir Reginald Bacon, commander of the Dover patrol, is quoted as saying:
 "If you will try as hard to do your duty ashore by raising a loan as we are doing at sea by sinking submarines and frustrating other evil devices, you will make the loan such a success that it will be a knockout blow to the enemy."
 Lance-Corporal Riley, a son of G. H. Riley of Murray township, near Cobourg, has been awarded the Military Medal for bravery in the field. He is a member of the Military Medal for bravery in the field.

NEWS TOPICS OF WEEK

Important Events Which Have Occurred During the Week.

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

TUESDAY.

Major Tidy resigned from the 138th Battalion (Bufs).
 Bitter over fifty cents a pound in Toronto, which makes it prohibitive. The French were successful in minor operations on the west front. The Czar has formed a committee to arrange for the reorganization of Poland.
 Hogs are expected to bring fifteen dollars a hundredweight within two months' time.
 Mr. Ralph C. Norton said 40,000 Belgian soldiers are waiting for the gift of a Bible.
 Seventeen German vessels interned in Manila Bay were seized by the United States authorities.
 The City Council decided to apply for legislation permitting the operation of a civic clock tower.

The Irish-Canadian Rangers of Montreal are to go to the front as a complete unit in the 5th Canadian Division.
 Dr. Michael Clark, M.P., addressing the Canadian Club, Toronto, gave the war first place amongst Canadian problems.
 The Toronto Board of Trade despatched their traffic expert to Buffalo to watch coal and other shipping from border points.
 Seven survivors of the Shackleton party stranded on Elephant Island, in the Antarctic, have been rescued by the relief ship Aurora.

Senator Landry says the French-Canadian Educational Association will resist Regulation 17 of the Ontario Department of Education to the end.
 In a rear-end collision of a passenger extra on the C. N. R. with a snow plow train, near Saskatoon, three men were killed and six injured.
WEDNESDAY.
 The Turks evacuated the south bank of the Tigris, leaving behind them 600 dead.
 Hon. Howard Ferguson announces that measures have been taken to safeguard the lumber of the Province.
 More than 900 persons of Teutonic birth renounced their allegiance to Germany and Austria in one day in New York.
 The German crews in the interned vessels in New York harbor have damaged the machinery to render the boats useless.
 Frigid weather in Germany has been breaking all records, the Potsdam Observatory recording 26 degrees below zero.
 A petition asking for votes for women, signed by 21,000 names, will be presented to the Government of the Province of Ontario.
 A rioting has taken place in Holland because food is being sent to Germany when the Dutch have not enough for their own use.
 The Canadian Club of Hamilton has started recruiting to fill up the vacancies in a local battalion, and is meeting with great success.
 President Carranza of Mexico is reported to have sent greetings to the Kaiser. This is intended for a slap in the face for Uncle Sam.
 Bruges Harbor has been bombarded by the British aeroplanes. Buildings and docks were set on fire and torpedo craft badly damaged.
 Forty passengers were injured when the C. P. R. train from Montreal was wrecked between Piedmont and Ste. Adele in the Province of Quebec.
 Count von Bernstorff, the dismissed German ambassador to the United States, has been granted the iron cross with the white ribbon by the Kaiser.

THURSDAY.

Mr. Justice Leitch died at his home in Toronto.
 Norway, Sweden, and Denmark have refused to break with Germany.
 U. S. War Secretary Baker denied any Teuton vessels had been seized. Two hundred people were killed by the wreck of a German dynamite factory.
 The half million dollar war appropriation was passed by the Commons.
 A young Austrian was killed in the Swift Canadian abattoir at West Toronto.
 Ontario sheep breeders held their annual meeting, and took important action.
 The town of Forest was lighted Wednesday night with Hydro for the first time.
 Dundas county defeated York county in the Provincial live stock judging contest.
 Guelph Patriotic Fund campaign aimed at \$100,000 in three days and reached \$102,185.
 An improved highway between Hamilton and the United States boundary is proposed.
 Toronto backyards should produce vegetables worth \$1,000,000, the Thrift Committee thinks.
 A. P. MacAuley, the Toronto broker, was arraigned before the General Sessions Court in New York.
 Parliament adjourned till April 19 to permit the Premier, Sir Robert Borden, to proceed to the Imperial War Council.
 Prof. C. A. Zavitz at the Fairs Association convention urged the farmers to sow good seed, of which there was an ample supply, he said.
 Lieut.-Col. Turnbull, a Hamilton officer, who has seen service at the front, replaces Lieut.-Colonel Burleigh as head of the Welland Canal force.
 The special Parliamentary committees on returning soldiers, on Confederation jubilee and on railway act revision were named in the House.
 Fifty-five per cent. of the pupils in the primary and first grades of Sarnia public schools are reported by

