

FRANCE FEARS THAT GERMANY MAY INVADE SWITZERLAND

Allied Forces Prepare to Launch the Greatest Offensive of the War

VIOLATION OF SWISS NEUTRALITY

France Fears That This Outrage May Now be Meditated by Germany

Paris, Jan. 3.—France fears a dash by the German armies across neutral Switzerland, in a desperate attempt to turn the French and Italian lines and relieve the pressure of the allied forces on the two fronts.

For months the possibility of an invasion of Swiss territory has been talked of in Paris as a possibility. Today, in the opinion of an influential section of the French press, it has become a possibility.

Germany has called to the colors another class of recruits which will reinforce her active armies by more than half a million men. With her military forces now at their maximum, she is preparing for her supreme efforts of the war.

Enemy Desperate Of one thing France is certain that under Field Marshal Von Hindenburg Germany is mustering all her resources for a desperate stroke.

Having already shown her contempt of treaty rights in her dealings with one country, Belgium, it is unlikely that Germany will hesitate at a similar violation in the case of Switzerland, French writers say.

This view is expressed in La Victoire yesterday by Gustave Herve, the famous French publicist, who devotes his leading article to the subject.

England must take over a still greater portion of the line now held by the French, M. Herve declares, in order to free a sufficient body of French troops to permit the formation of an "army of manoeuvre," a mobile force, which will be ready to reinforce any part of the west front line menaced by the German attack.

More Mobilized M. Herve also points out that Germany has mobilized the classes of 1919, giving her 600,000 additional men, while her civil mobilization will liberate a force variously estimated at 500,000 to 2,000,000. This force, while it will be used chiefly for service at the rear, will free a corresponding number of troops for the purposes of the first line.

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THE WOMAN IN THE CASE AT THE BRITISH WAR OFFICE

Report Submitted Upon Army Scandal Which Has Caused Much Comment

London, Jan. 3.—An army scandal involving the exercise of influence over high officers by a prominent society woman, is described in the report of a Court of Inquiry issued today.

The late Sir Arthur Basil Markham, Liberal member of Parliament for the Mansfield Division of Nottingham, who died last August, demanded an inquiry in the House of Commons into this matter, and was seconded by Irish members who declared that a young Irish officer's honor was involved.

Completely Exonerated. According to a statement in the House of Commons before recess he was completely exonerated; his Commanding Officer, Lieutenant Colonel Delme-Radcliffe, was removed from his command, and General Sir John Cowan was censured, but returned because of his good work.

Probably before this time, and certainly later, says the report, "Mrs. Cornwallis-West began to take an ordinary interest in Mr. Barrett, to which he consistently failed to respond. Eventually he wrote her in February last a letter of remonstrance, which she placed in the hands of his commanding officers."

Gen. Cowan Censured Barrett was severely censured by his commander without the opportunity of stating his case. Soon after he was transferred to another battalion on the demand of Mrs. Cornwallis-West. General Cowan, who aided the Cornwallis-Wests in securing Barrett's transfer, is censured for interfering with discipline.

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GREATEST BATTLE OF WAR COMING

Allied Forces Prepare For Irresistible Drive as Answer to Germany

London, Jan. 4.—(New York Times cable)—While peace talk is flying back and forth over the wires, both belligerents are girding themselves for the greatest fighting yet.

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POPE TO INTERVENE ONLY AT REQUEST OF BELGIERENTS

Attitude of the Pontiff Explained—Wilson's Note is Criticized Further

London, Jan. 4.—(New York Sun cable)—The attitude of the Pope toward the recent efforts for peace, including the overtures of the Central powers and President Wilson's suggestions, may be explained as follows, according to a statement of Cardinal Gasparri, papal secretary of state, to a Catholic journalist.

The Holy Father unconditionally approves every initiative toward peace upon principle, as all his efforts are directed toward shortening the war, but he is convinced that every initiative is destined to failure unless the consent of both groups of belligerents to open negotiations for peace is obtained beforehand.

Therefore the Pope has determined not to intervene unless his mediation or good offices or collaboration toward an exchange of views, as a prelude to a discussion of peace conditions is solicited by both groups of belligerents. His decision, needless to say, is not based on the fact that he is disinterested himself, but on the contrary on the conviction that to attempt the role of peacemaker would be worse than useless unless the governments of the nations at war spontaneously reach the conclusion that direct negotiations are impossible.

Criticism. Further criticism of President Wilson's note are printed in some of the morning papers in connection with Spain's refusal of the overtures from Washington, and the impending reply of the Entente. The Times says editorially:

This wise and dignified action of the Spanish government and the significant attitude of Holland and the principal republics of South America show that the independent neutrals are not all prepared to follow President Wilson's ill-considered lead. His notes afford a great opportunity for laying our ends before Americans in words which cannot be misunderstood. We trust it will be greatly used so that the contrast between our every resolution recently passed in the duma to contain the phrase "dark forces."

The objects for which the war is being fought, says the Morning Post, "seem nothing to him. He takes the impartial view that both sides claim to be right and both profess to be fighting for the same objects. The validity of these claims and professions he does not trouble to consider."

Referring to Spain's reply, the Post says: "The government of Spain may be supposed to understand better the realities of the situation, since it is not only less remote from the struggle, but inspired by principles which are probably somewhat nearer to reality."

Citing its Washington advices, there is a strong feeling in the United States in support of President Wilson. The Post sees a danger that this sentiment may drive the President into action injurious to the interests of the Allies.

"There is danger of an attempt," it says, "to interfere with the means the Allies are using to attain their end. Such an attempt might lead to a most unhappy situation. For neutrals to renounce the custom of supplying belligerent nations with munitions in the ordinary course of trade would be a breach of neutrality, and would in fact be an act of war in disguise. It is therefore important that neutrals should realize not only the possible but the logical consequences of such action."

The paper expresses the hope that the Allies are as anxious for peace as President Wilson, but cannot tolerate intervention at a moment when intervention means victory for Germany.

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BELGIANS TELL OF DEPORTATIONS

Number Invalide Home From Prison Camp In a Dying Condition

ATROCITIES Committed by the Huns in Their Treatment of Prisoners

The Hague, Jan. 4.—via London 12:15 p.m.—The first report received directly from Belgians deported to Germany, who have been invalidated from the camp at Soltau, Prussia, has been given to the Associated Press. Those persons were returned from Germany because they were in almost a dying condition.

A number of them who were interviewed while separated from each other agreed in their stories of conditions prevailing in the Soltau camp.

Seventy of the Belgians were sent home in a crowded cattle truck attached to a freight train. It took three days and three nights for the journey, which usually is made by express trains in six hours. They arrived home in an enfeebled condition, coughing the greater number of them, bearing evidence of having contracted tuberculosis.

MUNICIPAL RAILWAY Had a Good Year and Will Nearly Meet Expenses

Mr. W. R. Turnbull the New Chairman

The inaugural meeting for the year of the Brantford Street Railway Commissioners took place last evening. Mr. Hartman who has been chairman since the inauguration of

MR. W. R. TURNBULL Chairman of Board of Railway Commissioners

The Municipal service expressed the view that the honor should be passed around and Mr. Turnbull was elected to the post.

It is hoped that the report of the year's operations will be in readiness for presentation at the inaugural meeting of the City Council.

The figures have not yet been officially announced, but it is understood that the total earnings were something over \$97,000, and that this amount will very nearly, but not quite, take care of everything including sinking fund, interest on bonds, etc.

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Weather Bulletin

Toronto, Jan. 4.—The temperature has become much lower in the western provinces but continues quite moderate from Ontario eastward.

Light snow falls have occurred in the Ottawa Valley and the Maritime provinces.

Forecasts Fair and mild. Friday — light snow or sleet.

"Zirnie"

Success For the Russians

Rev. Robert Brown, once a slave in Maryland and for many years preacher and missionary to the colored people in Montreal, was taken ill while conducting a Sunday school class and died in a few minutes aged 87.

LINCOLN AND BORDEN

A Comparison of the Characters of the Men Who Guided Two Countries in the Critical Hour

(Editorial in the Toronto News) Ever since the war began Sir Robert Borden has been treated very much as Lincoln was treated through-out the Civil War in the United States. It was declared that Lincoln was feeble, indecisive and irresolute. He was attacked for usurping the authority of Congress. He was denounced for not exercising greater authority in order to bring hostilities to an early termination. He was vilified by abolitionists because he would not free the slaves prematurely. He was suspected in the border States of a design to proclaim emancipation and force the slave-holders of such States into the arms of the South. He was denounced because Generals were retained, because inferior officers were not appointed to chief commands, because he would not allow military officers to exercise civil authority. He was pursued because he retained certain men in his Cabinet and as vigorously assailed because other men were not taken into the Administration. He was described as incapable of conducting a war because he did not summarily establish conscription. He was denounced as freely because he did not enter into useless and reasonable peace negotiations with the Southern leaders.

It has been said that Lincoln received worse advice and more of it than any other statesman that ever lived. Probably this was true down to the accession of Sir Robert Borden to office and the outbreak of war in Europe over two years ago. Very few Republicans entertained any thought that Lincoln could be re-elected. He himself at last became finally convinced that he would be defeated. As late as August, 1864, he wrote out a statement which he asked the Cabinet to endorse, but to whom its contents were not disclosed. He produced this sealed paper after his triumphant re-election and when opened by John Hay it was found to contain a brief memorandum, in which Lincoln stated that as it was extremely probable he could not be re-elected he intended "to cooperate with the President elect so as to save the Union between the election and the inauguration."

The trouble in Canada, as in the United States at that period, is that many of those who overwhelm the Administration with advice think only of the community in which they live. They are governed wholly by some darling theory or prejudice of their own. They are ignorant of conditions throughout the country. They know little or nothing of what difficulties have to be faced and overcome. They forget that in a democracy no government can go very much in advance of public opinion. There was no such admixture of conflicting racial elements in the North half a century ago as now compose the population of Canada. Moreover, the Northern people were fighting at home to preserve the Republic and not in a great European conflict. No one will deny that we could unite the Canadian people against an attempted invasion of Canada as they cannot be united for a war in Europe. There are not only hundreds of thousands, but millions of people in this country who do not habitually speak the English language. There are mul-

To The Editor

THE HIGH COST OF LIVING

Dear Sir,—Below please find copy of letter I have sent to the Minister of Labour, on behalf of the Special Committee appointed by the City Council to investigate the high cost of living.

Yours faithfully, GEORGE KEEN.

The Hon. T. W. Crothers, Minister of Labour, Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Sir,—I am a member of the special committee appointed by the Brantford City Council to investigate the causes of, and to suggest remedies for, the prevailing high cost of living. At a meeting of the committee held on Friday last, I was, by resolution, requested to acknowledge, on behalf of the committee, the receipt of your letter to the city clerk, and to reply thereto. In doing so I would express the appreciation of the committee, of the interest you have shown in its representations, and your courteous treatment thereof. The committee is also glad to note your partial approval of its suggestion that the consumption of food stuffs needed in Canada be prohibited.

The committee notes your statement that it has been the settled policy of Canada for thirty years not to permit the manufacture or import of margarine. Unless it can be proved that the consumption of this commodity is injurious to health, it is submitted such policy is contrary to the public interest, and ought to be abandoned in any case. Every citizen of Canada is a consumer of butter, and it is alien to the fundamental principles of democracy that the financial interests or ambitions of the relatively few people engaged in production of butter for sale, should take precedence over the interests and requirements of all the people, who need butter for their essential substitute to sustain life, or to contribute to human comfort. No matter how great the production of margarine may be, experience in other countries proves that it will not make the production of butter unprofitable.

Your statement that the high price of butter is owing to the enormous demand for cheese for our fighting forces, is strong evidence in justification of a departure from the settled policy on the question of margarine. It is a virtual admission that the butter producers of Canada cannot, for the reason given, satisfy the legitimate needs of the people. If they cannot do so, no increase in the purchasing power of the people, or greater expenditure of their incomes in butter, would solve the difficulty. Its only influence on an inadequate supply would be to increase the price, and the profit to the producer. It would leave the people with just the same shortage of this important article of food. Apart from the question of the prohibition of margarine, I would respectfully remind you that we are living in abnormal times, and that the settled policy as to margarine should be varied to suit abnormal conditions. In other words, if butter production is reduced owing to war conditions, the people ought to have the right to substitute therefor anything they may please, which is not injurious to health to make up this shortage.

