

## TURKISH FORCES IN MESOPOTAMIA HEMMED IN BY BRITISH

### Limit of Safety Set By Germany For Neutral Shipping Has Expired

#### Germany in Her Attempt to Negotiate With the United States Used Wrong Methods Says Gerard

Copenhagen via London, Feb. 13.—The attempt of the German government to negotiate through James W. Gerard, who had returned as ambassador to Germany, desired concessions and pledges, was of a nature to lead Mr. Gerard to characterize it in conversation with a foreign office representative, as "sand-bagging." He refused even to transmit the text of the concession desired unless he was allowed to report in code—a privilege of which he had been deprived since the rupture of relations.

#### Embargo Was Extended

Incidentally the same embargo on embassy communications was extended afterwards to telegraphing in open language within the empire, in an attempt to convey instructions to American consuls; then to long distance telephones used for the same purpose, and finally to letters to the embassy; to the local Berlin telephone service, and even to the use by the personnel of local telephones at nearby hotels.

#### Goes to Paris

Berne, Feb. 13, via Paris, Feb. 13.—Ambassador Gerard announced today that he probably would leave for Paris on Tuesday evening with the immediate embassy staff. He informed other Americans desirous of returning to the United States, that they were welcome to accompany him, but must make their passport and other arrangements through the legation here, which now has sole jurisdiction.

#### Mr. Gerard maintained his reticence to-day, and merely shrugged his shoulders when shown an alleged semi-official announcement in the Cologne Gazette, denouncing the German many expects war with America. On hearing that the British would be glad to have him return to the United States by way of England, in order to give an opportunity for thanking him for his efforts on behalf of British prisoners of war, he expressed his appreciation, but declared that it was impossible for him to change his Spanish route.

#### Piraeus in Flames; Loss of Life Very Heavy

#### Sea Port of Athens is Fire Swept; Greek, French, British and Italians Fight the Blaze

By Courier Leased Wire.  
London, Feb. 13.—Fire is sweeping through a large section of Piraeus and has caused a heavy loss of life, according to a Reuter despatch sent from the Greek port last night. At the time the despatch was filed, the fire had been raging for four hours and was uncontrolled in spite of the combined efforts of all the available Greek firemen and soldiers aided by French, British and Italian sailors. The conflagration started in a munition factory late Monday afternoon and spread rapidly over a considerable area.

#### NEUTRALS TAKE RELIEF WORK

#### Withdrawal of American Commission Will Cause No Immediate Hardship

#### DUTCH AND SPANISH Board to Assume Work in Belgium and Northern France

New York, Feb. 13.—More than 10,000,000 persons, who have been fed through the efforts of the American commission for relief in Belgium will suffer no immediate hardship from the withdrawal of the American commission from participation in this work in Belgium and northern France caused by the German authorities. Upon his return from Boston to-day, Herbert C. Hoover, chairman of the commission, took up plans already underway for transferring control of this relief to another neutral organization.

Mr. Hoover said that six weeks' supply of food valued at \$25,000,000 had been purchased in warehouses in the various districts where the relief commission had been active. Belgian officials, who have been in charge of this food, will be authorized to administer its distribution until plans for the reorganization of the work can be put into effect. There is no doubt in the minds of Mr. Hoover and his assistants that such plans can be worked out successfully and

#### Period of Grace Set by Germany Has Expired, and All Neutral Ships are the Prey of Submarines

#### And American Government Must be Responsible, Says Berlin; U. S. Ships in Restricted Zone

By Courier Leased Wire.  
Amsterdam, Feb. 13.—All periods of grace for neutral ships entering the zones announced as prohibited by Germany have now expired, according to a Berlin official statement received here. The statement says that immunity ceased in respect to the Atlantic and English channel zones on the night of February 12, for the North Sea zone on February 6 and for the Mediterranean zone on February 10. It continues:

"From now on, therefore, in all prohibited zones the warning, which has been issued, is in full force and shipping can no longer expect individual warning. Vessels which enter the prohibited areas do so with a full knowledge of the dangers threatening them and even if it is expressly stated that all news spread from enemy sources about any torpedoing of neutral ships without previous warning, before the dates mentioned for the various prohibited areas, is incorrect. The periods of grace mentioned were also in force for enemy passenger vessels because it was possible that they were carrying neutral passengers, who were perhaps ignorant of the new blockade rule."

#### STEAMER AFRIC SUNK

By Courier Leased Wire.  
London, Feb. 13.—Lloyds shipping agency this afternoon announced that the White Star Line Steamship Afric, of 11,999 tons gross, had been sunk. Part of the crew of the liner was landed.

#### YOUR FOOT COMFORT depends on the make and quality of your hose. CROMPTON'S HOSE WEEK gives you a great chance.

#### Release of American Seamen Held in Germany Will be Demanded by the U.S. After Refusing Negotiations

#### Washington, Feb. 13.—A flat rejection by the United States of Germany's proposal to discuss international differences, without first halting the illegal submarine campaign, left one other suggestion of the Berlin government still pending at the State department to-day. That was to reaffirm the Prussian-American treaties of 1796 and 1828, relating mainly to treatment of enemy residents in war times, with a number of new provisions which apparently would constitute almost a new treaty.

It seemed quite probable that this proposal will be frowned upon all so. Both offers were submitted to the State department through the Swiss minister, acting on behalf of Germany.

A report probably will be made soon through the same channel that in German merchant ships have been seized in American ports and no German sailors have been imprisoned. The government then will look for immediate release of the 72 American sailors captured from British ships in the Atlantic by a German raider and now held prisoners in Germany. The State department was notified yesterday that they were still held, pending receipt of information on the German crews in this country.

#### MANY SHIPS IN NEW YORK

#### Twelve Large Steamers Arrived Yesterday, Five From Danger Zone

#### SCANDINAVIAN LINER On Which Bernstorff Will Sail Carries Many Passengers

By Courier Leased Wire.  
New York, Feb. 13.—According to the Associated Press the port of New York to-day is crowded with shipping and the officers of the various transatlantic lines are busy settling questions raised by the German blockade declaration. Twelve large steamships came in yesterday and last night, five of them from the Scandinavian-American line.

#### Extraordinary precautions have been taken by the police of Hoboken, where the Frederick VIII is docked, and by the federal officials here to guard the pier and the steamship. Ambassador von Bernstorff will be carried from the railroad terminal upon his arrival from Washington to the Scandinavian-American pier on a navy cutter. The river in the neighborhood of the liner will be patrolled by New York police tug.

#### PIPES FROZEN

During the present cold snap, and especially in the last two days, secretary P. W. Frank of the waterworks department has been kept busy answering the telephone, concerning complaints from citizens that the water had been turned off without warning, when in reality the pipes had frozen. The records of the waterworks department in this city for the number of frozen pipes have been shattered yesterday and today, the lack of coal evidently also causing some trouble. A number of men are out working under the direction of the waterworks department, thawing out the pipes.

#### Exit the Villain

Washington, Feb. 13.—This was Count Bernstorff's last day in Washington. The former ambassador and Countess von Bernstorff and the embassy staff leave here late tonight for New York, where they take passage tomorrow on the Danish liner Frederick VIII for home.

Final arrangements had been made for turning over the embassy to Dr. Paul Ritter, Swiss minister, who will look after German interests in the United States.

#### Release of American Seamen Held in Germany Will be Demanded by the U.S. After Refusing Negotiations

#### Washington, Feb. 13.—A flat rejection by the United States of Germany's proposal to discuss international differences, without first halting the illegal submarine campaign, left one other suggestion of the Berlin government still pending at the State department to-day. That was to reaffirm the Prussian-American treaties of 1796 and 1828, relating mainly to treatment of enemy residents in war times, with a number of new provisions which apparently would constitute almost a new treaty.

It seemed quite probable that this proposal will be frowned upon all so. Both offers were submitted to the State department through the Swiss minister, acting on behalf of Germany.

A report probably will be made soon through the same channel that in German merchant ships have been seized in American ports and no German sailors have been imprisoned. The government then will look for immediate release of the 72 American sailors captured from British ships in the Atlantic by a German raider and now held prisoners in Germany. The State department was notified yesterday that they were still held, pending receipt of information on the German crews in this country.

#### MANY SHIPS IN NEW YORK

#### Twelve Large Steamers Arrived Yesterday, Five From Danger Zone

#### SCANDINAVIAN LINER On Which Bernstorff Will Sail Carries Many Passengers

By Courier Leased Wire.  
New York, Feb. 13.—According to the Associated Press the port of New York to-day is crowded with shipping and the officers of the various transatlantic lines are busy settling questions raised by the German blockade declaration. Twelve large steamships came in yesterday and last night, five of them from the Scandinavian-American line.

#### Extraordinary precautions have been taken by the police of Hoboken, where the Frederick VIII is docked, and by the federal officials here to guard the pier and the steamship. Ambassador von Bernstorff will be carried from the railroad terminal upon his arrival from Washington to the Scandinavian-American pier on a navy cutter. The river in the neighborhood of the liner will be patrolled by New York police tug.

#### PIPES FROZEN

During the present cold snap, and especially in the last two days, secretary P. W. Frank of the waterworks department has been kept busy answering the telephone, concerning complaints from citizens that the water had been turned off without warning, when in reality the pipes had frozen. The records of the waterworks department in this city for the number of frozen pipes have been shattered yesterday and today, the lack of coal evidently also causing some trouble. A number of men are out working under the direction of the waterworks department, thawing out the pipes.

#### Exit the Villain

Washington, Feb. 13.—This was Count Bernstorff's last day in Washington. The former ambassador and Countess von Bernstorff and the embassy staff leave here late tonight for New York, where they take passage tomorrow on the Danish liner Frederick VIII for home.

Final arrangements had been made for turning over the embassy to Dr. Paul Ritter, Swiss minister, who will look after German interests in the United States.

## STARVATION THREATENS POPULACE OF GERMANY

#### Americans in Gerard's Party Who Have Reached Switzerland, Tell of the Many Privations Endured in Berlin—Food Problem is one of Growing Difficulty

By Courier Leased Wire.  
Verne, via Paris, Feb. 13.—Americans, who arrived here from Germany with Ambassador Gerard, are congratulating themselves on having escaped further wrestling with Germany's food problem. Butcher's windows, well stocked with assorted meats, such as are seen here, are an unwelcome sight in Berlin. Meat is now so scarce in German capital that it is never hung in windows to attract buyers, but is speedily distributed without advertising. Customers keep in close touch with the butcher so as to know when the next meagre supply will be on sale.

#### High Prices

Practically all meat is sold on a card entitling each person to half a pound weekly, but dishes made of kidneys, lungs and other scraps can be bought in restaurants without a card. Game and poultry are exempt from the card system and command extraordinary prices. The maximum price of pork and mutton range from fifty to seventy cents, but a dollar more is paid at back doors, for, despite Germany's genius for organization, much surreptitious dealing prevails.

#### Weight Lost

Some persons looked emaciated and reduced weight is quite general. A common question asked when friends meet is: "How many pounds have you lost?" Physicians are writing in the medical journals that children are now evidently undernourished, particularly lacking fats.

#### Problem Growing

Men in authority recognize that Germany is confronted with a problem of growing difficulty. The next four months are regarded as especially critical, because the supply of vegetables, except potatoes and turnips, is practically exhausted. Even sauerkraut cannot be bought in the shops, but is only doled-out by the authorities at intervals. The Berlin Government has posted placards last week on the section of the food card, calling for general provisions. The difficulties of the situation, however, has not altered the confidence of the authorities that the existing supplies will suffice until the next crop by careful handling. They admit that the situation must then be restudied on the basis of new facts.