the inspector to be suffering from defective eyesight.
 Mr. Stewart Lyon, Managing Editor of The Toronto Globe, was chosen by the directors of the Canadian Press, Limited, in a meeting at Montreal to represent the Canadian papers at the front as war correspondent.
 Brig.-General Garnet Hughes, only son of General Sir Sam Hughes, former Minister of Militia, has accepted the command of the 5th Canadian Division now being organized in England, and has been promoted to be Major-General.
FRIDAY.
 Electrify the Timiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway, is Chairman Englehart's proposal.
 Brantford's Patriotic Fund campaign, aiming at \$150,000 in three days, concluded with \$158,000 obtained.
 Canadian troops to the number of 316 officers and 3,860 other ranks have recently arrived safely in England.
 The special Parliamentary Committee on Returned Soldiers will meet February 21. Sir Herbert B. Ames has been chosen Chairman.
 Jessie Biggs, three years old, while playing with matches at her home in Brantford, set fire to her clothing and was fatally burned.
 The Lake Erie Fishermen's Association will ask the Government to place two substantial patrol boats on the fishery protection service in place of the two small ones at present there.
 A Grand Trunk Pacific train carrying the 23rd Battalion of French Canadian eastward was wrecked on account of a broken rail forty miles west of Winnipeg, five cars rolling down an embankment. No one was seriously hurt.
 Premier W. M. Martin, in the Saskatchewan Legislature, moving the adoption of the Brown-Elwood Commission's report, read out of the Liberal party S. R. Moore, M.P.P. for Pinto Creek, and said he would move the expulsion of C. H. Cawthorpe, M.P.P. for Biggar, who had refused to resign.
 The Russians won a notable success in the Carpathians.
 France has established a fund to reward vessels capturing submarines.
 The King and Queen visited the Massey-Harris Convalescent Home in England.
 The Germans used captured steamers as a temporary refuge for captured crews.
 The British have scored important victories on the Somme front, capturing Grandcourt and the Sully-Saillise Hill.

SATURDAY.

There are nearly two thousand veterans of the Great War in Toronto.
 Mr. John Turnbull was elected Chairman of the Public Library Board of Toronto.
 Thirty more trains were cancelled by the G. T. R. in an effort to remove freight congestion.
 An important memorandum by prominent Canadians calling for Imperial Conference was issued.
 A south-western Ontario delegation saw the Premier regarding town planning.
 William Lyon Mackenzie, for many years connected with railway construction in Canada, died at Winnipeg, aged 56.
 A number of forestry battalions are to be raised throughout the Dominion, being urgently called for by the War Office.
 Fernie, Michel, Carbondale, and Hillcrest miners, by a majority of thirteen hundred, favor accepting the recent proposal for wage settlement.
 A new Government regulation is that no Canadian ship shall leave Canada without a license, and only when its trip is shown to be of useful service.
 Canada's war expenditure for January totalled \$24,074,932, exclusive of what Great Britain spent on Canadian troops at the front for food, ammunition, etc.
 No passports are hereafter to be issued to Canadians going to Great Britain unless there is great urgency or importance in their going, and they are financially able to support themselves while there, and to return.
 Denmark is facing a coal famine, and the consumption of gas and electricity is restricted.
 A London paper said President Wilson had set the balance toward democracy by breaking with Germany.
MONDAY.
 The enemy's barracks at Karlsruhe were bombed by French airmen.
 Mr. C. H. Mortimer, publisher of trade papers, died at his home in Toronto.
 Two United States steamers left New York, defying the Teuton murderers.
 The Duke of Norfolk, ranking member of the English nobility, died in London.
 President Butler of Columbia University says Britain has taken 200 German submarines.
 Charles S. Boechmer, one of the pioneer box makers in the Province, died at Kitchener.
 Chas. V. Plummer, a leading business man and public official in Sault Ste. Marie, is dead.
 G. L. Hughson, one of Sarnia's oldest residents, long connected with a lumber firm there, died at the age of ninety-three.
 Mr. Cecil McAllister, his wife and two children, of Toronto, were forced to flee in blankets and sheets from their burning home.
 Alfred Bloomfield, Toronto, is in hospital with a fractured skull, and John Poynton, a neighbor, is charged with causing the injury.
 Walter E. Foster, a wholesale dry goods merchant of St. John, has accepted the leadership of the Liberal Opposition in the New Brunswick Legislature.
 Pte. John J. Jones, a Brantford man, forty-five years of age, a member of the Frontier Guard, was instantly killed at a machine gun demonstration class at Niagara Falls by a live cartridge getting among the blank ammunition.

PURVIS STREET

Feb. 5th,
 Mrs. Roy Gibson entertained a party of her friends to a tea one evening of last week.
 Mr. and Mrs. James Manhart spent a few days last week visiting friends in Athens and Plum Hollow.
 Mrs. M. A. Chick spent a week visiting friends in Mallorytown.
 Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Graham attended the Graham-Guild wedding at Mallorytown last week.
 Mr. Alex Herbison has returned home after visiting friends in Brockville.
 Mrs. T. L. Chick spent last week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbison, Brockville.