The Committee notes with regret that its suggestion that the government should investigate the cost of production of canned goods and fix fair prices to the trade, is considered by you as "quite impracticable." It also regrets that no reason in justification of this view is given in your letter. It would seem that in Britain the conditions created by the war have compelled the government to fix prices of staple necessities in a variety of lines of production and that, owing to the much greater population and magnitude of the operations in various commodities, the difficulties would be immeasurably greater there than here. The committee is of opinion that possibly your judgment as to the necessity of fixing prices for canned goods is based upon an inadequate understanding of the facts relating to the production of the same. The following information obtained by a member of the committee as to the operations of one canning factory affords prima facie evidence of the need of a thorough investigation with the view to fixing prices: "The canning factory employs thirty-five people. Its average output six days per week during the season is fifty thousand cans per day. Sometimes the daily output reaches seventy-five thousand. Men are paid twenty cents per hour. Including manager's annual salary of \$1,500 on five months' productive efforts (that is to say \$300 per month), the labor cost will slightly exceed one quarter of a cent per can. In busy times the factory works a twenty-four day. Only one shift is employed, men being expected to work continuously; taking a few hours off for sleep when absolutely needed. Informant stated that men do not get more than fifteen hours sleep during six days. Young girls work from 7 a. m. to twelve p. m. Corn—The price paid to farmers is \$8.00 per ton. This is the same price as was paid eight years ago. This shows a net return to the farmer of two-thirds of one cent per pound. The can costs a quarter of a cent. The other ingredients are sugar, preservative and water. Tomatoes—The price formerly paid to the farmer was twenty cents to twenty-five cents, now fifty cents a bushel. Thirty cents was paid this year to farmers in an adjacent district. There are sixty pounds to the bushel. Two pounds of tomatoes in a can. The cost less than one cent per pound. Other ingredients are coloring, salt, sugar, water. Apples—Cost one cent per pound.

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VEGETABLES

Table listing market prices for various vegetables including Beans, Carrots, Cabbages, Potatoes, and other items.

FISH

Table listing market prices for various fish including Halibut, Pickerel, Perch, and other species.

DAIRY PRODUCTS

Table listing market prices for various dairy products including Butter, Cream, and Cheese.

TORONTO CATTLE MARKET

Toronto, Jan. 4.—Receipts at the Union Stock Yard today were 527 cattle, 163 calves, 2051 hogs, 395 sheep. Trade was steady. Export cattle, choice, \$9.00 to \$9.50. Butcher cattle, choice, \$8.20 to \$8.50. Medium, \$7.00 to \$8.00; common, \$6.50 to \$7.00. Butcher cows, choice, \$7.00 to \$7.40; medium, \$6.00 to \$6.50; canners, \$4.00 to \$4.40. Hogs, heavy, \$6.25 to \$7.50. Stockers, choice, \$5.50 to \$6.25; light \$4.50 to \$5.25. Milkers, choice, each \$50.00 to \$100.00. Springers, \$50.00 to \$100.00. Sheep, ewes \$9.00 to \$9.50. Bucks and culls \$3.00 to \$8.00. Lambs, \$8.00 to \$12.75. Hogs, fed and watered, \$12.50. Calves \$5.00 to \$12.75. EAST BUFFALO By Courier Leased Wire. East Buffalo, Jan. 4.—Cattle, receipts 280; active and firm. Veals, receipts 100; active, \$5.00 to \$5.50. Hogs—Receipts 4,000; active, heavy \$10.90 to \$11; mixed \$10.90 to \$10.95; yorkers \$10.75 to \$10.90; light yorkers \$10 to \$10.50; pigs \$9.75 to \$10; roughs \$9.50 to \$9.50; \$9.85 to \$10.55. Sheep and lambs—Receipts 2,400; active, lambs \$9.50 to \$14.45; yearlings \$8.50 to \$12.50; wethers \$9.25 to \$10.25; ewes \$4.50 to \$9.25; mixed sheep, \$9.50 to \$9.75. CHICAGO LIVE STOCK By Courier Leased Wire. Chicago, Jan. 4.—Cattle, receipts 5,000, market, firm, native beef \$7.50 to \$11.85; western steers 7.25 to \$8.40; cows and heifers \$4.30 to \$10.00; calves \$9 to \$13; hogs, receipts 34,000, market strong, 105 higher, light \$9.50 to \$10.30; rough \$9.85 to \$10.55; rough \$10.00 to \$9.55; pigs \$7.60 to \$9.35; bulk of sales, \$9.95 to \$10.95; sheep, receipts 10,000, market, strong, native, \$9.15 to \$10.50; lambs native, \$11.25 to \$13.60. Four pounds of apples to a can. Wastage is about one-fifth, but against this there is the water included in the weight. Other ingredients are sugar, a trifling quantity, and some water. Peas—Cost one cent per pound, about the same proportion of sugar and water as in corn. The above allegations are made by an undisclosed informant, and need verification. At the same time the member of the committee who submitted them believes, having knowledge of the source of his information, that they are substantially correct. If they are correct, it must be clear to you that the suggested shortage of raw materials has very little bearing on the question of the cost of production. It will be seen that the prices of raw materials have but a negligible influence on productive costs. A shortage of raw materials would, to some extent, affect the ratio of overhead expenses and, through the decreased output, reduce the net profit, but the committee is not a corporation, and the integrity and liberties of the nation are in danger, is justified in making greater profits on output than usual through the favorable opportunity provided by an increased demand and the suggested short supply of raw materials. The committee recognizes the principle that a canning corporation has a right to make a reasonable profit upon the capital invested, and that its officers should be adequately rewarded for their services, but it is also felt that it should be the duty of the State to see that the accident of increased demand and short supplies is not used as an instrument in private hands, and for private advantage, unnecessarily and unjustly to increase the burdens of the people. It is, therefore, again urged by the committee that the Government ought not only to investigate without delay the cost of production and the manufacturers' selling prices of canned goods, but that the industry is practically controlled by one corporation, it should do so with a view to establishing and enforcing a price basis which will do justice alike to the manufacturers and the public. I am, dear sir, Yours faithfully, GEORGE KEEN.

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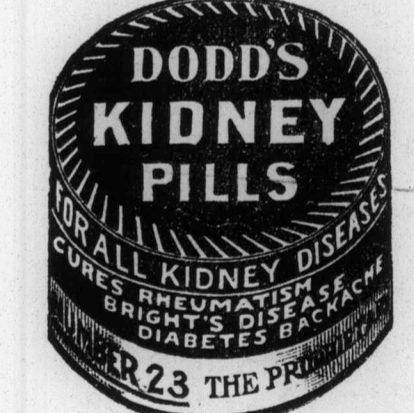
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THE SITUATION

It is reported that the Allies are making tremendous preparations for a Spring offensive and that it may be taken for granted also that the enemy is equally active in a like regard.

There seems to be an idea in France that the Huns may violate Swiss neutrality and sweep through that country in an effort to turn the French and Italian lines.

Mackensen's troops have been meeting with further success in Rumania and they are getting closer to Braila from which grain and other stores have no doubt by this time been removed.

Elsewhere in this issue a despatch from Ottawa gives the total enlistments in Canada at 385,955 since the war started. Quebec it will be noticed still continues to be by far the lowest contributor.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

It may be of interest to record the fact that the Courier some time ago decided not to accept any more contracts for liquor advertising and has since then turned down over five hundred dollars worth of proffered business in this regard.

This step was decided upon because display for sale is not permitted under the present provincial law, and although not so defined, the Courier reached the conclusion that displays in newspapers should very well come within the same category.

NATIONAL SERVICE WEEK

This is National Service week in Canada, and it is to be hoped that all classes have heartily co-operated in the matter of filling out the cards which have been issued through the Post Office Department.

The questions are to men of from 16 to 65 years of age, and the answers received will constitute a needed and desirable record of the available forces in this Dominion, including work at the front, productive power on the farm, and in munition factories down to the smallest position in which help can be given.

The Toronto Globe, on Tuesday of this week presented to its readers a special section entitled "Annual Financial Survey," and at the commencement of a leading editorial on the subject it said: "The facts presented by the Financial Survey of the Globe, and experts who have contributed to the survey of the past year, prove that Canada is standing the financial strain of the great war in a wonderful way."

Without any doubt, and the anti-unioning part of it is that this self same Globe in season, and out of season, has contended that Canada's fiscal system was on an unenviable wrong basis and could not successfully withstand any severe strain.

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speaking to the Toronto Board of Trade yesterday said that without going into figures he could say increased production and decreased consumption has resulted in completely reversing the balance of trade so that Canada's surplus of exports over imports is more than sufficient to pay the interest on her foreign indebtedness, which has increased substantially since the outbreak of the war.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

They talk about a woman's sphere as if it had a limit. There's not a thing in all the world without a woman in it.

Thirty-three convicts in Sing Sing prison have been rewarded for helping to stop a fire there. Perhaps as they couldn't get out themselves, they didn't want a blaze to break out.

Some of the Southern cotton growers, who cannot get their product to Germany are talking lightly of Uncle Sam joining the Teutonic forces. They seem to forget that Japan is with the Allies and would very well like a certain job.

In the United States Senate, Senator Lodge made an attack on German Envoy Von Bernstorff. As a matter of fact Uncle Sam should have given that worthy his walking ticket long ago.

OBITUARY

Death of Mr. Woods Lyons, One of Brantford's Oldest Residents

One of the oldest of Brantford's citizens passed away early this morning in the person of Mr. Woods Lyons. Deceased who was the descendant of a prominent family in Ireland, decided to strike out for himself when he was 18 years of age and left that country for Canada, locating in Brantford in 1845.

Throughout his long life he had enjoyed vigorous health and maintained a keen interest in current affairs until the end.

He participated in the Christmas festivities at his home, but complained of weariness the past two or three days and the end came in a peaceful sleep.

Mr. Lyons was a man of marked individuality and independent views a fond husband and father and a good citizen. His wife pre-deceased him some 22 years ago.

He leaves to mourn his loss in addition to his son, Arthur, two daughters, Mrs. J. W. Lawhead of Wilmington, Ohio and Mrs. (Dr.) Nellie of Dayton, Ohio.

Laid at Rest

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Brohman was laid to rest this morning in St. Joseph's cemetery. Services were conducted in St. Basil's Church by the Rev. Father Burke.

News Notes

An analysis of the newly-elected Hamilton city council shows that its political complexion is ten Conservatives, counting Mayor-elect Booker, who ran as an independent; eight Liberals, and three Labor men.

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The captain of a coastwise steamship reported that he had seen a warship blown up and burned off the Delaware Capes.

TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL DOES NOT APPROVE OF THE NATIONAL SERVICE

"TIZ" EASES TIRED, SORE SWOLLEN FEET Instant Relief for Aching, Puffed-up, Calloused Feet and Corns

Why go limping around with aching, puffed-up feet—feet so tired, chafed, sore and swollen you can hardly get your shoes off? Why don't you get a 25-cent box of "Tiz" from the drug store now and gladden your tortured feet?

