

FORTY-FIFTH YEAR

Infantry Attacks Again Cease About Verdun
Welsh Coal Miners are Threatening to Strike
British Fleet Expects Huns to Come Out Soon

GERMAN FLEET WILL SOON COME OUT AND FIGHT

British Sailors Feel Great Battle Coming Before Long. MANY LITTLE FIGHTS OCCUR. Huns Are Making Ready to Meet Ruler of the Waves.

By Special Wire to the Courier. London, March 22 (cable to The New York Times)—The Daily Chronicle's correspondent at "A great naval war base," writing on scrapping in the North Sea says: "German warships have been out in the North Sea and our sailors are convinced they will again be out soon. There has been more than one scrap. The Moeve evaded the blockade out and in, and naval men are the first to acknowledge the skill and daring seamanship. The dash of the German on Doggerbank, when they sunk the mine sweeper, Arbis, was not their only dash out, and we go in some blows before the found refuge behind the Prussian littoral."

Has Villa Got Clear of the Net?

Army Officers Incline to Believe That He Got Away. CARRANZA MEN CO-OPERATING. No Unfavorable Developments Yet on Border Line.

By Special Wire to the Courier. San Antonio, Tex., March 22.—General Pershing's failure to report an encounter of his troops with those of Francisco Villa, and the absence of news from Mexican sources relative to the outcome of the fighting between Villa's men and Carranza's troops in the vicinity of Namiquipa, caused army officers at Fort Sam Houston to-day to believe the elusive Villa had escaped. The fate of Lieutenants Edward J. Gorrell and Robert H. Willis, jr., who failed to reach Casas Grandes, was unknown at General Funston's headquarters. No time will be lost in the despatch of the Twenty-fourth infantry and the Fifth cavalry ordered to the border yesterday. Both should reach Columbus before the end of the week, and it is the intention of Gen. Funston to send them into Mexico immediately. MORE TROOPS. Washington, March 22.—Latest official advice from the American expeditionary forces in Mexico say that General Pershing and his men are close to Villa and his outlaws. All dispatches told of the co-operation of the Carranza soldiers in the bandit chase. Despite unofficial reports of unsettled conditions in the interior of Mexico, and along the border, Secretary of War Baker said that although the situation was fraught with many possibilities, to date there had been no unfavorable developments. In response to a request from Gen.

WILSON IS IRRITATED AT PEACE STORIES IMPLICATING GERARD

The American Ambassador to Berlin Not Remaining There to Receive Peace Proposals From the German Government.

By Special Wire to the Courier. Washington, March 22.—President Wilson was represented at the White House to-day as being resentful to the publication of stories that Ambassador Gerard had reported that Germany was about to make a move to accept peace. The reports were characterized as being based on false inferences. This statement was issued: "President Wilson, through Secretary Tumulty, to-day authorized a denial of stories appearing in papers to the effect that the purpose of Ambassador Gerard's remaining in Berlin was to await Germany's proposals for peace. There is no justification for that inference being drawn." Yesterday the state department took notice of the publications denying that Germany had intimated to the United States that the time was ripe for the United States as the largest neutral to renew its friendly offers for peace, or that the United States had been informed that Mr. Gerard had been requested to postpone his vacation because of pending peace negotiations. "Unofficial reports reaching here to-day said the Ambassador actually had postponed his vacation, but gave no reason."

STATEMENT ISSUED. The state department to-day again took cognizance of the report and the following statement was issued: "Any statement that the German Government had intimated that it desired this government to act as mediator in peace negotiations or had in any way suggested formally or informally that this government should take the matter up with other powers, is absolutely without foundation, and the state department has no information that Germany is preparing to make a definite move in the direction of peace." State department officials declared they were resentful at the publication of the reports, because they said, if there were any prospect of mediation it would be damaged, if not destroyed. It is known that the American ambassadors have consistently been reporting on confidential conferences for the information of President Wilson, and it is understood that the burden of their reports has been that there were no more prospects for peace now than there have been at any time in the last six months. All the belligerents are understood to be ready for peace on their own terms.

WELSH COAL MINERS THREATEN TO STRIKE SINCE THEIR GRIEVANCES ARE NOT SETTLED

PTE. TRUCKLE IS REPORTED AS WOUNDED. Brantford Boy With 4th C. M. R. Admitted to a Hospital.

Mr. T. R. Truckle, 5 Balfour St., received word this morning that his son Pte. Stanley Truckle of the 4th C.M.R. was severely wounded in the leg and admitted to No. 14 General Hospital, Pte. Stanley Truckle enlisted about a year ago with the 30th Dragoons. He then was moved to Hamilton where he was drafted into the Mounted Rifles, and went overseas in the summer. He has been in France about one month. Pte. Truckle was employed in the city. He is 19 years of age, and married, his wife living in Ottawa.

Infantry Attacks Against Verdun Stop For a While but Artillery of the Enemy Still Trying to Blast Its Way Through the French Lines.

Huns Trying to Make Further Progress in Their Flanking Movement in the West of the Meuse.

By Special Wire to the Courier. Paris, March 22, noon—No infantry attacks were made on the Verdun front last night, the War Office announced this afternoon. The Germans bombarded Malancourt heavily and there were artillery exchanges of less intensity east of the Meuse.

THE STATEMENT. The statement follows: "West of the Meuse the artillery duel was very lively in the region of Malancourt, Esnes and Hill 304. A particularly violent fire was directed against the Haucourt Hill. "East of the Meuse the bombardment was intense in the region of Vaux and Damloup. "There were no infantry actions. The night was calm on the remainder of the front."

WORKING FOR FLANK ATTACK. London, March 22.—The battle for Verdun now well in its fourth week, continues with intensity, but just as reports to-day, particularly violent against the Haucourt Hill, to the northeast of Avocourt, indicates that the German intention probably is to make further determined attempts to make progress in this important flanking operation.

ARTILLERY FIRE INTENSE. The situation on the eastern bank of the Meuse is unchanged, but here, too, the artillery fire continues intensely, particularly near Vaux and Damloup.

Chatham, March 22.—J. M. Pike, K. C., the well known Chatham lawyer, returned recently from a business trip to the West. While on the train he made an acquaintance with a stranger named Edward Trout, of Ohio. They adjourned to the dining car and there they met Mr. Herring, a Chicago merchant, who formerly lived in Brockville. For dinner decided, in order to avoid any argument, to order whitefish.

COAL MINERS THREATENING. Half a million South Wales coal miners are again threatening to strike because of failure to secure a settlement of grievances.

Quake in Austria. New York, March 22.—A news agency despatch from Amsterdam to-day says: Hundreds of houses in the Austrian towns of Bribar and Grisan have been destroyed or damaged by an earthquake, according to Vienna despatches to-day.

A Fish Dinner. The whole town, with brass band, greeted an eighty year old man when he brought a thirty-nine year old bride to Staatsburg, Pa.

German Chancellor Looks to Have a Free Course

By Special Wire to the Courier. Berlin, March 22.—Via London.—In connection with the resolutions of the Conservative and National parties calling for unrestricted employment of submarines against freighters of hostile nations, it is now announced that petitions are being circulated among the people which are directed against the Chancellor in his desire to avoid discussion of the resolutions in open session. The chancellor will deliver an address before the Reichstag at the end of this week or early next week, but it is considered doubtful whether he will take up the submarine question.

The "Sydney" at Havana

By Special Wire to the Courier. Havana, Cuba, March 22.—The Australian Cruiser Sydney arrived here to-day, supposedly for the purpose of obtaining coal and provisions. She will sail within the prescribed 24 hours. Whence she came or whither she is going is unknown. The Sydney, which destroyed famous German raider Emden, has been in the Atlantic for several months.

ABANDONED CZERNO-WITZ. AVIATOR LOCATED.

By Special Wire to the Courier. LONDON, March 22, 4.40 p.m.—Abandonment of Czernowitz, capital of Bukowina, by the Austrians is reported in an unofficial wireless despatch received here to-day from Rome. STILL RETREATING. By Special Wire to the Courier. LONDON, March 22.—A Bucharest despatch, forwarded from Amsterdam by the Central News, says that the Turks have evacuated Erzincjan, a fortress of Asia Minor, 120 miles west of Erzerum.