Last fall Master Geo. Coley, Gananoque, a lad ten years of age saved Miss Madeline Sheets from drowning, by risking his life not only from fire, but by drowning in the Gananoque river, he rushed her to the river's bank and rolled her in the water. Through the efforts of Miss McGammon, with the kind assistance of Judge McDonald, Brockville, the Royal Canadian Humane Society Medal has been granted him. It is now being engraved, and there will be a public presentation later on.

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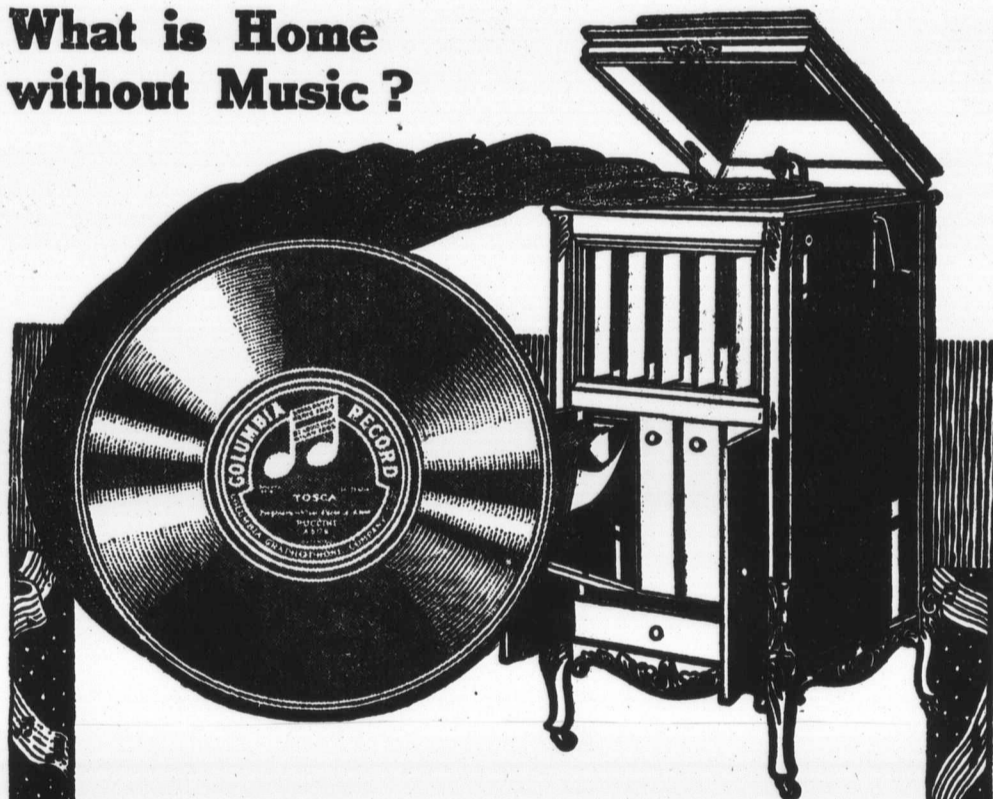
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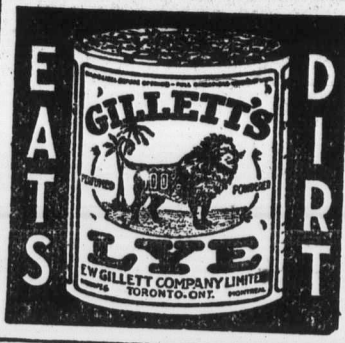


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Boiling. There's much waste. And fuel costs money. First bring water to boiling point.

AN EXCELLENT MEDICINE FOR LITTLE ONES. Baby's Own Tablets are an excellent medicine for little ones. They sweeten the stomach; regulate the bowels;

THE LOST DISCORD. (Clarence Lucas in the Musical Courier.) Scated one day at the organ, I was waiting for Dr. Carl To straighten a pedal passage

ZAM-DUK CURED IN 2 MONTHS After 2 Years' Useless Treatment. The healing power of Zam-Duk is so much greater than that of other ointments, that it has cured in many cases when all other ointments have failed.

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Oysters. (Recipe for Little Pigs in Blankets.) First drain them. Then dry each one. Wrap each in a slice of bacon.

Things Worth Knowing. The heavy flavor of bananas is improved by slicing and mixing them with currants.

Garment Gossip. Spring fashions alluring. Blouses sport lacers for fastenings. Combinations of materials are considered smart.

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Phenomenal Strides Made By Canadian Northern Railway System In First Year As Transcontinental

New System in the Past Year Carried Approximately 131,000,000 Bushels of Wheat, an Increase of 125 Per Cent. Over Previous Year. Company's New Mileage on Pacific Coast and Northern Ontario Makes Astonishing Showing Right from Commencement of Operation. Company's Lines Most Favorably Located.

(From Our Own Correspondent) Toronto, Feb. 12.—The phenomenal gains that the Canadian Northern Railway reports for its year as a transcontinental line makes the statement one of the most important that has ever been issued by any railway in Canada.