Donations to Widows' Home

The managers of the Widows' Home beg to acknowledge with thanks the following donations: Grocers and Butchers Association, \$25.00; Mrs. George Watt, \$5.00; Mrs. George Kippax, \$10.00; Mrs. James Harley, \$1.00; Mrs. W. I. Creighton, \$5.00; Miss Clyne, \$1.00; Miss Gould, \$2.00; Mrs. H. Allen, \$1.00; Mrs. William Poulde, \$1.00; Mrs. W. C. Livingston, \$1.00; Mrs. Thomas Brooks, \$2.00; Mrs. C. Moyle, \$2.00; Mrs. John R. Kerr, \$1.00; Harmony Lodge \$3.00 and ingredients for plum pudding, Walter Baking Co. two bread tickets, rollers and buns frequently, and a Christmas cake; Mrs. Barber, six jars fruit; Mrs. Livingston, six jars fruit; Mrs. T. L. Wood, six jars of fruit; Mrs. C. Harp, sugar, \$1.00; Echo Place Anglican Church, fruit and vegetables; Grace Church, cake, Hurley Printing Co. receipted bill for printing cards; Forde and Co., macoon, cake, oranges; Mrs. E. P. Hutton, Coborne Street Church, fruit and candy for each; Brant Avenue Mission Circle, apron and candy for each inmate; Mr. Frank Cockshutt, a turkey; Mrs. Cummings Nelles, cheese; Mrs. E. P. Hutton, pair of honey; Mrs. F. C. Harp, a pair of chickens; Mrs. Thomas Foster, a goose; Mrs. Chas. H. Waterous, a goose; Mrs. David Waterous, oysters and biscuits; Miss Forde, cranberries; Mrs. E. P. Hutton, sausages; Mrs. A. Coulbeck, candy, raisins, tea and oranges; Wm. Patterson and Son, pair of candy; Miss Hewitt, basket of apples; Mrs. Whincombe, pair of chickens; Mrs. McIrvine, candy, nuts, oranges for each inmate; Mrs. D. Young, apples and potatoes; Mrs. C. Cook, oranges and pair of jam; Mrs. Thomas Large, oranges, jelly and jam; Mrs. Rogers, Fleet Street, baskets of turkey; Mrs. H. Whitaker, oranges and candy for each inmate; a friend, turnips; Mrs. Weeks, coffee and cream; Rev. Mr. Henderson, oranges; Mrs. T. A. Cowan, oranges and bananas; The Club, oranges; Ryerson's Wholesale, a bag of potatoes; Salvation Army, Xmas Number of War Cry; Almas Baking Co., Eagle Place, cakes and tea cake; Rev. C. E. Jeanes, Scripture text for each inmate; Mrs. Bevers, \$2.50, class, a box of candy for each inmate; Young Ladies Class Coborne St. Church, candy, nuts and fruit for each inmate; Mrs. Baird's S. S. Class, oranges and candy; Almas Baking Co., celeri; Messrs. Bloxham, Heyd, Mintern, Brohman, Hartley, Burns, Livingston and Wilkinson, and Smith, meat weekly; Mrs. T. Watt, potatoes, oranges, candy, bananas.

Nuptial Notes

On Wednesday evening at half past six in St. Andrews Presbyterian church Miss Mary (Nanie) Howie, daughter of Mr and Mrs. J. P. Howie, 58 Chestnut Ave., was united in marriage to Mr. Francis Bevers, of Calgary. The bride is well known in Brantford, where she has been interested in Sunday School work, being the efficient and faithful pianist of the St. Andrews Sunday School for some years. She was also active in Tennis circles and her many friends throughout the city join in wishing her much happiness in her new home. Mr. and Mrs. Bevers left Wednesday evening for Chicago and points west. After their wedding tour they will go to their home in Calgary, where Mr. Bevers is a member of the hardware firm of Bever Bros. Rev. Mr. Gordon performed the ceremony.

At the request at Goderich it was definitely established that Austin Church had been trampled to death by a horse and the coroner commended severely on the lack of charity that had prompted neighbors to entertain any suspicion.

Two well-known young men of St. Thomas, Capt. Robert Marsden Luton and Lieut. Robert Lionel Dunmore, have been awarded the Military Cross.

A Grand Trunk freight train pitched into another at Collis Bay, trying to start a fire in the contents of two oil cars.

The national service system was thoroughly discussed and considered at the regular weekly meeting of the Trades and Labor Council last night. Communications were received from various sources advising the Premier and the leader of the extensive review of the situation it was decided to file the communications and let the matter rest.

The text of the letter from Victoria, B. C., was, "Being of the opinion that the national service bill, Commission's registration proposals are but the prelude to conscription, and that falling an assurance from the Dominion Government that no conscription proposals will be adopted, unless they contain the conscription of wealth, and the means of wealth production and distribution, as well as men, such proposals to be submitted to a referendum vote of the people, that the Trades and Labor Congress all registration, and conscription proposals. In view of the importance of the above subject, we desire that your council will consider same, and if at all possible, wire the Premier and the leader of the opposition, supporting our action."

A telegram was also received from the T. and L. Council of Winnipeg, stating that at a meeting at which thousands had been turned away, it had been unanimously decided to oppose the aims of the National Service Commission. Delegate Symonds stated that like measures had been taken in Vancouver by the Trades and Labor Council, and the sole supporters of the movement among the labor men in the country, were the executive of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada.

In the discussion of the cards issued by the Director General, Delegate Symonds thought that there was nothing contained in them that would be antagonistic to the welfare of workmen, especially as the assurance of the department had been given that in answering the questions asked, everything was left at the discretion of each individual, and that no coercive measures could be adopted in connection with the filling out of the cards. President Noble, took exception to the last two questions on the ground that the Government might see fit to move workmen to such centers as which there was already labor trouble, and take this means of forcing union workers to compete against their fellows who were on strike or otherwise experiencing labor difficulties. Delegate Stinchcomb considered it ridiculous and another indication of the ignorance on the part of the members of the Government of the conditions under which the working people lived to ask them to move to another city for the same wages, and at the same time expect them to maintain a home in the community which they have left, and pay board in another city. He declared this to be an impossible situation.

The delegates present also thought that some consideration should be given to the fact that different scales of wages prevail in different centers, and that if the cards were signed, expressed a willingness to be moved from one place to another, the same competition would ensue when being forced to compete with cheap labor. Delegate George Keen considered it unfair to employ alien labor in our factories, at a wage greater than that received by our own Canadian workmen. He further declared that we send our sons to the front to fight the country's battles, at \$1.10 per day, while we have their places filled at home by representatives of those very

Burford Mr. and Mrs. McWilliams of Manitoba are visiting at the home of their brother, Mr. F. M. Lewis. Mr. and Mrs. Platt, of Toronto, spent New Year's at Dr. Rutherford's. On New Year's morning a little son and daughter came to gladden the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Poole. Mrs. Aird of Brantford spent New Year's at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Pearson. This. Rowe of Detroit is home on a visit. Mr. Jas. Creighton of Detroit is visiting his brother, William Creighton. Mrs. McLellan and children have returned from a visit to her parental home in Ingersoll. Mr. Arthur Metcalf, of Toronto, University has been home for the holidays. Mr. J. E. Danhouse has been visiting in Buffalo.

Twenty-five thousand freight cars are officially reported to be tied up at Detroit. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., presented a \$400,000 property to the Y.M.C.A. as a New Year's gift.

STOP A COLD IN ONE NIGHT

Veno's Lightning Cough Cure. You cannot always avoid coughs, colds and La Grippe, but you can avoid letting them develop into more serious trouble. Veno's Lightning Cough Cure will stop an ordinary cough in one night if taken on the first indication of trouble. A dose in time may save you from long illness and heavy expense. Keep Veno's ready for use should you or your children need it. Being free from drugs it is the surest remedy for children. Veno's Lightning Cough Cure is the famous British remedy and is sold in every part of the British Empire. Prices 30 cents throughout Canada.

"CANADIANS AT YPRES." (See Store Windows) 12 Outer Covers from the 60 cent size of Veno's Lightning Cough Cure, or 24 from the 30 cent size mailed to Harold P. Ritchie and Co. Ltd., 10 McCaul street, Toronto, entitled you to a beautiful colored reproduction of this famous Royal Academy painting. The reproduction is on view in most druggists' windows.



Start saving NOW. Seeds never grow until planted. Dollars do not increase unless they are set to work earning interest. If you wish to have a fortune grow, you should set your dollars to work by depositing them in our Savings Department where interest will be allowed at the rate of 3 per cent.

We solicit accounts of all—large and small. THE ROYAL LOAN & SAVINGS CO. 38-40 Market St., Brantford. TOTAL ASSETS \$2,400,000.00

Advertisement for Turnbull & Cutcliffe. We Extend to All Our Hopes For a Highly Prosperous AND Happy New Year. Turnbull & Cutcliffe.

Advertisement for John A. Houlding. New "Overland" Agent. I have taken over the agency for the Willys-Overland and Willys-Knight and Cadillac Motor Cars for Brant County. JOHN A. HOULDING 22 Dalhousie Street Phone 2252.

Advertisement for Mrs. Able. Mrs. Able Says: PEOPLE ask me why my tea tastes so good. First, I use freshly drawn water. When boiling briskly I pour it over the leaves, allowing the tea to steep, not boil, five minutes. Next, I pour the tea off the leaves into another pot. In that way you get the flavor of Red Rose Tea in all its fullness and richness. Try it. In sealed packages only. RED ROSE TEA is good tea.

LOCAL

JOINT INSTALLATION H. C. B. Archie M. Iton and his staff will call from his home on the 12th inst. to install the new officers of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

BROTHERS MEET Lane, Corporal of the 125th Battalion, convalescing from a wound received in the call from his home. Dave also of this city, on the 12th inst. will call from his home on the 12th inst. to install the new officers of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

MINORS FOR FLEET Here's a lot of new Brantford randoms. Former Ottawa shortstop and baseman will not be this season. Reports of Ford say he is to be minor league club. Another former Canadian goes to Detroit to replace second-string catcher. London two years ago. Providence.

WESLEY EPWORTH Wesley Epworth their regular weekly Tuesday night on a regular meeting night. The lesson was Ethel Wood. Miss Ethel doted a very pleasing and interesting talk. "Live," giving some good advice on how to make our lives, not only in body, but the soul. Mrs. Ed during the evening.

CRIMINAL AUDITORS The auditors of the courts for the County Honor Judge Hardy, Rose, of Onondaga, Dowling, were engaged in auditing the year last quarter of the year.

FIRST MEETING The first meeting of council of 1917 will be chambers at the Court Monday, January the 10th, at 10 o'clock.

Comme The Ye Right

Headache, eyecache trouble with your glasses may cause many uncomfortable painful days, or impossible for doing work with your eyes. Have your eyes by Jarvis' method. You are at fault—and are, that here you will be accurately fitted.

Chas. A. 52 MARKET Manufacturing Co. 52 North of Dalhousie Both phones for open Tuesday and evenings.

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For T We would properly comfort before. EXPERT

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LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

JOINT INSTALLATION

H. C. R. Archie Martin of Hamilton and his staff will pay an official visit to Brantford Friday night of this week to install the newly elected officers of courts, Harmony of Paris and St. George also Success Enterprise, Endeavour, Industry, A. O. F. Courts of this city.

BROTHERS MEET

Lance Corporal Thomas Kelly of the 125th Battalion, who is just convalescing from an attack of typhoid fever, writes that he had a call from his brothers, Fred and Dave also of this city. Fred has been on the firing line for a year and a half and had been over on nine days leave. Many friends will be glad to hear that Lance Corporal Kelly is now on the high road to improvement.

MINORS FOR FULLER

Here's a bit of news of interest to Brantford fadom: "Frankie Fuller, former Ottawa shortfielder and second baseman will not be with Detroit this season. Reports from the City of Ford say he is to be sent to some minor league club, Archie Yelle, another former Canadian leaguer, will go to Detroit to replace Del Baker as second-string catcher. Yelle was with London two years ago, and later with Providence."

WESLEY EPWORTH LEAGUE

Wesley Epworth League held their regular weekly meeting on Tuesday night on account of the regular meeting night being a holiday. The lesson was read by Miss Ethel Wood, Miss Ethel Adams rendered a very pleasing solo which was very much enjoyed. The speaker of the evening was Mr. George Wedlake and he gave the leaguers very interesting talk on "How to Live," giving some good, sound advice on how to make the most of our lives, not only in regard to the body, but the soul. Mrs. Nigh presided during the evening.

CRIMINAL AUDITORS.

The auditors of the criminal accounts for the County of Brant, His Honor Judge Hardy, Reeve A. B. Rose, of Onondaga, and Mr. John Dowling, were engaged this morning in auditing the accounts for the last quarter of the year 1916.

FIRST MEETING.

The first meeting of the township council of 1917 will be held in their chambers at the Court House on Monday, January the eighth at eleven o'clock.

Commence The Year Right

Headache, eyecache, or any trouble with your eyes or glasses may cause you many uncomfortable and painful days, or make it impossible for doing perfect work with your studies or your business. Have your eyes examined by Jarvis' methods and have the satisfaction of knowing if your eyes really are at fault—and, if they are, that here your glasses will be accurately made and fitted.

