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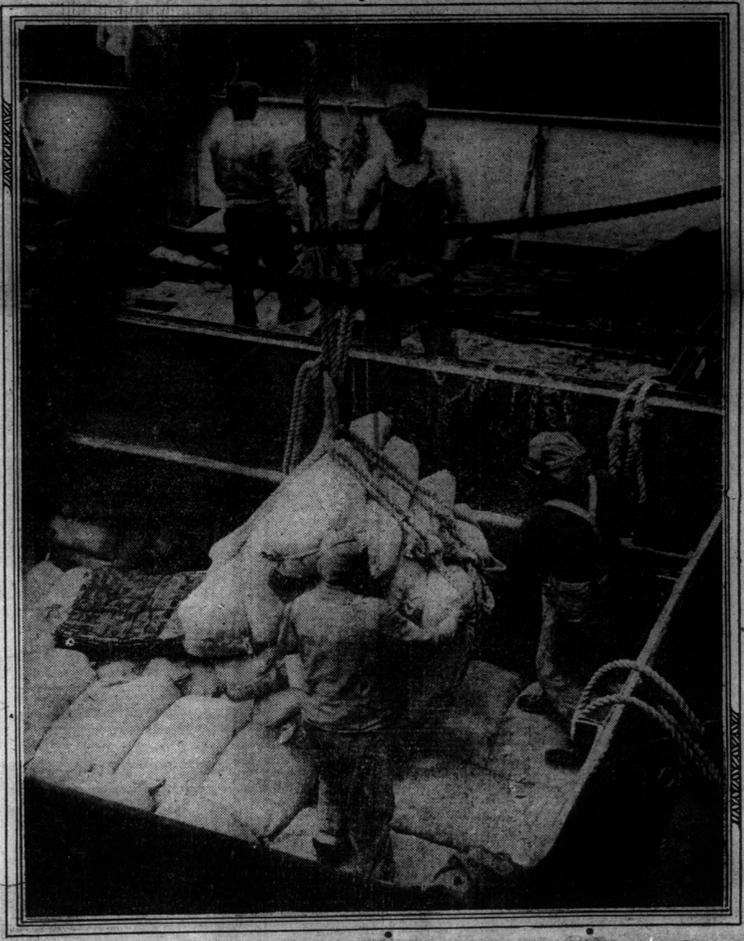
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FIFTEEN THOUSAND AUSTRIANS CAUGHT IN ONE DAY BY RUSSIANS

Brilliant Cavalry Exploit is Ended in Victory—Germans Fighting to Relieve the Situation at Cracow Which is Very Critical

[By Special Wire to the Courier] LONDON, Dec. 15.—The Daily News correspondent at Petrograd telegraphs: "There is a significant slackening of German energy along the central position on the north bank of the Bura River, concurrently with the abandonment of its entire plan by the exterminated army operating through Mlava toward the north bank of the Vistula. It has retreated inside of East Prussia and is probably being redistributed, partly toward the defence of the Mazurian Lakes and mainly westward and southward to co-operate in the supreme German effort in the difficult country inside the Galician border. "Enormous forces are massed on both sides of a definite position among the slopes and along the winding courses of streams between the Carpathians and Cracow. There also are movements on a considerable scale, within the three chief Carpathian passes leading toward the valley of the San. "The colonel commanding the cavalry vanguard, when the Russians captured Bochnia and Wieliczka, southeast of Cracow, tells how horse-

AMERICAN FOOD FOR THE STARVING BELGIANS.



LOADING FOOD GOING TO THE BELGIANS. The appeal of the starving Belgians for food was met by the American people with a hasty response. Shiploads of gifts and clothing have been sent to the unfortunate in the heart of the war zone, and, despite the awful conditions, the accompanying picture shows the loading of a vessel with some of the good that the American people in their goodness have provided for the stricken people.

"GERMANY DOOMED" AMERICAN OPINION IS EXPRESSED TO-DAY

New York Times' Leading Editorial Should Satisfy Canadians—Will Germans Await for Their Sedan Which is Inevitable?

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—In a leading editorial to-day, The New York Times says: "Germany is doomed to sure defeat. Bankrupt in statesmanship, over-matched in arms, under the moral condemnation of the civilized world, befriended only by the Austrian and the Turk, two backward-looking and dying nations, desperately battling against the hosts of three great powers to which help and reinforcement from states now neutral will certainly come should the decision be long-deferred, she pours out the blood of her heroic subjects and wastes her diminishing substance in a hopeless struggle, that postpones, but cannot alter the fatal decree. Yet the doom of the German Empire may become the deliverance of the German people if they will betimes, but seize and hold their own. Leipzig began and Waterloo achieved the emancipation of the French people from the bloody, selfish and starry domination of the Corsican ogre. St. Helena made it secure. Sedan sent the little Napoleon sprawling and the statesmen of France instantly afterwards proclaimed the republic. Will the Germans blindly insist on having their Waterloo, their Sedan—their St. Helena, too? A million Germans have been sacrificed, a million German homes are desolate. Must other millions die and yet other millions mourn before the people of Germany take in the court of reason and human liberty their appeal from the imperial and military caste that rushes them to their ruin? "They have their full justification in the incompetence and failure of their rulers. German diplomacy and German militarism have broken down. "The world cannot, will not, let Germany win in this war. With her dominating all Europe peace and security would vanish from the earth. A few months ago the world only dimly comprehended Germany, now it knows her thoroughly. So if England, France and Russia cannot prevail against her, Italy with her two millions, the sturdy Hollanders, the Swiss, hard men in a fight; the Danes, the Greeks, and the men of the Balkans will come to their aid and make sure that the work is finished, once for all. For their own peace and safety the nations must demolish that towering structure of militarism in the centre of Europe that has become the world's danger spot, its greatest menace. The only possible ending of the war is through the defeat of Germany."

Brilliant Work

LONDON, Dec. 15, 1.35 p.m.—The official information bureau to-day gave out the following statement: "A combined attack by the Allies was made yesterday on the line from Hollebecke to Wyteschaete, in Belgium. Several German trenches and a number of prisoners were captured, and substantial progress was made."

French Official Notice

[By Special Wire to the Courier] PARIS, Dec. 15.—The official statement given out by the French war office this afternoon says the French have retained the territory they won recently along the Ypres canal to the west of Hollebecke; in the Argonne, and elsewhere. There has been artillery fighting from the Somme to the Argonne and in Alsace. German infantry gained a foothold near Steinbach. The text of the communication follows: "Between the sea and the Lys the English have occupied a little forest to the west of Wyteschaete. The ground gained yesterday by our troops along the Ypres canal and to the west of Hollebecke has been retained in spite of a vigorous counter-

BELGRADE IS WON BACK BY SERVIANS

Progress of the War is Most Encouraging To-day—General Advance of the Allies Believed Imminent by the Germans.

[By Special Wire to the Courier] LONDON, Dec. 15.—Belgrade, the fortified capital of Serbia, which the Austrians, after a long and terrible bombardment, occupied two weeks ago, is again in the possession of the Servians. "A despatch from Nish, the temporary capital of the country, received in London early this morning, makes the announcement that Serbian troops have re-entered the city, thus crowning their recent surprising victory against the Austrian invaders of their territory. The telegram from Nish is brief, and says merely that the present time it has not been followed by an admission from any Austrian source. "Austrian arms have been figuring prominently of late in the war, the Austrian progress across the Carpathians, from the passes of which they have been clearing the Russians, having been one of the positive factors in the fighting of the last few days in the eastern arena. "North of the Vistula along the Miawa front the struggle seems to be favoring the Russians, but neither side claims a decisive victory anywhere along the eastern front. The final engagement still remains to be fought out between Lodz and the Vistula. "Military observers in London, commenting upon Russian failure to clear Poland of German troops, dwell upon the fact that even Russia's vast resources in men may continue to prove unavailing unless existing methods of communications are improved. On two occasions Russian forces approaching the German frontier have been driven back by reason of the remarkable system of German railroads, which enables Germany to move her troops expeditiously, and it has been suggested that Russia should begin at once the construction of new transverse lines in Poland, and the improvement of existing lines. Temporary lines, it is argued, could be laid at the rate of ten or twelve miles a day. "While it seems clear that Germany is operating her main force in Poland, there is still no outward indication of a general advance on the part of the allies in the west. That Gen. Joffre, the French commander in chief is feeling out the situation, seems apparent, but so long as artillery duels continue to constitute most of the fighting, only slow progress has been expected, as it is a military maxim that guns alone cannot bring a decision. Germany has shifted so many of her troops to the eastern area that the allies must clearly outnumber them in France and Flanders. This condition, taken with the fact of French and British reinforcements, is leading Berlin, according to reports, to expect pronounced activity on the part of the allies at any moment. "The German Socialists, denounced their leader, Dr. Liebknecht, for voting against the war credit.