#### Weather Bulletin

Toronto, Feb. 13. Pressure is high near the Atlantic coast and over the northwest states and Manitoba, while a trough of low extends from northern Ontario to the southwest states. The weather has been fair and very cold from the great lakes eastward, while in Manitoba and Saskatchewan the temperature has been somewhat higher.

Forecast. Fresh southerly winds, some light local snow but mostly fair with higher temperature today and on Wednesday.

## TURKISH FORCES ON THE TIGRIS FRONT ARE COMPLETELY HEMMED IN BY THE BRITISH

#### Advance by the British Drives the Enemy to His Last Line of Trenches: and Line Across Tigris Bend is Established on Three Mile Front

By Courier Leased Wire  
London, Feb. 13.—1:55 p.m.—Official announcement was made to-day that the British forces on the Tigris front have established a line across the Tigris bend, west of Kut-el-Amara, completely hemming in the Turks.

The announcement follows: "On Saturday the enemy's bridge at Shumran was shelled. A direct hit was scored and some enemy shipping was sunk.

"On Sunday the advance on the right bank of the Tigris was resumed and the enemy was driven back to his last line of trenches in the Dahra bend west of Kut-el-Amara. By evening our line was established across the bend from bank to bank, on a frontage of 5,500 yards, and the enemy was completely hemmed in. The distance covered in the advance varied from 800 yards on our right to 2,000 yards on our left."

## PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT OPENS; SPEECH FROM THRONE IS READ

By Courier Leased Wire.  
Toronto, Feb. 13.—The third session of the 14th legislature of Ontario was opened to-day. While shorn of much of the usual pageantry, the public were more largely admitted than last year. There were seats on the floor of the House for invited guests and the galleries were full. The speech from the Throne shows that the most important legislation proposed this year is for the placing of the returned soldiers on the land and the development of the hydro electric enterprises. On Wednesday, the house will adjourn out of respect to the memory of the late Hon. J. S. Duff, Hon. J. J. Foy and Mr. Sam Armstrong.

#### The Speech

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly: In the face of the sacrifices and dangers entailed by the struggle, the confidence of our people remains undimmed and the credit of our country unimpaired. As Canadians we glory in the achievements, the valor and the patriotism of the men who have gone and are still going from this country to fight the battles of the Empire, while we recognize that we are under a heavy and lasting ob-

#### Schools' Good Work

I have observed with great satisfaction the part taken by the schools of the province in the patriotic efforts entailed by the war both by the enlistment of teachers and pupils, and also by raising sums of money to aid worthy objects. The

## HUNS PLAN TO STRIKE AT AMERICA FROM CUBA

#### Since Severance of Relations With Germany, Many Germans Have Migrated From U. S. to Cuba—Revolt There May be Ominous of Further Trouble

By Courier Leased Wire.  
New York, Feb. 13.—The Tribune this morning says: Coincident with the revolt in Cuba has come an unusual emigration of Germans to that republic from this city.

The Tribune learned yesterday that since the situation between the United States and Germany became critical from the settlement of the Cuban Germans have left this port bound for Cuba.

#### Mysterious Exodus

What makes this exodus more mysterious is that many of those who left here first took out their first papers as prospective American citizens. They were among the many aliens who visited the naturalization offices last week.

Why these men went to that trouble was due probably to the fact that they could not obtain passports as German subjects and used instead the papers showing that they had declared their intention to become American citizens.

#### Investigations

Officials at Washington have been apprised of the situation and agents in New York are investigating the antecedents of the legion already gone. An extensive revolt in Cuba would cause the use of American troops to restore order under the terms of the Platt amendment.

Washington, Feb. 13.—The government was keeping a watchful eye on Cuban political conditions to-day following the reports to the State department of a supposed revolution over election troubles and the department's warning to Cubans not to throw their republic into civil war. A communication containing the admonition was sent to the American minister at Havana and will be published over the Island.

#### Election Question

The statement that was sent to Minister Gonzales to be issued to the Cuban peoples, says in part:

Continued on page four

### THEATRE

at Extraordinary Day, Tuesday and Wednesday

Maudeville Tour of Act De Luxe—Lucky Levy and His Symphony Girls—Classical Musicians in Melody

Most Famous Artist

Pickford Latest Screen Sensation—"The Dust" Production that Sets a Record in Filmdom

He Burke Fourth Chapter "Romance" Advance in Prices

Thursday, Friday and Saturday

at the Beach' Musical Comedy—Toronto. Special—Pretty Girls—Reddy.

FEMALE PILLS Reliable monthly female complaint. 35¢ a box. 50¢ a box. 75¢ a box. 1.00 a box. 1.50 a box. 2.00 a box. 2.50 a box. 3.00 a box. 3.50 a box. 4.00 a box. 4.50 a box. 5.00 a box. 5.50 a box. 6.00 a box. 6.50 a box. 7.00 a box. 7.50 a box. 8.00 a box. 8.50 a box. 9.00 a box. 9.50 a box. 10.00 a box. 10.50 a box. 11.00 a box. 11.50 a box. 12.00 a box. 12.50 a box. 13.00 a box. 13.50 a box. 14.00 a box. 14.50 a box. 15.00 a box. 15.50 a box. 16.00 a box. 16.50 a box. 17.00 a box. 17.50 a box. 18.00 a box. 18.50 a box. 19.00 a box. 19.50 a box. 20.00 a box. 20.50 a box. 21.00 a box. 21.50 a box. 22.00 a box. 22.50 a box. 23.00 a box. 23.50 a box. 24.00 a box. 24.50 a box. 25.00 a box. 25.50 a box. 26.00 a box. 26.50 a box. 27.00 a box. 27.50 a box. 28.00 a box. 28.50 a box. 29.00 a box. 29.50 a box. 30.00 a box. 30.50 a box. 31.00 a box. 31.50 a box. 32.00 a box. 32.50 a box. 33.00 a box. 33.50 a box. 34.00 a box. 34.50 a box. 35.00 a box. 35.50 a box. 36.00 a box. 36.50 a box. 37.00 a box. 37.50 a box. 38.00 a box. 38.50 a box. 39.00 a box. 39.50 a box. 40.00 a box. 40.50 a box. 41.00 a box. 41.50 a box. 42.00 a box. 42.50 a box. 43.00 a box. 43.50 a box. 44.00 a box. 44.50 a box. 45.00 a box. 45.50 a box. 46.00 a box. 46.50 a box. 47.00 a box. 47.50 a box. 48.00 a box. 48.50 a box. 49.00 a box. 49.50 a box. 50.00 a box. 50.50 a box. 51.00 a box. 51.50 a box. 52.00 a box. 52.50 a box. 53.00 a box. 53.50 a box. 54.00 a box. 54.50 a box. 55.00 a box. 55.50 a box. 56.00 a box. 56.50 a box. 57.00 a box. 57.50 a box. 58.00 a box. 58.50 a box. 59.00 a box. 59.50 a box. 60.00 a box. 60.50 a box. 61.00 a box. 61.50 a box. 62.00 a box. 62.50 a box. 63.00 a box. 63.50 a box. 64.00 a box. 64.50 a box. 65.00 a box. 65.50 a box. 66.00 a box. 66.50 a box. 67.00 a box. 67.50 a box. 68.00 a box. 68.50 a box. 69.00 a box. 69.50 a box. 70.00 a box. 70.50 a box. 71.00 a box. 71.50 a box. 72.00 a box. 72.50 a box. 73.00 a box. 73.50 a box. 74.00 a box. 74.50 a box. 75.00 a box. 75.50 a box. 76.00 a box. 76.50 a box. 77.00 a box. 77.50 a box. 78.00 a box. 78.50 a box. 79.00 a box. 79.50 a box. 80.00 a box. 80.50 a box. 81.00 a box. 81.50 a box. 82.00 a box. 82.50 a box. 83.00 a box. 83.50 a box. 84.00 a box. 84.50 a box. 85.00 a box. 85.50 a box. 86.00 a box. 86.50 a box. 87.00 a box. 87.50 a box. 88.00 a box. 88.50 a box. 89.00 a box. 89.50 a box. 90.00 a box. 90.50 a box. 91.00 a box. 91.50 a box. 92.00 a box. 92.50 a box. 93.00 a box. 93.50 a box. 94.00 a box. 94.50 a box. 95.00 a box. 95.50 a box. 96.00 a box. 96.50 a box. 97.00 a box. 97.50 a box. 98.00 a box. 98.50 a box. 99.00 a box. 99.50 a box. 100.00 a box.

FOR MEN Restores Vain and Vitality; Increases "grey matter"; gives up. 50¢ a box, or two for \$1.00. 25¢ a box, or two for \$1.00. 50¢ a box, or two for \$1.00. 75¢ a box, or two for \$1.00. 1.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 1.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 1.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 1.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 2.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 2.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 2.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 2.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 3.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 3.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 3.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 3.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 4.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 4.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 4.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 4.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 5.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 5.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 5.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 5.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 6.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 6.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 6.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 6.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 7.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 7.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 7.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 7.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 8.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 8.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 8.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 8.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 9.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 9.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 9.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 9.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 10.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 10.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 10.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 10.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 11.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 11.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 11.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 11.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 12.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 12.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 12.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 12.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 13.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 13.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 13.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 13.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 14.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 14.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 14.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 14.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 15.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 15.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 15.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 15.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 16.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 16.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 16.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 16.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 17.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 17.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 17.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 17.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 18.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 18.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 18.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 18.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 19.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 19.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 19.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 19.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 20.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 20.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 20.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 20.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 21.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 21.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 21.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 21.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 22.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 22.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 22.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 22.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 23.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 23.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 23.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 23.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 24.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 24.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 24.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 24.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 25.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 25.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 25.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 25.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 26.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 26.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 26.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 26.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 27.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 27.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 27.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 27.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 28.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 28.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 28.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 28.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 29.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 29.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 29.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 29.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 30.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 30.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 30.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 30.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 31.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 31.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 31.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 31.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 32.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 32.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 32.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 32.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 33.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 33.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 33.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 33.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 34.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 34.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 34.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 34.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 35.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 35.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 35.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 35.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 36.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 36.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 36.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 36.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 37.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 37.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 37.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 37.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 38.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 38.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 38.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 38.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 39.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 39.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 39.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 39.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 40.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 40.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 40.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 40.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 41.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 41.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 41.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 41.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 42.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 42.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 42.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 42.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 43.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 43.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 43.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 43.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 44.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 44.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 44.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 44.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 45.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 45.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 45.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 45.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 46.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 46.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 46.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 46.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 47.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 47.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 47.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 47.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 48.00 a box, or two for \$1.00. 48.25 a box, or two for \$1.00. 48.50 a box, or two for \$1.00. 48.75 a box, or two for \$1.00. 49.00 a

# BRITAIN THE LINCOLN OF MODERN EUROPE

## The Empire is Fighting a Victorious War of Deliverance From the Worst Slavery That Has Ever Threatened Manhood

(By Charles H. Grasty, Staff Correspondent of New York Times)  
 London, Feb. 13.—David Lloyd George has given me for publication a Lincoln Day message.

The absorption of the British Prime Minister in absolutely the greatest task ever laid upon a human being is so deep that he was unable to attend the opening of the House of Commons last week, and literally every minute of his long work day is taken up with the vital matters of the war. But the Lincoln anniversary made such an appeal to him that he gave it his time and thought, and now sends this historic message to America.