Ever Feel "Cory" After Meals?

At times we all feel dull and heavy. Just one thing to do, relax the bowels and cleanse the system with Dr. Hamilton's Pills.

Adam's Apple. O' Marse Adam! O' Marse Adam! Et de lady's apple up an' give her all de blame;

O' Marse Adam! O' Marse Adam! Praised de lady's attitudes an' compliment 'er figur—

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Islands in a Sea of Lava. The valley of the ancient Snake River in Idaho was flooded with great outpourings of black lava, which spread out sheet on sheet over the old land surface, and partly filled the valley with molten rock, which solidified and has remained to this day undisturbed except for the gorges that the streams have cut in it.

The exact grain traffic handled amounted to 131,000,000 bushels as compared with 57,762,829 bushels in 1915, or an increase of 72,482,239, equivalent to an increase of as much as 125 per cent.

Locating Icebergs.

The captain of an ocean steamer in most cases finds out when his vessel is approaching an iceberg from the men down in the engine room. That sounds queer, but it is a fact, nevertheless.

I was cured of Acute Bronchitis by MINARD'S LINIMENT. Bay of Islands, J. M. CAMPBELL.

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LOWER MEAT BILLS.

Cheaper Cuts Give Excellent Satisfaction When Properly Prepared. Do you know, Madame, that a 1,600-lb. steer "dresses" only to 500 pounds.

Have your butcher cut a chunk of a shoulder and remove the bone. Do not have this too small, as a pot roast should always be of size.

Sliced Chuck. Meat, Minute Sauter. Ask your butcher to give whatever quantity you deem necessary for your wants of lean chuck as near the shortrib part as possible.

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There are five quarts of blood in the human body, half of which may be lost without loss of life.

There are more than 2,500 Red Cross dogs in the war fields doing a marvelous work for the wounded.

Zam-Duk is equally good for eczema, cleers, abscesses, blood-poisoning, piles, cold sores, chapped hands, chilblains, eruptions, etc. At all drug stores, 50c. box, or from Zam-Duk Co., Toronto.

SPIDER FACTORY HANDS. Spinning Delicate Threads for Use in Telescopes. Spiders are probably the most indispensible workmen in one of the largest English surveying instrument factories.

Men Wanted for the Navy. The Royal Naval Canadian Volunteer Reserve, wants men for immediate service Overseas, in the Imperial Navy. Candidates must be from 18 to 38 years of age and sons of natural born British subjects.

Corns Applied in 5 Seconds Cured Quick. Sore, blistering feet from corn-pinchers can be cured by Putnam's Extractor in 24 hours.

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FRUIT MEN'S CONVENTION IN TORONTO

Some Criticism of the Inspection and Sale Act is Heard.

THE DUST SPRAY

Advocated as Being Better Than Liquid in Orchards.

Toronto despatch—That the inspection and sale act gives no protection whatever to the apple consumer who buys apples in small quantities from retail stores was one of the statements Mr. A. S. Chapin made yesterday at the annual convention of the Fruit Growers' Association of Ontario.

Mr. Chapin also complained of the law in another particular. The standard fixed for No. 2 grade, he said, was so indefinite that even he, with fifteen years' experience, could not say what a No. 2 grade he would have two classes of No. 1—No. 1A and No. 1B. In both cases the apples should be free of spots, well shaped and well colored. By having two sizes the fruit would sell better if mixed. In No. 2 he would put fruit packed in color and slightly spotted.

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Mr. George Robertson of Niagara district, said that fall plowing would not do in his case as it was necessary to have a fall growth to hold the snow for winter protection. Mr. W. H. Burnham, also of the Niagara district, declared he had tried all methods and had experienced no unusual winter injury after fall plowing.

Prof. Wetzell did not believe that the cost of dust would be less than liquid spray, and one great advantage in favor of the former is that it can be much more quickly applied. Ten acres could be "dusted" in two hours, while it would require two days to apply liquid effectively to the same area.

The following were elected directors for the several districts: No. 1, R. B. Whyte, Ottawa; 2, E. Casselman, Irons; 3, Howard Leavens, Bloomfield; 4, J. J. Waite, Colborne; 5, R. W. Grierson, Oshawa; 6, W. F. W. Fisher, Burlington; 7, J. R. Hastings, Wilton; 8, F. A. Sheppard, S. Catharines; 9, Charles Howard, Hagersville; 10, Thomas Rowley, Leamington; 11, A. Stephenson, Longwood; 12, J. C. Harris, Ingersoll; 13, W. Mitchell, Charkburg. The directors will elect the President.

ANOTHER GOOD BRITISH GAIN; SAILLY-SAILLISEL HILL TAKEN

Capture of Grandcourt Followed Up Vigorously on Ancre River

All Objects Obtained—Huns Attack on Belgians Badly Repulsed

London Cable—The British in the Somme region of France are keeping up their new offensive against the Germans in their efforts to press forward toward Bapaume, South-east of Bapaume, along the Bapaume-Peronne road, they have taken the highest point of Saily-Saillisel hill and captured a large number of Germans and one machine gun.