A GERMAN CLAIM. Food Steamer Sunk.

By Special Wire to the Courier. BERLIN, March 22, via London, 4.10 p.m.—The Russians have gained no success in their great extended offensive against the German lines, the war office announced to-day. New Orleans now has a hospital devoted exclusively to negro patients. Plant City, Fla., this winter shipped over 1,149,354 quarts of strawberries, valued at \$151,960.18.

Twenty-Seven Names of Men Enlisted in 215th

- HAVILAND, LESLIE CLAIR, Canadian. HAVILAND, ROY EVERT, Canadian. HEATLEY, ERNEST ALFRED, Canadian. HEDDFN, GEORGE THEODORE, Canadian. HOLDSWORTH, JOHN AUBREY, Canadian. LIVINGSTONE, NORMAN, American. MACDONALD, JOHN, Scotch. MATTHEWS, ALBERT DANIEL, Welsh. DYER, Welsh. MELLOR, GEORGE HAROLD, Canadian. MOORE, FRANK JOSEPH, Canadian. MULLIGAN, DAVID CREIGHTON, Canadian. OSBORNE, LESLIE, Canadian. PROUT, JOHN, English. RAINES, WILLIAM ORTON, English. STRICKLAND, SIDNEY BILTON, Canadian. THOMPSON, ROBERT FRANCIS, Canadian. WEIR, DAVID HENRY, Canadian.

COURIER'S DAILY CARTOON



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SOME UNIFORMS READY
 Applications are already being received for the course, and no time has yet been set as the final date at which applications must be in. This information was received definitely at divisional headquarters on Monday. The uniform is the old militia uniform, and there are some of the uniforms on hand at present, ready for the new course.

The officers at headquarters who have control of the arrangements of the new school are definite in their statements. A real glimpse of the organization of the new school will be under the recent regulations from Ottawa can be gathered from the statements made to-day. A recent regulation also provided that only qualified officers studying for a higher rank will be allowed to wear their uniform. It will be remembered that under a recent regulation from the Militia Department it was announced in camp orders that in future no more supernumerary officers would be appointed until the present supernumeraries were absorbed in other units.

ONLY GOOD MEN PICKED
 The battalions that have any officers over and above their normal strength will have them taken by other units needing officers. This will absorb the surplus of officers in units at present. The order is also interpreted to mean that in future no supernumerary officers will be appointed. This means the demoralizing of the new school and its limitations for real working purposes. The commanding officer of a battalion will have the opportunity of recommending two members of his unit for attendance at the school. Considering that there are about 50 units in this military area, it means that about 100 student soldiers will be in attendance. So that, with the cutting off of supernumerary officers, and the absorbing of those now appointed into the strength of the new units, it means that the school will be down to rock-bottom, and only those will be allowed to qualify who are likely to make good officers. The commanding officer of a unit may recommend, if he desires, two privates whom he thinks would make good officers, to attend the school. Should they prove their worth and pass, they then go back to the ranks, but the O.C., when he desires to have an officer, knows where the soldier is who is qualified and has the experience to make a good officer.

READY FOR OVERSEAS
 An officer of a militia unit may want to qualify for a higher commission. To do so he must signify his willingness to go overseas if called on by any battalion which needs his services. A member of a militia unit, no matter how long his service, who desires to attend the school, must signify his willingness to go overseas before he can attend. Officers who are already qualified in their rank while at school endeavoring to obtain a higher certificate. These are the only exceptions to the provisions that will be required to

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The school room of Wesley church was crowded last night when a very enjoyable concert was held under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid. "Aunt Jerusha's Quilting Party" was the character sketch that was on, and it certainly made a hit with the large audience. The sketch is full of humor and there are many comic situations as the quilt is made. Aunt Jerusha is a number of her friends to the party. While they are at work the minister makes a call on any private recommended for the course. They also receive private's pay.

WILL FLOWERS PASS AWAY
 When the school is over the probationers go back to their places in the units they belong to, with the exception of those from militia units who will likely be called to overseas service with one of the overseas units. The whole system is democratized. It is generally conceded to be a great improvement. The old militia uniform will be looked upon as a distinctive mark of energy and serious effort on the part of the wearer to assume the heavy responsibilities of commanding men. The supernumerary will pass away and in his place will be a soldier qualified to be an officer, who is ready for overseas service, and is willing to take upon himself the responsibilities recognizing the serious part he has to play. As a matter of fact, all ornamental officers are being rigidly cut out, and the practical efficient soldier-officer is to be supreme all through the units.

TO ORGANIZE FISH SUPPLY
 Major Green in London in Aid of Canadian Troops.

London, March 22.—(correspondence of the Associated Press)—Canada's fish-monger-general is in London, where Major Green, who has arrived in England on a special mission from Major General Sam Hughes, the Canadian minister of defence, to organize the entire fish supply of the Canadian troops. The appointment is said to be without precedent in the history of warfare and the introduction of the fish ration to the Canadian troops is expected to improve the health of the men, save the union thousands of dollars each week, and revolutionize the fish industry of Canada.

Major Green is said to have interviewed the Dominion authorities with a frozen fish under his arm. He had brought the fish two thousand miles, so the story is told here and so impressed the Canadian officials that they lost no time in laying the plans for carrying out his scheme. Green, who is but twenty-eight years old, has caught fish nearly all his life in the waters of the great lakes. He arrived here with forty tons and before leaving organized the business of the fish supply. He is to arrive each week already for cooking. Much of the fish which will come from Canadian waters of the great lakes will consist of salmon, halibut, cod, and smoked haddock, whitefish, and herrings.

Major Green has engaged many Indians in the smaller northern Canadian lakes to assist in the catching of sufficient fish to keep the Canadian troops in England and on the continent well supplied for the duration of the war.

Some Chess Playing.
 By Special Wire to the Courier.
 Washington, March 22.—What chess experts here to-day declared to be two new world records were established by Frank J. Marshall, of New York, chess champion of the United States, when he met two local players in a simultaneous exhibition at the National Press Club last night. His new marks are for the number of games played simultaneously, and the number of games won. Marshall won 28, lost 8 and drew 15. The previous world's record was made in 1911, at Munich by H. Fahrni, a German, who played 100 simultaneous games, won 55, drew 39 and lost 6.

Louisville, Ky., is rigidly enforcing the dog-muzzling law.

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Social and Personal

The Courier is always pleased to use items of personal interest. Please send them to the Editor.

Mr. J. M. Young is on a business trip to Toronto.

Mrs. Secord and Miss Gardiner, were visitors in Toronto.

Mrs. W. C. Brooks of Brantford spent the week-end in Hamilton with her husband, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Brooks, C.M.R.—Hamilton Herald.

Music and Drama

THE BRANT.
 Crowded houses are the order of the day at the above theatre and deservedly so, too, for the bill for the first half of the week is exceptionally good. The singing of the National Anthem brought a very enjoyable evening to a close.

Mr. Neil McLeod who played the role of the Minister, was excellent and acted his part very well; Patience the old maid, was also good, and created no end of amusement in her many amusing movements. Portie, the young girl, was greatly impressed by "Within the Law" Bayard Veiller's melodrama of modern conditions in the great city of New York. The New York Evening Journal and contained more than one paragraph of scathing denunciation addressed to the great employers of department stores who underpay their shop-girls and thus drive them into various kinds of temptations.

The action was taken yesterday after Edward L. S. Gordon, British consul, notified the directors that as long as Rodiek was officially connected with the plantations he could not certify it as a non-German corporation. The British consul acted, he explained, under the defense of the realm act, which forbids trading with enemies.