"I am very glad to respond to your request for a message for publication on Lincoln Day. I am glad because to my mind Abraham Lincoln has always been one of the very first of the world's statesmen, because I believe that the battle which we have been fighting is at bottom the same battle which your countrymen fought under Lincoln's leadership, more than fifty years ago, and most of all, perhaps, because I desire to say how much I welcome the proof which the last few days have afforded that the American people are coming to realize this fact.

"Devoted to Human Freedom  
 Lincoln's life was devoted to the cause of human freedom. From the day when he first recognized what slavery meant he bent all his energies to its eradication from American soil. Yet after years of patient effort, he was driven to realize that it was not a mere question of abolishing slavery in the Southern States, but that bound up with it was a larger issue; that unless the Union abolished slavery, slavery would break up the Union.

"Faced by this alternative he did not shrink, after every other method had failed, from vindicating both Union and freedom by the terrible instrument of war. Nor after the die for war had been cast, did he hesitate to call upon his countrymen to make sacrifices, to submit to limitations upon their personal freedom, until, in his own words there was a new birth of freedom in your land.

"Is there not a strange similarity between this battle which we are fighting here in Europe and that which Lincoln fought? Has there not grown up in this continent a new form of slavery; a militarist slavery which has not only been crushing out the freedom of the people under its control, but which in recent years has also been moving toward crushing out freedom and fraternity in all Europe as well.

"Is it not true that it is to the militarist system of government which centres in Berlin, that every open-minded man who is familiar with past history would point as being the ultimate source of all the expansion of armaments, of all the international unrest, and of the failure of all movement toward crushing out freedom and fraternity in all Europe as well.

"Faced by this alternative he did not shrink, after every other method had failed, from vindicating both Union and freedom by the terrible instrument of war. Nor after the die for war had been cast, did he hesitate to call upon his countrymen to make sacrifices, to submit to limitations upon their personal freedom, until, in his own words there was a new birth of freedom in your land.

"We were reluctant, and many of us refused to believe that any sane rulers would deliberately drench Europe in its own blood, so we did not face the facts until it was almost too late. It was not until August, 1914, that it became clear to us, as it became clear to Lincoln in 1861, that the issue was not to be settled by pacific means, but by the supreme sacrifice of war. It was the ultimatum to Serbia and the ruthless attack upon Belgium and France which followed because nations of Europe would not tolerate the iteration of the independence of a free people without conference and by the sword, which revealed to us all the implacable nature of the struggle which lay before us.

"It has been difficult for a nation separated from Europe by miles of sea and without political connections with its people, to appreciate fully what was at stake in the war. In your civil war many of our ancestors were blind, Lord Russell hinted at an early peace. Even Gladstone declared: "We have no faith in the propagation of free institutions at the point of the sword." It was left for John Bright, that man of all others who most loved peace and hated war, to testify that when our statesmen "were hostile or coldly neutral, the British people cling to freedom with an unflinching trust." But I think that America now sees that it is human unity and freedom which are being fought for in this war.

"A War of Liberation.  
 "The American people under Lincoln fought not a war of conquest, but a war of liberation. We to-day are fighting not a war of conquest, but a war of liberation—a liberation not of ourselves alone, but of all the world, from that body of barbarous doctrine and inhuman practice, which has estranged nations, has held back the unity and progress of the world, and which has stood revealed in all its deadly iniquity in the course of this war.

"In such wars for liberty there can be no compromise. They are either won or lost. In your case it was freedom and unity or slavery and separation; in our case military power, tyrannously used, will have succeeded in tearing up treaties and trampling on the rights of others, or liberty and public right will have prevailed. Therefore, we believe that the war must be fought out to a finish, for on such an issue there

can be no such thing as a drawn war. Once the conflict had been joined, we have been inspired and strengthened beyond measure by the example and the words of your great President. He did not shrink from bloodshed. He has often been struck at the growth of both tenderness and stern determination in the face of Lincoln, as shown in his photograph, as the war went on.

"Springing Life by Losing It.  
 "Despite his abhorrence of all that war entailed, he persisted in it because he knew that he was sparing life by losing it, that if he agreed to compromise, the blood that had been shed on a hundred fields would have been shed in vain, that the task of creating a united nation of free men would only have to be undertaken at even greater cost at some later day. It would, indeed, be impossible to state our faith more clearly than Lincoln stated it himself at the end of 1863.

"On careful consideration (he said) of all the evidence, it seems to me that no attempt at negotiation with the insurgent leader could result in any good. He would accept nothing short of severance of the Union, precisely what we will not and cannot give. His declarations to this effect are explicit and repeated. He does not deceive us, he affords us no excuse to deceive ourselves; between him and us the issue is distinct, simple and inflexible. It is an issue which can only be tried by war and decided by victory."

"That was the judgment of the greatest statesman of the nineteenth century during the last great war for human liberty. It is the judgment of this nation and of its fellow nations overseas to-day.

"Our armies," said Lincoln, "are ministers of good, not evil." So we do believe. And through all the carnage and suffering and conflicting motives of the Civil War, Lincoln held steadfastly to the belief that it was the freedom of the people to govern themselves which was the fundamental issue at stake. And we to-day, for, when the people of central Europe accept the peace which is offered them by the allies, not only will the allied peoples be free, as they have never been free before, but the German people, too, will find that in losing their dream of an Empire over others, they have found self-government for themselves."

**CALLED TO COLORS**  
 By Courier Leased Wire.  
 London, Feb. 13.—A Renter's despatch from Berné says that the German authorities have suddenly called to the colors all officials of trade unions and Socialist organizations. These officials, who aggregate 10,000 in number, have previously been exempt from military service.

**DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS**  
 EARL CURZON'S NEW WIFE AND CHILDREN

Mr. Percy Arno has been appointed as shell inspector by the Imperial Munitions Board, Galt, and is now on the staff of A. B. Jardine's. American Consul Johnston has received 30 or so cards from Canadian prisoners of war thanking the people of Kingston for the presents sent.

Young, of Forest Mills, lost all "one hand but the thumb and first finger as the result of catching the hand in a cylinder at the Davis tannery, Kingston.

**ITALIANS RAID AUSTRIAN PORT**  
 Considerable Damage Done By Seaplanes at San Rocco Navy Yard

By Courier Leased Wire.  
 Rome, Feb. 13.—Italian seaplanes caused considerable damage to an air raid on the San Rocco navy yard near Trieste on Sunday night, according to an official statement by the Admiralty. The statement says that the number of bombs were dropped causing the outbreak of an extensive fire. All of the machines, which belonged to the upper Adriatic squadron, returned safely.

**GIRLS' CONFERENCE**  
 All circumstances argue well for a great success awaiting the first Older Girls' Conference to be held here on February the 24th and 25th under the direction of the secondary division of the provincial Sunday School Association. An extensive and attractive program has been prepared and all arrangements have been completed to insure the success of the event. Two "Key Leader" girls from each Sunday School in the city yesterday visited some other school, and announced the coming conference, later meeting in the Congregational Church to report, where a meeting was held. From all reports, it is expected that the registration at the conference will be very high.

**POLICE COURT**  
 Four bicyclists contributed \$2 a-piece today in the local police court as the result of their preference for the bicycle over the roadway. A charge of false pretences laid against R. S. Carter by Louis Stander was withdrawn.

# PROMPT ACTION CHECKED FIRE

## Passengers on Street Car Saw Blaze and Turned in the Alarm

A lucky coincidence was responsible for the checking of a fire at 48 Alfred Street last night at 11:30, in one half of a double house. The last car on the main line was just approaching the corner of Alfred and Victoria Streets, when two passengers, Chief Bert Mattice, of the Massey Harris Fire Department, and a companion noticed flames in a white brick structure, one half of which was occupied by Greeks. They immediately left the car and while one roused the occupants of the house and warned them of the danger, the other ran to the fire alarm box at the corner of Victoria Street and Park Avenue and rang in the alarm. The East End department and the motor truck from the Central station responded. One line of hose was laid by the East End department, but the fire was extinguished by chemicals carried by the motor truck. The blaze originated in the bathroom of the house where the plaster, becoming overheated from a stove nearby, had fallen off the walls and had exposed the wood-work underneath to the excessive heat. The flames spread up to the roof, burning a large hole there. The damage, which was considerable, amounted to in the neighborhood of \$100.

**ANNIVERSARY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
 Is Celebrated at Marlboro Street Church This Week

The third anniversary of the Marlboro street Sunday School was celebrated last night by one of the entertainments ever held in the history of the church. The programme was rendered by members of the different classes, and consisted of instrumental and vocal selections, recitations and readings, and was featured by an interesting and beautiful tableau of Britannia and a march given by a young ladies' class. The attendance was exceptionally large. Thirty-two prizes were awarded, and distributed to the boys and girls who had a record of fifty attendances during the past twelve months.

On Sunday afternoon, the third anniversary of the opening of the structure, the Sunday School was favored with an address by the Rev. Wray R. Smith of Oxford Street Methodist Church, who chose as his subject, "Show me a Penny." His address, which was of an interesting character, was made more attractive by the illustrations in colored crayon utilized by the speaker. Solos were rendered during the afternoon by little Charles Packham and Gertrude Ham. The Superintendent, Mr. Alex. Lamb, was assisted on the platform by Mr. John Mann, who occupied a similar position in the Calborne St. Sunday School, when Mr. Lamb arrived in Brantford twenty-nine years ago.

**NEWS OF NORFOLK**  
 Daughters of the Empire Raise Grand Total of \$1400 in Simcoe

**OTHER NEWS ITEMS**  
 Board of Education Deals With School Questions In Lengthy Session

Change of address, News items or request for insertion of names on subscription list, should be sent to Courier Agency, Box 311, Simcoe, phone 356-3. The Courier is delivered for 25 cents a month, strictly in advance, or may be obtained at Jackson's Drug Store at 2 cents a copy.

(From Our Own Correspondent)  
 Simcoe, Feb. 13.—It may be of interest to L. O. D. E. organizations elsewhere to learn that the one day effort of the local chapter held here last Thursday netted for the cause over one thousand dollars and an overseas shower of three to four hundred dollars besides, a grand total of about fourteen hundred dollars.

Here are some of the items: Candy booth, \$52.25; home-made cooking \$122.50; cash for overseas shower \$71.75; paper counter \$24; fancy work \$332.60; auction sale of town produce \$112.00; auction sale of country produce \$29.10; pillow slip contest \$105.00; fortune telling \$29.05; Le Lo tea garden \$60; fish pond, \$12.00; admission \$126.47; special donation from churches, etc. \$60.55; Two organizations from Delhi sent each \$10.00; Town Council \$50.00; Farmer's cash donations \$7.00.

**School Question**  
 The Board of Education wrestled with the school question for three hours last night. The contract for one school had been let last September and as it was generally known that prices had been soaring, it was decided after some discussion to call in the contractor for the South Ward school and offer him the contract for the North Ward school, to be built from the same plans at the same contract price.

Mr. Guntton answered the call by phone promptly and informed the Board that since he had taken the contract prices had gone up in the five months so that the five months' delay had cost him \$30.00. He offered \$40.00 steel \$80.00 roofing \$40.00 glass and paint \$58.00 brick \$75.00 heating and ventilating plant \$6.69, plumbing \$490.00 electric fixtures \$20.00 or a total of \$1,200.00 and he could not undertake the job for less than \$30,100.

Mr. Wm. Sutton, a new member of the Board but a former trustee of the school, had the only man from the North Ward counselled delay. One school would relieve the congestion considerably, provided prices did not ease up within a year and he would not get much worse than at present. Others agreed that possibly a few months might clear the atmosphere. But the Board decided to save \$300 on both schools by purchasing the Roman stone required for the second school and storing it rather than pay for the second making of moulds.