AUSTRIA IS HUMBLING BY LITTLE SERVA

[By Special Wire to the Courier] VIENNA, via London, Dec. 15, 6.02 a.m.—It is officially denied that Austria-Hungary has attempted to conclude a separate peace with Serbia. "There have been several reports regarding possible peace negotiations between Austria and Russia, but the above official denial is the first intimation here that there have been similar reports regarding Serbia. It is probable that following the recently reported success of the Servians, such a rumor became current in Europe.

FRENCH CRITIC IS UNABLE TO SEE WHY GERMANS CONTINUE THEIR FUTILE ATTACKS AROUND YPRES

[By Special Wire to the Courier] PARIS, Dec. 15.—Apparently there is no great activity in the various war zones, except in Serbia, where the Austrians have met an overwhelming defeat, and around Cracow, where the Russians are steadily rounding up the enemy. "Lieut.-Col Rousset, writing in The Liberté, confesses his inability to find any military reason for the desultory German attacks which are invariably repulsed with the greatest ease around Ypres. "Even if they succeeded in making an opening here," says Lieut.-Col Rousset, "they would be caught by floods on one side and by the great French force on the Lys on the other side. Their efforts to dislodge us in the Vosges are, on the contrary, very comprehensible. Our positions there constitute a serious danger for the enemy in the plains of Alsace. Our steady progress, which already has brought us to the vicinity of Colmar Muelhausen, is filling the Germans with anxiety and is causing them to write in unavailing efforts to get some elbow room. "As for the significant victory of the Servians, Lieut.-Col Rousset compares it with the victory of Leonidas at Thermopylae and says: "It shows that to-day, just 5,400 years ago, the right defended valiantly the world's danger spot, its greatest bound ultimately to triumph. The Servian victory may be more than a fortunate episode. It probably will compel the Austrians to try to save their Bosnian territory by concentrating their efforts in its defence."

CITY COUNCIL TO PETITION RE GAS QUESTION TO THE ONTARIO GOVERNMENT

Nuisance Has Become Such That Request Will be Made to Have the Brewster Act Enforced—The Petition.

The momentous gas question was once again brought up, when Alderman Pitcher rose, towards the close of the business of the council last night to introduce a petition, which will put Brantford free to move a city-by-law for the disfranchisement of the Dominion Gas Company in the city. "It was practically the last resource and would, if looked upon favorably by the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario, mean an end to the present situation, tense as it is with sulphuretted hydrogen. Mayor Spence said he had written three times to the company recently, and had received no answer. In common decency he thought he was entitled to a reply. "Ald. Pitcher said once again a representative had called upon him and spread the same old tale. He had told him right then that he could play horse no longer and that the city was sick of it. Saying curtly, Good-day, the aldermanic visitor had left the office after endeavoring to impress him with the gas company's usual assurances. "He therefore presented the following petition, which he would have sent to Toronto for the Lieutenant-Governor's approval: To His Honor The Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario in Council: The Petition of the Corporation of the City of Brantford respectfully sheweth: 1. That your petitioner is a municipal corporation. 2. That in or about the month of December, 1913, The Brantford Gas Company, Limited, a company having the franchise for the sale and distribution of gas within the limits of the City of Brantford, commenced the distribution and sale throughout the City of Brantford of a supply of natural gas procured by it from that portion of Western Ontario known as the Tilbury gas fields, and has continuously since that time sold and distributed said gas throughout the City of Brantford. 3. That said gas is saturated with sulphuretted hydrogen, which is dangerous to and destructive of the public health and of property, and that the citizens of Brantford have suffered greatly both in loss of health and property by reason thereof. 4. That your petitioner took proceedings under the provisions of The Public Health Act in the premises and said company was convicted and fined. 5. That your petitioner has used every reasonable means at its disposal during the past year, and has exercised great patience which said company operating a valuable public franchise within its limits in the endeavor to induce the company to supply gas free from sulphuretted hydrogen, and your petitioner's efforts have failed of any result. 6. That said company has represented that a plant was being installed in the gas fields for the purification of the gas supply which would be in operation last summer, but the gas being furnished recently and up to the day of the date hereof to the people of Brantford is as bad, if not worse, than at any time during the past year. 7. That your petitioner desires to pass a By-law under the provisions of Section 663 of The Public Utilities Act in the form hereto attached. And your petitioner, as in duty bound, that Your Honor may be pleased to approve of such By-law. And your petitioner, in duty bound, will ever pray, etc.

8 ONLY MORE SHOPPING DAYS BEFORE CHRISTMAS



I suppose the poor little tots in the torrid zone hev tew hang their stockings on the ice chest.

GRAND STANDS WENT UP IN FIERCE BLAZE ON MONDAY

Fire of Mysterious Origin at the Ball Park Destroys Stands—Firemen Could Do Little to Stop Conflagration.

The grandstand of the Brantford Baseball Club was wiped out last night by a fire which crept over the grounds. It had got a surprisingly good hold before the brigade was called, and fanned by a strong westerly wind it blazed furiously for nearly two hours. When it was finally subdued it was found that the grandstand and an ancient oak tree had perished. The origin of the conflagration is unknown, and it is suspected by those in authority to be the work of incendiaries, for not a living soul was supposed to be around the forsaken grounds in the bitterly cold weather which existed. Tramps cannot be held accountable, for there is no possible shelter for them on the old stands. "Shortly after 5.30 the fire brigade was called, and even then it was to be seen that the entire Agricultural Park was lighted up, as it were, by a huge bonfire, which seemed to be placed in the centre. At breakneck speed they raced to the scene, to discover that the grandstand was a roaring mass of flames, which brooked no stopping. As it was, the firemen were only able to lay two lines of hose, and these appeared for some time to have no apparent effect. The brigade therefore confined itself to preventing the spread of the conflagration and played on the flames from the side. This they successfully accomplished, and worked in toward the heart of the burning mass. In an hour the blaze had been got under control, and after satisfying himself that nothing further would come of the fire, the Chief with the main part of the fighting apparatus left, but a man was left to play water upon the smouldering ruins for some time later. As it now stands, the framework is completely burnt out in the centre, with the bleachers intact. The damage is estimated variously between \$5,000 and \$4,000. "Driven by the wind, sparks from the blaze fell in all parts of the city, but fortunately no further fires resulted."

Music and Drama

THE COLONIAL
The Colonial has its usual powerful picture this week in The Tenth Commandment, a drama of vivid characters, moving incidents and deep human note.

THE BRANT
The Brant this week has a rattling good programme and features of more than passing interest.

THE MILLION DOLLAR MYSTERY
The Million Dollar Mystery is also running and offering to do their comedy raising actions.

Obituary

DR. HIGGINBOTHAM
Well known in the city and district, Dr. Higginbotham, passed to his last long rest early this morning at the residence of his son-in-law, E. W. Cameron, the druggist of 26 Park avenue.



M. R. E. W. BEATTY, General Counsel of the C.P.R. has been appointed Vice-President, according to a circular issued by the President, Sir Thomas Shaughnessy.

Social and Personal

The Courier is always pleased to use items of personal interest. Phone 276.

City News Items.

CARPETBALL NOTE
The Beavers, captained by J. Stewart, succeeded in defeating the S. O. E. under Capt. King, at the Borden club last night after one of the tightest games of the season.

CARA WRITES
Corporal Cara writing to Sergeant Wallace, says all is well at Salisbury Plains. They are being treated well, but once again complains of the vile weather which has never eased up since the contingent arrived.

INCREASED TAX
A Toronto despatch says: The Hon. W. J. Hanna, provincial secretary, was asked this morning if the tax on motors would be raised at the commencement of the new year.

AT SALISBURY
Lt.-Col. Nelles writing to relatives in Brantford states that the health of the troops at Salisbury is excellent although the weather has been simply indescribable, hardly a day without heavy rains.

A VANSICKLE CASE
Judgment for \$5 damages and costs has been awarded Benny Vansickle, Beverley Township, Wentworth, against his neighbor, Charles James, who tore down part of a fence and drove over Vansickle's property.

A HYDRO CHANGE
Sir Adam Beck stated last night that within a few days he would make an important announcement regarding a new scheme for power charges through the hydro-electric zone.