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52 MARKET ST.
Manufacturing Optician
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IS CONVALESCENT

Pte. Charles Dowling recently reported ill and in the hospital, is at present progressing favorably and well on the way to convalescence, according to word from him received by relatives in this city.

THE SUPREME SACRIFICE

Pte. Nat Neill, nephew of Mr. Nat Neill, of this city, has paid the supreme sacrifice at the front. He was only seventeen years old, and a bright young man, son of Mrs. John Neill, Whitby.

FIRST MEETING

The inaugural meeting of the city council will take place on Monday morning. The Mayor will deliver an opening address and standing committees for the year will be formed. His Worship has asked Archdeacon Mackenzie to open the proceedings with prayer.

IN BRANTFORD

Dr. William Oldright, a prominent Toronto physician and University professor, died in Chicago yesterday at the residence of his daughter. He was a son of Major John Oldright of the British army and received his preliminary education in the Brantford grammar school of the old days.

With the City Police

A dispute involving the alleged theft of some pigeons, and over which the parents of the boys concerned, came to blows, reached a culmination in the police court this morning, when Fred J. Pilgrim, accused James Vaughan with assault, causing bodily harm, while his son, Charles Pilgrim also charged Vaughan with assault. The trouble commenced when the plaintiff in the first action visiting the house of the defendant, to inquire into the theft of some pigeons owned by him, he suspected the son of the defendant with stealing them. Vaughan apparently did not approve of the action of Pilgrim, and ordered him to leave his premises, and upon a refusal to do so, struck Pilgrim in the face, breaking his set of false teeth—hence the court case. Charles Pilgrim claimed that he had been kicked in the stomach. Both cases received an adjournment until Tuesday.

Laid at Rest

The funeral of the late Ben Hopkins took place yesterday afternoon from his residence, 21 Edward St., to Greenwood Cemetery. Rev. D. E. Martin conducted the services at the house and at Cemetery. The flowers were numerous and very beautiful. Miss C. Munholland, of Lynden, sang very sweetly "No Burdens Yonder," and "Lead Kindly Light," during the service. The bearers were six school mates of the deceased, Messrs. Wm. and Frank Fonger; Simon, Artie and Grenville Cole, and Nelson Ramey. Among those present from out of town were Mrs. E. J. Sweeney and Miss Emily A. Sweeney, of Saginaw, Mich.; Mrs. Tessie L. Stoddard, of Ann Arbor, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Hopkins, of Caledonia, Mr. and Mrs. Mortimer Hopkins, Mrs. J. E. Hopkins, of Norwich; Mrs. E. A. Hugill, of Rodney, Ont.; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Weaver, of Dundas, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. E. Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. H. Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. Corson Weaver and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Betzner of Lynden, Ont.; Mrs. Fanny Weaver of Allenton, Ont. A great many friends and relatives attended both services. The deceased leaves to mourn his loss a widow and two sisters, Mrs. Phoebe J. Sweeney, of Saginaw, Mich., and Mrs. Mary A. Vansickle, of Detroit, Michigan.

Winnipeg Man Wants to Join 215th Battalion

Sergt. W. Messecar Goes to Hamilton Tigers Battalion—Other News of the 215th

Scarcely a day goes by without Lt. Col. H. E. Snider, of the 215th battalion receiving applications from some source for transfer to the battalion commanded by him, a clear indication of the wide popularity enjoyed by the unit, not only in this section, but throughout the country. This morning a letter was received from Private G. McDowell, No. 288-667, who is a member of the 221st battalion, quartered at Winnipeg. Pte. McDowell, whose home is in Paris, where his parents and brothers reside, enlisted in the West, but is desirous of returning to this country where he is better known. It has not yet been decided as to what will be done in regard to the matter.

M. G. Instructor

It was announced in the Camp Orders issued from Camp Borden this morning that Sergt. Wilfrid Messecar, of the 215th battalion, who is a qualified instructor in the use of the Lewis Machine Gun is to be recalled from St. Catharines, to act as an instructor attached to the 205th "Tigers" battalion at Hamilton. Some few days ago, Sergt. Messecar was detailed to act as instructor in the Lewis Machine Gun at the Brigade School at St. Catharines, but his services are evidently desired at Hamilton, and he will therefore be sent to that place as soon as it is possible to recall him. Corporal Ward, of the 215th battalion, who is also a qualified instructor, will accompany Sergt. Messecar to Hamilton.

Lieut. Cunningham, left this morning to assume his new duties in Norfolk county. He will be quartered at Simcoe, for the next three weeks at least. The departure of Lieut. Cottrell to Dunnville, for the purpose of looking after the interests of the battalion in that town, has been delayed, through sickness. He is expected to leave, however, in the course of a few days. The alterations on the officers' gallery at the Armories, are rapidly nearing completion, and it is expected that by the end of the week that they will be completed and ready for occupation.

Trains Must Not Exceed Speed of 6 Miles per Hour at Level Crossings

The following letter has been addressed by His Worship Mayor Bowjly, to Sir Henry L. Drayton, K.C., chairman of the board of railway commissioners for Canada, Ottawa, Ont.

Re File No. 25474.

Dear Sir—I am in receipt of your communication of the 30th ulto, enclosing the supplementary order relating to interswitching arrangements in Brantford, which will accomplish the removal of the objects sought for by the city of Brantford, for which allow me to express the appreciation of the city for what the Board has accomplished for us.

Re the order by your Board in relation to the Colborne street crossing by the Grand Trunk Railway Company and other crossings.

At the time this matter was dealt with by your Board, you sent your chief engineer to Brantford in order if possible, to peacefully arrange the difficulties between the Corporation of the city of Brantford and the Grand Trunk Railway Co., the order made was to have embraced as I understood it, and as was stated by me in the report to your Board, the necessity for any such order was over no level unprotected crossings at a faster rate than six miles an hour. That would dispense with the necessity for any such order in the Colborne street crossing and would only require an operation of the semaphore, a spot almost, if not, quite as dangerous on a great public thoroughfare as the unprotected Market street crossing and a number of other crossings where danger exists. I wrote some days ago to your Mr. Mountain seeking to have an order made in accordance with the understanding between your engineer, the Grand Trunk authorities and myself in reference to the matter, asking him to forward me, when such order was passed, a copy of the same, I have hitherto received no answer to my communication. I trust now that your attention is called to the omission to pass this six-mile an hour order, if the order has not already been passed, that such will be passed without any unreasonable delay and a copy of same will be forwarded to me. The reason for desiring such order is obvious. The Grand Trunk Railway disregarded even the law as to the 10 mile limit of speed as your engineer well knows in passing over the S. Market street crossing and now when they have agreed to the six-mile order, surely your board should pass that so that it can enforce their compliance therewith. Trusting to receive your early attention to this urgent matter, I have the honor to be, Yours truly,
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CALL TO HALIFAX

Accepted by the Rev Paterson Smyth.

Rev. Paterson Smyth, for some time curate at Grace Church, has received and accepted a call to Halifax, where he will act under Dean Llywyd. His departure from here will be much regretted, as he has done excellent work, proving himself a preacher of exceptional merit and also a great worker in the Sunday school and other directions. He and Mrs. Paterson Smyth will have the best wishes of a host of Brantford friends in their new sphere.

Rev. Paterson Smyth.

A peculiar result was the outcome of the election held in Guelph township, where three of the candidates for councillor received the same number of votes.

Mrs. C. S. Hyman, widow of former minister of public works, died at London as a result of a stroke of paralysis suffered a few days ago.

gallery at the Armories, are rapidly nearing completion, and it is expected that by the end of the week that they will be completed and ready for occupation.

The N. C. O.'s of the battalion are to hold a dance in the Conservatory of Music, on Friday night, January 5th.

The bunks at the barracks, have been moved up towards the southern end of the building leaving a considerable space at the other end of the building, to be used for drill purposes in inclement weather.

A muster parade of the battalion will be held on Friday at 9.45, by the paymaster, Capt. Corey.

Lieut. Weir and two N. C. O.'s have been detailed to attend a course in trench warfare at Toronto, commencing on January 8th, and continuing for two weeks.

Captains R. Tyrwhitt and S. S. E. McKeegney and Lieuts. T. L. Watt and J. R. Gundy, are leaving for Toronto, to attend the School of Infantry, to qualify for higher rank.

Serjeant C. M. Lee, Corporals C. V. Joyce and A. G. Wylie and Act. Cpl. A. H. Etheridge, have left for Toronto, to attend a refresher course in bayonet fighting and physical drill.

Private E. W. Hunsberger is confined to the house owing to an attack of measles.

One N. C. O. and eleven men have proceeded to St. Catharines to attend a class in the use of the Lewis Machine Gun.

In the orders issued this morning it was stated that thirteen members of the battalion are either confined to their homes, or have been admitted to the local hospital or the Base Hospital at Hamilton, suffering from some minor attacks of sickness.

Social and Personal

The Courier is always pleased to use items of personal interest. Phone 139.

Mrs. Ernest Robinson and her son Ray, of Woodstock, spent Sunday and the New Year with Mrs. S. Radford.

Miss Carver of Glanford, is visiting at the home of her cousin, Miss Bertha Morrison, Sydenham St.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Jennings, Toronto, announce the engagement of their daughter, Esther May, to Captain Frederick Bertram Bagshaw, B.E. Batt., 1st Canadian Contingent, 5th P.F., the marriage to take place shortly in London, England. Miss Jennings, who is a sister of Mrs. George Watt, is well known in Brantford, having often visited here.

City and the Snow Shovelling

Fourteen cases of breach of the snow bylaw occupied the attention of His Worship Magistrate Livingstone, in the police court this morning. Constables Wm. Donnelly, W. Kingler, Michael Dowling and A. Howling, laying the complaints. After considerable discussion it was found that the bylaw in question was not satisfactory, there being some doubt as to the exact interpretation. Mr. S. Alfred Jones, K.C., is to have the matter up with the city council while Mr. T. Harry Jones, Kingler, Michael Dowling and A. Howling, laying the complaints. After considerable discussion it was found that the bylaw in question was not satisfactory, there being some doubt as to the exact interpretation. Mr. S. Alfred Jones, K.C., is to have the matter up with the city council while Mr. T. Harry Jones, Kingler, Michael Dowling and A. Howling, laying the complaints. After considerable discussion it was found that the bylaw in question was not satisfactory, there being some doubt as to the exact interpretation. Mr. S. Alfred Jones, K.C., is to have the matter up with the city council while Mr. T. Harry Jones, Kingler, Michael Dowling and A. Howling, laying the complaints.

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Another mysterious fire was discovered yesterday at Tilsonburg, when S. Sitts, on returning home at an early hour, found a fire in the hay mow.

Mike Kowalezuk, his wife, Honaria, and his boarder, Emil Malysk (Winnipeg), are all at the hospital as the result of injuries inflicted by the former, who attacked his wife and Malysk with a hammer and then slashed his abdomen with a razor.

Mrs. Vivian Gilmore, 33, of Memphis, Tenn., passed through Windsor on her way to Quebec to become the bride of Quartermaster-Serjt. John Wallace, whom she has never seen. The engagement was brought about by a friend.

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Word was received at Barrie that Major Holford Ardagh, of the 124th Battalion, had met with an accident and fractured his skull at Bramshott. A score of Winnipeg sergeants from their pulpits urged their congregations to sign the National Service cards. These appeals included one from Archbishop Sinnott, the new Roman Catholic Archbishop of Winnipeg, who has also issued a pastoral letter.

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Slang of Mexican Border as Odd as That in Trenches

British Tommies Are Not Alone in Habit of Coining Words; American Troops Have Their Own "Lingo"

We hear and read quite a bit about the odd slang that originates in the trenches, and floats over to England and from thence across seas to Canada, but perhaps not more unique is than the army slang brought to the "home folks" by guardsmen returning from duty on the Mexican-American border.

In a recent issue of the Providence Journal a writer tells interestingly of the picturesque vocabulary in vogue on the border.

"Bring on the chow, only don't give me any slum," a guardsman told his mother on the night of his return from the Mexican border. His mother naturally demanded a translation.