Had the 1916 council voted the matter asked by the Board last August, the foundations of both schools would now have been in. To proceed now would cost too much for the job blunder then made. The second school is, however, only delayed not yet abandoned.

# NEWS OF NORFOLK

## Daughters of the Empire Raise Grand Total of \$1400 in Simcoe

**OTHER NEWS ITEMS**  
 Board of Education Deals With School Questions In Lengthy Session

Change of address, News items or request for insertion of names on subscription list, should be sent to Courier Agency, Box 311, Simcoe, phone 356-3. The Courier is delivered for 25 cents a month, strictly in advance, or may be obtained at Jackson's Drug Store at 2 cents a copy.

(From Our Own Correspondent)  
 Simcoe, Feb. 13.—It may be of interest to L. O. D. E. organizations elsewhere to learn that the one day effort of the local chapter held here last Thursday netted for the cause over one thousand dollars and an overseas shower of three to four hundred dollars besides, a grand total of about fourteen hundred dollars.

Here are some of the items: Candy booth, \$52.25; home-made cooking \$122.50; cash for overseas shower \$71.75; paper counter \$24; fancy work \$332.60; auction sale of town produce \$112.00; auction sale of country produce \$29.10; pillow slip contest \$105.00; fortune telling \$29.05; Le Lo tea garden \$60; fish pond, \$12.00; admission \$126.47; special donation from churches, etc. \$60.55; Two organizations from Delhi sent each \$10.00; Town Council \$50.00; Farmer's cash donations \$7.00.

**School Question**  
 The Board of Education wrestled with the school question for three hours last night. The contract for one school had been let last September and as it was generally known that prices had been soaring, it was decided after some discussion to call in the contractor for the South Ward school and offer him the contract for the North Ward school, to be built from the same plans at the same contract price.

Mr. Guntton answered the call by phone promptly and informed the Board that since he had taken the contract prices had gone up in the five months so that the five months' delay had cost him \$30.00. He offered \$40.00 steel \$80.00 roofing \$40.00 glass and paint \$58.00 brick \$75.00 heating and ventilating plant \$6.69, plumbing \$490.00 electric fixtures \$20.00 or a total of \$1,200.00 and he could not undertake the job for less than \$30,100.

Mr. Wm. Sutton, a new member of the Board but a former trustee of the school, had the only man from the North Ward counselled delay. One school would relieve the congestion considerably, provided prices did not ease up within a year and he would not get much worse than at present. Others agreed that possibly a few months might clear the atmosphere. But the Board decided to save \$300 on both schools by purchasing the Roman stone required for the second school and storing it rather than pay for the second making of moulds.

Had the 1916 council voted the matter asked by the Board last August, the foundations of both schools would now have been in. To proceed now would cost too much for the job blunder then made. The second school is, however, only delayed not yet abandoned.

**ITALIANS RAID AUSTRIAN PORT**  
 Considerable Damage Done By Seaplanes at San Rocco Navy Yard

By Courier Leased Wire.  
 Rome, Feb. 13.—Italian seaplanes caused considerable damage to an air raid on the San Rocco navy yard near Trieste on Sunday night, according to an official statement by the Admiralty. The statement says that the number of bombs were dropped causing the outbreak of an extensive fire. All of the machines, which belonged to the upper Adriatic squadron, returned safely.

**GIRLS' CONFERENCE**  
 All circumstances argue well for a great success awaiting the first Older Girls' Conference to be held here on February the 24th and 25th under the direction of the secondary division of the provincial Sunday School Association. An extensive and attractive program has been prepared and all arrangements have been completed to insure the success of the event. Two "Key Leader" girls from each Sunday School in the city yesterday visited some other school, and announced the coming conference, later meeting in the Congregational Church to report, where a meeting was held. From all reports, it is expected that the registration at the conference will be very high.

**POLICE COURT**  
 Four bicyclists contributed \$2 a-piece today in the local police court as the result of their preference for the bicycle over the roadway. A charge of false pretences laid against R. S. Carter by Louis Stander was withdrawn.

**ANOTHER RECRUIT FOR THE 215TH**  
 Gen. Logie Did Not Arrive In City to Inspect the Battalion

Although all the necessary preparations had been made for the inspection of the 215th battalion by General Logie this morning, he failed to arrive and the examination of the battalion was deferred until a later date. General Logie is engaged in a tour of inspection lasting for a few days and terminating tomorrow morning with a review of the 215th battalion here at ten thirty.

Brantford will undoubtedly miss the presence of such a live wire as Private Sam Lathers has proven himself to be in recruiting circles here for the past two weeks. Pte. Lathers returned to Hamilton yesterday.

Another recruit was received by the 215th battalion after his safe recovery from an operation undergone to enable him to meet the medical requirements. He is a single French-Canadian, William Louis Deauv, born at Inwood, Quebec, in 1884. Prior to his enlistment he was a laborer at Dunnville, has seen 3 years service with the American hospital corps, and is now connected with the 37th Haldimand Rifles.

To the other duties of the Sergeant in charge of the canteen has been added that of keeping the clock on the wall of the armories, regulated by the clock on the post office tower, which is the official standard time for the battalion.

The results of a recent bombing class at the brigade school, St. Catharines have come to hand, and are very satisfactory.

Sergeant R. Thompson has returned from Onondaga where he has been engaged in recruiting for the battalion.

Privates F. W. Oldham and W. H. Hough have returned from Paris where they have been assisting Captain McKegney in rounding up eligibles.

The transfer of Private R. W. Fuzard from the 215th battalion to the 257th was announced in the orders issued at the armories this morning. The transfer takes effect from the 5th of the present month. The following officer and men of the unit have proceeded to Toronto for the purpose of attending a course at the district bombing school terminating on Monday the 26th of February: Lieut. W. G. Flowerday, Pte. H. Barlow, Pte. J. Murray, Pte. J. W. Skelly, Pte. C. Beattie, Corp. H. McClelland, Corp. W. G. Wyllie, Pte. H. Barnett, C. S. M. J. O. Cooke.

**DECLINED KNIGHTHOOD**  
 By Courier Leased Wire.  
 Toronto, Feb. 12.—It is understood that Sir Robert Borden offered J. Ross Robertson of the Toronto Evening Telegram, knighthood and a secretaryship, but Mr. Robertson gratefully declined both honors.

**RADIATOR INSTALLED**  
 Some trouble has been experienced at the Court House by the water pipes in the western end of the building, becoming frozen in the cold weather. After some investigation it was found that the difficulty was caused through the lack of heat in the lobby entrance. Accordingly a radiator was installed there this morning to remedy the defect.

Information has been received that Nurse Shaughnessy, of Port Arthur, is returning to take up new position in Canada after service in English hospitals.

**CURTAIN NETT DRAPERIES LACE CURTAINS** **J. M. YOUNG & CO.** **RUGS LINOLEUMS CARPETS**  
 "QUALITY FIRST"

# DAILY STORE NEWS

**Dress Goods Specials**  
 Black and navy Serge, 52 inches wide, old dyes, special \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00, worth one special \$1.50.

**38 Inches Wide French Coating Serge**, in navy, brown, copenhagen, myrtle, wine, and black, special . . . . . \$1.25

**2 Pieces All Wool Serge** in navy and black, 40 inches wide, special. . . . \$1.00

**Ladies' Sweater Coats**  
 Ladies' Sweater Coats, in rose, copenhagen, Kelly, cardinal, and white, with or without sash, special at \$4.50, \$5.00, \$7.00

**Ladies' Waists \$1.00**  
 1 Lot Ladies' Waists in Cashmere Wrap-perette, etc., in light and dark colors, all sizes and worth double, special \$1.00 Special values in Ladies' and Misses' Underwear, at 75, 50, 35 and . . . . . 25c

**Winter Coats \$5.95**  
 25 only Ladies' Winter Coats, good warm materials, in light and dark colors. These coats are worth up to \$18.00, special at . . . . . \$5.95

**Furs! Furs!**  
 Your chance to buy your next Winter Furs at a big saving. 25 to 50 per cent. off many lines of Furs, Neckpieces, Muffs and Fur Coats.

**Ladies' Winter Coats \$10.00**  
 6 only Ladies' Winter Coats. This season's buying, best of materials, are worth \$20.00 and \$22.00, special at . . . . . \$10.00

**J. M. YOUNG & CO.**  
 Dress Making and Ladies' Tailoring Phone 351-805

**ANOTHER RECRUIT FOR THE 215TH**  
 Gen. Logie Did Not Arrive In City to Inspect the Battalion

Although all the necessary preparations had been made for the inspection of the 215th battalion by General Logie this morning, he failed to arrive and the examination of the battalion was deferred until a later date. General Logie is engaged in a tour of inspection lasting for a few days and terminating tomorrow morning with a review of the 215th battalion here at ten thirty.

Brantford will undoubtedly miss the presence of such a live wire as Private Sam Lathers has proven himself to be in recruiting circles here for the past two weeks. Pte. Lathers returned to Hamilton yesterday.

Another recruit was received by the 215th battalion after his safe recovery from an operation undergone to enable him to meet the medical requirements. He is a single French-Canadian, William Louis Deauv, born at Inwood, Quebec, in 1884. Prior to his enlistment he was a laborer at Dunnville, has seen 3 years service with the American hospital corps, and is now connected with the 37th Haldimand Rifles.

To the other duties of the Sergeant in charge of the canteen has been added that of keeping the clock on the wall of the armories, regulated by the clock on the post office tower, which is the official standard time for the battalion.

The results of a recent bombing class at the brigade school, St. Catharines have come to hand, and are very satisfactory.

Sergeant R. Thompson has returned from Onondaga where he has been engaged in recruiting for the battalion.

Privates F. W. Oldham and W. H. Hough have returned from Paris where they have been assisting Captain McKegney in rounding up eligibles.

The transfer of Private R. W. Fuzard from the 215th battalion to the 257th was announced in the orders issued at the armories this morning. The transfer takes effect from the 5th of the present month. The following officer and men of the unit have proceeded to Toronto for the purpose of attending a course at the district bombing school terminating on Monday the 26th of February: Lieut. W. G. Flowerday, Pte. H. Barlow, Pte. J. Murray, Pte. J. W. Skelly, Pte. C. Beattie, Corp. H. McClelland, Corp. W. G. Wyllie, Pte. H. Barnett, C. S. M. J. O. Cooke.

**Let Him Help Himself To CROWN BRAND CORN SYRUP**

It will do more than satisfy his craving for something sweet—it will supply the food elements needed to build up his little body and help him to gain in health and strength.

"Crown Brand" is a wholesome, nourishing food—as well as the most delicious of taste syrups.

The recipes in our new book, "Dishes and Snacks for Children," will tell you just how to use it. In many novel ways. Write for a copy to our Montreal Office.

Dealers everywhere have "Crown Brand" in 2, 5, 10 and 20 pound tins—and 3 pound glass jars.

**THE CANADA STARCH CO. LIMITED**  
 MONTREAL, CANADA, BRANTFORD, PORT WILLIAM.  
 Makers of "Lily White" Corn Syrup, Benson's Corn Starch and "Silver Glass" Laundry Starch.

# Extremely Severe Dyspepsia

**Halifax (N.S.) Sergeant in the C.E.F. Cured Completely by Dr. Cassell's Tablets.**

**SERGEANT DUNGAN MACNEIL, of the CANADIAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, is 116, PLEASANT STREET, HALIFAX, N.S., says:**

"For six years I suffered from frequent attacks of dyspepsia, each attack being more acute than the last. During one of these attacks my life would become almost unbearable, and I would have to regulate my diet to liquid food only, often being in bed for days at a time. I was under the care of a physician, and tried all the remedies on the market, spending a small fortune, but obtained little or no relief. I had become utterly discouraged, and had almost given up all hope of cure.