Many Useful Gifts for Ladies Children and Men for Xmas

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One of the very best contributions for the Kiddies Christmas Tree Fund that has yet been received came yesterday from the pupils of Miss E. M. Perley's class at Victoria School with the following letter of explanation from the teacher:

Nuptial Notes

CAREY-WARD
The Rev. C. J. Loney has united in marriage George Carey and Clara Ward, both of this city.

Young People's Societies Meet

IMMANUEL B.Y.P.U.
At the regular Monday evening young people's meeting on December 14th, the annual election of officers took place, after which the evening was given over to the social committee.

TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

The Township Council met this morning to finish up and clear away the work of the year. This meeting will be practically the last of the present council. So well has the business of the present Township been transacted that there was little to do this morning.

One Above Zero To-day

A sudden drop in the temperature yesterday resulted in some one trying to warm up the city by firing the grand stand at the Agricultural Park. It proved but little, however, in the city, and the afternoon drop was keenly felt.

TO CLEAR FARM

Ontario Government Will Commence Work Immediately Up North.
[By Special Wire to the Courier]
TORONTO, Dec. 15.—The experimental farm which the Dominion government has decided to establish on lands tributary to the transcontinental railway, will be located on the Kaprusing in the Township of Brien, midway between Hearst and Cochrane.

Good Nights

are enjoyed by those in good health. The perfect digestion, clear system, and pure blood upon which sound health depends, will be given you by BEECHAM'S PILLS

BRITISH PRISONERS ARE BRUTALLY TREATED

ROME, Dec. 14.—A French priest, who has returned from Minden, where a number of British prisoners were confined, has given a friend of mine an appalling account of cruelties practised upon our captured countrymen by their German jailers.

CULTURE & CHOLERA

German General's Fiendish Proposal to Austrian Army Council.
LONDON, Dec. 15.—The Morning Post correspondent at Petrograd says: The Army Messenger, a newspaper issued by the Russian Staff of the armies at the front, has now learned that the use of cholera cultures as a weapon in modern warfare was proposed officially by General Von Hertzendorf for use against the Russians and Servians.

C. P. R. CANADIAN EXHIBIT

Will Have Series of Moving Pictures at Panama Exposition.
Mr. L. O. Armstrong, who is connected with the Department of Natural Resources of the Canadian Pacific Railway as official lecturer, speaks enthusiastically about the forthcoming Panama Exposition. He has been engaged for many months making a collection of moving pictures to be exhibited there next year.

inches throughout the Dominion will do the same, as the pictures cover the country from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Despite the war conditions, Mr. Armstrong states that there is a continuous stream of settlers making their way from the States of Washington and Oregon into Alberta and Saskatchewan, and his extensive travels through the United States lead him to believe that it would be unwise for people who are contemplating migrating to any of the larger cities with the idea of seeking work to do so, as it would not better their condition. It would be better to stop at home and live cheaply until times take a turn, as he believed they were doing at the moment.

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Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

Fred Whiting was instantly killed and James Smith mortally injured by being struck by the Grand Trunk "Pacific Express" at London, their horse being killed and their sleigh demolished.

EMPIRE REJOICING IN DARING EXPLOIT BY COMMANDER HOLBROOK

[By Special Wire to the Courier] NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—A London cable to The Herald this morning says: Even greater than the rejoicing which followed the victory of Vice-Admiral Sir Frederick C. Sturdee in the South Atlantic last week, was the measure of enthusiasm throughout the United Kingdom yesterday, which greeted the official announcement of the daring exploit of the British submarine B-11. With the stealth of a panther and daring which surpasses everything hitherto recorded in British naval history, the B-11, commanded by Lieut.-Commander Norman B. Holbrook, and the Royal navy, braved destruction by five separate chains of mines laid in the most treacherous of currents, and sent the Turkish battleship Messudieh to the bottom of the Dardanelles. As a just reward for such intrepidity, Lieut.-Commander Holbrook and his crew escaped in their submerged craft, running the gauntlet of heavy gun fire from other warships of the Turkish fleet and the shore forts. Elusive as a living thing, the submarine dived, manœuvred, came to the surface and dived again, finally escaping unharmed from the guns, pursuing destroyers and difficult currents. The feat of the B-11 has served to convince the British public of one fact concerning which there might have been a lingering doubt. It is that the efficiency of the British submarine is as great as that of the German, and that when opportunity presents itself, the British commanders may be relied upon to dare as great dangers as have hitherto been dreamed of.

BELFAST HAS DONE DUTY IN REAL STYLE

Belfast Telegraph, Nov. 23.—The London Daily Chronicle is rapidly qualifying for first place in the competition for the libelling of Ulster. Time was when its rival, The Daily News, was facile princeps in its grotesque misrepresentations and arrant falsehoods concerning the North of Ireland, but The Chronicle will soon make the leading organ of the Cocoa Press look to its heels as yet to be. Ulster's response to the call for men for Kitchener's army has been so good compared with that of the rest of Ireland that The Daily Chronicle felt bound to give its readers an explanation. "Our special correspondent" was, therefore, detailed for the job, and the reason he gave for the large number of recruits in Belfast was that the people were out of work, and had no option but to enlist. This was about three weeks ago, and so far as we are aware, this atrocious statement has never been withdrawn by our fiction-loving contemporary.

NO FRIEND OF ULSTER. We propose now to refute the Chronicle's statement issued by the Board of Trade in the November issue of the Labor Gazette, which has just been published. This department is presided over by the Right Hon. Walter Runciman, who assuredly is no friend of Ulster. He is the gentleman who publicly apologized to Germany a couple of years ago for Earl Roberts' speech in which he bade the men of England prepare for the ordeal which was to befall them if they refused to recognize Earl Roberts—a man who had more nobility in his little finger than the president of the Board of Trade had in his entire body.

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WIRELESS VIA SAYVILLE

[By Special Wire to the Courier] BELLEVILLE, by wireless to Sayville, L.I., Dec. 15.—An official report given out at headquarters late last night said:

"The French have made weak attacks against our positions between the Meuse and Vosges, but these were easily repulsed. There were no important events on the western front in East Prussia, or in South Poland. Our operations in North Poland are developing. "Southwest of Cracow we continued our offensive. We took several Russian guns and machine guns and made about 2,000 prisoners. "Not one man, not one gun, nor one machine gun has there fallen into Russian hands. "The official Paris bulletin of December 12, states:

"Northeast of Vailly one German battery was completely annihilated and at Deunouains to the west of Vignallies-les-Hattonchattel two German batteries were destroyed, one of heavy calibre and destined to fight aeroplanes. In the same region the French have destroyed a block house and several trenches. "All this is pure invention. "The official news bureau to-day gave out the following: "The Turkish cruiser Midirli (formerly the Breslau) has bombarded Sebastopol. "Vienna newspapers report a mutiny in the army besieging Przemysl. Several battalions are said to have been sent away in fetters. "The Turkish official bulletin says that the large cruiser Sultan Selim (the Goeben) bombarded Batumi on December 12, setting fire to the city. The Russian land batteries returned the fire without success. "Constantinople learns authoritatively that a Mohammedan uprising has occurred in the Caucasus, and the 50,000 armed Russian Moslems went over to fight against the Russians."

With the City Police

Antonia Tubera, an Italian, cut up rough at the Grand Trunk last night, and after viciously assaulting a door and a window, both of which were put out of commission, he was taken in tow by P. C. Cox, who charged him with malicious damage. Tubera appeared quite penitent at the police court and was fined ten dollars and costs for his overflow of feeling upon impibbing. The fine will cover the cost of the Grand Trunk which amounts to some eight or nine dollars. This was the only case before the bench this morning.

NARROW ESCAPE

LONDON, Ont., Dec. 15.—Grand Trunk crossing watchman William Everett narrowly escaped death at 3 o'clock this morning, when a line of cars was shunted over a dead end of a siding, crashing into an oil storehouse and firing a thousand gallons of oil directly beneath his watch tower. His escape was cut off, but he was rescued by fellow railwaymen, who slid him down a plank through the flames.

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THE SITUATION.

Satisfactory news from the front has come from a somewhat unexpected quarter. The Servians from the first have been fighting splendidly, it is true, but they were regarded as the altogether outmatched by Austria, the estimated war strength of the two nations when hostilities broke out standing at \$10,000 to 195,000. In the earlier stages this preponderance told heavily, but the Servians rallied from the first shock in a notable way, and it is now reported that they have retaken Belgrade. This is their capital, and a well-fortified city, which fell at a comparatively early stage in the first onrush. The official Austrian report admits that the advance of their troops has not only been stopped, but also that "extended retirements" have been rendered necessary. The truth of the matter is, that all of the Allies are not only fighting stubbornly and courageously, but that in addition they are fortified by the knowledge of a righteous cause on behalf of civilization—a feeling first so splendidly exemplified by little Belgium, and still maintained by her.