OLD-TIME CHINESE JUNKS.
 Many interesting facts are associated with the quaint and peculiar vessels that Chinese sailors used to navigate along the coast as far as the Straits of Malacca. In the "Memoirs of William Hickey," edited by Mr. Alfred Spencer, we are told that—

"The shape of the junk's lengthwise was rather more than a semi-circle, each end being many feet higher than the centre. At the stern there was a recess several feet in depth, and of no possible use, which looked as if it was intended to give the sea that should strike her about a fair chance of splashing the unwieldy machine in two. On each bow there was painted an enormous eye, and if you inquired 'Hi' you would see eyes, how can you see?' They drew but little water, seldom more than five feet when loaded, and had only one mast, with a slight bamboo pole occasionally used as a top-mast. Their sails were made of reed, looked much like a mat, and answered the purpose very well, at least in the hands of Chinamen. In smooth water, and before the wind, the junk would tolerate, but they were answered against an adverse wind or high sea."

When a man stole a Bible and tried to swap it for a drink of whiskey, the authorities of Le Cross Wis. wouldn't let him stay in town long enough to be tried.

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"Soup Plates" Protect Head
 New Kind of Helmet Used by the British Soldiers.

London, March 22.—(correspondence of the Associated Press)—"Soup plates" is what the British soldiers at the front call the helmets with which they are equipped as a protection against shrapnel. They are of steel and painted grey. In appearance they resemble an inverted bowl and are far from ornamental. They afford protection to the neck and eyes as well as the head. A British correspondent testifies to their efficacy in reducing casualties as proven in the recent stiff fighting for the recovery of the international canal.

"I saw eight dented or pierced helmets to-day," he writes, "the wearers of these helmets no worse injured than slight scalp wounds, and some escaped entirely. All would have been killed had they worn an ordinary helmet. One helmet had been dented eight places by falling shrapnel, while a jagged two-inch hole marked the entry of a shell fragment which caused a flesh wound."

Another bore a deep fissure made by the butt of a German rifle during the hand-to-hand fighting in the captured trench. The wearer of the helmet was not even stunned and he was able to kill his antagonist. Still another had been dented by shrapnel, but the net effect was no more than a small blow across the skull with a club."

Bad Smash up on I. C. Railway
 Four Men Dead and Number Injured From Head-on Collision.

Quebec, March 22.—Four men are dead and a number of others are injured, following a head-on collision that occurred shortly after eleven o'clock last night at Val Brilliant on the I. C. R. in the County of Rimouski.

The two trains which collided were freight. One was at a standstill on the main line at the Val Brilliant station, bound east from Levis, while the other was coming up from Campbellton, N.B. All the victims were on the upbound train as the crew of the waiting train was all at the station.

A Chalmers of Campbellton, engineer, Legouffe, fireman, Campbellton. St. Amand, St. Moise, who was in charge of a carload of horses, five of which were killed.

A. Thibodeau, of Sayabec, who was with St. Amand.

Legouffe was killed instantly while jumping from the train. The others were pinned under the wreckage and passed the entire night there, calling for help, until late this morning when the dead bodies were recovered horribly mangled.

The accident is attributed to a frozen and open switch. The train struck head-on and the two locomotives were reduced to splinters. Thirteen cars were derailed. Five started in the wreckage, but was soon extinguished.

An inquest is to be held this afternoon at Val Brilliant.

SLEET STORM IT CHICAGO

Electric Light and Telephone Wires Out of Commission.

By Special Wire to the Courier.
 Chicago, March 22.—A sleet storm, which followed the rain and thunderstorm, which caused considerable damage to electric light and telephone wires throughout the city last night, which streets and sections of the city were left in darkness, but little damage to property was done. One or two small fires broke out, but the damage was slight.

Reports from the northeast part of Illinois in the vicinity of Kankakee and Beaverville and from Marion and Logansport, Indiana, told of a tornado, which caused the loss of one life, injury to a number of persons and heavy property damage. Telegraph and telephone wires were down and communication with outside points was cut off.

Marion, Indiana, reported a passenger train on the Toledo, St. Louis and Western (Cleveland Line) Railroad, blown from the track near the city late last night. Several persons were injured, but none killed. Four cars were overturned and a fifth was tilted dangerously. Five houses were destroyed at

Pittsboro, Ill., and ten demolished at Kankakee, Ill., Beaverville, Ill., and Morocco Ind., were said to have suffered damage.

COPPER BOUNTY FOR B.C. PROVINCE

By Special Wire to the Courier.
 Victoria, B.C., March 22.—Hon. Lorne Campbell, minister of mines, announced in the legislature that the Dominion Government was considering the proposal of a copper bounty for British Columbia which would place the province in control of the copper and zinc output of Canada. At present, he said, the Dominion was producing about thirty per cent of the lead used in munitions manufactured in Canada, practically all this coming from British Columbia. Unless the bounty was granted, he said, the province increased its production, it was a question in the minister's mind if the munition contracts now in hand in the east could be completed.

Back to Practice.
 By Special Wire to the Courier.
 London, March 22.—Sir John Simon, who retired from the British Cabinet because he could not agree with his associates on the question of military conscription, has returned to the bar as a private practitioner. His first big case, a suit between two insurance companies, will come up shortly in the Chancery Division. His retaining fee in this case, \$35,000, is an illustration of the enormous rewards which are possible to a high-class lawyer in England.

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Paris, March 22.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—Germany now has 1,200,000 men making munitions, according to Senator Charles Humbert in an article in the Journal, in which he says: "Krupps employed 42,000 hands at Essen before the war."

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MONTEAL, March 22.—Hogs increased their record price at the live stock market this morning, as high as \$11.50 being paid for select animals. Calves were firm, cattle steady and sheep and lambs up a few cents on small offerings. Quotations and receipts: Butcher steers—Choice \$8 to \$8.25; good \$7.50 to \$7.75; fairly good \$7 to \$7.25; fair \$6.50 to \$6.75; medium \$6 to \$6.25; do. common, \$5 to \$5.75; \$6 to \$6.25; do. common, \$5 to \$5.75; \$6.75 to \$7; good, \$6.25 to \$6.50; medium \$5.75 to \$6; common, \$5.25 to \$5.50. Bulls, choice \$7 to \$7.25; good, \$6.50 to \$6.75; medium \$6 to \$6.25; do. common, \$5 to \$5.75. Hogs—Selects, \$11 to \$11.50; roughs and mixed, \$10.25 to \$10.75; common \$10. Sows, \$7.50 to \$8. Receipts 25. Sheep, \$6 to \$8; lambs, \$9 to \$12. Receipts 25. Calves, milk fed, \$6 to \$9. Receipts 300.

EAST BUFFALO. East Buffalo, March 22.—Cattle receipts 150 head; active and steady. Veals—Receipts 200 head; slow; \$4 to \$5. Hogs—Receipts, 3,200 head; active; heavy and mixed, \$10.10 to \$10.20; yorkers, \$9.25 to \$10.10; pigs, \$8.75 to \$9; roughs, \$9 to \$9.15; stags, \$6.50 to \$7.75. Sheep and lambs—Receipts 3,000 head; sheep active; lambs slow; lambs \$8 to \$11.70; yearlings \$6.50 to \$7.50; weathers, \$9 to \$9.50; ewes \$4 to \$5.75; sheep, mixed \$8.75 to \$9. CHICAGO LIVE STOCK. Chicago, March 22.—Cattle, receipts 13,000; market steady to unevenly higher; market beef steers \$7.50 to \$8.50; stockers and feeders \$6.00 to \$8.30; cows and heifers \$3.80 to \$8.70; calves \$8.00 to \$10.50; hogs, receipts 32,000; market higher; light \$9.15 to \$9.80; mixed \$9.35 to \$9.75; heavy \$9.30 to \$9.75; rough \$9.30 to \$9.45; pigs \$7.50 to \$8.80; bulk of sales \$9.55 to \$9.70; sheep, receipts, 10,000; market, heavy, weathers \$8.40 to \$9.15; lambs native \$9.75 to \$11.70. TORONTO CATTLE MARKET. Toronto, March 22.—Receipts at Union Stock Yards to-day were 1,000 cattle; 125 calves; 3,000 hogs; 25 sheep. Trade was steady with few changes in prices. Export cattle choice \$7.75 to \$8.15; butcher cattle choice \$7.50 to \$7.75; ditto medium \$7.25 to \$7.50, ditto common \$6.75 to \$7; butcher cows choice \$6.50 to \$7; ditto medium \$6 to \$6.50; ditto common \$5.50 to \$6.25; do. ditto bulls \$4 to \$4.25; feeding steers 6. ditto bulls \$4 to \$4.25; feeding steers 6. ditto bulls \$4 to \$4.25; feeding steers 6. \$6.75; stockers light \$6 to \$6.50; milkers \$6 to \$100, sheep, ewes, springers \$6 to \$100, sheep, ewes, \$8.50 to \$9.50, bucks and culls \$6 to \$8, lambs \$12 to \$13.25, hogs, fed and watered 10 to 15, calves \$7 to \$12.