"When the war broke out I joined the Expeditionary Force and came to England. I had not been long there, however, when my old trouble returned, and I had to go to hospital. While in hospital a medical officer told me of Dr. Cassell's Tablets, and I decided to try them. I had this box brought such prompt relief that I decided to try the treatment. To my long story short, a complete cure was effected.

"Since taking Dr. Cassell's Tablets I have been through hard ships almost beyond human endurance, but not once has my old trouble returned to bother me."

*The above is the frank, clear testimony of a Canadian soldier. He has been cured of extremely severe dyspepsia, which even the healthful life of the training ground could not overcome, and he wishes to tell others that he owes that cure to Dr. Cassell's Tablets.*

# Dr. Cassell's Tablets

**FREE SAMPLE.**  
 On receipt of 5 cents to cover mailing and packing, a genuine free sample will be sent a card to address: Harold F. Ritten & Co., Ltd., 10, Queen Street, Toronto.

Dr. Cassell's Tablets are Nutritive, Restorative, Alterative, and Antispasmodic, and the recognized remedy for Nervous Breakdown, Sleeplessness, Mal-nutrition, Nervous Paralysis, Anæmia, Wasting Diseases, Infantile Weakness, Kidney Trouble, Palpitation, Neurasthenia, Dyspepsia, Vial Exhaustion. Specially valuable for infants, mothers, and during the critical periods of life.

Sold by druggists and storekeepers throughout Canada. Prices: One tube, 50 cents; six tubes for the price of five. Write for 25-cent jar (free trial size).

Sole Proprietors: Dr. Cassell's Co., Ltd., Manchester, Eng.

# TWO LONG YEARS HE SUFFERED

"Fruit-a-tives" Made Him As If Walking On Air

ORILLIA, Ont., Nov. 28th. 1916.  
 "For over two years, I was tormented with Constipation, Drowsiness, Loss of Appetite and Headaches. One day your sign which read "Fruit-a-tives" made you feel like walking on air. This appealed to me, so I decided to try a box. In a very short time I began to feel better, and now I feel I have a good appetite, relish every I eat, and the Headaches are entirely. I recommend this Fruit-a-tives to all my friends."

DAN McLE  
 50c. a box, 6 for \$2.50, trial size. At all dealers or sent postpaid by a-lives Limited, Ottawa.

**PARLIAMENTARY NO.**  
 Friday, the twenty-third day of February next, will be the day for presenting Petitions for the 1917.

Friday, the second day of March next, will be the last day for presenting Private Bills.

Thursday, the eighth day of March next, will be the last day for receiving Reports of Committee Private Bills.

ARTHUR H. SYDNER,  
 Clerk of the Legislature Asses Toronto, Jan. 18th, 1917.

# Auction Sale

**CENTRAL AUCTION ROOM**  
 8 Wharf St., opposite the Branching Co.

On Thursday next, Feb. 15th, 1.30 p.m. sharp, the following: 4 piece mahogany parlor set, dining room set, oak buffet, chairs, fumed finish, leather; 1 buffet golden oak finish; 1 table, golden oak finish; 1 small rug; 1 hall mirror; 1 rug; 1-2; rag rug 7 ft. 6 in x 9; 1 bed; brass curtain poles; 2 covered rockers, leather; 1 golden oak chair, leather seated; a quantity small rugs; coal range; 1 lamp; 1 gas heater; motor machine; 2 go-carts. Also other useful articles. A grand opportunity to purchase choice goods. On Thursday next, the 15th, 1.30 p.m. sharp at the Central Auction Rooms, 8 Wharf St., of the Branch Milling Co. Terms no reserve.

Parties having goods to dispose of, communicate with  
 W. J. BRAGG.

# Notice to Creditors

All persons having claims against the Estate of JUDSON M. DE LAPE of the Township of Southfries, Farmer, deceased, who died on or about the 1st day of January, are required to send particular proof of same to Clayton E. George St., Brantford, the Executor of the Estate, or to the undersigned, after which date the Executor will distribute the assets of the estate among the parties entitled to, and will not be liable for assets or any part thereof of person of whose claim they have notice at the time of distribution.

Dated this 10th day of February, 1917.

**C. S. TAPSCOTT, BR.**  
 Solicitor for the Estate.



The abundant, cream-colored LIFEBUOY SOAP is laden with germ-killing cleaning power, an antiseptic properties as well.

**LIFEBUOY HEALTH SOAP**

So, when you have used LIFEBUOY on skin, garment or anywhere in the home you can be sure of cleanliness and SAFETY.

The mild, antiseptic soap washes quickly after use.

**LEVER BROTHERS LIMITED**  
 TORONTO  
 At all Grocers



THE COURIER

Published by The Brantford Courier Limited, every afternoon, at Dalhousie Street, Brantford, Canada. Subscription rate: By carrier, \$4 a year; by mail to British possessions and the United States, \$5 per annum.

SEMI-WEEKLY COURIER—Published on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, at \$1 per year, payable in advance. To the United States, 50 cents extra for postage.

Toronto Office: Queen City Chambers, 32 Church Street. H. E. Smallpiece, Representative. Chicago Office, 745 Marquette Bldg., Robt. E. Douglas, Representative.

PHONES. Business ... 139 Editorial ... 276 Night ... 2056

Tuesday, February 13th, 1917

THE SITUATION.

Advances by the British on the Somme front are becoming daily occurrences. Yesterday a gain of six hundred yards was made north of the Ancre. The ground thus continually gained is not taken back by counter attacks, as was the case earlier in the struggle on this front.

Instead Haig's men are constantly consolidating the positions taken. German attempts to "come back" are fierce enough, but manifestly lack the sustained vim of the earlier period.

A correspondent of the Associated Press upon returning from a visit to the Fotherland, reports that food conditions there are becoming distinctly worse. Many staples have disappeared from the market and others are so high in price as to be beyond the reach of any save the well to do.

Without any doubt Germany's frantic effort, by her new submarine policy, to cut off Great Britain's food supply is in itself an admission that she is trying to strike at John Bull in this regard, in order if possible, to create some offset to her own desperate straits.

In the British House of Commons yesterday, Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer, stated that the war was at present costing \$5,790,000 per day with a total outlay since the commencement of \$4,200,000,000.

SIR W. H. HEARST

Among Canadians whom it is announced the King has been pleased to honor, the most interesting in Ontario will be taken in the bestowal of knighthood upon Premier Hearst.

Sir William has had a remarkable career in the public arena. It is only a little over eight years ago that he was elected as a member of the Ontario Legislature. He speedily found preferment as a member of the Cabinet, and on Oct. 1st, 1914, was chosen First Minister in succession to the late Sir James Whitney.

The new knight is a man of exceptional ability, broad in his views and when he once makes up his mind that any course is right and seemly, nothing can turn him from his purpose. The adoption of the Canada Temperance Act constituted a recent illustration of this. He never spares himself in the discharge of the duties of his high office, and the interests of the Province have his sole and undivided attention.

On Sunday last a Belgian relief fund collection was taken up in Wellington St. Sunday school, and payments and pledges were received covering over \$400, to the credit of the school and delight of pastor and officials.

HOMES DESTROYED

Burgessville, Feb. 12.—The home of Mr. Thomas Wood, here, was totally destroyed by fire last night at 11 o'clock. The fire, which was not discovered until it had made considerable headway, was of unknown cause. The family escaped without injury.

THE COURSE OF THE TEUTONS IN THE STATES

Certain excellent people, at the commencement of the war, were of the opinion that the large Teuton populace in the United States would attempt to do something or other to Canada, and since Washington has severed diplomatic relations with Berlin, they have become apprehensive once more.

Dr. Charles J. Hexamer, of Philadelphia, President of the "National German-American Alliance," last week took occasion to send a letter to members of that organization stating that at a committee meeting it had been resolved that "if war should be declared, all citizens for the German Red Cross and for widows and orphans shall be stopped, and that only collections to aid the United States shall be continued."

At a meeting of the Alliance, resolutions were also adopted endorsing the course recently taken by President Wilson, and also, if needs be, to form regiments of German-Americans.

The thing is quite natural, viewed even from the selfish standpoint alone. These men are far away from the influence of Prussianism. Many of them indeed and their forbears came to this continent in order to escape the iron heel of militarism, and they must realize that the broken Fatherland has nothing whatever to offer them.

The men of the Dominion could take care of themselves in any event. They have done it before and could do it again, but the idea of any invading horde attempting to cross at Niagara or elsewhere, may be put down as in the nightmare class without any solid foundation whatever.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

Old King Cole is a chary old soul. It is cold weather such as we have recently had which puts the o in snow.

China has now broken with Germany but china breaking it may be remarked is no new thing.

If there is anything in a name, Drayton ought to get something moving now now he is at the border looking into the coal congestion.

Insurance against loss from Zepelin raids has been reduced one half in the Old Land. Let us hope that ere long it will be the same story with regard to submarines.

The board was unanimously of the opinion that, having regard to the changes which have resulted from the breaking off of diplomatic relations between the United States and Germany, action should be taken by the Dominion government to mobilize a large army for home defence, and the provisions of the militia act in that behalf should be made effective.

Some thirty resolutions were considered by the board in dealing with all the various phases of the work ahead. The resolutions passed included permission for correlating efforts to secure increased farm help and increased food production; authorizing an occupational survey to determine industrial and employment needs, both present and prospective; the promotion of District National Service Leagues; better distribution and direction of women's work; and the larger utilization of the labor for farm purposes of aliens of every nationality in Canada.

There being completely hemmed in in Macedonia the Teutonic forces have taken the offensive in the Monastir region. The German army headquarters statement announces the capture of an Entente hill position east of Paralovo, in the bend of the Cerna, and several camps in the rear of the point. Nearly 100 Italians were taken prisoner and five machine guns were captured.

Only one vessel has added to the list of victims of the German submarine blockade, the Norwegian motor vessel West, which was a new merchant ship, of unknown tonnage, as she is not listed in the latest shipping records available.

GRAFTON STORE IN HAMILTON BURNED

\$125,000 Damage Done by Blaze in Zero Weather FIREMEN HAMPERED

By the Cold, and Several Stores Were Guttled

Hamilton, Feb. 12.—A serious fire broke out in the principal business block of the city last evening shortly before 9 o'clock. It was confined, through the excellent work of the firemen, to the premises of Grafton and Company, 16 James St. north. These premises, which are occupied as a clothing store, extend about 200 feet easterly to an alleyway. To the south is the department store of Stanley Mills and Company, and the solid fire wall of that store also was a big factor in containing the blaze to the Grafton premises.

MOBILIZE FOR HOME DEFENCE

National Service Commission Urges Action in View of Present American Crisis

FARM PRODUCTION Should be Increased—Time Extended for Filling Cards

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—A comprehensive statement covering the work so far done by the National Service Board, outlining the further steps now contemplated, and utilizing the information contained in the man-power inventory taken through the registration cards, and reciting the various recommendations made at the meeting of the National Service Directors here last week, was issued tonight by the Director-General, Mr. R. B. Bennett, M.P. More than 80 million cards sent out have been filled in and returned. More than 50 per cent. of the answers given to the last two questions have unqualifiedly indicated willingness to serve the State in any necessary war work.

PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT

Continued from page one. Under the Ontario temperance act passed last session, the prohibition of the sale within the province of intoxicating liquors for beverage purposes came into effect in September last. The operations of this measure have been productive of highly beneficial results.

Increased demands for electric power during the year have compelled the Hydro-Electric Power Commission to acquire additional current from one of the operating companies at Niagara Falls. The commission is proceeding as rapidly as is practicable with the necessary works for the utilization for power purposes of all the water that the province is entitled to divert above the Falls at Niagara.

Under the legislation of last session a trades and labour branch has been formed, a qualified superintendent has been appointed and good progress has been made with the work of this department.

An expert and thorough enquiry has been made into the refining of nickel within this province and into mining taxation for provincial purposes. The findings of the commission will be before you in the shape of a report and legislation based on information secured by the commission will be brought down.

You will be asked to consider proposed legislation to provide for the settlement of returned soldiers upon the land; to create a fire prevention department; to authorize

SHIPS WHICH THE U.S. WOULD SEIZE

In Case of War With Germany Interned Vessels Will be Confiscated

These German ships, now detained in American ports would be seized by the United States in event of a condition of war between that country and Germany:

Table with columns: Name, At, Gross tons. Includes Vaterland, Kaiser Wilhelm II, President Lincoln, etc.

PLEASANT RIDGE

The February meeting of the Farmer's Club of this district was held on Wednesday evening last. The weather, although not intensely cold, was very rough and the roads also were in a similar condition.

"BROTHER JOSIAH"

In 3 acts, taking 2 hours. Scene, New York City. Wellington Armstrong, wealthy business man, F. Malcolm, Mrs. Armstrong, Wellington's wife, Pearl Van Valkenburg, Gladys Armstrong, only child, Mrs. Minshall, Josiah Armstrong, Wellington's brother (farmer) E. Minshall; Benjamin Butler Armstrong, Josiah's son, E. Van Valkenburg; Jemmy Armstrong, Josiah's wife, Miss O. Thomas; Hiram Penstroke, Wellington's secretary, F. Dewar; Hy. Newcombe, young attorney, Leslie Welch; William Le Blanc, wealthy broker, J. F. Bryden; Edith Le Blanc, daughter, Mae Welsh; James, the butler, Robert Van Valkenburg.

DEATH ROLL OF THE DAY

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—Rev. A. A. Scott, formerly pastor of Zion Presbyterian church here, died suddenly of cerebral hemorrhage Sunday while in his study awaiting his wife and daughter preparatory to attending divine service. He was born in Oxford county in 1845, and was pastor of Zion church from 1878 until last fall.

STEEL SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES

can be rented at THE ROYAL LOAN & SAVINGS COMPANY for \$3 per year and upwards. Privacy and security assured.

You NEED one of these in which to keep your Dominion Government War Loan Bonds or other securities, which are payable to bearer.

Enquire at office of the Company. 38-40 Market Street Brantford

THE SUPREME RULES

To successfully sell goods there are two outstanding rules to follow: 1st. ESTABLISH THE QUALITY OF YOUR PRODUCT. The best advertising on earth will never sell an inferior article.

2nd. ADVERTISE. And do it continuously. People have short memories these days. Don't think for a moment that because you or your business are well known you do not need to advertise.

Keep your business before the public through the best local medium—THE DAILY COURIER.

THE GREAT EDISON

Edison's Name is a Guarantee of the Best. Is in a class ahead of all others. You have only to compare the different makes to be convinced.

LOOK AT THIS LIST OF GREAT ARTISTS. Anna Case (The Miracle Girl of the Metropolitan), Albert Spalding (America's Premier Violinist), Marie Rappold (Prima Donna Soprano of Metropolitan), Thomas Chalmers (Baritone of Boston Opera Company), Otto Goritz (Baritone of Metropolitan Opera Company), Zenatelo (Recently Knighted by the King of Italy).

Edison Phonographs are sold by— H. J. Smith & Co. 112 Colborne St. Open Evenings.

WAR NEWS OF THE DAY

By Courier Leased Wire. New York, Feb. 12.—While the military activities along the Franco-Belgian front, where the British are fighting their way towards Bapaume have slackened somewhat, there has been an increase in the importance of the operations in several of the other war areas.

The Tigris From the Tigris front in Asia there comes the official report of an important British success. The British have established a line more than three miles long across the bend of the Tigris west of Kut-el-Amara, the operation resulting in the Turkish

there being completely hemmed in. In Macedonia the Teutonic forces have taken the offensive in the Monastir region. The German army headquarters statement announces the capture of an Entente hill position east of Paralovo, in the bend of the Cerna, and several camps in the rear of the point. Nearly 100 Italians were taken prisoner and five machine guns were captured.

Only one vessel has added to the list of victims of the German submarine blockade, the Norwegian motor vessel West, which was a new merchant ship, of unknown tonnage, as she is not listed in the latest shipping records available.

There is no doubt, that should an opportunity occur for a repetition of the play they will make a much better showing and give a decidedly better account of themselves.

A charge of 25 cents for adults and 15 cents for children resulted in the sum of \$26.60 being taken by Mr. Pilgrim, who acted as ticket collector. This money goes into the Club funds in the meantime, but the most of it no doubt will be added to the proceeds of the Box Social which will be held on the first Wednesday in April.

The Proceeds of the Box Social will be donated to some war relief fund, not yet decided on. Last year it was handed over to the Belgian Relief Fund, after being increased to \$50.00 of the club funds.

Mr. R. Schuyler, district representative of the Ontario department of agriculture, has written Secretary George Hatley of the local Board of Trade, requesting that he assist in making the meeting of the Brant Board of Agriculture and the Women's Institute, to be held here on Thursday evening, February 15th, a success. The meeting which will be held in the Schulz Building on Dalhousie street, will be addressed by Mr. C. F. Bailey, assistant Deputy Minister of Agriculture, who will speak on European agriculture, illustrated by lantern slides taken while travelling through Europe with the American Commission of Agriculture. The Messrs. Hilda Harely and Ruth Badie and Mr. Geo. N. Crooker will contribute musical numbers.

The construction of provincial highways, to provide for certain farm loans, relating to hydro-electric development; to regulate co-operative societies; to provide for votes for soldiers; and for other purposes,

LOCAL

WOUNDED Two Brantford sold as wounded in yesterday, list, Pte. A. McIntyre turned to duty and is wards.

VISIT HAMILTON. An invitation has been sent by the local Typographers Union to visit them next, when hockey and be engaged in and a

SLEIGH-RIDE Some thirty-five people participated in a sleigh-ride last evening of Mr. Ed Mordue, S. Cards and dancing was of the evening. The sleigh, luncheon, and the me pered at an early hou ing.

HIGH PRICES Many complaints are over the action of some in the matter of cheap deliveries. Household that no matter what dedered an excess charge the small amount of that in some cases the per ton is being char

BELGIUM RELIEF The appeal of the B continues to meet with sponse on the part of Brantford, as the toll contributions received. Hately will testify: Brooks Estate, \$50.00; Fledgee, C. B. Boyd, H. Muirhead, \$100.00; ly to date, \$274.77. jective, \$500.00.

OXFORD UNDERWRITERS Mr. T. Hendry of the surance Company, has Woodstock where he of the Life Underwri ganized there last ni ford Life Underwrier banquet was tendered Oxford, with address bit, M.P., Mr. T. B. London and Mr. E. twenty new members and all sugars well of the newly founde

POLICE INSTRUMENT A letter was receiv City Clerk H. F. Leou Clerk A. H. Millar, stating that the city municipality were no the administration of parliament, and in the view of the fact that o to provide the finan

55 P.C. OF YOUNG HAVE DEFECTIVE VISIONS Sarnia, Feb. 8.—Fift of the pupils in the pr grades of Sarnia pub suffering from defecti cording to the rep School Inspector Hen Board of Education. is declared to be very likely that the boar to determine the cause remedy.

We will tell you if needs glasses or NOT

JARVIS OPTICAL CO.

OPTOMETRIST 52 MARKET Open Tues., and Phone 1293 ofr appoint

LUX

To give sweater coats a new lease of life

Now that sweater coats are getting more expensive, it is more than ever desirable that you wash yours with LUX. Of all things a sweater coat, which is seen so much, must be kept soft, fluffy, fleecy and "new" in appearance. You can keep yours that way and wash it again and again if you do this:

Pour boiling water over LUX flakes—pure essence of soap—allowing 3 or 4 tablespoonfuls for every gallon of water you use. Whip into a creamy lather—a few seconds is needed. Then put in the garment and stir it about. Let it soak until cool enough for your hands to squeeze the water out of the coat—the dirt just runs away. Rinse in two or three relays of tepid water, and hang to dry.

Very simple. Anyone can do it—just a few minutes' work and you get a result that the most expert French cleaner might well envy.

LUX won't shrink woollens. Won't hurt any fabric or color that pure water can safely touch.

At all grocers 10c.—British made Lever Brothers Limited Toronto



WAR NEWS OF THE DAY

By Courier Leased Wire. New York, Feb. 12.—While the military activities along the Franco-Belgian front, where the British are fighting their way towards Bapaume have slackened somewhat, there has been an increase in the importance of the operations in several of the other war areas.

The Tigris From the Tigris front in Asia there comes the official report of an important British success. The British have established a line more than three miles long across the bend of the Tigris west of Kut-el-Amara, the operation resulting in the Turkish

there being completely hemmed in. In Macedonia the Teutonic forces have taken the offensive in the Monastir region. The German army headquarters statement announces the capture of an Entente hill position east of Paralovo, in the bend of the Cerna, and several camps in the rear of the point. Nearly 100 Italians were taken prisoner and five machine guns were captured.

Only one vessel has added to the list of victims of the German submarine blockade, the Norwegian motor vessel West, which was a new merchant ship, of unknown tonnage, as she is not listed in the latest shipping records available.

There is no doubt, that should an opportunity occur for a repetition of the play they will make a much better showing and give a decidedly better account of themselves.

A charge of 25 cents for adults and 15 cents for children resulted in the sum of \$26.60 being taken by Mr. Pilgrim, who acted as ticket collector. This money goes into the Club funds in the meantime, but the most of it no doubt will be added to the proceeds of the Box Social which will be held on the first Wednesday in April.

The Proceeds of the Box Social will be donated to some war relief fund, not yet decided on. Last year it was handed over to the Belgian Relief Fund, after being increased to \$50.00 of the club funds.

Mr. R. Schuyler, district representative of the Ontario department of agriculture, has written Secretary George Hatley of the local Board of Trade, requesting that he assist in making the meeting of the Brant Board of Agriculture and the Women's Institute, to be held here on Thursday evening, February 15th, a success. The meeting which will be held in the Schulz Building on Dalhousie street, will be addressed by Mr. C. F. Bailey, assistant Deputy Minister of Agriculture, who will speak on European agriculture, illustrated by lantern slides taken while travelling through Europe with the American Commission of Agriculture. The Messrs. Hilda Harely and Ruth Badie and Mr. Geo. N. Crooker will contribute musical numbers.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

WOUNDED

Two Brantford soldiers are listed as wounded in yesterday's casualty list. Pte. A. McIntyre, who has returned to duty and Pte. A. E. Edwards.

VISIT HAMILTON

An invitation has been received by the local Typographical Union from the Hamilton Typographical Union to visit them on Saturday next, when hockey and nine pins will be engaged in and a supper served.

SLEIGH-RIDE

Some thirty-five printers of the city participated in a most enjoyable sleigh-ride last evening to the home of Mr. Ed Mordue, Smoky Hollow. Cards and dancing were the order of the evening, followed by a dainty luncheon, and the merry party dispersed at an early hour of the morning.