On the Belgian front the Allies continue to make slight progress, and in Poland the onrush of the Germans towards Warsaw has met with a severe check.

To sink an old Turkish ironclad, built forty years ago, of an out-of-date and patched-up type, would not under ordinary circumstances be considered much of a war incident, but the circumstances were not ordinary. She was in the Dardanelles, guarded by five rows of mines across the channel, but British submarine B-11 dived under and successfully accomplished the torpedo act, returning to safety without receiving one hit from forts or torpedo boats. The incident demonstrates that British submarines are just as efficient as the German ditto even when only the slightest and most desperate opportunity offers.

In Alsace and Lorraine the French forces continue to do excellently, and an unconfirmed rumor is that Norway, Sweden and Denmark may join the Allies. It would certainly seem the part of wisdom for them to do so. Italy at time of writing is still awaiting her answer from Turkey for an explanation of the violation of an Italian consulate in Arabia.

It is stated that a conference has been called by the German Government-General of the invaded Belgium provinces to decide on necessary measures to collect a war levy of 350,000,000 francs from that already outrageously despoiled and butchered country. Just how the sum is to be secured has yet to be decided, but it is safe to assert that no good will be too cruel or too vicious for the exemplars of "Kultur" to employ.

A BIT OF HISTORY.

These days have recalled an incident in the career of the Kaiser, in which he showed himself not only to be an unmitigated autocrat, but also to be utterly lacking in filial devotion. It is generally well known that his mother was the eldest child of the late Queen Victoria. She was born on Nov. 21st, 1840, and married to Frederick, the Crown Prince of Prussia, afterwards Emperor of Germany, on January 25th, 1858. At the time of the alliance she was therefore in the eighteenth year of her age, and the present Emperor was born on Jan. 27th of the following year, so that he is now in the fifty-sixth year of his age. He was a sickly infant, and at one time it was thought to be impossible to successfully raise him. He at a very early age manifested an imperial temper, and in his teens commenced to resent his mother's influence.

Bismarck did the same thing, but he was a man of infinite resource and tact and could be suavely diplomatic should the occasion require. Prior to the death of his father, the then-Crown Prince had spies about her and in the bedchamber of the invalid, and he learned that Emperor Frederick had for some years kept a journal. He feared that his father had chronicled some disparaging criticism of himself, and upon his demise at once demanded the diary from his mother. The latter had secretly sent the document to England, and she denied ignorance as to its whereabouts. William was furious. He gave his mother to understand that he was the master, and told her that she would remain under close arrest

until she had obeyed him. This, let it be remembered, was while she had only been a widow for a few hours, and the remains of her spouse were still lying in state. When Bismarck arrived a little later he found the palace surrounded by squadrons of cavalry, and on enquiry his young master told him the reason. The Iron Chancellor met the situation diplomatically, and when the exasperated tyrant had been given a chance to cool off he suggested that openly extreme measures were unwise. That he thought the best plan was to cut off her allowance until the journal was produced; that forced arrest she would brave out, but, he exclaimed, "Who can resist money?"

This method was successfully followed, but the happening is in order at this juncture as a true indication of the real nature of this splendid exemplar of German Kultur.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

The first Monday in January the electors of Brantford are wont to meet in appointed places and move and second that Mr. Blank is a fit and proper person to represent Blank ward in the City Council. This year the usual performance will be gone through with, and the prospect of acclamations all around is becoming small by degrees and beautifully less.—Expositor.

As a matter of fact, up to the present time there has been very little talk of municipal contests anywhere—the war and its attendant consequences have counteracted that.

In more than one community it has been decided to let councils next January get there by acclamation.

The method at such a period has a good deal to recommend it.

In Brantford the unwritten rule has been that the Mayor should receive his second term without contest. Only those familiar with the duties and the responsibilities of the post realize how great and continuous they are, or the amount of time necessary to be taken from private interests if civic matters are to be efficiently looked after. The turmoil of a second fight is not warranted when such duties are so ably performed as they have been by Mayor Spence. With reference to the aldermen of this year, it may also be successfully claimed that they have done excellent service.

SILENCE AND COBWEBS

When you have had a glimpse of a live factory running full-handed every day, fancy what it is like to have a walk over a factory that's closed because of not enough orders coming in to keep it running. The engine is rusty; the boilers moaning with cold wind; the rats running over the coal; the machines cobwebbed and the piles of unsold goods dusty and silent. Weeks ago the whistle blew for the last time, until the business picks up again. The manager posted the notice to quit. The time clock was punched by the last man out. The books were balanced and closed. The cover went over the typewriter and the caretaker swept out the place, lighted his pipe and hunched away home. Somebody tried to ring up on the telephone; no answer. Grass grew over the railway siding, and the empty box car might as well be idle there as anywhere else. The men that used to work in the factory hang about the streets, smoking, waiting for odd jobs; women pinching at home; store bills unpaid; rent in arrears; business gone to the dogs; the town sad and miserable and for the present without hope, just because for some time to come it is out of work. And this is the picture of silence and cobwebs and blue ruin which the dollars of Canadians thoughtlessly spent for imported goods, has made possible, but which the dollars of Canadians selfishly spent for goods made in Canada can completely undo.

NOTES AND COMMENT.

Just about now Austria commences to wish that she hadn't.

That Christmas shopping; not many more days now in which it can be done.

It is the troops and the ships of Allah which are now getting slammed in the struggle. No wonder the Kaiser is getting dubious with regard to his alleged partners.

That German fleet is still clinging to the Kiel Canal with the tenacity of an affrighted child. The successful passing of a British submarine under five rows of mines will not be calculated to brace up the nerves of that outfit to any very noticeable extent.

Lt.-Col. Wood of Quebec, speaking before the Canadian Club in Toronto yesterday, made this neat reference to a certain firebrand in Quebec: "After alluding to the patriotism of the French-Canadians in the past, the speaker declared they had at present their demagogue, who was showing that the way to be a French-Canadian patriot was to be a British parasite. "And that means he is making a degraded and degrading appeal to a really fine, noble race, and the crime he is committing—I must not mention names—the crime he is committing I will define in a single word—

Bourassassination." (Loud laughter and applause.)

Reports from Berlin are to the effect that the people have been kept in ignorance of the absolute state of affairs at the front, and that they are happily pursuing their way in the sublime belief that all is going well with the arms of the Kaiser. Even the wounded cannot enlighten them, as the units who make up the far-flung battle-line have no knowledge of general results. The fact that the authorities have not dared to let them know the truth is most significant, and the final awakening will be terrific.

In an address at Montreal, Finance Minister White exclaimed, "What a marvel is Britain, to-day financing the war out of her savings and with a margin left over for investment." It may also be recalled that during the Napoleonic wars John Bull was able to largely finance other powers in the final overthrow of the European terror. The speaker stated that Canada would have to borrow \$100,000,000 per annum during the period of hostilities. He showed that the export trade of the Dominion had greatly improved, and that future prospects could not be regarded as otherwise than excellent.

CASTORIA

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After four months of the war France still remains uncrushed, and even little Belgium is still hanging on. How different from the rapid German success in 1870. The formal declaration of war did not take place until July 15th, 1870, and peace was signed on February 26th, 1871, when the French were forced to accept humiliating terms. In reality the French Emperor surrendered his sword on September 1st, and Paris was completely invested by September 19th. In other words, both incidents occurred in far less time than the Kaiser and his war lords have now occupied, only to find themselves very badly up against it.

The total of casualties to British officers, as officially reported up to November 30th, reads: Killed 996 Missing 582 Wounded 1,918 Total 3,496

The men in the ranks have fought none the less bravely, but the percentage of casualties with reference to them is much less. For one reason, officers have to expose themselves much more frequently, and for another, sharpshooters are especially detailed to pick them out. For the most part they consist of a class often sneered at in times of peace, but never during times of war in all the record of British arms.