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Lake Erie & Northern Ry. Time Table No. 1 Effective Feb. 7, 1916 SOUTH-BOUND Leave—8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m. 10:00 p.m. Arrive—7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m. NORTH-BOUND Leave—8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m. 10:00 p.m. Arrive—7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA There will be no music for General Pershing's or Col. Dodd's commands. Not a regimental band has been taken with the expedition.

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COPPER BOUNTY FOR B.C. PROVINCE Special Wire to the Courier. Victoria, B.C., March 22.—Hon. Lorne Campbell, minister of mines, announced in the legislature that the Dominion Government was considering the proposal of a copper bounty for British Columbia which would place the province in control of the copper and zinc output of Canada. At present, he said, the Dominion was producing about thirty per cent of the copper and zinc manufactured in Canada, practically all this coming from British Columbia. Unless the province increased its production, it was a question in the minister's mind if the Dominion contracts now in hand in the east could be completed.

Back to Practice. London, March 22.—Sir John Simon, who retired from the British Cabinet because he could not agree with his associates on the question of military compulsion, has returned to the bar as a private practitioner. His first big case, a suit between two insurance companies, will come up shortly in the Chancery Division. His retaining fees in this case, \$35,000, is an illustration of the enormous rewards which are possible to a high-class lawyer in England.

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The Situation.

The Verdun offensive has broken out in a new place. The main assault just now is from the west bank of the Meuse, but there does not seem to be any reason for believing that the Hun will find the French front any weaker here than before Verdun.

A Rotten Viewpoint.

The Stratford Herald announces that it has received a letter for publication from a well-known Mornington township resident on the text: "Don't Talk War; Talk Business."

which have visited those districts in the actual area of hostilities. The mere fact that the fight is far off does not in any sense lessen the circumstance that on the outcome depends the very existence of this Dominion as a free land in the enjoyment to the full of British liberty and justice.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

Monday was officially the first day of Spring. Let's hope that she'll do just that.

A U. S. sociologist says that red-headed women are "weaklings." But he isn't married to one of 'em.

Has Villa

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Funston, additional troops are being sent to the border. The fifth cavalry squadrons at Fort Eyer, Va., Fort Sheridan, Ill., and Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and the 24th Infantry at Fort D. A. Russell, Wyoming, were under orders to start south to-day.

GERMAN FLEET

(Continued from Page 1)

fleet as a ransom in peace conditions have been dispelled and hopes have evidently blossomed and bloomed. The Germans are preparing for "the Day."

ICE SOON GOING OUT

The ice in the Baltic may break early. Any day the Gulf of Riga may be free from its barrier. Then we can look for a return of the thrilling deeds of British naval warfare which fascinated the world right up to the hour when the Baltic from Riga was blocked to navigation by the grip of winter.

CHILDREN OF FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

Dandruff causes a feverish irritation of the scalp, the hair roots shrink, loosen and then the hair comes out fast. To stop falling hair, at once and rid the scalp of every particle of dandruff, get a 5-cent bottle of Danderine, and at any drug store, pour a little in your hand and rub it into the scalp.

Resolution of Mr. White Passed House

Profits of Business Concerns Will Now be Taxed

Ottawa, March 22.—Sir Thomas White's resolutions providing for the imposition of taxes upon the net profits of business concerns in Canada since December 31, 1914, were finally adopted in committee in the Commons yesterday after several amendments had been inserted and considerable discussion.

REPORT OF DISTRICT WORK

The twenty-first annual convention of Brantford District Epworth Leagues and Sunday Schools, opened Tuesday morning in Wellington St. Church, the President of District Leagues, Rev. F. F. Farrill, M.A., B.D., of Onondaga, conducting the opening devotional exercises.

REQUISITIONING OF SHIPS

Hon. A. E. Kemp, Acting Minister of Militia, in replying to a question asked a few days ago, said that it was not true that Col. McBain had been appointed to requisitioning of coal vessels.

THE LAWS OF THE INCAS.

In the Andes of South America there existed four hundred years ago a code of laws that was remarkable for its beneficent simplicity.

HAIR COMING OUT?

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ANNUAL CONVENTION OF EPWORTH LEAGUES AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS FOR BRANTFORD DISTRICT YESTERDAY

Very Large Number of Delegates Present—30 Methodist Sunday Schools in Local District—Splendid Address by Rev. S. T. Bartlett of Toronto.

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MR. BARTLETT.

The General Secretary of the Department of Epworth Leagues and Sunday Schools, Rev. S. T. Bartlett of Toronto, gave a very inspiring address on a conscientious and Christian in regular and systematic Bible study, the bringing of all the members into a conscious and right relation with Jesus Christ, and the universal extension of the Kingdom of God.

THE CRATER OF A VOLCANO.

An interesting description of a visit to the interior of a huge volcano crater in Hawaii is given by Mr. William R. Castle in "Hawaii, Past and Present."

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MR. BLUMENTHAL

who died on Saturday after a very brief illness, and whose funeral took place on Monday of this week.

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LOCAL

Mrs. E. D. Henwood's brother, John Lepp, of Ypsilanti, who has been visiting his sister for a few days, returned home today.

THE TEMPERATURE

The thermometer yesterday stood as follows: highest 38.18; same day last year, highest 29. The barometer is down to rain.

LETTERS OF CONDOLEANCE

Mrs. H. B. Yates, wife of Lt.-Col. H. B. Yates, M.D., received notable letters of condolence from the King and Queen, Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and Devon, and others.

RECRUITING RALLY

A social evening will be held at the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Armory on Wednesday evening, under the auspices of the recruiting committee.

TRIP TO HAMILTON

About thirty of the grocers here went to Hamilton last night to hold a euchre tournament for Hamilton brethren. The prize winners was a handsome cup by Mr. Frank S. Elain, the rest of the men to attend and their gentlemen friends.

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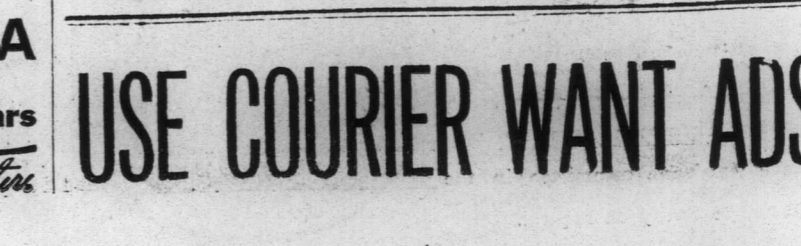
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LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Mrs. E. D. Henwood's brother, Mr. John Lamb, of Ypsilanti, Mich., who has been visiting his sister for a few days, returned home this morning.

THE TEMPERATURE.
The thermometer yesterday registered as follows: highest 35, lowest 19; same day last year, highest 35, lowest 29. The barometer reads 29.5. It is down to rain.

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Mrs. H. B. Yates, wife of the late Lt.-Col. H. B. Yates, M.D., has received notable letters of condolence from the King and Queen, and the Duke and Duchess of Connaught. Her son Montagu has been offered a commission in the British Army.

RECRUITING RALLY.
A social evening will be held at the Boy Knight's Armory on Thursday evening, under the auspices of the members who have joined the active service battalions. Major Snider, Rev. Mr. McKegney and Capt. Andrews of the 21st, will be present. Pte. H. Esterbrooke of the 125th will give a number of selections. Other items will help to form an interesting program. A hearty invitation is extended to all men to attend and to bring their gentlemen friends.

TRIP TO HAMILTON.
About thirty of the grocers and butchers went to Hamilton last night to hold a euchre tournament with their Hamilton brethren. The prize for the winners was a handsome cup, donated by Mr. Frank S. Blain, the local secretary. After a very close contest all through, Hamilton was returned the winner and retained the cup. The local report having a most enjoyable evening.