HIGH PRICES

Many complaints are being made over the action of some coal dealers in the matter of charging for small deliveries. Household complaints that no matter what quantity is ordered an excess charge is made on the small amount delivered, and that in some cases as high as \$20 per ton is being charged.

BELGIUM RELIEF

The appeal of the Board of Trade continues to meet with a hearty response on the part of the citizens of Brantford, as the following further contributions received by Mr. George Hately will testify. Donations—D. Brooks Estate, \$30.00. Account of Pledges: C. B. Heyd, \$15.00; Geo. H. Muirhead, \$10.00. Total monthly to date, \$276.77. Monthly objective, \$500.00.

OXFORD UNDERWRITERS

Mr. T. Hendry of the Sun Life Insurance Company, has returned from Woodstock where he was the guest of the Life Underwriters, who organized there last night. The Oxford Life Underwriters' Association. A banquet was tendered in the Hotel Oxford, with addresses by Mr. Nesbitt, M.P., Mr. T. B. Parkinson, of London and Mr. Hendry. Some twenty new members were enrolled and all augurs well for the future of the newly founded organization.

POLICE ADMINISTRATION

A letter was received to-day by City Clerk H. F. Leonard, from City Clerk A. H. Millar, of Kitchener, stating that the city council of that municipality were now considering the administration of the police department, and in their opinion, in view of the fact that the council has to provide the finances on which to

operate the force, it should be accordingly better represented on the Police Commission, and should also have a voice in the amount of salary to be paid to the Magistrate. If the local council concurs with these views, they are asked to co-operate in an effort to seek an amendment to the present law governing the matter.

A BANTAM

David Couborough, the recruit who offered himself to the Bantams at the recruiting meeting in the Brant theatre on Sunday night, last night was examined by the medical officer and was successful in meeting the requirements. He is a single man, aged nineteen years old, and has been employed in the capacity of stockkeeper at the Cochrane Plow Company. He resides on Rose Avenue.

BASEBALL

The Belmont Hotel team captained by Bill Fraser, won an exciting contest from the Verity's last night at the Automatic Baseball game. The game was decided by two points and was hotly fought from start to finish.

Score of yesterday's batting tournament.	
Belmont Hotel	Verity's
Wm. Fraser 121	McCauley 139
J. Carmody 117	F. Sears 139
Lunch Drake 145	R. Moss 129
Tom Fox 89	Bradshall 76
S. E. Taylor 134	Davidson 137
694	692

EPWORTH LEAGUE

The regular weekly meeting of the Epworth League of Wellington street Methodist church was held last evening, and in spite of the very cold weather, a large number were present. The missionary committee was in charge, and Mrs. (Dr.) Henderson presided. The subject of medical missions in China was taken up, and papers were read by Miss Hattie Hayward, Miss Gertrude Vanstone and Mrs. Fred Smith, each giving a splendid account of the work being done by our missionary doctors and nurses. Miss Nora Messerac read the scripture lesson and a vocal duet by Misses Lily Darwen and Violet Clement was greatly appreciated.

ZION Y. P. G.

Rev. Mr. Martin of Wesley church addressed the members of Zion Church Y. P. G. last night on mission work. Taking as his text, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel," Mr. Martin told of the great work accomplished by men and women, who had given up many comforts and severed themselves from friends in order that they might plant the seeds of Christianity. Work done in India, Africa, the Far East, and in fact, in all recesses of the world, was touched upon to the enlightenment of his hearers. Mr. George Trill, head of mission committee of the Guild, was the chairman of the evening. Mr. Walter Carpenter rendered a solo.

CHORAL SOCIETY

The Brantford Choral Society got away to a good start last evening at a meeting held in the Y.M.C.A. It was decided to give Handel's "Judas Maccabeanus" as the first performance. Rehearsals will commence on Thursday, March 1st. The chorus which rendered the "Messiah" so ably on Feb. 1st, is asked to be there in a body and any singers who are interested in works of this nature are asked to attend the initial rehearsal so that the work may get a real good start. It is hoped that a hall centrally situated, will be secured for rehearsals, this place to be announced later. The officers elected last evening were Mr. T. Darwen, chairman of the Executive, Mr. J. B. Pickering, general secretary, Mr. J. T. Schofield, conductor. The other officers and committees will be elected at the first rehearsal. The co-operation of all singers is asked for in this work, so that Brantford can take its proper place in the musical world of Canada.

55 P.C. OF YOUNG PUPILS HAVE DEFECTIVE SIGHT

Sarnia, Feb. 8.—Fifty-five per cent. of the pupils in the primary and first grades of Sarnia public schools are suffering from defective eyesight, according to the report of Public School Inspector Henry Conn to the Board of Education. This condition is declared to be very serious, and it is likely that the board will endeavor to determine the cause and find some remedy.

We will tell you if YOUR child needs glasses or NOT.

**JARVIS OPTICAL CO., LIMITED**  
OPTOMETRISTS  
52 MARKET ST.  
Open Tues., and Sat. Evenings.  
Phone 1293 for appointments.

**Foot Trouble**

R. J. ORR,  
Foot Specialist

Will be at our Store  
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday  
of this week



Mr. Orr is a specialist of wide experience and can prescribe for any foot ailment. Come and have him examine your feet. It costs nothing.

**NEILL SHOE CO.**  
158 Colborne St.

E. B. Crompton & Co., Ltd. The Store of Quality and Good Value E. B. Crompton & Co., Ltd.

Serge Showing Week  
—IN THE—  
Dress Goods Department



This week we are devoting our energies to the finest showing of *Serges* that the makers can produce.

Beautiful soft Botany Serges made from the old yarns—guaranteed dyes, bought and stored in our stock rooms over one year ago for our showing this spring.

The demand for French or British Serge in fine even twill to feature the long line Princess effect Dress is almost beyond conception. This line at—

**\$1.25 to \$1.75**

is 42 inches wide, is one of our strong features. Shown in navy, brown and black.

Note—We are prepared to stand behind every piece of navy or black serge in the department as to guarantee of dye. These are all old dye and absolutely fast.

Here is a list of prices to look over. For your own good we advise buying soon as the stock will become depleted

All Wool Serges

38 inches All Wool Serge in navy blue and black, fast dyes at 75c and . . . . .	85c	40 inches All Wool Serge in navy blue and black, fast dyes, special per yard, \$1.00 and . . . . .	\$1.25
46 inches All Wool Serge, made in a good hard finish and a good wearing serge in black and navy. Special price, yard . . . . .	\$1.50	54 inches All Wool Serge in fine weave, our old special (Man's Suing Serge) for Women Suits and Coats, in navy and black, at \$3, \$3.25 and . . . . .	\$3.50
50 inches All Wool Chiffon Serge, made from pure botany yarn, suitable for suits or skirts or dresses, prices yard, \$1.75 and . . . . .	\$2.00		

February Hosiery Sale  
Buy Hose NOW! Buy Hose Aplenty!



Being in close touch with the Largest Hosiery concerns in the world, we are in a position to advise you correctly regarding the question, not so much the advancing prices, as the improbability of procuring hose at ANY PRICE later. Wools are soaring in price and are in most cases being completely commandeered by the British Government for war purposes. In the midst of all this upheaval we are endeavoring to give our patrons the best possible selection at prices of the old days—

Wednesday - Thursday - Friday

We are giving over one-quarter of our floor space on the main floor to our Hosiery Department.

Do Not Hesitate to supply your needs for a year to come at the prices we are offering

With every pair of Cashmere, Cotton or Silk Hose, we give you free a card of mending silk, wool or cotton, also needed.

Ladies Cashmereno and Silk Fleeced Hose, worth 35c., for . . . . .	25c
Girls' and Women's 2 and 1 Rib Cashmere Hose, fast dye, spliced heel, toe. Regular 50c pair special at . . . . .	35c
Misses' and Boys' 1 and 1 rib Cashmere Hose, heavy double knee, sizes 8 1-2 and 9 1-2 worth 45c pair special at . . . . .	29c
Women's Plain Cashmere Hose, good heavy weight spliced heel and toes, seamless feet, good fast dye, all sizes, regular 65c., for . . . . .	50c

Boys' Worsted. Hose, pure wool, full range, all sizes, extra good value at 75c., for . . . . .

Women's Plain Cashmere Hose, seamless feet, fast dye, all sizes, double heel, sole and toe, regular 50c., for . . . . .

Women's Plain Cashmere Hose, extra fine quality from pure botany wool, fast dye in all sizes, double garter top regular \$1.00, for, per pair . . . . .

Come prepared to supply the needs of the whole family, our lines will be so arranged on the counters you will have no trouble in selecting. The prices will be right.



Boys' 2 in 1 Cashmere Hose elastic top fast dye and good heavy weight, worth 40c pair, for . . . . .

Ladies' Cream Cashmere Hose, special elastic top, spliced heel and toe, ankles and sole, all wool, seamless feet, all sizes regular 75c 85c for . . . . .

Women's Tan Cashmere Hose, fine quality all wool, seamless feet, extra spliced heels, toes and soles, all sizes regular 85c., for, pair . . . . .

Women's Silk Boot Hose, double garter top, sole and heel, fast dye regular 65c for . . . . .

The Linen Supply And The War

The principal sources of Flax supply for the Linen Industry are Belgium, Holland and Russia. Belgium supplies the fine Courtrai flax; Holland the medium quality; and Russia the coarse flax—the latter country produces by far the largest proportion of the world's flax supply.

Ireland, which is capable of producing flax of excellent quality and high tensile strength, has for years been gradually dropping back, till now the Irish crop is almost a negligible quantity in the flax markets of the world.

In the manufacture of "Old Bleach" linens the best quality Irish flax is given the preference, it having proved in practice to be stronger and more serviceable than other descriptions.

When war was declared in August 1914, Belgium was immediately over-run by Germany, and the supply of Courtrai flax, the finest imported flax, was at once cut off. Owing to German command of the Baltic, the Russian supply was also cut off, and Germany became a strong bidder for the available Dutch crop.

Later flax began to dribble in from Russia, at first through Sweden, till pressure by Germany upset this arrangement. Now the Linen trade has to depend on what flax can be got through from Archangel, while that port is free from ice during the summer. Obtaining flax by this route is beset by many difficulties, not the least being the long railway journey to that port, coupled with the shortage of rolling stock on the Russian railways.

Not only is the cost of conveyance enormous, but quantities of flax have been destroyed through want of buildings for shortage at the port, or by being side-tracked on the journey, thrown out of the waggon and left for months in the open.

Ships carrying flax from Archangel have been singularly unfortunate in encountering submarines, and quite a number have been sunk.

Materials made from flax are an essential in military equipment—tent duck, aeroplane cloth, dowlas, hospital equipment, linings for uniforms and last but not least, linen thread for tents, boots and uniforms.

The demands of the War Office have been enormous, and cotton substitutes have proved the reverse of satisfactory.

Coarse Russian flax is suitable for all these materials, with the exception of aero cloth and linen thread, which require strong fine flax of the highest quality, and for these we are dependent on the Irish crop, and what stocks of Belgian flax were in hand at the outbreak of the war.

Flax, has, of course, risen enormously in price, especially in the higher qualities, and all previous records have been left behind.

In the Irish market, flax that could have been bought in normal times for \$2.25 per stone has reached the record price of \$7.00 per stone.

In Russia flax costing \$126.50 per ton in 1913, now costs \$375.00 per ton.

The cost of bleaching, mill furnishings, coal, freights, in fact everything has advanced in price enormously, in cases as to as much as 300 per cent.