"Why chow is the army term for anything good to eat," the guardsman explained. "Slum means soup. I might say: 'Bring on the cats, only don't give me any soup.' That would be perfectly plain."

Many of the guardsmen have come home from the border with an enriched and picturesque vocabulary. Part of it is regular army slang; part of it is mongrel Spanish; part of it is sometimes shocked and sometimes amused the home folks. Most of the army's slang relates to chow. That is almost the most important subject of conversation in the army anyway. But the faltering Spanish phrases are an embellishment.

"Please pass me the blood," a returned guardsman is apt to say, pointing to the cat-sup, "Gracias," he will say, when his wish has been fulfilled. Hardly anyone on the border says "Thank you." It is "gracias," and "gracias" it will be with the guardsman for a long time to come.

Corned Willie
Nearly everyone, even those not connected with the army knows that "corned Willie" is canned corn beef. The returned guardsmen hope they may never see it again. Some people are going to be surprised, however, when they hear guardsmen referring to "Ole Bill." This is not a departed

comrade, merely "corned Willie" under another name.
Returned guardsmen say they have sworn off drinking "blackleg." "Blackleg," however, simply the powerful black coffee served in the army to wash down the "Willie."

Beans are apt to be called "bullets" or "berries" in the army, according to their condition. Hot cereals may be called "bran" or "oats." Potatoes, of course, are "spuds" or "Murphies." All other vegetables are "greens."

There is a little song which the men sing to the notes of the mess call, a complaint more often made in than in earnest. It goes:

Soupy, soupy, soupy,
Without e'er a bean
Porky, porky, porky,
Without any lean;
Coffee, coffee, coffee,
The worst you ever seen.

The ungrammatical conclusion of the verse is conscientious. Grammar isn't popular in the ranks of the army, and some of the Rhode Island men will have to practice to regain their old-time correctness of speech.

Army men have borrowed from the circus in calling mess halls "big top." Mess kits are called "china," and that is a real touch of humor. The mess sergeant is sometimes called "the mess," and that, perhaps, is an unfair and deceptive abbreviation.

Finally, of all the slang pertaining to chow, there is the "galloping goulash," otherwise known as "cooks mounted," or the "kitchen chariot." The worst thing about the "galloping goulash" is that its chief production is "slops," thin soup not considered worthy to be called "slum."

On the Picket Line.
Some of the strangest language in the army is heard on the picket line. Horses are frequently called "goats" or "sheep." Occasionally there is a "camel," a "giraffe" or a "juggernaut." The term "outlaw" for a wild horse is not unusual, although the name "corrahu" common in Battery A, is.

Automobile and horse terms have become crossed in some mysterious manner. The auto driver speaks of putting a "shoe" on his machine. In the army the horseshoer put "tires" on the mules. Long before the Rhode Island militiamen went to the border, a captain was "the old man" or the skipper. They have picked up other names for officers on the border.

A lieutenant just out of West Point is a "shave-tail," because he has just changed his long cadet coat for the service uniform. A general is a "big eagle." A colonel is an "eagle," because of his insignia. Others officers get any nicknames that come handy.

Even the non-coms have special names. The first sergeant is always the "top." Any sergeant is a "sarge," and any corporal a "corp." Signal men are known as "boobs with flags."

The Dough Boys
Infantrymen are always "dough boys," and this term has never been sufficiently explained. One theory is that the infantrymen wrap their feet in fresh bread dough when they are swelled from long marching.

A man who has served on the border will probably not say cavalry soon again. In the ranks of the army, cavalry is always "calvary." It is the word used to call it anything else in enlisted men's circles.

One term which the Rhode Island guardsmen picked up on the border is the Spanish "abarrotés" for groceries. On the trip home, whenever a stop was made, a general store was always halled with a shout "abarrotés."

"Ciudad," the Spanish for city, is another word adopted by many of the men. Likewise there is "toros" for bull and sometimes for beef. "Adios" is the word used by most of the guardsmen in saying good-bye to anyone.

As long as the border service is remembered, mud of any kind will be

COMING EVENTS

KINDLY REMEMBER Red Cross envelopes for January are now due. Please deposit your envelope in nearest Red Cross box.

WOMEN OF BRANTFORD, the Women's National Service has asked the President of the Women's Patriotic League to call a special meeting of the women of Brantford, Friday, Jan. 5, at 4 p. m. Y.M.C.A. Every affiliated society should be represented. Every woman welcome.

"ACRES OF DIAMONDS" by Dr. Russell H. Orwell, of Baptist Temple, Philadelphia: Plan opens Tuesday, January 9th at Boles Drug Store. Tickets now on sale at John Mann and Sons, Boles Drug Store, H. Judson Smith & Co., Lister's Drug Store and Patterson's grocery, Eagle Place.

ANNUAL MEETING of Women's Hospital Aid will be held on Friday, January 12th, at 3 p. m., in Library. Full attendance of County and City members is greatly desired.

A. O. F.—Joint installation of all the officers of the various Courts of A. O. F. in Brantford and district, will take place on Friday evening, January 5th, High Chief Ranger, A. Martin, Hamilton will officiate. Refreshments. All come.

LADIES' ATTENTION!—The Brant Chapter, I. O. D. E. Saturday market will be resumed in the Tea Pot Inn Dalhousie Street, Saturday, Jan. 6, at 10.30 a.m. All kinds of home-made cooking and dainties for sale.

DIED.
LYONS—Early Thursday morning, Woods Lyons, in his 89th year. Funeral, private, from the residence of his son, 26 Dufferin Ave. Friday afternoon at 3.30 to Greenwood Cemetery. Please omit flowers.

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"dobe" to the militiamen. Adobe mud is really peculiar to the border country and Mexico, but nevertheless all mud is "dobe."
Probably the strangest habit of speech formed by the Rhode Island guardsmen on the border was calling mud "dobe." That, however, is a habit already forgotten.—Providence Journal.

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Annual Meeting of Victorian Nurses
The annual meeting of the Victoria Order of Nurses was held Wednesday morning, January 3rd, Mrs. Frank Cocksbutt, president in the chair. Report of the year's work of the Brantford branch of the V. O. N. will be ready in a few days.

The following officers were elected for 1917: President, Mrs. E. L. Gold, seconded by Mrs. John Marquis; Vice-President—Mrs. Frank Cocksbutt, Mrs. Lloyd Harris; Treasurer—Mrs. Jas. Digby; Secretary—Mrs. R. L. Shell. It was decided to hold the annual tea on Saturday, Jan. 27th.

Fuller reports of the year's work of the Brantford branch of the V. O. N. will be ready in a few days.

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INSURGENTS IN INDIA OCCUPY ATTENTION OF BRITISH

Mohimands, a Turbulent Frontier Tribe Again in Rebellion—400 Interned

By Courier Leased Wire.
Peshawar, Northwest frontier province, India, Nov. 11.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press)—The Mohimands, a nominally independent frontier tribe, whose country borders administered British territory in this region, having made themselves generally objectionable during the past few months, have come in for considerable attention at the hands of the British recently. The latest phase of the punishment being meted out occurred to-day when thousands of troops engaged in a movement which resulted in the rounding up for internment of 400 Mohimands who were scattered about in villages just inside the provincial boundary.

The Mohimands have always been among the most troublesome of the tribesmen living in the independent territory between the northwest frontier province and Afghanistan. A year ago they made a raid and committed murders in the Peshawar district. As a penalty they were forbidden to enter the province to trade. Angered by this they began to threaten war, and several fights actually did take place.
At this time there were a large number of Mohimands living in British territory. After the declaration

of hostilities by their brothers at home, most of these government guests were sent across the border. Sir George Roos-Keppel, chief commissioner for the northwest frontier province, then put up along the Mohimand border a line of barbed wire entanglement, intersected with strongly guarded blockhouses. The government of India at the same time, imported a number of airplanes, the first ever seen in this part of the world, and manned them with experienced aviators fresh from the western theatre of war.

For a time these new methods of warfare puzzled and worried the Mohimands and they kept to their hills, but recently they became more bold and under cover of night succeeded in cutting the barbed wire at one or two places and committing small thefts. Then it was that Sir George Roos-Keppel placed his trump card by ordering the installation of a live wire, which has been strung along the whole Mohimand frontier, a distance of about seventeen miles. The fact that this wire carries 4,500 volts and means instant death to anyone touching it has become known to the tribesmen and at present they are contenting themselves with holding pow-pows up in the mountains and making threats.

Montreal Papers Change Ownership

By Courier Leased Wire.
Montreal, Jan. 4.—The publishers of The Daily Mail and Evening News made the following announcement yesterday:

"This will be the last issue of The Daily Mail under its present control. The Evening News will not issue again under its present ownership and editorship."

"The difficulties which render this course necessary had their inception in the unexpected and as yet unexplained action of one of the shareholders who up to the time of his withdrawal professed complete satisfaction with their policies of civic reform and independent views on public affairs. The situation culminated a few days ago in a request made for the power of sale of the property to parties whose names were not disclosed."

"The shareholders representing the control of the two companies refused to consider a sale until the framework of a new constitution had been settled, but continuance involved a capital outlay which the company was unable to furnish."

The statement is signed by S. A. Dorsey, M. E. Nichols and B. A. MacNab.

The employees of The Evening News and Daily Mail were notified officially this morning that in accordance with the editorial in this morning's Daily Mail the staffs are discharged as of yesterday's date.

Each man received the intimation personally that he would be paid in full as soon as the office management can be completed, which will be in the shortest possible time.

No further details of the situation contained in the Mail editorial were forthcoming yesterday, but it is understood steps were being taken to reorganize the papers. No copy of the Evening News was issued yesterday.

PHILADELPHIA MURDER MYSTERY

Art Model, Murdered in Her Apartment; Several Suspects

By Courier Leased Wire.
Philadelphia, Jan. 4.—Three days after the body of Marie Colbert, the advertising art model, was found in her uptown apartment, the police were still trying to unravel a maze of clues, and apparently were as far from a solution of the mystery as they were when the crime was discovered.

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A dozen persons, including a wealthy manufacturer, and a young university man, have been questioned by detectives, and the police have in their possession letters and pictures showing that at any men well known in this city were admirers of Miss Colbert.

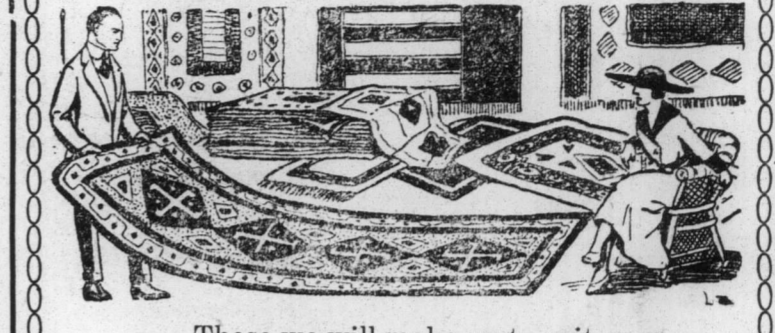
A man of wealth and social standing is said to be under surveillance in a downtown hotel in connection with the case, and search is being made for the chauffeur of an independent taxicab, who is reported to have taken a prominent clubman regularly to the young woman's apartment. The last known visit, it is said, was made last Thursday night.

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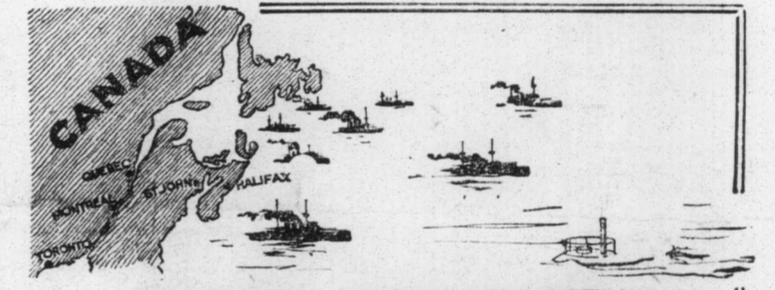


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By Courier Leased Wire.
Tokio, Jan. 4.—It is reported that Colonel Carpio and two representatives of General Carranza are now in Japan with the object of purchasing munitions, rifles, artillery and a steamship. They are said to have been negotiating for the 3,000 ton vessel, Kotshira Maru, which recently was chartered by the newly formed Kwat-suda shipping company. The Kotshira Maru cleared from Yokohama yesterday for Salina Cruz, Mexico, as her destination. The manifest lists her cargo as general merchandise and machinery. An unconfirmed report is current that the steamer carried 2,540 rifles purchased from various Japanese brokers from stock discarded as unsuitable by representatives of the Entente powers.