Notes On the War By An Unmilitary Critic

WHEN THERE'S A STORM ON THE NORTH SEA. "Heavy Gales n. the North Sea," is a familiar heading in the papers these days. We shiver when we think of the navy. And yet do you know the old poem by William Pitt? I wish I had it, but it went something like this: One night there was a hurricane, The sea was mountains rolling, When Billy Buntine turned his quid, And said to Billy Bowling: "A strong nor'wester's blowing Bill; Hark! don't you hear it roar now? Lard help 'em, how I pities them Unhappy folks on shore now. Foolhardy chaps who live in towns, What dangers they are all in, And now lie quaking in their beds, For fear the roof will fall in Poor creatures! How they envy us And wishes, I've a notion For our good luck in such a storm To be upon the ocean! "And as for them who're out all day On business from their houses, And late at night are coming home, To cheer their babes and spouses, While you and I, Bill, on the deck Are comfortably lying, My eyes! what tides and chimney pots About their heads are flying! "And every often have we heard How men are killed and undone By overturns of carriages, By thieves and fires in London. We know the risks all landsmen run From noblemen to tailors; Then, Bill, let us thank Providence That you and I are sailors now. Some of the German Landsturm are escaping to Holland rather than fight. If they were only allowed to stay as far in the rear as the Crown Prince crept they wouldn't mind warfare a bit. The Kaiser's Navy should send an illuminated address of thanks to the man who first thought of the Kiel Canal. In bombarding Rheims the Germans should be careful not to hit any champagne. If a case of wine was destroyed the flags in Berlin would probably fly half-mast. If Herr Krupp is taking German bonds in payment for his guns he may yet be one of the steady customers of the soup kitchens. Turkey has still failed to reply to Italy's note regarding the violation of the neutrality of the latter's Consulate in Arabia.

GERMAN AUXILIARY CRUISER CAPTURED

TOKIO, Dec. 14.—It is reported here that the German armed merchantman Oxford has been captured by the British in the Indian Ocean, and that the German converted cruiser Cormorant has entered the harbor of Guam in the Ladronne archipelago.

Must Get Out of Port To-day

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The German converted cruiser, Cormorant, which arrived in the harbor of Guam, an American possession in Ladronne Archipelago, has been given 24 hours from 10 a.m. yesterday in which to leave the port or intern for the war. She was short of coal, provisions and water.

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Arch. Hialoh of Grey township, ex-M.P.P., was nominated for the House of Commons by North Huron Liberals in convention at Wingham.

Seventy-five foreigners were arrested at the House of Industry, Toronto, and charged with vagrancy.

Most of them had money secreted in their clothes and were seeking free meals.

Fireman Stanley Austin was fatally scalded and Engineer Nelson Fulcher seriously injured when a runaway car collided with the engine of an Algoma Central train at Franz.

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LOCAL POWER OFF. Great inconvenience was caused the users of Western Counties Electric Power which was totally cut for a few hours early this morning. ICE ON GRAND. The Grand is covered by a hard and rough sheet of ice over its face at the Lorne Bridge. It was a skating thickness for a long time. SPRING SITTINGS The Spring jury court opened on Tuesday, March 30 before Honorable the Chief Justice of the Exchequer. Non-jury sittings commence on Tuesday, May 18th. Presiding justice has not yet been appointed. MAIL AS USUAL. A letter to hand from an Austro-German shows that the mail to that country from England and also from Canada has never been interfered with during the course of the war, in spite of the fact that the Pacific Ocean was hunting ground of a German submarine. CREDITORS' MEET. A meeting of the creditors of the Gem Theatre took place yesterday at the office of W. A. Hollinrake when J. C. Spence was appointed signee. The financial statement presented and showed that the assets were practically nil. W. Hendrie and A. M. Harley were appointed inspectors for the creditors. THE 'Y' XMAS TREE. The Dormitory men of the Y. C. A. are to have a Christmas tree which will be decorated for the benefit of a number of poor little kiddies. Roomers have agreed to club together for a tree which will stand in Fellowship Hall, where a number of children will be invited to celebrate Christmas Eve. The scheme has been well supported.

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ROUTINE WORK AT THE COUNCIL PUT THROUGH

Quiet Session of City Fathers Was 'Held Last' Evening.

The City Fathers held a very quiet session of business in the Council Chamber last night. There was very little of moment put through, the principal item being a by-law which calls for the forfeiture of the Gas Company's franchise. It will be necessary, however, to obtain the approval of the Lieutenant Governor, before the by-law can be enforced and in order to obtain his approval, the by-law, as drawn up, will be submitted to him.

WAS SUCCESS.
The bazaar held in St Paul's church, Holmedale, was a success in many ways, and the efforts of a staff of willing ladies got repaid to the extent of \$11 from their sale of work.

WINS AGAIN.
Orr and Crendon's Single Comb Brown Leghorns have again been successful at the Ontario Poultry Show winning prizes as follows: Cock bird, 1st and 2nd; hen, 3rd; cockerel, 1st, 5th, 6th and 7th; pullet, 3rd, 4th and 6th; special silver cup for best collection. This makes the tenth consecutive time they have been successful at the Guelph Show.

OFFICERS ELECTED.
Redemption Tent, No. 15, K. O. T. M. has elected the following officers for the ensuing term: Past C. C. Hays; Com., C. Symons; T. T. C. W. Vansickle; Secy, W. Lake; Treas., N. Wilfong; Chaplain, W. Perry; Sergt., R. Stamp; guards, F. Elsdon, T. Telfer; sentinel, W. Butler; picket, A. Large; physician, Dr. W. D. Willey; pianist, G. Wright; trustees, N. Smith, F. Elsdon, R. Churchill.

HOME GUARD.
The home guard had an excellent parade last night when the armories were for the first time the scene of activities. Captains Secord and Newman kindly gave the use of their company rifles and a fine practice was thereby facilitated. For two weeks there will be no practice held owing to the Christmas holiday, but shooting will continue as usual on the Saturday at the Collegiate Institute. In order to benefit those who cannot make it on Saturday, another day for shooting has been selected in addition to the former day, and every Wednesday evening the ranges will be thrown open for members of the home guard. The progress of the club has been excellent.

BOARD OF WORKS.
The Board of Works begs leave to report as follows:
That the following communications be filed: Scarle and Co., of Sept 9th; H. F. Gardner, of Sept. 14th; Brantford Courier, Limited, of Oct. 20th; G. Hatley, of Nov. 16th and Oct. 23rd; W. T. Henderson, of Oct. 26th; H. F. Leonard, of Nov. 2nd; Matthews-Blackwell, Limited, of Nov. 10th; Jas Laing and others, of Nov. 16th.

EXPLANATION.
An item of \$80 appeared owing Mr. Bunnell, disbursed during the last fortnight under the head of police fees and fines, and the Mayor gave an explanation which was satisfactorily received by the council. The item dealt with the conviction of an Armenian on a breach of a liquor license by-law. He was fined \$100, and as the fine came to the city, it was arranged with Louis Stander for a loan of \$80 in order to get the Armenian out of jail. The city could not lose the money as the fine came to them.

A report of the insurance on various public institutions was read and considered very satisfactory.

BY-LAWS.
Ald. Ryerson introduced a by-law for the borrowing of \$41,453 for the construction of sanitary sewers in the city. It was read the customary three times and passed.

A by-law providing for \$3,832 for the construction of storm sewers in the city was carried.

For the construction of concrete sidewalk a by-law was passed calling for the raising of \$12,906 by debentures.

Yet another by-law was introduced for the purpose of providing for the borrowing of \$2,828 for the construction of concrete curbs in the city during the year 1914.

Concrete pavements were the cause of a by-law being passed for the borrowing of \$7,468 by debentures. As was the case with the others it was speedily put through.

Confirming an agreement with the Niagara Silk Mills re assessment, a by-law was introduced by Ald. Broadbent and passed.

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- Heavy Soft Mixed Tweed Coats, full length, slightly cutaway, deep belt, tailored set-in sleeves, satin lined throughout. Regular \$15.00 **\$9.50**
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 - Ladies' Monogram Handkerchiefs, of fine sheer linen, with narrow hem, put in fancy boxes. Half dozen for... **\$1.50**
 - Ladies' Initial Handkerchiefs of sheer linen, with 3/4-inch hem and fancy design in corner, put up in a fancy box. Per half dozen... **\$1.50**
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—Annex, Queen and Colborne.

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A SUDDEN DEATH

Mr. Arthur Greenaway Passed Away on Monday Afternoon.

Many friends and acquaintances of Mr. Arthur Greenaway will be surprised to hear of his death, which took place Monday afternoon. He left to mourn his loss, besides his wife, three sons and two daughters, Wilbur, Laurence and Chester, Mrs. G. Thomson and Mrs. L. Vrooman, all of this city.

PERCY CRYSLER'S SUDDEN DEATH

Family is Comforted by News Received From Friends in Chile.

A report has been received from Chile, discrediting a previous report that Mr. C. Percy Chrysler met a violent death, and that at his own hand. His family and friends have reason to disbelieve this, because the cables and letters with particulars having the general manager's signature, it has been learned, were not sent or written by him, as he was and has been since in a distant part of the country. Moreover, there was no motive mentioned. His frequent cheerful letters, good health, good position with a promising future, and the termination within a month of his contract, when his passage home for a visit would be provided by the company, go to make it very improbable. He had applied for passport to go to the war, but no British were permitted to leave for that purpose, while German reservists were allowed to go.