DAY'S TULL OF GERMAN SUBS. Ten Ships Were Sunk, Six of them British.

Brutality Clearly Proved by Survivors.

London Cable—Allied and neutral ships aggregating 21,000 tons have been sunk by German submarines during the past 24 hours. Ten vessels in all were sunk on the western coast of the British Isles during this period, six of them British steamers of an aggregate tonnage of 12,000 tons.

The following are the ships reported sunk: the British steamer Holm, the German liner, the Saxonian, the Veid-Holm, the Boyze Castle, the Farnio, the Yvonne, the Swedish steamer Varnis, and the Italian steamer Sengely.

An American negro fireman on the Turino, George Washington, was killed. According to detailed reports of survivors of the British steamer Eavestone received at the American Embassy, the German submarine which sank the steamer when it fired three times on one open boat containing members of the crew, an action which, it is reported, could not have been an accident or a mistake.

The reports say the submarine opened fire when 2000 yards distant from the Eavestone finding the range easily and using from 12 to 20 shells from the 12-inch and 8-inch guns. After the steamer's two boats, with the crew on board, had drifted astern of the Eavestone about a quarter of a mile, the submarine fired three times through the broadside, bursting over the boats, killing the captain and four men of the crew, including Richard Wallace, an American.

The survivors who told of this procedure were from the Norwegian calling vessel Sengely and Furness liner Turino. The captain and 21 of the crew of the latter were landed. Her first engineer and three of her firemen were killed. The crews of both vessels, the survivors relate, were on board an unnamed Italian steamer for two days. The German submarine operating here used this Italian vessel, which it has armed and provided with crew of six men, as a ship to stand by and receive the crews of sunken ships.

After the crews of the Sengely and Turino had been on board the Italian for two days, they were transferred to the British steamer Penmont, which was ordered to take them to port. The Germans also transferred from the submarine to the Penmont Captain Snaffles, of the steamer Holm, who had been taken on board the submarine as a prisoner when his vessel was sunk. His crew of 22 were left in two boats, he reported, and are still missing.

The intention of the submarine was to sink the Italian vessel before returning to Germany, according to survivors.

The sinking of the Turino and Holm is also being reported. The Norwegian ship Sengely of 2,000 tons gross had not been sighted since it was sunk at Bapaume, France, on Nov. 13.

Tokyo Cable—The severance of relations between the United States and Germany has caused a profound impression here. The Foreign Office has expressed satisfaction at the action of President Wilson, declaring that it was the only logical step. The Yokohama stock and silk exchanges have suspended their sessions, after heavy declines. Brokers fear an interruption of silk exports to the United States. The American Embassy and Consulates have discontinued their representation of Germany in Japan. The newspapers welcome the rupture, declaring that if war comes the United States will be of immense moral and material aid to the Entente, and hasten the collapse of Germany.

NOT ALARMED BY CAMPAIGN OF HUN SUBS.

British Admiralty Has Taken Measures, and Will Frustrate U-Boats.

THE BRITISH ARE CASTIGATED BY LEADERS OF CIVILIZATION IN BRITISH PARLIAMENT.

London Cable—"We are not alarmed at the sharpened submarine war. We knew it was coming and prepared for it. Time will tell how our continuance is justified." This statement was made to the Associated Press today at the Admiralty, and it was issued.

It must be remembered that one submarine may cruise whole days without getting a victim. For instance, on the day since Feb. 7, torpedoes were fired on sight at seven of our merchantmen without getting a single hit. We have taken measures which we have every reason to believe will frustrate the U-boat warfare, if we do not see it, it is obvious that we cannot recall them—the daily reports of the decrease in sinkings will be the best evidence of our success.

Former Premier Asquith described Germany's new naval policy as one of "undisguised savagery." He said it was not worth while discussing the motives which actuated the German Government. The net effect of it was that it was a direct and defiant challenge to the conscience and to the interests of the entire neutral world.

"This declaration of war on neutrality," continued Mr. Asquith, "is a challenge which has been taken up with dignity and without delay by the greatest of neutral states. It is not for us to forecast the bearing of this challenge, but we know the firmness of the war. Still less is it fitting for us to forecast the bearing of this challenge, but we know the firmness of the war. Still less is it fitting for us to forecast the bearing of this challenge, but we know the firmness of the war.

Andrew Bonar Law, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, expressed satisfaction with what he believed to be the perfect manner in which former Premier Asquith had rebuffed the challenge of the country on the role of the neutrals in the face of the submarine menace.

direct requisition of the Government, and that the Shipping Controller was putting down a large number of new ships. Mr. Bonar Law said he did not minimize the submarine danger, but that some of the best brains in the country at large and among naval men was concentrated upon the problem. Altogether, he declared, he was not without hope, whatever the ravages of submarines might be, that something might be done to replace the lost tonnage by new ships.