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Melbourne, Australia. (Correspondence of The Press)—William M. H. federal prime minister from leadership of the party at the recent pa whereupon he left the followed by 23 supporters, he formed a new labor ejection of Mr. Hughes suit of the bitter cleava Labor ranks in Australia his championing conscrip prosecution of the war a posals being defeated in dum.

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London, Jan. 3 — The Daily Telegraph a are being made to repla of young surgeons in plate by Americans, in able the Britishers to army. There are hundr tors of military age in als who wish to join th The Telegraph, but res have been denied the h lack of substitutes.

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Premier of Australia Quits Labor Party

His Championing of Conscription Results in a Split in the Party

Melbourne, Australia, Jan. 3.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—William M. Hughes, the federal prime minister, was ousted from leadership of the federal Labor party at the recent party caucus whereupon he left the meeting followed by 23 supporters with whom he formed a new labor party. The ejection of Mr. Hughes was the result of the bitter cleavage in the Labor ranks in Australia caused by his championing conscription for the prosecution of the war and his proposals being defeated in the referendum.

Not only did Mr. Hughes form a new party but he formed a new government from among the 23 members of the federal parliament who had elected to stand by him in the crisis, and these new ministers were forthwith sworn in by the governor-general of the Commonwealth, Sir Ronald Munro Ferguson.

During the campaign over conscription, Representative W. G. Hughes, Commonwealth Treasurer, Representative Frank G. Tudor, minister of trades and customs, and Senators Gardner and Russell, Assistant Ministers, had resigned, and directly after Mr. Hughes had been deposed as party leader, Representative King O'Malley and Representative Hugh Mahon, minister for Home Affairs and Minister for External Affairs, respectively, likewise resigned their portfolios. The personnel of the latest Hughes government is:

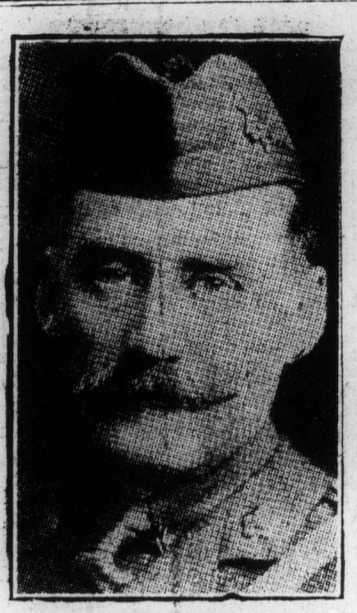
Representative William M. Hughes, prime minister and attorney-general; Senator George F. Pearce, minister for defense; Representative J. A. Jensen, minister for the navy; Representative W. A. Webster, postmaster-general; Representative A. Poynton, treasurer; Representative W. A. Archibald, minister for trade and customs; Representative F. W.

WHITE TROOPS THE STRONGER

Belief Disproved That Black Races Are of Hardier Build

Near Verdun, Jan. 4.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—Native troops from the French colonies are not so hardy as white soldiers from the cities and villages of France, according to the chief surgeon of the great field hospital here. He said:

"The opinion has been very generally throughout the world that semi-civilized races are harder than the civilized white races. This idea, however, has been proved fallacious. I myself, since the beginning of the war, have treated some thousands of wounded men and have found in general that the white race can support pain without complaint better than any colored race. We have had here cases of all kinds and I have been able to prove that not only our peasants, who form such a large part of our army, but the inhabitants of our big cities are as naturally healthy and amenable to surgical and medical treatment as the men of any race which lives under primitive conditions. Observation of the effects of contact with dirt upon wounds proves that natives suffer from gangrene, peritonitis and blood-poisoning just as much as white men. At the same time, their complaints when they are suffering pain are much greater than those of white men."



LT.-COL. G. S. CANTLIS, D.O., who was included in the New Year's honors. He is well-known throughout Canada for the work in connection with the C.P.R., of which he has been, since 1908, superintendent of car services.

LENGTHY LAWSUIT DECIDED AT LAST

Two African Companies Disputed Ownership of \$2,500,000 in Gold

London, Jan. 3.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—The longest and one of the most unique lawsuits ever heard in British courts has just been decided. It involved the ownership of \$2,500,000 in gold which the amalgamated Properties of Rhodesia, Ltd., owners of a million acres in Rhodesia claimed that the Globe and Phoenix Gold Mining Company, which was the richest gold mine in the world, had taken from the Rhodesia Property. As it was to be consistent the court occupied two hours in delivering judgment.

The case lasted 144 days and cost \$750,000. One witness was on the stand sixteen days, and another who was on the stand almost a month, died. Two other men who were interested in the case died before it was concluded.

More than 50,000 questions were put to witnesses and answered. In the final summing up counsel for the defendants spoke for 45 days. Chief counsel for the defense received a fee of \$5,000 and his "freshener" or daily charge was \$5,000. The documents in the case were so voluminous that two large rooms were crowded with maps, assays and reports. The proceedings were criticized by stirring scenes between opposing counsel and apologies were ordered by the court.

In deciding the case, Justice Eve dismissed the action on the ground that the Amalgamated Properties had failed to prove that the gold had been extracted from its mine which adjoined that of the Globe and Phoenix.

Aims of Allies Those of North in U.S. Civil War

London Times Points Out That Entente Powers Fight for Same Principles of Liberty That Lincoln Held

London, Jan. 4.—The Times prints a long editorial under the title, "Neutral Opinion During the Civil War," particularly pointing out how neutral sentiment changed in favor of the North after the adoption of the emancipation issue. The conclusion follows: "Friends of the North," says Bancroft, "felt thenceforth they had a cause to plead" while the advocates of the South were reduced to silence and shame. We are convinced that the ends for which the allies are fighting to-day are as high and sacred as those for which Americans fought and died two generations ago. They are in the last resort the same ends—to assure the supremacy of right, freedom and law. We believe if the true character is once brought home to the American masses American opinion will support them as warmly as British and French opinion supported emancipation in 1862.

The wise and dignified action of the Spanish Government and the significant attitude of Holland and the principal republics of South America show that indifferent neutrals are not all prepared to follow President Wilson's ill-considered lead. President Wilson's note affords us a great opportunity of laying the case before Americans in words which cannot be misunderstood, and we trust it will be greatly used, so that the contrast between our aims and the aims of our enemies may stand out as sharp and clear to American eyes as the contrast between the cause of freedom and the cause of bondage stood to ours, when Lincoln invoked "the considered judgment of mankind" upon his liberating edict.

British Surgeons to be Replaced by Americans

Action Taken by War Office in Order to Swell Ranks of Field Forces—Many Doctors in U. S. Have Volunteered

London, Jan. 3.—According to The Daily Telegraph arrangements are being made to replace a number of young surgeons in British hospitals by Americans, in order to enable the Britishers to enter the army. There are hundreds of doctors of military age in home hospitals who wish to join the army, says The Telegraph, but hitherto they have been denied the honor owing to lack of substitutes.

With a view to meeting the difficulty, The Daily Telegraph continues, the army authorities some time ago inquired of the medical authorities in the United States whether they could send to Britain detachments of young American doctors. Hundreds of young doctors in the

Music and Drama

The Grand. The delightful musical comedy, "The Only Girl," which will be the attraction at the Grand Opera House soon, is by Victor Herbert and Henry Blossom and was among the most popular entertainments in New York during its season in that city which lasted for an entire season at the Lyric theatre.

Among the many of its distinguishing marks, it is said that it will be found to be delightfully refreshing in the originality of its score, which is rich in melodies of the true Herbert swing, together with the interesting story that has been supplied by Henry Blossom, who in the past has proved that he possesses the rare faculty of being able to get laughs on his lines, instead of situations.

TRIAL CONTINUES

By Courier Leased Wire. Ossipee, N. H., Jan. 4.—The state yesterday continued the work of gathering the loose threads of circumstantial evidence by which it seeks to connect Frederick L. Small with the murder of his wife, Florence A. Small and with the fire which destroyed his home and almost removed evidence of the alleged crime on September 28 last.

A case of smallpox on board a steamer from Scandinavian ports caused the vessel to be quarantined at New York, the 50 passengers in the steerage being removed to Hoffman Island.

ONTARIO'S BANNER BUILDING COUNTY

Comparison Shows That Brant County's Building Activities Are Highest in the Province

In the course of an article upon the relative agricultural merits of the various counties of Ontario, the Toronto Globe says in part: Even the valuation of buildings cannot well be excluded. True, in many cases, over expensive houses are a liability rather than an asset on the farm, but on either hand the importance of shelter for farm stock and storage of fodder cannot be over-estimated. It is equally true that sufficient provision for the housing of the human kind—the providing of ample house room with modern heating and sanitary conveniences—tends greatly to the promotion of happiness and comfort on the farm.

Among the many of the right kind of agriculture. In farm buildings then, Lincoln and Wentworth stand first and second, but these are excluded from the calculation because so much of the valuation here is based on what are really suburban residences. Of the purely general farm counties, Brant, with an average valuation in buildings of \$26.77 per acre, stands first.

LEGISLATURE OPENS

By Courier Leased Wire. Albany, N.Y., Jan. 4.—The 1917 legislature was convened yesterday under direction of the same officials who guided affairs last year and with overwhelming majorities in both houses. A qualified request for city local option legislation and a recommendation that the state set an example as a model employer by creating a system of injury and death insurance for its employees were outstanding features of Governor Whitman's annual message.

Hard Colds—People whose blood is pure are not nearly so likely to take hard colds as are others. Hood's Sarsaparilla makes the blood pure; and this great medicine recovers the system after a cold as no other medicine does. Take Hood's.

WOODSMEN ARRESTED

By Courier Leased Wire. Virginia, Minn., Jan. 3.—Fifty-three woodsmen, strikers and industrial workers of world agitators, were arrested at Cusson early today and rushed here on a special train for arraignment. The arrests are in connection with troubles arising out of a strike in the lumber mills. The authorities accuse I. W. W. leaders of inciting trouble in an effort to force the lumber companies to recognize their organization.

TO RELIEVE CONGESTION

Ottawa, Jan. 3.—Railway representatives are in conference today with Sir Henry Drayton in an effort to work out a satisfactory system for curtailment of passenger schedules to relieve freight congestion. The schedules are being worked out in Montreal and it is believed will release sufficient motive power to handle grain, munitions and other needed freight. Local and through passenger services will be materially curtailed.

NEW TRIAL

By Courier Leased Wire. Buffalo, Jan. 3.—Argument on a motion for a new trial for John Edward Teiper, convicted of the murder of his mother, Mrs. Agnes M. Teiper, was today postponed until Friday.

Charles S. Miller, convicted at Wilmington, Delaware of using the mails to defraud and sentenced to three years in Atlanta penitentiary, dropped dead in the warden's office of the county workhouse.

CONSPIRACY TO SHIP ARMS

Carranza Agent in U. S. Arrested Upon this Charge

By Courier Leased Wire. New York, Jan. 3.—Juan T. Burns, Carranza consul-general here, was today arrested charged with being concerned in a conspiracy to ship arms and ammunition to Vera Cruz in violation of President Wilson's embargo proclamation of October 1915.

Three indictments have been brought against Burns it was learned. Aside from the alleged conspiracy to violate the president's proclamation, the defendant is accused also of deceiving customs authorities by falsely manifesting ammunition shipments as hardware.

The arrest, made by a special agent of the department of justice, is the outcome of a raid on the offices of an importing and exporting company operated here recently by Mexicans, and of the arrest, subsequently at Houston, Texas, Mier was formerly employed here in the Mexican consulate. Burns was taken to the federal building and held in \$10,000 bail.