The country is pro-German, and has been furnishing shelter and supplies right along to the enemy's ships. Law and order at no time are enforced, and particularly so since the war began. Violent deaths are frequent. Responsibility for his death may never be located, although proceedings are in progress. He was exposed from the fact that he was cashier, and on pay day always had a guard of from two to half dozen men. The general manager sending condolence to the family speaks in the highest terms of the young man's ability and good habits, and that his personal affairs and those of the company, for which he was responsible, were in perfect order.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

Loss Covered by Insurance on Park Fire

"Three thousand dollars will not replace the stands burned down at the Agricultural Park," declared a member of the Parks Board this morning.

He went on to say that the stands were perhaps old, but they were substantial and had stood the test of time. He maintained that new stands erected at the cost mentioned would not replace adequately the loss in the fire. The blaze was too sudden for morning was that the work was that of someone who has a grudge against the Parks Board. It is not thought to be an accident that the stands took fire. The blaze was too sudden for that. It looked as if the thing had been well prepared and a determined effort had been made to wreak vengeance upon the Parks Board. If the blaze had started in the usual way it would never have obtained the proportions that it did before it was noticed and reported. As it was it was so sudden that it might have been soaked with kerosene and set light. The loss is covered by insurance having recently been gone over by the Parks Board when they were fixing up the insurance on the various park properties.

SHOOTING AFFRAY

A shooting affair, which might have proved fatal, occurred at the home of Jasper Jones, an Indian, at his home at Smootstown, on the Indian Reserve, on Saturday night last. Some person, whose identity is so far unknown, went to Jones' home, shot his dog, then fired through the window of the house and shot Jones twice in the arm. Dr. Donaldson was summoned and attended the wounded man, extracting the bullets. High County Constable Kerr has the matter in hand, and is investigating the case. It is surmised that the intruder meant robbery, as the wounded man is pretty comfortably situated and loans money to responsible parties, and it is said that he makes a good revenue from same.

COUPON

Tuesday, December 15, 1914.

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LOCAL HOCKEY CLUBS ARE READY FOR THE SEASON

Dr. Wiley is President and Other Live Wire Officers Chosen—Two Teams for O. H. A.

A very successful reorganization meeting of the Brantford Hockey Club took place in the Y.M.C.A. last night when the officials were elected and the manager appointed. Brantford is to have two teams, intermediate and junior. The enthusiasm displayed augured well for the coming season. The team of last year will be greatly strengthened by new arrivals in the city of some clever intermediates. With Eddie Gould as manager, all should go off swimmingly. He was a former Midland star and in whipping things into shape, as he did last night, he has already displayed his fitness for the task allotted to him.

He is to be assisted by Billy Neas. The intermediate team will play London, Woodstock, Paris and Ingersoll, while the juniors are grouped with Hamilton, Woodstock and Paris. There is lots of material for the junior organization and prospects are for them particularly bright. The intermediates are not one whit behind them and there is no reason why Brantford should not be reinstated on the hockey map at the season. The officers and patrons are as follows: Honorary Patrons: W. F. Cockshutt, M.P., J. H. Fisher, M.P., Mayor Spence, Lloyd Harris, C. H. Waterous, H. Cockshutt, W. A. Hollinrake; Hon.

Pres. J. H. Ham, M.P.P., President, Dr. Wiley; vice-pres., J. Kelly, 2nd vice-pres., J. L. Dixon, 3rd vice-pres., G. H. Roper; Manager, Ed. Gould; Ass't. Manager, Wm. Ness; Sec. Treas., J. H. Woolman; Excavative, Harold Preston, T. Whittaker; Jas. Hanley, Reg. Robbins, Harold Gould.

Harold Gould as the Brantford representative will attend the schedule meeting which takes place in Woodstock to-day.

WANTS JENNINGS TO LEAD YANKEES

Col. Ruppert and Associates Have Bought Club for About \$450,000.

FRENCH LICK, Ind., Dec. 14.—The New York American League club has been sold to Colonel Jacob Ruppert. The price is about \$450,000. Col. Ruppert will not acquire an interest in the Federal League.

This is the substance of statements made here to-day by Col. Ruppert and President James A. Gilmore of the Federal League, who conferred regarding the proposed establishment of a Federal League club in New York. After the conference Colonel Ruppert said:

"I have already taken over the Highlanders. The price is the only thing that remains to be settled. This probably will be \$450,000. "I am afraid we were too late," said Mr. Gilmore, "as Colonel Ruppert already has purchased the Highlanders. I shall return to Chicago at

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once and try to find another backer for the New York club." Colonel Ruppert said that George Gustav Klinghoffer, a Boston art associated with him in the deal for the New York club. He said Ban Johnson, President of the American League, and Huston will come to French Lick on Thursday to complete the deal.

The question of a manager has not been considered yet, Colonel Ruppert said, but a report was current here that Hugh Jennings is Ruppert's favorite for the place. Ruppert characterized the report that Connie Mack would pilot the club as absurd.

The hitch in the closing of the sale of the Highlanders to Colonel Ruppert is not yet settled. The prospective owner is a wealthy brewer, and he insists that he shall name the brand of beer that shall be sold on the Polo grounds when the team is playing at home. Harry Stevens, who has the catering concession at the Polo grounds, is already tied up with another brewer.

JENNINGS NOT AVAILABLE.

DETROIT, Dec. 15.—President Frank J. Navin of the Detroit club last night said Hugh Jennings will not manage the New York Americans next year.

"I know nothing of it," said Mr. Navin. "Jennings is under contract to me."

PETROBORO PITCHER MAY LAND WITH FEDS.

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, Dec. 14.—Louis Schettler, a local pitcher, who was with the Petroboro Canadian league team last season, is apt to be found with the Feds next season. He has applied to the outlaws for a job, and on the strength of his Canadian league record he ought to be accommodated. Schettler broke Canadian League records by winning 28 of the 32 full games which he pitched as well as several in which he was used in a reserve role. Petroboro had a weak team all season, but the local pitcher was instrumental in landing it in fifth place.

FEDS. OUTRID GIANTS FOR CHARLEY DOOIN

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The deal between the Giants and the Philadelphia club involving Dooin, Lobert and Magee and several players under contract to play with New York has been abandoned according to Manager John McGraw. The trade fell through, the Giants' leader said, because the Philadelphia management refused to consider any deal in which Lobert and Magee were mentioned. It was also stated to-day that Manager McGraw considered Dooin's demand for \$7,000 a year for three years a trifle excessive, especially when it would be necessary to give several players a week ago Dooin served ten days' notice of his intentions of leaving the Philadelphia club. He promised President Baker he would do nothing until the ten-day limit was up. Now Dooin contends he is a free agent, at liberty to do as he pleases. It is expected that Dooin will jump to the Baltimore Federals.

BRITISH WELTER TITLE WON BY A KNOCKOUT

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Johnny Summers, holder of the Lord Lonsdale belt, was knocked out in the ninth round by Benches in a contest held at the National Sporting Club last night for the welterweight championship of Great Britain.

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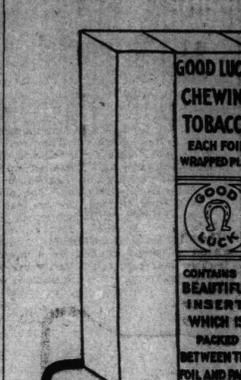
An English sportsman relates an interesting tale of Emile Thiery of Chicago, who wandered over the country for several years disguised as "Packey" McFarland's manager. It is a story apropos of Willie Ritchie's disastrous invasion of dear old London. Ritchie being a particularly gentlemanly little fellow, made quite a hit with the smart London sporting element. Thiery, who was doing his best to act the part of Willie's manager for the trip, naturally came in for quite a little attention also.

A wealthy Londoner invited Thiery out to his country estate to do a little shooting over the week-end. On the day of Emile's trival his host took him for a tour of the house.