In the House of Lords the Marquis of Crews, reviewing the statistics such as Andrew Bonar Law had done in the House of Commons, said that Germany had thrown aside the mask of humanity by her latest utterance, and had promised a warfare of unqualified savagery which was staggering, not in the sense its authors hoped, but to those who contemplated Germany's moral position.

The speaker said he knew of no parallel in modern history for Germany's act. Even Kingdon and Frederick II, he said, unscrupulous as they were, would have shrunk from such a threat. The action of the United States Government in the face of the German menace, he added, would be founded on a high moral basis. He hoped, however, that nobody would suppose that the action of the United States would make it less incumbent upon the allies to do the utmost possible to win the war.

GIVE NEED TO SEED STOCKS Prof. Zavitz Advises Ont. Fairs Association.

Toronto despatch—Speaking before the Ontario Association of Fairs and Exhibitions convention at the closing session held yesterday afternoon in the Foresters' Hall, College Street, Prof. C. A. Zavitz, of Guelph, spoke of the improvement of seed strains which had resulted from the competition for high standards of field crops among contestants at the Fall crops. Prof. Zavitz declared that within the last ten years the influence of the association had extended to practically every farming community within the province and he pointed to the great benefits which must accrue to Ontario, particularly, and the entire Dominion in a general way from the improvement of agricultural methods which had been inspired by the competitive features and instructional factors provided by the annual fairs and exhibitions.

41 DIED IN SINKING OF CALIFORNIA

Big Vessel Sank in Nine Minutes After Torpedo Hit Her. WAS NO PANIC

Conduct of Passengers and Crew Was the Best, Captain Says.

London Cable—Forty-one persons perished when the British passenger steamer California, of the Anchor Line, was torpedoed and sunk off the Irish coast at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning. The vessel sank in nine minutes. The stricken ship was able to send out "S. O. S." calls, and help arrived promptly. Nevertheless, five persons were killed by the explosion and 36 were drowned in the launching of the lifeboats.

The California was an armed liner, carrying a single 4.7 gun mounted on the stern. The gunner was just training the weapon on the spot where oil bubbles had revealed the presence of the under-water enemy when a torpedo struck the port side with an explosion so violent that most of the people aboard were thrown off their feet, five being killed and a score injured.

The submarine fired a second torpedo, in an apparent effort to accelerate the sinking, but the second shot missed, although both torpedoes were fired from a distance of less than 200 yards. There was only one American aboard the California, and he is among the survivors. Captain Henderson, commander of the California, declares that the conduct of the passengers and crew was exemplary. There had been careful drills on the ship on the way across, and every person aboard had been assigned a place in a lifeboat and provided with a lifebelt. But, despite the coolness of the passengers and the seamanship of the crew, the successful launching of the boats was made impossible by the shortness of the time between the torpedoing of the vessel and her disappearance beneath the waves, which did not permit waiting until the ship had lost headway.

When the boats were being lowered from the sloping decks the California continued to move forward, lurching like a drunken man, and the roar of the water rushing through the gaping wound in her side could be heard above the shouts of officers and men. In a number of cases it was necessary for the passengers to jump into the boats after they were in the water, and in one case a boat with its unportioned load was swamped and sank, many of the occupants being swept under the ship before the other boats could give help.

Some of the lifeboats in the after part of the ship were actually in the water when released from the davits, so rapidly did the ship settle by the stern. A considerable number of the crew jumped from their stations into the sea and swam to the boats. It was extremely fortunate that the weather was calm and the sea glassy; otherwise it would probably have been impossible to launch a single boat.

NO WARNING GIVEN The townspeople who crowded the quays carried blankets, clothing and food, and were eager to be of some assistance to the survivors when they were brought ashore. Aside from those injured, few of the survivors needed much help, but some were thinly clad and gladly accepted gifts of clothing. Naval and military Red Cross contingents were present to care for the injured, who were removed to hospitals. According to the reports received by the American Embassy from some of the survivors, there was only one submarine which, however, fired two torpedoes, one of which missed by a few yards, the other hitting the California squarely on the port quarter. It was the captain from the bridge who discerned suspicious oil bubbles on the surface of the water 200 yards distant. He instantly divined that a submarine was there and ordered the siren to ring. Before this could be done the ship was torpedoed. The track of the submarine could be seen, but no warning was given, and the submarine did not attack the boat until the ship was in the water.

Captain Henderson and the other officers remained aboard the California until the ship went down. Among the officers missing are Chief Engineer Smith, Engineer Cunningham and Third Officer Simpson.