News Notes of St. John's Church

The annual Christmas tree entertainment was a decided success. The attendance being so large that some had to be turned away for lack of room. The teacher and the Superintendent are to be congratulated upon the success, also the scholars upon doing their part well.

The midnight service for the old year out was also well attended and the service an impressive one. The Boys' Club of St. John's is about ready for work and we may look for something doing in the near future.

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The congestion of mail on United States railways caused the commandeering of a number of baggage cars, passengers' baggage being left behind as second in importance to the mail.

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Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

Here's One Trick Cedric Performs Perfectly



That Son-in-law of Pa's

As Actors, Ball Players are Fine Base-Runners

Majority of Major League Stars Who go on the Stage in Winter Seasons Do Not Make Good

(By Joe S. Jackson)
Now they say that Nick Altrock will follow the lead of Herman Schaefer, his old partner—partner on ball field and stage—and will be seen in a vaudeville act this winter. Schaefer has been getting in shape for his stunt (or some time, Nick has just begun to warm up. The nature of Schaefer's act is not known. Altrock, it is understood, is to do a monologue.

It will be the second venture for Altrock, and the third for Schaefer. The latter went out once with a woman partner, and was able to attain only fair success, and that mostly on his personal popularity. Then he and Altrock doubled up, but did not have a good season. Now they are trying it all over again.

The trouble with the two is that their surroundings embarrass them. On a ball field they are not restrained. They just let go. They are at home. On a stage they try to be funny. And the effort kills them.

Hallman the Real Actor

Numerous ball players have trodden the boards, but only a few with anything like more than ordinary success. The higher they have climbed in baseball, the less likely they are to make good on the boards. The one ball player who was a real actor—one who could play a part and get away with it without depending on his baseball reputation—was Billy Hallman, the old-time National Leaguer. For years he spent his winters on the stage. He was one of the old-type Dutch comedians, and usually had a laugh part in popular priced melo-drama. When the present Garriek was the Whitney, he appeared there on numerous occasions, in the ten, twenty, and thirty stuff that flourished at that house.

Next to Hallman in the matter of making good on merits, were Charlie Dooan and Jim Callahan. The latter is a really classy monologue artist. He has a rich fund of stories, mostly dealing with baseball, all clean, and each possessed of a point. He can get by with any audience. Dooan has a good tenor voice. Teamed with a partner named McCool, he played the big time several winters. Anybody who paid to see the pair got their money's worth. They were not a knockout, but they were competent. They could sing, their comedy was passable, if not uproarious.

Extra Performer Carries It

Usually a baseball sketch that is successful is so not because of the work of the athletes, but of some woman artist. Mathewson and Myers, when they were at the height of their fame as a battery, played the big time in the east. But it was May Tully who made the act go. Rube Marquand never could have lasted five minutes on any stage, but for the work of his partner and wife, Blossom Seeley. Mike Donlin posed as an almost comedian and a near dancer for two or three winters. His wife, now dead, Mabel Hite, a very clever and a very lovable woman, had to carry the sketch. And she had to work to do it.

Singing acts seem to be especially favored by the baseballists. Buck Weaver and Jim Scott, with Weaver's wife and her three sisters, played through the west last winter, and did very nicely, except when the men tried to be comedians. Some years ago "Duck" O'Brien, Marty McHale and a couple of other players, all of them with Boston, formed the Red Sox quartet and played New England dates. "Doc" White did a single singing turn for a couple of seasons. Mr. Jennings of Detroit went out with Ben Smith. Hughie was billed as a sentimental vocalist, but his audiences all thought that he was a serio comic.

Old Boys Did Their Part

Players of another day had their part in stage life. Cap Anson, for a number of years was in vaudeville, and, so far as known, still is doing his monologue. In the heyday of his fame he was starred in a regular stage piece which did not last long. Harry Bay, once of Cleveland, was a repertory actor in the "Rube" drama in the winter. And Cy Morrick is an all-round thespian. He used to double in brass, playing in the band before the show in the orchestra during the overtures, and coming east for a part in the drama. More recently he has gone into moving pictures and has created a pronounced success.

The pictures haven't grabbed a lot of baseballists. Ty Cobb and Cy Morgan are each other's best hated friends. So it is odd that they should be the most prominent of the picture ball's ranks. Cobb has just finished posing for films that shortly will be shown around the country. He has had theatrical experience before, making a quite extensive tour one winter in the leading male role in "The College Widow." That ended him as an actor, and he says that his present engagement is his last, as well as his first, as a movie star.

Cobb Not a Good Actor

Detroit hasn't contributed heavily to the ranks of the baseball actors. Cobb and Jennings complete the list, though George Moridry has been mixed up in a way, some of his sons having been stage successes, while he also has had a movie film or two presented.

Cobb will never be a success as an actor, because he does not like the work. Never bothered on the ball field, no matter how large the crowd, or how much the opposition may be riding him, he is intensely bashful when called on to face an audience. It is one of the trials of his life to be called on to make a speech, though he gets by nicely once forced to do so.

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LT.-COL. J. J. CREELMAN, D.S.O., who was decorated by the King on New Year's Day.

logue, so that he can demonstrate his mastery of the broad "a." He is one of the few managers who have gone into vaudeville. Joe Tinker of the Cubs is another. He does a monologue and does it well. Rudolph and Gowdy of the champion Braves comprised a team that was overlooked previously. They worked a week or two, right after Stallings' outfit had cleaned up the Athletics. Stallings was offered big money to make a tour, but turned it down.

Should Be, But Isn't

The ball player should have a good stage presence, because he's in front of larger crowds each day during his career, than the theatres. But, as a rule, the player who is tempted to take a whirl at theatrical life is glad when it is over. The only thing he likes about it is the money that he can earn.

Speaking generally, the athletes are not great theatre attendants. On the road, when they go to a show, more often than not it is a burlesque performance. They like the easily caught humor. Like this: "Who was that lady I seen you coming down the street with yesterday?" "That wasn't no lady. That was my wife."

That's a gag that is sprung more often by the players when they are doing a little sidewalk conversation stunt for entertainment of their team mates, than any that the stage has known.

BEALTON.

(From our own correspondent)
Miss Sadie Forest of Hagersville, spent last week at Mr. Hagans of this place.

Miss A. E. Jones, of Hamilton, is spending a few days with Miss Rilla Smith.

Miss Ethel Messecar spent last week with her brother in St. Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Flanders and family spent Sunday at Mr. Lloyd Galloways.

Mr. and Mrs. Mac Fields, of Brantford, spent Sunday in the village.

Mrs. Wm. Smith and the Misses Almira and Rilla, spent New Years at Mr. Johnson Barber's, of Boston.

Mr. Bert Barr of Abbey Sank, and Mrs. Albert Brooks, of Sunbury, spent last Thursday with Mrs. Wm. Smith and family.

Mrs. Alice Smith is spending New Years holidays in Waterloo.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Bowden, of Dresden, spent the holidays with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Davis, of this place.

Miss Pearl Davis, of Brantford, spent last week under the parental roof.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Davis and daughter, Alma, spent New Years at Mr. Chas. Secord's, Oakland.

SIDE TALKS

By RUTH W. CAMERON

"THIS ONCE"

Once upon a time I ran across a magazine article in which readers were asked to send in what they considered the most terrible word in the English language. "Blood," "Death," "Alone," "Forever," were some of the words that were submitted by the largest number.

If someone would run a contest asking for the word that has done the most harm, and would admit phrases as well as single words, I would have a contribution ready to submit. It would be "This Once."

The Child Uses It In His Teasing

"Mayn't I stay 'up later this once?" "Mayn't I skip my practising this once?"

You Ought To Clean Your Teeth

For instance, You have your teeth all cleaned for the night. Some one prevails on you to take a bite of an apple or a sweetmeat. You know you ought to clean your teeth again but you say to yourself, "This once it won't hurt me."

Or you discover at night that you haven't been outdoors all day. You know you ought to have some exercise and you consider the thought of a walk, but it would mean changing your shoes, and you'd really rather sit by the fire and read that tempting new magazine and so you say to yourself, "Well, I guess it won't do any harm if I do go without exercise this once."

All The King's Horses And All The King's Men

Or you hear some enticing bit of gossip and are tempted to repeat it. It is against your principles but you know the person to whom you are talking would be so interested and excited over it. "This once" you say to yourself—subconsciously perhaps—and open your lips and let out the words that no power on earth can bring back again.

"This once" is a screen that we put between ourselves and the truth. Next time you catch yourself saying "This once" (or words to that effect) push the screen aside and look the truth in the face.



THE BIRD SPIRIT.

Now the Bird Spirit had helped the Sun and the Moon and the Rainbow to make a golden pheasant, a silver pheasant and a pheasant colored like the Rainbow. And, liking the look of the pheasants, he thought he'd make some more.

"And this time," said he, "I shall work by myself, for rain dropped into the Sun's magic pot of melted sunbeams and almost spoiled the golden pheasant and the silver pheasant. The Moon made its much too cranky and the Rainbow Fairy started so hard at the colored pheasant that he has spots all over him like an eye. I'll work by myself and make no mistakes."

Thus it came about that the Bird Spirit gathered birds back and sketched upon it just the sort of birds he wanted to make.

Now the Bird Spirit was a wonderful, wonderful bird magician, but he couldn't sketch as well as he might have. Always there'd be some little thing wrong, chiefly because he was careless. And the Moon who had made the silver pheasant and the Sun who had made the golden pheasant and the Rainbow who had made the rainbow pheasant made up their jealous minds that his birds should be no more perfect than theirs.

"We'll bewitch the sketches!" they said. And they did.

Next day the Bird Spirit melted up all sorts of curious things in a magic cauldron. First he made a handsome scarlet pheasant. To his horror, it stepped out of the magic pot—wearing horns! He made another pheasant and its ears were queer. The wren's only white tufts of feathers. He made another and its tail was wrong. It was longer than its body.

"It's your fault! Your fault!" shrieked the angry pheasants. "We're just like the sketches."

"You dropped ink-blots on the head in the sketch," cried the scarlet pheasant and I have horns."

"You blotted the ears," said the second pheasant, "and look at me."

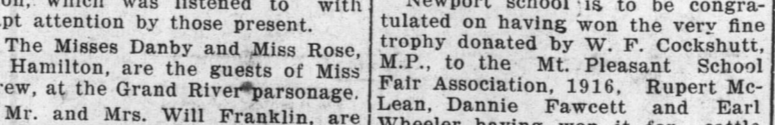
"And you drew a dreadful tail," shrieked the third, "and look at me!"

Now the Bird Spirit hated the sight of those pheasants. The one with the feathery ears who proved to have a tail like a fan, he sent to Asia to live. The scarlet pheasant with the horns he sent along. As for the pheasant with the very long tail—he was something like the golden pheasant, save that he wore a cape of feathers and he strutted off in anger before the Bird Spirit could send him anywhere.

The Bird Spirit tried again and made a wonderful colored pheasant, but it had a crest on its head like a blot and he sent it off to Asia.

Then he made one final trial. He drew a careful sketch with never a single mistake in it and he made the back of flame. Red and bronze and fire-colored that pheasant's back. And the Bird Spirit was so pleased he thought to make it a mate. But, alas! he'd used up all the color and Mrs. Fire pheasant came forth—black. And after that he didn't try again.

Most of the Bird Spirit's pheasants you'll find in Asia. Men call the scarlet fellow a tragopan and the pheasant with the tail and cape the Amherst pheasant. If the Bird Spirit hadn't hated the sight of them and called them his mistakes they might never have been sent to Asia to live and we might have them with us now.



NEWPORT

(From our own correspondent)
Our pastor, the Rev. James Drew occupied the pulpit on Sunday evening and delivered an excellent sermon, which was listened to with rapt attention by those present.

The Misses Danby and Miss Rose, of Hamilton, are the guests of Miss Drew, at the Grand River parsonage.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Franklin, are the proud possessors of a little son, who arrived on New Year's Day.

Master Ross Sutherland spent the holidays with his aunt, Mrs. F. Emmott.

Mrs. M. W. Smith is visiting in Toronto.

Mr. George E. Wood spent Saturday in Toronto.

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LADY'S DRESS.

By Anabel Worthington.

A woman to-day is only as old as her gown concedes, we are told. While there is more than one way to achieve a youthful and stunning effect in an afternoon dress, the illustration shows one of the best for this season.