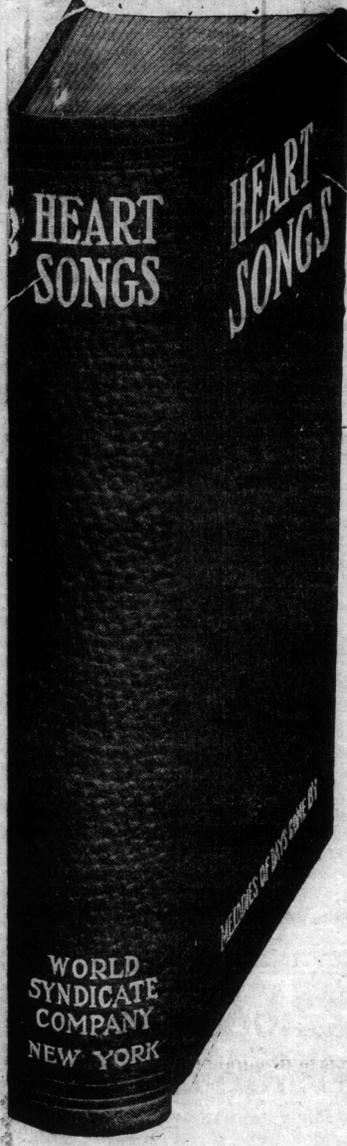
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Puckerings

Hamilton Tiger intermediates will meet Preston in Hamilton on Friday night.

According to in Ottawa exchange the Senators have offered Gregg George to Ontarios in exchange for Fred Lake.

Gouinlock, last season with the University of Toronto O. H. A. senior team, practised with Argonauts last night.

"Glad" Murphy will not play for St. Michaels this season, but the big fellow has consented to coach the Argonauts.

Young, who played such a good game at right wing for the Toronto Canoe Club juniors last season, is trying for the same position on the Argonaut seniors.

Walter Mummery, a brother of Harry, will be given a trial with the Quebec N.H.A. team. Harry was with Quebec last season while Walter played in Brandon.

It is probable that Lobsinger, the defenseman trying for a place on the Ottawa N. H. A. team will come to Toronto for a trial with one of the local pro teams.

"Dink" Campbell says that Hamilton Rowing Club juniors are trying to beat for the O. H. A. junior title. It might be mentioned incidentally that "Dink" is coaching the team.

Cresswell, who captained the Victoria team of Regina, which won the Allan Cup from the Winnipeg Monarchs last season, has been elected to the same position again for the coming season.

Alex. Romeril, the former Toronto C. C. rover, is slated for the right wing position on the Winnipeg Victorias. Romeril has been prominent both in football and hockey since he went to the Manitob city.

McLaren, last year with Parkdale O. H. A. juniors, and who this season has been practising with T. R. and A. A. juniors, is trying out with Argonauts, and made his first appearance with the Scullers last night.

Baker, who has been showing fair form with the Montreal Wanderers, is anxious to secure his release so he can play with Ottawa, his home being in the capital. Whether President Lichtenhein will let him go or not is not known.

The Ontarios have signed Percy Lesseur, the Ottawa goalkeeper, who has long been regarded as the best in the business. The team now has four net guardians, including Hebert, Hesson of Canadian Soo and Vic McGiffin.

Shivers which run up and down certain spines whenever possible reopening of the Stock Exchange is discussed are much like those of the Welsh coal miner who one night walking home in the dark, stumbled into an abandoned pit. As he fell he clutched a beam, and with the strength given men in a desperate place, held himself suspended by his finger-tips over a black hole, he tried to peer into its depths. He could see nothing. Then he looked up; how far off the stars had suddenly retreated. His frightened mind pictured how much further they would retreat if he should let go the beam. Shivers chased up and down his spine as his fingers began to numb. Minutes passed. He calculated the time it would take for his mangled body to reach the bottom of the shaft. He pictured the faces of his mates when they found him in the morning. More minutes passed. At last he could hold on no longer. He fell 12 inches. He had been hanging over a shallow hole in the ground.

—New York Evening Post.

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Lodge Notes

SONS OF SCOTLAND.

A good attendance of members was present at the regular meeting of the Sons of Scotland and a considerable amount of business was put through. The advent of the winter season shows a marked increase in the attendance of members and a lively interest in camp business. The annual election of officers which takes place this week is arousing unusual interest and a keen contest for the various offices is expected.

COURT SUCCESS—A. O. F.

The annual election of officers for Court Success, A. O. F., took place last evening, and resulted as follows: P. C. R. E. F. Askew; C. K. H. Jarvis; S. C. R. Alf Dowling; Treas. R. T. Whitlock; Fin. Sec. I. D. Scruton; S. W. F. Wright; J. W. Bro. Cleaver; S. B. H. T. Kent; J. B. H. Inch; Trustees, Grant Jarvis, M. Crooks, John Moore; Auditors, E. F. Askew, E. E. Reynolds, Alf. Pinkham; Physician, Dr. Fissette; Juvenile Committee, E. F. Askew, F. H. Jarvis, J. Horning and A. Dowling; Juvenile Auditor, Alf. Dowling; Trustee Auditor, E. E. Reynolds; Correspondent to the Ancient Forester; E. F. Askew; Relief Committee, E. F. Askew, I. D. Scruton, G. Jarvis, R. T. Whitlock; Suspension committee, E. F. Askew, Moore and H. Jarvis. The Court vote \$25 to assist in relief of Brother Foresters in Belgium. The year has been a good one and the officers for the ensuing year give promise of doing even better work. Prosperous courts financially in the Dominion.

IMPORTANT CHANGES

CANADIAN PACIFIC TRAIN SERVICE—EFFECTIVE ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13

The attention of the travelling public is respectfully directed to the improved train service via "Lake Ontario Shore Line" in connection with Toronto-Montreal Route.

Commencing Sunday, December 13, the following fast trains will be operated via Oshawa, Port Hope, Cobourg, Trenton and Colborne, place of Peterboro, Havelock, and Tweed, as heretofore.

Eastbound—Train No. 20, "The Canadian" leaving Toronto 9.00 a.m. daily, arriving Montreal 6.10 p.m. Train No. 22, "The Wolverine" leaving Toronto 11.40 p.m. daily arriving Montreal 8.55 a.m.

Westbound—Train No. 19 "The Canadian" leaving Montreal 8.45 a.m., arriving Toronto 5.40 p.m. Train No. 21, "The Dominion" leaving Montreal 10.00 p.m., arriving Toronto 7.35 a.m.

Commencing Monday, Dec. 14, train No. 38, leaving Toronto 8.05 a.m. and Train No. 37, arriving Toronto 6.50 p.m., will run only between Toronto and Ottawa. Train 604 for Trenton and intermediate points will leave Toronto 5.30 p.m. Further particulars from Canadian Pacific Ticket Agents, or write M. G. Murphy, District Passenger Agent, Toronto.

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Nigel

By A. Conan Doyle

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"By noon," said he, "we shall have so many flags that we may make our way over the ditch. Then we will beat in the gates and so win a footing."

The young Frenchman had come with Nigel to the conference, and now, amid the silence which followed the leader's proposal, he asked if he might be heard. He was clad in the brazen armor which Nigel had taken from the Red Ferret.

"It may be that it is not for me to join in your counsel," said he, "seeing that I am a prisoner and a Frenchman. But this man is the enemy of all, and we of France owe him a debt even as you do, since many a good Frenchman has died in his colors. For this reason I crave to be heard."

"We will hear you," said Knolles.

"I have come from Evran yesterday," said he. "Sir Henry Spenser, Sir Peter Le Roy, and many other brave knights and squires lie there, with a good company of men, all of whom would very gladly join with you to destroy this butcher and his castle, for it is well known amongst us that his deeds are neither good nor fair. There are also bombards which we could drag over the hills, and so beat down this iron gate, if you will order it. I will ride to Evran and bring my companions back with me."

"Indeed, Robert," said Percy, "it is in my mind that this Frenchman speaks very wisely and well."

"And when we have taken the castle—what then?" asked Knolles.

"Then you could go upon your way, fair sir, and I will be glad to see you, please you better you could draw together on yonder hill and we on this one, so that the valley lies between us. Then if any cavalier wished to advance his ground and stand a while, I would be glad to see him, and I would be glad to see his lady, an opening might be found for him. Surely it would be a shame if so many brave men drew together and no small deed were to come of it."

Nigel clasped his captive's hand to show his admiration and esteem, but Knolles shook his head.

"Things are not ordered thus, save the will of the ministers," said he. "I have no wish that your people at Evran should know our numbers or our plans. I am not in this land for knight errantry, but I am here to make head against the King's enemies. Has no one sought else to say?"

Percy pointed to the small outlying fortalice upon the knoll, on which stood the flag of the bloody head.

"This smaller castle, Robert, is of no great strength and cannot hold more than fifty men. It is built, as I conceive it, that no one should see the high ground and stand a while into the other. Why should we not turn all our strength upon it, since it is the weaker of the two?"