GETTING READY.
There was a meeting of the Nominating Committee of the Dufferin Bowling Club last evening. Preparations were made for the annual meeting and banquet which will be held on April 7th, at the Tea Pot Inn. Indications are for a successful year.

BIBLE STUDY EXAMS.
Thirty-nine members of the High School Club last evening participated in the National Bible Study examinations, which are being held this week in the different Y.M.C.A.'s throughout Canada. This constitutes a record number and should place Brantford in the lead in Bible study as well as the other activities. The course written upon was "The Manhood of the Christ," a study in the character of Christ. The junior groups are writing on Friday evening, and reviews are being held each afternoon by the boys' work secretary.

ARRANGING MEMORIAL.
Messrs. Fred Chalcraft, F. J. Bullock, J. H. Spence and W. L. Silverthorne, a committee from the Brant Hill Improvement Society of Port Dover, met the Norfolk Historical Society at Simcoe last evening, re securing the site for the memorial, on Brant Hill, Port Dover, to commemorate the landing of the first white men on the shores of the country. These men were a party of seven, two being Roman Catholic missionaries, belonging to LaSalle's expedition through the lakes at that time. David Ross McCord of Montreal is going to erect two monuments, one to mark the landing spot and where the leaden plate was attached to the cross proclaiming the country as taken possession of by France; the other the site where the party wintered at the junction of Black Creek and the Lynn River.

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Obituary

FRANCIS J. HAYS.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hays, 57 Richardson street, mourn the loss of their infant son, Francis J., who passed away this morning, aged 18 months. The funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon to St. Basil's church and St. Joseph's cemetery.

THE PROBS

Toronto, March 22.—A deep depression now covers the Ohio valley and a pronounced cold wave is spreading southwards from the Hudson Bay. Snow is falling locally in Ontario while thunderstorms are occurring over Lake Erie. In the West the weather is cold attended by local snow.

FORECASTS:
Strong winds and gales, northeast to north, snow in many localities today and during match cold. Thursday, fair and decidedly cold.

WILL PREACH
The Rev. L. W. B. Broughall, rector of St. George's Church, St. Catharines, to preach at the service at Grace Church this evening.

UNIFORMS COMING
The Ordnance department have promised to let the 21st Battalion have about 500 uniforms by next Tuesday. The 215 are getting their rooms fixed up for real business next week.

FOR FRANCE
Miss Helen Sheppard, daughter of Mr. F. E. Sheppard, left yesterday for New York, where she will join Mrs. Whitney's hospital staff for duty at the front in France. Miss Sheppard is a trained nurse of valuable experience.

NEW BANK QUARTERS.
Representatives of Purdy, Henderson & Co. of Montreal, who secured the contract for the new quarters of the Brantford branch of the Royal Bank, have arrived in the city. Work will be commenced at once. The two stores on the corner of Dalhousie and Market streets, formerly occupied by Messrs. Fowles and S. Dunlop & Co., will be thrown into one. There will be a stone front and sides, and the interior will be handsomely refitted. The total outlay is expected to reach \$10,000.

SECOND ANNUAL
The second annual concert and get-together of the members of Brantford Typographical Union 378, will be held this evening in their hall in the A. O. F. Hall. Several members of the Union will be present, and the 8th and 12th Battalions will be the guests of honor. The splendid orchestra of the 8th Batt will be present and discourse sweet music. A good program and banquet will also be put on.

VISITED FIRE HALL.
There was a deputation from Galt here this morning and the opening committee. It was here to look over some of the equipment of the Brantford Fire Department and to see about the motor truck on the corner of the Water and Engine Company. The deputation was interested in the roller rack, one of the department's own inventions for the use of getting the fire out on sleighs. The members of the deputation also inspected the new cement floors.

JEWELRY BALL
A distinct success was recorded by the Jewish ball held here last night, the attendance being gratifyingly large. Musical numbers and dancing were the order of the evening, and a most enjoyable time was spent by all present. Refreshments were served, and the gathering broke up in the small hours of a morning, though they would willingly have remained longer if the music had lasted. The chair was occupied by Mr. M. Saipa, and the committee in charge of the entertainment was Miss S. Henderson, president; Miss L. Levine, secretary; Miss G. Shear, recording secretary; Miss F. Wadell, treasurer; Miss D. Shear, vice trustee. In a brief address, Mr. W. S. Brewster paid tribute to the excellent work done by these young ladies in this, the first entertainment of its kind ever held in Brantford. They could not be too highly praised, said Mr. Brewster, in proposing a vote of thanks, which was seconded by Dr. Russell and heartily endorsed by all present. The proceeds of the dance will be devoted to the relief of the war sufferers in Russian Poland.

CARPETBALL WINNERS
After having a crimp put in their aspirations for the championship of the second series in the City Carpetball league on Monday night, when the Court Brant C.O.F. team, led by J. Butler, won from them on their own floor by a score of 77 to 76, the Liberal No. 1 team came back strong last evening and won at Marlborough street church by a score of 45 to 38 points. Both games were closely contested and were two of the best games played during the season. In last evening's game at Marlborough street church, the home team started out with a lead, but the visitors overcame it at an early stage in the game and maintained it throughout thereby winning the game and also the championship of the second series. At the game on Monday evening at the Liberal Club J. Butler captained the Court Brant team and A. Ellison the Liberals, while J. A. Grantham acted as referee. At last night's game Messrs. A. Ellison and G. Legacy captained the victors and vanquished respectively, while A. Dowling and Frank Armitton acted as referees. The Liberal No. 1 team will now have to play off with the Beavers, winners of the first series for the Hastings Cup and league championship.

PLAINTIFF WINS DAMAGE CASE

Damage Action at Spring Assizes Results in \$450 Award.

No criminal cases were brought up at the opening session of the Spring Assizes yesterday, Justice Kelly in his address congratulating the jury upon the absence of crime from Brant County. One jury case was dealt with yesterday, that of Gilson vs. McHutchison, in which the plaintiff was awarded \$450.00 damages for injuries sustained when her carriage was struck by the defendant's automobile Messrs. Brewster and Heyd appeared for the plaintiff and Messrs Arrel and Arrel, Caledonia, for the defendant.

In accordance with the usual custom when no criminal cases are slated, Justice Kelly was presented with a pair of white gloves. The grand jury inspected the jail, but made no report. The following comprise the grand jury: Thomas J. Basterence (foreman), J. E. Brethour, Wm. J. Craig, Wm. F. Paterson, Walter T. Pearce, Edward Stedman, Jerry Secord, Robert T. Stillman, Gordon J. Scarfe, Ed. French, Chas. Tucker, Chas. R. Vanflech, John Welsh.

One jury case and six non-jury cases are slated for to-day's session of the court.

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES

Figures With Regard to the School for the Blind.

The Supplementary Estimates of the Ontario Government contain the following with reference to the Ontario School for the Blind at Brantford:

Completion of new dormitories to pay balance of contracts and accounts	\$5,000 00
Cement walks	200 00
Fence, renewing of	200 00
Repairs to drain	200 00
Outside painting main building	800 00
Additional repairs to main building	800 00
Renewal of plumbing and heating and new pipes and radiators	500 00
New floors in main building and willow shop	550 00
Partition, boys' bathroom	150 00
Improvements in view of the fact that the school is being re-located	300 00
Screen around pumps in engine room	150 00

With the City Police

J. W. Smith, charged with an assault on Marvel Johnson, last Friday night, was fined twenty dollars and costs in this morning's police court. Samuel Penny, charged with reckless driving on Market Street, was fined five dollars. Two drunks were assessed \$3.00 each.

WITHIN THE LAW

Is a Play Thoroughly Worth Seeing.

"Within the Law," the play to be presented at the Grand Opera House during the week of March 21st to 25th, is one of the most notable dramatic successes of recent years. It had a tremendous run in New York, where it was most impressively offered in that city for a very long time. The company, which will appear in Brantford is first class in every essential and should be a good house to welcome the presentation.