Following are the names of the survivors among the passengers on the California: First cabin: James Broughton. Second cabin: Mrs. J. W. Alcock, Angus Gilchrist, Mrs. Angus Gilchrist, Corneille O'Donnell (Miss Rose Martin), Alexander Norton (Mrs. Ina), Miss A. Cutbill (Mrs. M. Chambers). Third cabin: Margaret Little, Mary White and Baby Little, Mrs. Teale McKimley, Alexander Knox (Afton?), James Anderson, Alexander Lezas, Marjorie Sinclair, Jessie Robertson. 33,325,000 FOR PULPWOOD. Toronto, Report—The successful tender for the right to cut the pulpwood and timber of the Black Sturgeon River Reserve is Mr. S. Marks of Nelson who offered a bid of \$100,000,000 for a bonus on all classes of pulpwood. This means, taking due account, that for the next five years the Government will receive \$10,000,000 for all other classes of wood at a rate of \$100,000,000. It is estimated that as a result of the sale the Provincial Treasury will benefit in time to the extent of \$3,250,000.

BERNSTORFF GETS PERMIT

Britain Gives Hun Envoy to U. S. Passage But Cannot Guarantee Against U-Boats.

London Cable—Count von Bernstorff, the former German ambassador to the United States, will be given a safe conduct so far as it is within the power of the British Government to give it. This announcement was made tonight by the foreign office, following a conference between A. J. Balfour, Secretary for Foreign Affairs, and Ambassador Bernstorff.

The American Ambassador called on Mr. Balfour, and the two were closeted for nearly an hour. Both were non-committal on the subject of the negotiations, but it is believed they related fully to the request of the United States Government for the safe conduct of Ambassador von Bernstorff for his return to Germany at the conference the foreign office authorized the announcement of Great Britain's decision to accede to Washington's request, which was made two days ago. At the same time the Foreign Office called its decision to the State Department at Washington.

It is said that Great Britain is ready to grant Count von Bernstorff safe conduct, but that it could not guarantee the former Ambassador's safety against the acts of his own countrymen. The British Government expressed itself as anxious to meet the State Department's wishes and declared that it would do all in its power to carry them out. James W. Gerard, retiring American Ambassador to Germany, is still in Berlin. A semi-official communication says the date of his departure has not yet been fixed. There has been no denial by Berlin of the official announcement in Copenhagen last Tuesday that Mr. Gerard would not be allowed to leave Berlin until the German Government was satisfied as to the treatment by the American Government of Count von Bernstorff, the retiring German Ambassador at Washington. In other words, Gerard is being held as a hostage.

LEAVING GERMANY.

U. S. Citizens Crowd Embassy for Assistance.

Berlin Cable, via London, Cable—The scene at the United States Embassy this morning recalled the memorable days of August, 1914. Crowds of anxious Americans blocked the corridors and secretarial rooms, seeking the renewal of passports, and above all, advice for their future course and in regard to possible routes back home.

Several secretaries and attaches of the Embassy were stationed in the corridors to answer questions, and the passport department worked at full speed extending and renewing passports, without resorting to the hither-to prescribed reference to Washington. Plans for the departure of Ambassador Gerard and his staff are still unsettled; it will perhaps be a matter of several days before they will leave Germany. The Ambassador will return directly to the United States.

ATTENDANCE AT FAIRS. Mr. A. R. G. Smith instructed the delegates as to ways and means for stimulating a greater interest in the fairs and exhibitions and suggested methods which in his opinion would result in largely increased attendance. He would have complimentary tickets issued to all children who may come in care of parents or elders and have notices prominently displayed in all local newspapers announcing the dates and purposes of each gathering called by the association. He spoke of the success which had followed the issuance of many thousands of invitation cards which had been printed for the purpose of calling attention to the benefits which may be derived by all members of the farming communities from a visit to the displays and entry to the competitions.

The following officers were elected to care for the executive business of the association for the ensuing year: President, Wm. Scarr, Durham; first vice-president, L. J. C. Bull, Brampton; second vice-president, W. J. Connelly, Cobden; secretary, J. Lockie Wilson, Toronto; treasurer, J. Lockie Wilson, Otterville; auditor, Alex. McFarlane, Toronto; district directors—J. C. Stuart, Osgoode Station; J. S. Sibbitt, Kingston; W. J. Barber, Rosemore; E. H. Purdy, Port Perry; R. B. Henry, Orangeville; J. E. Peart, Hamilton; R. E. Cowan, Galt; S. J. Monteith, Stratford; P. W. Johnston, Walkerville; John McDermid, Lucknow; W. J. Hamilton, Raymond; E. F. Stephenson, New Liskeard and Wm. Marshall, Sault Ste. Marie.

FRENCH REPORT. Paris Cable—The official communication issued by the War Office Thursday night reads: "Spirited artillery fighting took place south of the Somme in the regions of Demicourt and Lihons. In the Argonne, in the sector of Poland, we carried out against the German trenches a surprise attack which enabled us to bring back about twenty prisoners. Nothing of importance occurred on the rest of the front. Enemy aeroplanes dropped projectiles in the region of St. Vincent bridge. Four civilians were killed and five wounded."