But again the young leader shook his head. "It is a goodly body of men," he said, "I am still no nearer to my desire, nor will it avail me in getting back my bowmen. It may cost a score of men, and what profit shall I have from it? Had I bombards, I would place them on yonder hill, but having none it is of little use to me."

"It may be," said Nigel, "that they have scant food or water, and so must come forth to fight us."

"I have made inquiry of the peasants," Knolles answered, "and they are of one mind that their is a well within the castle, and good store of food. Nay, generally there is no way before us save to take it by arms, and no spot where we can attempt it save through the great gate. Soon we will have so many flags that we can cast them down into the ditch, and so win our way across. I have ordered them to cut a pine-tree on the hill and shear the branches so that we may beat down the gate with it. But what is now amiss, and why do they not come forth to the castle?"

A buzz had risen from the soldiers in the camp, and they all crowded in one direction, rushing toward the castle wall. The knights and squires rode to the front, and when in view of the main gate, the cause of the disturbance lay before them. On the tower above the portal three men were standing in the garb of English archers, round their necks and their hands bound behind them. Their comrades surged below them with cries of recognition and of pity.

"It is Ambrose," cried one. "Surely it is Ambrose of Ingleton."

"Yes, in truth, I see his yellow hair, and the other, him with the beard, it is Lockwood of Skipton. Alas for his wife who keeps the booth by the bridge-head of Ribbles! I wot not who the third may be."

"It is little Johnny Alpaye, the youngest man in the company," cried old Wat, with the tears running down his cheeks. "Twas I who brought him from his home. Alas! Alas! Foul fare the day that ever I coaxed him from his mother's side that he might perish in a far land."

There was a sudden flourish of a trumpet and the draw-bridge fell. Across it strode a portly man with a faded herald's coat. He halted warily upon the farther side and his voice boomed like a drum. "I would speak with you leader," he cried.

Knolles rode forward.

"Have I your knightly word that I may advance unscathed with all courteous intents to see the herald?"

Knolles nodded his head.

The man came slowly and pompously forward. "I am the messenger and liege servant," said he, "of the high baron, Oliver de St. Yvon, Lord of La Brochiere. He bids me to say that if you continue your journey and molest him no further he will engage upon his part to make no further attack upon you. As to the men whom he holds, he will enroll them in his own honorable service, for he has need of longbowmen, and has heard much of their skill. But if you constrain him or cause him further displeasure by questioning before I"

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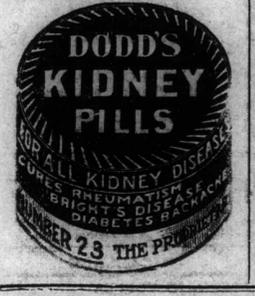
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IN MEMORIAM
GODFREY—In loving memory of our dear Mother, who departed this life Dec. 17th, 1913; Irven Frank Godfrey, June 8th, 1911; Frederick J. Godfrey, April 22nd, 1908. Gone but not forgotten.

We watched them suffer day by day. It caused us bitter grief. To see them slowly pine away. And could not give relief.

Do not ask us if we miss them; Oh, there's such a vacant place. Oft we think we hear their footsteps Or see their smiling face.

They have gone to brighter regions. Safe from trouble and all pain; We shall all meet in Heaven, Never more to part again.

When days are dark and friends are few, Dear Mother, how we long for you. —From Father and Bertha.

COMING EVENTS

THE SCHUBERT CHOIR will not meet for practice to-night. Next rehearsal Tuesday, 8th, January.

SONS OF SCOTLAND—Important business and election of officers, Thursday, Dec. 17th. Full attendance of members requested.

"CANADA'S PART IN THE WAR" lecture by W. G. Raymond, at Y. W. C. A., under auspices of the Literary Club, Tuesday, 16th December, at 8 p.m. Dr. Hart will sing. Tickets 25 cents.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR—In basement of St. Mary's church on Wednesday evening and Thursday, afternoon and evening, December 16 and 17. Sale of fancy work. No admission fee.

MERCHANTS TO MEET—A general meeting of the Merchants' Association and the Grocers and Butchers' Association will take place in the K. of P. Hall to-night at 8 p.m. when the idea of forming a General Merchants' Association of the city will be discussed. All interested are asked to attend.

Local News

THE FROBS
TORONTO, Dec. 15.—The severe cold wave which is still sweeping the western provinces has now spread throughout Canada. Fresh to heavy gales prevail from Lake Superior to Newfoundland. The outlook is everywhere decidedly cold.

FORECASTS: Strong winds, and gales, west to northwest, light local snow falls or flurries, but for the most part fair and decidedly cold to-day and on Wednesday.

RETURNED TO DUTY. P. C. Cox has returned to duty after his holidays and P. C. Blower is now absent spending his annual vacation congenially.

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(By Special Wire to the Courier)
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"One conviction generally expressed in the organs as Italian public opinion, is that Great Britain's action besides yielding firmer than ever to herself the vast Catholic population of the British Empire, will strengthen immensely the moral as well as material influence of the allies and the friends of the triple entente."

KAISER TALKS ON THE LOSS OF HIS FLEET

(By Special Wire to the Courier)
BERLIN, Dec. 15.—Via London—An official statement given out for the emperor in regard to the loss of the fleet, says that the emperor and his family were deeply grieved at the loss of the fleet, and that he had with him a single aim, that, supported by an unshaken hope in God, our Lord, from whose gracious hand we humbly receive fortune, misfortune, joy and sorrow, will turn this most difficult hour into a blessing for the fatherland. "The heavy losses we have been forced to make in this battle for our existence, borne by us and our people with a single aim, that, supported by an unshaken hope in God, our Lord, from whose gracious hand we humbly receive fortune, misfortune, joy and sorrow, will turn this most difficult hour into a blessing for the fatherland."

City News Items

FOUNDATIONS LAID
The foundation of Reid & Brown's new store upon Colborne street, has been completed and it will be ready for opening in the spring.

ACKNOWLEDGED.
The Women's Patriotic League gratefully acknowledge the receipt of \$20 by Mr. Field and Mr. Leach, for Red Cross purposes, from German School Section No. 6, South Dumfries.

BRANTS VICTORIOUS.
The Brants' Basketball team paid a return visit to Berlin last night, when they cleaned up on the Knights of St. Jerome College, giving them a licking by 28 points to 12 in the local team composed of Waddington, Smith, Orr, Buckingham and Charlton.

THE STRATFORD ESTATE
A Toronto despatch this afternoon says a summary order for sale under a mortgage on lands in Brantford upon which it is alleged \$79,712.28 is due has been made by the Master in Chambers Cameron at Osgood Hall in the suit brought by R. G. Osborne, Thomson, Graham K. Stratford and Joseph E. H. Stratford, against Harry Stikeman and Hugh B. MacKenzie.

P. C. COBLEN IMPROVING.
The latest word from Corporal Coblen shows that he is still in the hospital and is gradually improving. He has unfortunately sprained his spine, and a specialist attends to him every morning. It will be several weeks before the gallant Brantford Police Officer will be able to get about. He, however, is very cheerful and bears up well under the circumstances.

HYDRO-ELECTRIC
Street Railway Commissioner Turnbull was asked this morning when it was likely that the Hydro-Electric power would be used on the Street railway. Mr. Turnbull said it was already being used at Galt on the Grand Valley and would be used at Paris at the first of the year. As regards Brantford, he said, the matter rested with the local commission, as it was understood that transformers at a cost of \$25,000 would have to be put in before the power would be available. At present the Street Railway has a very low rate with the Dominion Power and Transmission Co.

LUCK FOR THE PEDDLAR.
Sabatino Paglia fell across some easy money this morning. He was peddling some patriotic statuettes, some of which were models of British Bulldogs standing over the Union Jack, and he dropped into the police station in the interests of his trade. As it happened the case of an Italian was coming up and the authorities could not find an interpreter. Sabatino could speak good English, and he was requisitioned to the satisfaction of all parties. Result was that Sabatino found good sale among the P.C.'s and incidentally pocketed an interpreter's fee of two dollars.

ASSIGNEE'S AUCTION SALE.
Remember the auction sale of Bremner Bros., carriage makers' stock at their factory, 196 Dalhousie street, corner of Clarence, on Thursday afternoon of this week, at 1.30. S. G. Read, auctioneer.

BORDEN CLUB RALLY

To-night (Tuesday) in the Borden Club will be held a rally meeting, to which all and sundry are cordially invited. The speakers of the evening will be W. F. Cockshutt, M.P., and W. S. Brewster. An added feature will be the presence of the eminent dramatic entertainer, Mr. Vernon Cooper of Paris. To-night, at 8 o'clock, in the Borden Club.

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