Not very long ago Lord Shaughnessy announced that so far as possible Canadian woods only would be used in the construction of the new Canadian Pacific buildings, railway cars, etc., an announcement which the lumber interests of the Dominion. That such a programme was possible was known to the forestry experts who have supplied the various Canadian Government exhibits in Europe and the United States with beautiful grains and attractive finishes. It would seem that these woods are not being exploited sufficiently, but no doubt, now that it is known there will be a good demand for it, manufacturers will give the matter greater consideration.

The Remington Arms Company of Bridgeport, Conn., has bought for its 170 office boys 25 bicycles and 85 pairs of roller skates.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy C. Andrews, explorers, have started from New York for a year of research in the mountain country of China.

Obituary

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hays, 57 Richardson street, mourn the loss of their infant son, Francis J., who passed away this morning, aged 18 months. The funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon to St. Basil's church and St. Joseph's cemetery.

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Brant Chapter I. O. D. E.

The monthly meeting of Brant Chapter, Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire, was held at the home of the Misses Wye, 7 Dufferin Ave., on Monday, March 20th, the Regent, Mrs. Gordon Smith, presiding, and followed by forty and fifty of the members in attendance.

Following prayer, singing of the National Anthem, and the opening of the meeting and the Treasurer's reports were read and adopted, after which the correspondence was read and taken up. With the latter came an interesting circular letter from Mrs. Mary A. Gooderham, National President, relative to her visits to the various Canadian convalescent homes, hospitals, etc., when in England, and also a late report from Lady Drummond giving particulars of the work of the committee was read; nine bundles of soap, each containing 12 pairs and additional knitted articles having been forwarded to France on March 8th, from Brant Chapter—5 packages containing 51 pair having been addressed to Col. Colquhoun, 3 packages (51 packages) being addressed to Major Newman, 2 packages (3 pair) to Lieut. Harvey Cocksbutt. All the above for distribution to Brantford, and the 12th Battalion, 12 pair of socks to Pte. A. G. Gilham in response to a letter received by the Secretary, and an additional 6 pair of 18 pair also being forwarded to Pte. Gilham the week of March 10th.

As the wool supply is now more or less of a problem, Mrs. W. T. Henderson was authorized to get prices and samples from wholesale houses, pending a further purchase for the Chapter.

It was announced that the splendid sum of \$21.20 had been realized from the sale of cakes, donated at the last meeting, by Mrs. A. C. Harvey.

The Constitution of the I. O. D. E. was instructed to write to Toronto for copies to be placed in the hands of each member, so that in future the rules of the said constitution could be more strictly adhered to.

"The Maple Leaf Cook Book" was then brought to the attention of the members—Mrs. George Watt at Mrs. Livingston's request recommending the Canadian Red Cross Society to whom hand the receipts of the sales go, tested and tried recipes being desired for this publication.

As Brant Chapter was most anxious to assist in some material way the noon day luncheon for the purchase of its 12th Battalion for their band, it was decided upon discussion, to give the officers' dinner in Easter week. The officers and executive of Brant Chapter being appointed a central committee to be appointed by them at a later date, the refreshments being looked after and donated by Brant Chapter members.

The circular letter from the secretary of the League of Honor, Toronto, to meet with a promised co-operation was read, Miss Kathleen Buck being appointed a central committee to be appointed by them at a later date, the refreshments being looked after and donated by Brant Chapter members.

LAWYERS ALL GONE TO WAR

Parisian Bar Has No Young Counsels Left.

Paris, March 22.—The Parisian bar has been reduced to its lowest terms by drafts upon it for military service. There are no longer any of the younger members left. It was a young lawyer, or "stagiaire" as he is called, who generally was assigned to the defence of accused persons who had no counsel. Monsieur Henri Robert, head of the order of advocates of Paris, who chooses these officials designated counsel, was obliged the other day to call upon Monsieur Ernest Cartier, 85 years old, formerly at the head of the order of advocates himself to defend a man accused of a trivial offence.

COMPULSION FOR MARRIED MEN

Morning Post Advocates That Step to Get Soldiers.

London, March 22.—The Morning Post in an editorial along lines similar to those taken by the Times military correspondent; notes that the Liberal party's war committee yesterday passed a resolution to the effect "that as the number of single men provided for under the compulsory act is insufficient to meet the national requirements, the principle of compulsion should be extended to the married men."

The editorial adds that the passage of any such measure in the House of Commons would mean the resignation of Premier Asquith, inasmuch as that any further extension of the principle of compulsion would have to be carried out by a government of which he was not a member.

The Daily Express says that all the remaining groups of married men who enrolled under the Derby Act will be called out next Saturday or Monday.

A campaign has been started to exterminate the 25,000,000 prairie dogs that inhabit the Derby Act ranges of New Mexico and Arizona.

FIRES SEEM EVERYWHERE

Million Dollar Blaze in Oklahoma and Half Million in Texas.

By Special Wire to the Courier.
Tulsa, Okla., March 22.—Damage estimated at more than one million dollars, was done in the oil fields here starting in a pile of refuse spread to the wells. Twelve wells are burning, 24 derricks had been destroyed and many thousands of barrels of oil (tankage consumed by the flames. Oil men feared that the loss would extend into many millions of dollars.

COTTON BURNED.
McKinney, Texas, March 22.—Fire, starting in a warehouse here yesterday, caused a loss of half a million dollars before being put under control. The McKinney Cotton Compress Company which had three thousand bales of cotton burned, was the heaviest loser.

Born in Smyrna; Died in New York

New York, March 22.—Maurice Farkas, an actor and singer, died here last night of apoplexy at the age of 49 years. He was born in Smyrna, a French-English parent. He came to America in 1906, after having met with success on the London stage and appeared in many well known attractions throughout the country.

OUR NAVY—PAST AND PRESENT.

Records show that notwithstanding the great increase in recent years in the size of battleships, there is not much difference in the number of men required to man a Dreadnought and the crew of a ship of Elizabethan days. In a little book, "The Navy of Today," by Percival A. Hissam, the author says:—

"The most important ship in the British fleet which defeated the Spanish Armada, the Triumph, had a complement of 780. The finest sailing ships of the line, built for the navy in the forties of last century, required 880 officers and men to man them; while a battleship of today needs about 900 if she is a super-dreadnought and from 750 to 850 if she belongs to an earlier period. Some of the battle cruisers have a crew of one thousand, owing to the number of men required in the stokeholds to feed the furnaces. With ships burning oil fuel the engine room complement is greatly reduced."

B. S. Throop, millionaire, of Scranton, Pa., makes a hobby of breeding and training dogs for police service.

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SPORTING NEWS

Creighton Mines Beat Sudbury

Toronto, March 22.—Creighton Mines won the first two games of the series with Sudbury, and lost the third. The games were played at Sudbury for the benefit of the 15th Battalion, which will get a fully equipped band out of the series. Mines won by 5 to 3, and 3 to 1, and Sudbury won the third game by 6 to 3. The rules were a combination, and substitutes were allowed.

Port Colborne Wins From the Monarchs

Port Colborne, March 22.—In an exhibition hockey game here last night between the Winnipeg Monarchs and Port Colborne, the home team defeated the westerners 5 to 4. The Monarchs led in both the first and second periods, scoring two goals in each frame, but the Port Colborne boys in one of their now renowned finishes scored the westerners out by scoring five goals in the last twenty minutes of play.

Jimmy Green Will Replace Sheldon

Toronto, March 22.—There is great interest in to-night's game at the Arena between the all-star junior teams of the east and the west. The best boys in their respective district will play, and some spectacular hockey is sure to result. Mac Sheldon, who was struck on the head with a puck in Monday's game will not be able to play, but will be replaced by his side partner, Jimmy Green, who played such a strong game against Monarchs.

Baseball

TRIPLES BY KAUFF AND THORPE

San Antonio, Tex., March 22.—The second team of the Giants defeated San Antonio yesterday 7 to 1. Jim Thorpe's triple, on top of singles by Brainerd and Hunter, gave the visit-

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ROSS HAMMERED

Macon, Ga., March 22.—The Yanni-gans gave the Highlander regulars a fearful trimming yesterday, hitting Cy Pich and Sam Ross (formerly of Ottawa), to all corners of the lot, winning by 12 to 0. Pich sang his swan song for the Highlanders, after three years as a pitcher, he is slated for an American Association club.