The ground we have gained on the Ancre since the new year now represents an advance of an average depth of nearly three-quarters of a mile on a front of over three miles. We also entered enemy trenches last night south of Bouchavesnes and brought back prisoners and a machine gun. A number of the enemy were killed and dugouts were bombed. During the night an enemy raiding party in the neighborhood of Grandcourt was driven off by our barrage before reaching our line. Another enemy raid attempted south-west of La Bassee, also was repulsed.

JUNETOWN

Feb 5
Thos Gavin, Escott, was visiting his aunt, Mrs. George Scott last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Graham, Mr. Joseph Graham, Mr. and Mrs. C. Charleton and Mr. B. Ferguson attended the Graham and Guilds wedding, at Andersburg, on Wednesday evening.

Miss Orna Fortune has returned home from Athens where she has been spending the past month.

Word was received here last week of the death of Mrs. Creamer which occurred on Jan 20th at Pasadena California, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Willard Purvis.

Miss Ethel Neil Ottawa is the guest of Mrs. John A. Herbison.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Torrence spent one day last week at Mr. Chas Bails.

Miss Myrtle Avery left on Thursday for Toronto to spend a couple of weeks with her sister Miss Maude Avery.

Mr. Zaccheus Purvis, Lvn is visiting relatives here

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Earl, W-erburton were recent visitors at Mr. Walter Purvis'.

Born Feb. 3rd, to Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Ferguson, Mountain Street, a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. George Scott, spent the week end in Ganahogue, with the former's mother Mrs. A. Scott.

Mr. Herbert Scott, is visiting relatives in in Ganan que.

Mr. James Ferguson, Rockfield, is visiting at Mr. B. J. Ferguson's

LETTER OF CONDOLENCE

Whereas it has pleased Almighty God in His all-wise and loving Providence to remove by death brother Ephraim Virtue, a loyal member in good standing of Lodge 503 Somerville's Corners, we the members of the Loyal Orange County Lodge, of North Leeds, in deepest sympathy with brother Virtue's sorrowing wife and mother in their great bereavement, and we pray that our heavenly Father will sustain and comfort them in their sorrow.

Signed on behalf of the Lodge,
T. J. PRITCHARD, County W.M.
H. S. KLYNE, County Rec. Sec.

Notice to Creditors.

IN THE MATTER of the estate of William Morris, late of the Village of Athens, in the County of Leeds, Gentleman, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all persons having any claims or demands against the estate of the late William Morris who died on or about the fifth day of December, 1916, are required to send by post prepaid or to deliver to the undersigned, Solicitor for the executors of the Will of the said deceased, their surmises and addresses, and full particulars in writing of their claims and a statement of their accounts and the nature of the securities, if any held by them.

And take notice that after the fourth of March, 1917, the Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have had notice, and that the said executors will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any persons of whose claims they shall not then have received notice.

T. R. BEALE
Solicitor for the Executors
Dated at Athens, the 13th day of February, 1917.

**Reporter Advertisements
Bring Results.**

AUCTION SALE

At the farm of the late S. Y. Brown, one mile north of

Addison

Commencing at 1 o'clock

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1917.

9 grade Holstein cows with calf, 2 2-year-old heifers, 3 horses, double and single harness, lumber wagon, market wagon, open buggy, new top buggy, 2 single cutters one new, binder, mowing machine, horse rake, walking plow, sulky plow, harrow, roller, corn cultivators, and numerous other articles.

TERMS—\$10 and under, cash; over that amount 6 months' credit on approved joint notes with interest at 6%.

E. TAYLOR, Auctioneer
MRS. S. Y. BROWN, Owner

AUCTION SALE

The undersigned will sell by public auction at

Lake Elويدa

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1917

Pure-bred Holstein cow 6 years old, ditto 2 years old coming in, ditto 1 year old, ditto heifer calf 5 months old, 3 grade holstein cows

3 2-yr.-old heifers coming in, 1 mare coming 10 years old, brown horse coming 8 years, 3 September pigs, 35 hens, agricultural implements, household furniture, etc.

TERMS—\$10 and under, cash; over that amount, 6 months' credit on approved joint notes with interest at 6 per cent.

E. TAYLOR, Auctioneer
FRED W. SCOVIL, Proprietor

AUCTION SALE!

The Undersigned will sell by Public Auction at the

ARMSTRONG HOUSE

In the Village of

ATHENS

Commencing at 1 p.m. sharp on

Monday, February 26th

The following property: Part of Lot 16, Con. 9, Yonge, 1/2 mile west of Athens, on the Delta Road, consisting of 1/2 acre more or less. On the property is an 8-roomed brick residence which will be sold furnished or unfurnished. There is also a stable on the premises.

TERMS—The above will be offered for sale subject to a reserve bid; 10 per cent down, balance in 30 days.

E. TAYLOR, Auctioneer
E. D. WILSON, Owner

TENDERS WANTED

The Council of Rear Yonge and Escott ask for tenders for 75 cords of stone at the west end of the township road (through Glen Elbe) and 125 cords at the east end. Quarried stone preferred and to be put up early in spring.

R. E. CORNELL, Clerk.

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