The plain waist is well set off with a handsome collar of contrasting goods, descending to the waist line in back in a point and tassel tipped for novelty. The sleeve shows its fulness gathered in at the wrist, where a full cuff finishes.

The two gored skirt is prettily draped with a four gored tunic that is made with a gathered heading and pleated at each side. It is effective with a cord or ribbon lacing at centre back and front, as pictured.

Wool embroidery has first place in fashion's favor for trimming such frock, and while separate motifs are employed, the band effect is strongly indorsed. Braid, of course, is next in rank and may be substituted. If made of broad-cloth or velvet, combined with a richly chosen fabric, a dress of this character may be worn with furs, without a coat, on milder days. It will form a pleasing change from a winter suit. For wear under a coat an afternoon frock may be fashioned of charmesse, taffeta, crepe or similar weave.

The dress pattern, No. 8081, cuts in sizes 36-42. To make in size 36 requires 8 yards 40 inch goods, with 3/4 yard 36 inch contrasting and 2 1/2 yards ribbon. To obtain the pattern send 10 cents to the office of this publication.

Rippling Rhymes

H. C. OF PAPER

The men who make the white print paper are trying out a get-rich caper. No pent-up Utica contracts them, and no sane statute counts—acts them. They cry, "Printers' protests sourly, and keep on raising prices hourly. At noon they send the price up higher, and laugh to scorn the frenzied buyer; and in the solemn midnight watches, they raise the price a few more notches. There is no reason for this plunder, save doubling prices up like thunder, for that the paper sharks are greedy, and are not loath to strip the needy. From every section of the nation come cries of grief and agitation, from publishers and kindred colonels, who say they must suspend their journals, and take in washing for a living unless relief to them is given. The paper makers hear the roaring, and see the flood of angry pouring—the storm of wrath around them thickens—and raise the price, to beat the dickens. Before the finish of this winter, we shall behold, methinks, Ye Printer scorn of his old time smile and chortle, draw near the gloomy soup-house portal, and draw a free and filling ration provided by a weeping nation.

NEW YEARS IN THE CITY.

A number of the young men spent New Year's day, skating.

Miss Emma Charlton of New York is spending the holidays at the parental home.

Newport school is to be congratulated on having won the very fine trophy donated by W. F. Cocksbutt, M.P., to the Mt. Pleasant School Fair Association, 1916. Rupert McLean, Dannie Fawcett, and Earl Wheeler having won it for cattle judging.

Two firemen of Erie, Pa., were probably fatally injured by being crushed beneath a falling steel girder at a fire in the Erie Forge plant, which is turning out big guns for United States coast defenses.

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Rev. Dr. Newell Dwight

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Divorce Threatens the American Family Life

Rev. Dr. Newell Dwight, Hills, of Brooklyn, Makes an Appeal for Social Reform

In the eighth of a series of sermons on "What is the Matter With the United States," Rev. Mr. Newell Dwight Hills, of Brooklyn, said: Society is a unit representing the union of two temperaments, the masculine that is fixed and unalterable the feminine with which the woman is stained through and through like crimson set in the finest wool that cannot be washed out. Sex is a fast color. God never intended that men should be feminized or women made virile. The pathetic attachment that has subsisted between great souls like Rebekah and Isaac, Aspasia and Pericles, Robert Browning and Elizabeth Barrett, tells us plainly that the path of love is the only path that leads to paradise, that can turn a hut into a house, a tent into a palace, and though the house has only a frail tent set up in the desert with no lamp save the light of the fire, yet for young Jacob, home is where Rachel is, a beautiful heaven that unseen city of amethyst behind whose walls of silver Rachel had disappeared.

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Either the working men of this country must give up whiskey, sensuality, drugs and maintain life of health, cleanliness, sobriety and keep themselves as clean within and without during their thirties as married working men as they were during their twenties when they were lovers, or else the working women are going to refuse to bear children that carry forward the sins of their fathers. These women understand the threatened breakdown of the American physique. It is not their fault that in the tenement house region children are born with imperfect vision, teeth without enamel, feeble hearts and circulation. Science, sound ethics, love of humanity, all unite in telling us that these working women are right in the rebellion that they are organizing. And one of the duties that lies upon our legislators is to find a duty of giving every mother, rich or poor, at least \$100 a year in support of every babe she bears until the child is fourteen years of age.

Then a young working woman who awakens up to discover that she is married to a man who has brought himself into physical condition where he has no right to bring children into the world can with her mother's pension, leave the man to rot in his own disease. When the State plays fair with these mothers, there will be a revolution in this country. The overthrow of the salaried man will do much to bring in this new era, and that is a victory already within sight. The movement cannot be victorious too soon.

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BRIG-GEN. G. N. CORY, D.S.O. Canadian officer who has just been promoted to the rank of Major-General. He has been three times mentioned in despatches for work on the Saloniki front.

NEW YEAR MESSAGE FROM THE DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE

New Governor General Appeals on Behalf of Patriotic Fund

Ottawa, Jan. 3.—His Excellency the Governor-General, as president of the Canadian Patriotic Fund has issued the following New Year's appeal on behalf of the Fund: Twice His Royal Highness the Duke of Devonshire appealed to the people of Canada in support of the Canadian Patriotic Fund. The prompt and generous response on each occasion proves how truly Canada appreciates the debt which she owes to her sons who are fighting for the Empire. Heavy as the sacrifices have already been, the Dominion is as determined as ever to carry on the war to a successful conclusion and, however onerous the burden may be, she is equally determined to help the families of those who are serving in the army and in the navy. The administration of the fund has been most successful and economic and subscribers can be fully assured that their contributions are being expended to the best advantage. Fifty-five thousand families, comprising one hundred and fifty thousand individuals, are today dependent upon the fund and it is estimated that twelve million five hundred thousand dollars will be required to meet the requirements of the next twelve months. The sum is a large one but when the circumstances are fully realized I am confident that the people of Canada will willingly contribute the amount necessary for the fund to continue its patriotic and beneficent work. (Signed) DEVONSHIRE.

SALEM. Mr. and Mrs. E. Rutherford and Mr. and Mrs. B. Rutherford, spent Friday the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Chant, Cathcart. Mr. Geo. Hamilton and Miss Umphrey, of Burford, spent New Year's day visiting friends in this vicinity. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Chant were New Year guests at the home of Mrs. Henry Bonney. Mrs. B. Rutherford is spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Burgess, London.

News From Terrace Hill.

(From our own Correspondent.) A farewell to Corporal and Mrs. H. T. Ayres, who are leaving for St. John's, Que., was held recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Ashton, DuRoi St. A handsome wrist watch was given to the Corporal and a silver mesh bag to Mrs. Ayres. Short addresses expressing regret at their departure and every good wish were made by Rev. E. Softley, and Messrs. H. Widman and H. Blacker and Mr. Laing, Corporal and Mrs. Ayres have been closely identified with the work of St. James' church for some years, and they will be greatly missed in the church and city by the circle of friends. Mrs. Craddock of St. George road has been visiting relatives at Burford. Mr. Peak of Waterloo is the guest of Mrs. Kerr of St. George St. Mrs. J. J. Livingstone of St. George St. spent a few days at St. George visiting her mother there. Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Kilgour of Waterloo spent Christmas at the home of Mr. Kilgour, Dundas St. Mr. J. H. Livingstone is visiting at the home of Mrs. Alderson, corner of St. George and Grand St. Instructor Graham and Mrs. Graham of London, spent the New Year's holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Pickles, St. Paul's Avenue. We regret to state that Mrs. Gowman of Sydenham street, is seriously ill. Principal Woltz of King George school who lives on the Hill, spent New Year's at Cainsville. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Scruton spent the holiday season at the parental home, Dundas St. Mr. Frank Vassella of Hamilton is paying a visit to Mr. F. Hammond of Sydenham St. and Mr. P. DeGrieky, St. George St. Election day passed off quietly here. The beautiful day was certainly a great boon to many who get few holidays, and also brought out a large number of voters to the polls. A large vote was polled. The services in the churches on Sunday all bore upon the New Year and the serious issues which lie ahead of us as a people and a part of the Empire. Announcement was made of special prayer services to be held to supplicate the Divine favor and blessing on the opening year. Suitable reference was also made to the cards calling for National Service in behalf of our country.

TO RELIEVE FREIGHT TRAFFIC

Number of Passenger Trains to be Reduced to Remedy Freight Congestion

Toronto, Jan. 3.—The congestion of freight at the various points on the Niagara frontier is assuming such alarming proportions that Sir Harry L. Drayton, chairman of the Dominion railway commission, it is understood, has authorized the Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific Railways to curtail their passenger service in order to provide extra motive power and train crews for freight service. Passenger and traffic officials of both lines assembled in Montreal yesterday to discuss the situation generally and make recommendations to the Dominion Railway Commission in connection with the various divisions of the systems upon which the passenger train service is to be reduced without directly inconveniencing the travelling public. Sir Harry Drayton has also instructed the railway officials that the movement of munitions must be carried on with as little delay as possible. Treating All Alike. In asking the railways to curtail the passenger train service Sir Drayton urged that in reaching a conclusion the officials should endeavor to jointly equalize the new schedules on corresponding divisions upon which certain trains will be dispensed with temporarily so that one railway will not have an advantage in offering extra service as though both railways will possibly dispense with six or ten trains on the Toronto Division, with a reduction of the through passenger train service between Toronto and Montreal.

Toronto to Montreal. Under the present service the Grand Trunk and the Canadian Pacific each operate four trains daily between Toronto and Montreal, with the C. P. R. giving a three-train service on Sundays. Just how many trains will be taken off on this particular route has not been definitely decided, but the officials are all agreed that the present volume of traffic warrants a reduction.

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LUMINOUS HATS 'LATEST FASHION'

Headgear Illuminated by Phosphorus Worn in London

Under the heading "Luminous Hats for London, or a War Time Device for Darkened Streets," the British Official Press Bureau has issued the following article: "London has invented for war-time use, a luminous hat whose dull phosphorescent blue helps to reduce the risk of collision in London's darkened streets. Both men and women are wearing the new luminous hats, warned thereto by the terrible rise in the number of street accidents since precautionary measures against Zeppelins compelled the blackening of the city's lamps. These accidents, most of them occurring after dark, totalled 34,575 during the first nine months of 1916. Of these 577 were mortal. Recently a coroner suggested that women should wear white hats at night time. A tradesman took the hint and invented the luminous hat. This is his story: "The difficulty, of course, was to find a suitable substance. Phosphorus is too dangerous—it is inflammable—it smells and would probably damage the hat. I discovered a firm who are employing a mixture of sulphides made into a liquid. It does not damage the material, it does not smell. It lasts a long time, is invisible by day, and gives off a striking bluish light at night. Moreover, the more it is exposed to daylight, or artificial light—the more it shines. The firm have used it successfully on the surface of paper and luminous paper is now made in large sheets and is, I understand, already being extensively employed. "But the paint was the stuff for my hat. I painted the band of a hat and also the quills and hatpins and persuaded a well known lady to try the experiment. It certainly made walking very much easier and less of a strain. People got out of the way, some of them rather anxiously, I think, but that was only because of the novelty of the thing. The stuff does not seem to have spoiled the hat."

ECHO PLACE. Miss Violet Doonan of Niagara spent New Year's with Miss Jean Canton. Mrs. H. Harding, Chester Street, has been spending a week with her sister in West Brantford. Mrs. F. Smith is on the sick list. Mrs. Warren, Peel St. is ill at her mother's Echo Villa Ave. Mrs. J. Quance and her Sam Newstead, are visiting with relatives at Marlette, Michigan. Sleighting and skating are the order of the day with the young folks. Relatives from Burford, spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Barker and family. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Douglas and children spent Christmas day with relatives at Brantford. Mr. and Mrs. Flaherty and children of Brantford spent New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Boumer. Mr. Ross Irwin spent the holidays at his home here. Mrs. Fred Sturgis has been visiting relatives at Hagersville. Miss Vera Ludlow spent her Christmas holidays at her home here. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Freker, of Pittsburg, and Mr. and Mrs. Jess Arowsmith spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. MacDonald.

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