DOOIN'S LINER SPLIT

Marlin, Texas, March 21.—Christy Mathewson was injured in a game yesterday between two teams of Giants, the Mattys and the McGraws. He pitched six innings for the team bearing his name, and got along fairly well until a hard drive from Dooin's bat split the little finger of his right hand.

Puckerings

Harry Meeking of the Toronto N. H. A. team has enlisted and will go to Ottawa to join the signalling class. Hamilton R. C. plays at Warton to-night in the first of home and home games for the Northern League senior championship.

Ontario Dry Without Vote

Legislature to Bring Prohibition Into Effect About September 1. Toronto, March 22.—The definite proposals of the Ontario Government will be submitted to the Conservative caucus this afternoon, and if expectations are realized the bill will be before the House for first reading during the day.

LINERS

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Willard is 3 to 1 Favorite in His Bout With Moran

World's Champion Has Much More Confidence, Speed and Skill Than He Had a Year Ago—Famous Boxers of Former Days Divided in Opinion as to Outcome.

his Special Wire to the Courier. New York, March 22.—With their ten round battle only three days away Willard and Moran are winding up their work-outs seemingly well satisfied with the result of the arduous exertions. Perfunctory road work of the lightest kind was in order this morning at both camps, and sparring about five or six rounds, this afternoon will come near to finishing up the training program of both men.

SOME OPINIONS

The following are some opinions expressed on the bout between Frank Moran and Jess Willard. ON JESS WILLARD James J. Corbett: "I won't be surprised if the bout goes ten rounds, with Willard having a little the better of it in the end."

BETTING MORE ACTIVE

Following the official statement by the supervising physician of the state athletic commission that both Willard and Moran were in perfect condition, there has been increased activity in betting circles. The odds on the champion holds his position as a three to one favorite, but at these figures there has been considerable backing of Moran.

MUCH MORE CONFIDENT

Willard has matured rapidly within the past twelve months. He has grown bigger and heavier and speaks with the authority and bearing that befitted a man of his stature. While he is still the big good natured giant of his earlier days, he speaks and acts with the confidence that comes with success. Willard at present is sure of himself; his methods and his purposes.

HAS MORE SPEED

When Willard faced Johnson he had but three blows upon which to depend. This reprieve of a number of punches in the left jab, a right upper cut and a right half-hook, half swing. All these blows were delivered in an awkward, clumsy manner, but they were effective. To-day the title-holder comes with speed and shift, using a number of swings, jabs, hooks and drives, all of which he can and does start from various positions and angles. His footwork is fast and sure and he moves about the ring with the speed of a butterfly.

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KELVIN

(From our own Correspondent.) Mr. C. Stuart was calling on friends here on Monday. Mrs. Clarence Crabb is on the sick list at present. We hope for her speedy recovery. Mrs. Jonathan McCombs spent Saturday afternoon with her niece, Messrs. Earl Roescher and Bern Eckley, of Norwich, spent Sunday afternoon at Cedar Lawn.

HATCHLEY

(From our own Correspondent.) Mr. J. W. Singer and Mr. G. H. Morris attended the Prohibition demonstration in Toronto as delegates from this district. Miss Eric Lee is visiting at Lyndoch. Mrs. E. Savage has returned to her home here after spending the winter in Brantford. Little Reta Mather is ill with measles.

HARLEY

(From our own Correspondent.) Miss Tucker of Drumbo is the guest of Mrs. Will Bonney. Mr. and Mrs. W. Postil of North-Brant spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. Bennett. We are sorry to report that Miss Lillian Williams is not improving so fast as her friends would like to see her.

MOUNT ZION

(From our own Correspondent.) Mr. and Mrs. John Read and Mrs. Charles Almas is spending a few weeks with her daughter. Mrs. D. E. Bloomfield and son were calling on her aunt in this section on Sunday afternoon. Mrs. N. J. Owen is spending a few weeks with her brother-in-law.

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BEALTON

(From our own Correspondent.) Mr. A. Norris and Mr. S. Hill of Onondaga and Mr. and Mrs. Davis visited at Mr. R. Magan's on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. J. Anderson visited their son, Ray, on Thursday. Miss M. McKelvie of Vanessa visited her sister, Mrs. Roy Bradshaw part of last week.

BREAK A CHILD'S COLD BY GIVING SYRUP OF FIGS

When your child suffers from a cold don't wait; give the little stomach, liver and bowels a gentle, thorough cleansing at once. When cross, peevish, listless, pale, doesn't sleep, eat or act naturally; if breath is bad, stomach sour, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the clogged-up, constipated, waste, sour bile and undigested food will gently move out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again.

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"WORKING MAN"—Yes I might be able to economize on those greedy pigs.—Reynolds Newspaper.

Bosches are Withered [by Their Own Device

"Seventy-fives" Burst Hose for Flaming Liquid and German Soldiers Run Madly Screaming in All Directions—French Use Shields as Protection.

Paris, Mar. 22.—Among the wounded brought to Paris yesterday morning from Verdun was a Territorial Corporal who spent the year 1907-08 in New York. He gives a description of the German flame attacks. "The general effect of the 'flamers' is just the opposite to the effect of water being thrown on the flaming ground. I once saw the New York firemen fighting a fourteen-story warehouse fire. The water spurted up in bright columns whose ends were lost in smoke. The flame jets in the daylight look exactly the same from a distance. One sees little groups holding a hose with a bright jet spurting before them in the rolling billows of smoke. Only this time our trenches were in the midst of the smoke clouds. We carried big oblong shields of interwoven osier, covered with dry clay, against which the flaming liquid fell powerless, but the smell was terrible, almost suffocating, although we were wearing masks.

BOSCHES ADVANCE IN GROUPS.
"Our battalion held the trenches just inside Avocourt Wood. Sunday night's bombardment had scattered them badly, but we were sheltered in the holes, and our artillery so disorganized the enemy when they were massing for the attack that we had time to link up the shell holes with boys fixed wire into our position. About eleven o'clock word came to expect an assault, when suddenly my Lieutenant, peering at the enemy through his glasses, cried: 'They are trying that again—we had an experience of flame attack before, near Neville—passed me the glasses, and at the same time ordering the men to get the shields ready. I saw the Boschies running forward in groups of four or five to a series of small mounds in front of their trench and about twenty yards distance from ours. Sheltered by the mounds they stood with their legs wide apart expectantly like the firemen. Then, just as the Lieut. grabbed the glasses, the flame began spurting along the line from north to south. Of course our sharpshooters were firing all the time, but the enemy kept sweeping us with a hail of bullets. After that it was a nightmare of smoke and flame.

"SEVENTY-FIVES" SAVE DAY.
"We could never have held the line—for the enemy charged almost immediately, the flame-throwers advancing with them—except for the seventy-fives, which made utter havoc of that attack. One shell exploded a flame-juice container or tore the hose and the blazing liquid caught a big block of 'Bosches,' who ran madly screaming in all directions. Other flame-throwers fell, turning the hose against their comrades with like result. Then our turn came. We rid-dled their whole line with bullets.

When the smoke cleared their front was carpeted with dead while we could see others running about shrieking or rolling on the ground in an effort to extinguish the flames. They must have lost the best part of a regiment long.

WORSE THAN USELESS
"The flame attacks against the French trenches, supported by French guns, were worse than useless. The attackers nearly always suffer more than the defenders. We had about seventy men burnt altogether, less than a score of whom were badly enough to be sent to hospital. I missed the night attack, but heard that they took our position later by a regular massed charge after the French flame attacks had broken down. It is a useless, beastly way of fighting. It accomplishes little save to make the defenders more savage and determined. Please add: I also heard my battalion was not beaten, but pushed back by numbers. None save a few badly wounded were taken prisoner."

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THE DIAMOND FROM THE SKY

A half hour later Esther and Quabba part at the alley entrance that leads to Sankey's stables. Esther does her cloak again to cover her gypsy attire and removes her headress and thus garbed seems a passing shopgirl, nor does she attract undue attention as she slips quietly to her room by the entrance of the hotel on a side street. Quabba stands gazing after his young mistress wistfully until she has turned from the street some blocks away. Then Quabba is roused by a hand upon his shoulder and turns to see the swarthy face of Luke Lovell.

But meanwhile what of the Santiey circus? Santiey, the coarse grained tyrant owner of the show, lies dead in the morgue downtown. Beside him is Splinters, the clown, who killed Santiey and shot himself, and with them is the disfiguree body of La Belle, wife



The Sheriff and His Party Grab the Stieblemann.

of Splinters, the clown, killed by the lion Laucelot. A triple tragedy and all because of a woman's covetous and the diamond from the sky!

The new manager of the circus is "the big blow off," as he calls the tragedy, will be "great press stuff for the show." But the triple tragedy and the panic and riot that followed it have brought the creditors—who are numerous—down upon the show, since it is seized for debt and will be sold at auction. The disconsolate performers and attaches, their salaries long in arrears, realize it is a bad season for the show business and are fully aware of the returns from a sheriff's auction will pay little if any of their salaries. Then Bill Hull, acrobat, remembers the great diamond Santiey gave La Belle before the lion Laucelot killed her—inspired to the deed by the jealous clown Splinters, the show believes. Gossip as to the value of this great gem has been rife about the circus since Williams, the billposter, brought it in from the woods where he said he found it and lost it to Santiey at dice. If this diamond were recovered it would be an asset that would perhaps pay all salaries when sold. Bill Hull, the acrobat, remembers Santiey, the stieblemann, was one who snatched at the diamond. Hull knows Santiey. In a previous season, with a smaller show, some of the animals had been stabled at Sankey's.

The sheriff is informed, and the acrobat, donning an overcoat to hide his tight-fits for the sheriff's seizure has stopped the show—leads the way to Sankey's stable. With the sheriff and the manager of the circus go a policeman and the manager of the circus go a policeman and the manager of the circus go a policeman.

They have reached the stable yard in an auto just previous to the arrival of Quabba with his monkey and pony and street piano cart that he stables here. White Quabba faces Luke Lovell at the alley's end and faces the sheriff and the acrobat and others are in the stable. Sankey has been in the loft searching vainly for the diamond, where he hid it beneath the hay. He comes down the ladder and faces the sunlight from the open door, and there between him and the daylight, gleaming like a star, dangles from the hay rack over the pony's empty stall the diamond from the sky!

Just as Sankey grasps the diamond from where it had been left unuseful by Quabba in his pony's hay the sheriff and his party are at the door and grab the slinking stieblemann.

Out from the place they struggle, the diamond glittering in the sun, clutched in Sankey's greedy hand, that is in turn clutched by the others. In wrestling it from the desperate stieblemann the diamond is passed almost against the eyes of Quabba and Luke Lovell, who have hurried upon the scene from the alley mouth at the first sounds of the struggle.

How well they know that dazzling jewel! It had been a fortune for them both, a fortune lately held and quickly lost! The next day the papers ring with the account of the recovery of the diamond, the aftermath of the great circus tragedy. The value of the diamond can hardly be estimated, the Los Angeles papers say. There is no conflict of stories as to how it came into the possession of the dead circus proprietor. This only is known: It will be sold at sheriff's auction as an asset of the Santiey circus, bankrupt.

CHAPTER XLVI.

"I Am Not John Powell!"
At her arrival in Los Angeles Vivian Marston attracted the attention of Homer Graydon, a connoisseur of fair women. Since the accident to John Powell, the newly rich young oil and mining man, Homer Graydon has seen little of Vivian Marston, for it seems she is an old friend of Powell and old friend of Blair Stanley, the young capitalist and relative from the east, now in charge of Powell's affairs. She is also an old friend, it would appear, of Dr. Durand, Powell's private physician. "In fact, Vi," says Graydon to that fair charmer, "you seem to be an old friend to everybody! but me in this town."

Vivian smiled. She has met Graydon in the park by telephone appointment. Now that her charge has recovered Miss Marston, who so capably nursed him, has time for her social engagements again. She must be tactful in social matters, however, as Blair is jealous and Durand suspicious. But Graydon is too good a friend to lose, according to Miss Marston's way of thinking and unknown to the others concerned she has driven to the park and kept her secret appointment with the old man.

"You have been cruel and neglectful of me, Vi," continues Graydon. "But here is something in the paper that may interest you. You are crazy about diamonds, and I remember your telling me of a wonderful one that broke your heart when it was taken from you by train robbers. It was a wild story, and I cannot say I believed it. But there seem to be strange tragedies about big diamonds. Here, the paper says, is a wonderful one that caused a triple tragedy the other day at the circus."

Vivian paled as she read the newspaper account. "Yes, I know," she said, "I was there. It was a wonderful diamond and"—she faltered—"a dreadful tragedy."

But she does not tell him the diamond was the veritable gem she lost. Homer Graydon was a materialist. He was skeptical of much he saw, and he believed little of what he heard. "He, he," chuckled the old man. "The papers are full of wild yarns that here circus owners gave the diamond to the lady lion tamer, and the clown, her husband, told his friend, the old lion, the lady was unfaithful. The lion killed the lady; the husband killed the giver of the jewel. Then the lion pawed the hands from the dead woman's neck, and a stieblemann stole it. Romantic, to say the least, eh, what?"

"I was there," repeated Vivian. "I saw it all. The papers speak the truth."

"Well, if you will be a good little girl I'll go to the auction and buy this wonderful diamond for you," chuckled the old bon vivant.

"Will you?" asked Vivian eagerly. "I will if you promise to give up these old friends who have recently snubbed you. Old friends? Pooh! Never mind old friends. Stick to good friends and you'll wear diamonds."

"I will stick to good friends who get me the diamond," retorted Vivian. "It is well enough to criticize my old friends, as you call them, but they have promised me the diamond too."

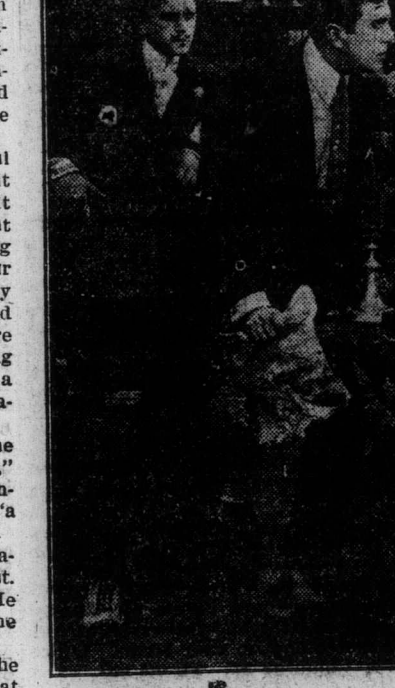
"I'll get it for you. I'll outbid them if it costs every cent I have!" cried Graydon excitedly.

Vivian smiled at the thought of the compliment to her charms that several

told them a threatening fellow was hanging around the Powell mansion evidently bent on blackmail.

Another caller at the Powell house was Marmaduke Smythe, legal representative of the Earls of Stanley. He had never met Arthur Stanley, Arthur being a fugitive from Virginia when Smythe had come to notify him he was Earl of Stanley. But Blake, the Richmond detective, had given Smythe a letter to "John Powell" in Los Angeles, Blake informing Smythe that Powell could tell him something of the missing Arthur Stanley.

As Vivian arrives and after Luke left Smythe has called and has been



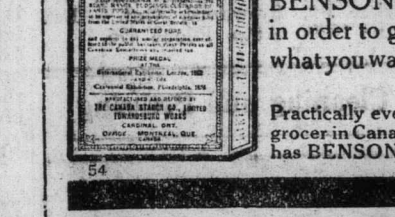
"I am not John Powell, but Arthur Stanley of Stanley Hall!"

admitted. Flushed with wine and enlivened with drugs, Arthur is wild and boastful. Smythe produces a newspaper and speaks of the circus tragedy and recovery of the great diamond.

(To be continued.)

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