Under these circumstances, and taking into consideration the demands of the War Office, which comes first, it is not surprising that the linen offered to the public is so expensive as that it is so cheap.

The stories about the large profits made by linen manufacturers are so much nonsense. What manufacturers are aiming at is to keep their customers supplied as well as they are able, and to find flax enough to keep their employees going at the rate of a 35 hour week, which are the prevailing working hours in the linen trade, rendered imperative, not by lack of demand, but by scarcity of raw material.

Pure linen goods are now getting very scarce, and prices are certain to go higher.

When the war ends there will be a sudden and acute slump in prices, for the all sufficient reason that stocks do not exist, and the trade in the higher class linen goods, requiring Courtrai yarns, will not assume the normal for at least two years owing to the system of flax productions in Belgium whereby the flax cannot be retted and scutched until the summer after it has been grown.

WATCH OUR AD  
SEE OUR WINDOW DISPLAY

**E.B. CROMPTON & CO.**

COMING EVENTS

FARMERS, LOOK! LISTEN!! Hear C. F. Bailey on European Agriculture, illustrated by lantern slides. Liberal Club Rooms, Thursday, Feb. Fifteenth, 8 o'clock. Vocal numbers by Hilda Hurley, Ruth Eddie and Mr. Geo. N. Crooker. Auspices of Bureau Board of Agriculture and Women's Institute. Everybody welcome.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

WANTED—Two men for erecting shows, also man for foundry work—shaking out. Apply Supt. Cockshutt Plov Co. M.26

TO LET—Red Brick Cottage, East ward. Electric and gas. \$8.00. Apply 38 Darling. T.22.11

WANTED—Young ladies want to rent ladies masquerade costume. Phone 407 Automatic. M.26

LADIES TO BUY white nainsook and embroidery corset covers. Our own make. Sizes from 32 to 52. Six different styles. Everybody suited. Also Coates Mercer Crochet Cotton, 2 balls for 25 cents. Consolidated Dry Goods Co., 304 Colborne street. F.26

FOR SALE—Manufacturer's store you save money buying from us. No middleman profits on our goods. We have six different styles in ladies corset covers made in our own factory, all sizes. Twelve styles in aprons at the right price. Baby dresses, hand embroidery yoke, at 49 cents each. Plain white lawn baby dresses, lace trimmed, at 29 cents each. Mrs. J. Deane, Mercer Crochet Cotton, all sizes, 2 balls for 25 cents or \$1.40 per box. Consolidated Dry Goods Company, 304 Colborne Street. A.26

BORN.

BAKER—In Brantford, on February 11th, 1917, to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Baker, 187 Drummond Street, a daughter, Dorothy Irene.

IN MEMORIAM.

of George A. (Archie) Minnes, who passed away, February 13th, 1916.

Reid & Brown Undertakers 314-316 Colborne St. Phone 459 Residence 448

H. B. Beckett Funeral Director and Embalmer 158 DALHOUSIE STREET Both Phones 23

YOU can free yourself from the disagreeable gas fumes. Use the National Electric Range for your cooking. No longer an experiment. T. J. MINNES Phone 301. 9 King St.

Automatic Base Ball Game Open day and night Clifford's Old Stand 78 Colborne St. Yesterday's High Score—Punch Drake (26) Twenty-Six

Broadbent Tailor to the well-dressed Man or Woman Agent for Jaeger's pure wool Fabrics Agent for Ely's Neckwear. Agent for Aertex Underwear. "Borsalino" and other high grade Hats. Phone 212. 4 Market St.

GARMENT WORKERS STRIKE. By Courier Leased Wire. Montreal, Feb. 12.—All the garment workers in the city with the exception of three firms to the number of five thousand are on strike. Three thousand struck a month ago over the discharge of a union hand from one of the big firms and the farming out of that concern's contracts to other houses. This morning two thousand more walked out, claiming higher wages and shorter hours. Demonstrations of strikers in the streets in the form of processions occur daily.

MANY SUBSCRIPTIONS By Courier Leased Wire. Rome, Feb. 13.—The Stefani Agency announces that the subscriptions to the Italian five per cent war loan amounted last week to 1,200,000,000 lire, 800,000,000 lire of which was in cash.

SPECIAL PRICES. 1600 FEET CASHMERE AND FLEECE LINED HOSE at special prices—this week at Crompton's. Evangelistic services are being held at Port Colborne.

SUCCESS GREETINGS LADIES' CONCERT

Entertainment by Women's Auxiliary of 215th Battalion Well Attended

The series of fortnightly concerts being given by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the 215th battalion in the Conservatory of Music continue to meet with unqualified success. Last night the offering was in charge of the Academy club, and was received with great appreciation. The duties of chairman were discharged by the Rev. G. A. Woodside, who officiated in that capacity in his own capable manner, and made an opening address of a brief nature. The program which contained splendid numbers throughout, commenced with a piano quartette, "Overture to William Tell," by Mrs. Trumper, the Misses O'Grady and Dale, and Mr. Wright. Vocal solo, rendered by Miss A. Hart, "Carol of the Lark" was of a very sweet nature and was followed by a beautiful violin solo, "Scotch Air" given by Mrs. Simpson. Two vocal solos, "Of My Old Loves" and "My Love is Like a Tempting Peach" by Miss Anguish, were well rendered and as heartily applauded. Mrs. Wright favored the audience with a reading, "Dot Little Boy of Mine," given in her own inimitable style, and later in the evening, gave "The Whistle of Sandy McTraw," from "The Rhymes of a Red Cross Man" by Robert Service. "Stolen Fruits," a vocal solo met with an excellent rendition by Miss K. Keen, while Miss M. Jones gave the audience with two violin solos, "Poem" and "Song of Joy." A vocal solo, of an unusual character, given by Miss Campion, with a violin obligato by Miss M. Jones, was a feature of the programme, while "Greater and Deeper," another solo, by Miss Elsie Senn, with solo obligato by Mrs. Jevs, was equally well received. The final number on the programme and one thoroughly in keeping with the high order of the preceding numbers, was a "Singing Chorus" by the club. The entertainment was brought to a close by the singing of the antional anthem.

COAL SITUATION TO BE IMPROVED

G. T. R. and C. P. R. Railways Promise Relief Will Come Immediately

Buffalo, N.Y., Feb. 12.—"The trouble is that the equipment has run down, with the result that the steam efficiency of locomotives has decreased over fifty per cent. The G. T. R. and C. P. R. have declared that with the assistance of American demonstrators their ability to remedy the situation." This welcome information was given by Sir Henry Drayton, Chairman of the Dominion Railway Commission here to-night. "With thousands of cars of coal standing idly on the sidings in the terminals on the Canadian side of the Niagara frontier, and with many thousands of people in Toronto practically out of fuel in mid-winter, the full supervisory power of the Commissioners will be evoked to get the cars moving, if the latest promise of the railways is not carried out to the letter. I look for a vast improvement during the current week."

Railways Will Co-operate Sir Harry Drayton and Mr. George Spencer, Chief Traffic Manager of the Dominion Railway Board, held a conference here to-day with representatives of the Grand Trunk, the C. P. R. and American railway coal lines. At the close of the conference it was announced that arrangements had been made, with the co-operation of the American and Canadian railways, for the transportation of coal in solid car lots to Toronto and Ontario Points. Railway officials on both sides of the frontier agreed to act in co-operation with each other, and when one railway is blocked the fuel is to be diverted to the tracks of another railway without change of billing. It was agreed that the maximum of coal and freight traffic should move under the extremely unfavorable circumstances now obtaining, irrespective of any technical question of billing or any particular railway rights.

Will See Arrangement Carried Out Sir Harry stated that he had visited some of the terminals, and that he was here exclusively for the purpose of keeping coal moving across the border, and arranging so that the supply consigned to Canada should be despatched in greater quantities, if at all possible, having regard to other material urgently required by Canadian manufacturers. Sir Harry will remain over till to-morrow to see that the new arrangement is carried out by the railways. Superintendent H. E. Whittenberger of the G. T. R. informed your representative to-night that he had loaned for the loan of eighteen locomotives from three American railways. Superintendent Collins and T. Couiter represented the C. P. R. at the conference.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

Members of Kitchener Klub, whose Tea on Saturday for Widows and Orphans of Sailors Was Such a Success



From Left to Right—Back Row, Standing—Annie Fair, Helen Bartle, Hazel Cole, Alice Berger. Front Row, Sitting—Bertha Fair, Mary Frank, Dorothy Raymond, Miss Marguerite Gamble (President), Metta Duncan, Isobel Adams, Margaret Reid.

Laid at Rest

Mrs. Trumper All that was mortal of the late Mrs. George Trumper was laid to rest in Mt. Hope cemetery on Saturday afternoon, the funeral taking place from the family residence, 29 Eagle Ave. Impressive services were conducted by Rev. David Alexander of Immanuel church, of which deceased was a member for a number of years, assisted by Rev. C. E. Jenkins of St. James. The pallbearers were Messrs. Thomas, William, Henry and Wesley Creath of the city and John of Toronto, five brothers of deceased, and the brother-in-law, Mr. Fred Unger. The obsequies were very largely attended by a large circle of sympathizing friends, and a wealth of floral tributes testified to the esteem in which deceased was held, and were as follows: "Pillow," "Mother," family anchor, "Grandma," Helen and Carl, gates ajar, brothers and sisters; cross, Doric Lodge A.F. & A.M., Mrs. Burr, Mrs. Stern, Mrs. Hollier; wreaths, gasoline engine depart, G. S. & M. foreman staff, Dominion Steel Product Co.; sprays, nieces and nephews, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Trumper, Miss Kate Trumper, Mr. and Mrs. R. Jevs, J. Deane, Ladies' Aid, Immanuel church, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Jennings, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Unger, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. R. Silverthorne, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Unger, Jr., B. Y. P. U., Immanuel church, Mr. and Mrs. Willoughby, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pelling, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Roberts, Sunday school Immanuel church, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Read, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Reeves.

L. A. Beer All that was mortal of the late Lawson A. Beer, whose death took place Saturday, was tenderly laid to rest in Greenwood Cemetery on Monday afternoon. The funeral service, was held at his mother's residence, 113 Peel St., at 3.30. Rev. Thompson officiating both at the house and the grave. He leaves a mourning widow, his mother, his brother, Chas. D., of this city, and a sister, Mrs. R. A. W. Russell, of Toronto. The pallbearers were Messrs. Geo. Battersby, H. Bond, W. Walsh, Chas. E. Bier, Th. floral tributes were pillow, mother; cross, brother Charlie; wreath, employees J. M. Young & Co.; sprays, Doric Lodge A. F. and A. M., Mrs. L. Youmans and Miss Bond, Mr. and Mrs. H. Bond, Mrs. W. W. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. A. Gibson and Miss Neta Crooks, Miss A. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Young, Mr. C. Buckborough, Mr. Geo. Battersby, Mr. A. Balne and family, Mr. and Mrs. Snider, Mrs. Wm. Walsh and Mrs. G. Lake, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. W. Russell.

N. MARLET The remains of the late Nathaniel Marlet were on Sunday afternoon laid to rest in Greenwood, from his late residence, 71 Darling St. The service at the house was conducted by the "Seventh Day Adventists," to which body of believers, late in life the deceased had united. Two of their number sang very beautifully. "He'll wipe the tears from every eye." At the grave a brief service was held by the Orange Lodge, of which organization the deceased had been a life long member. Bur children are left, Dan, of Milwaukee, Mrs. Jas. Holland of Nevada, Mrs. S. Hazelton and Bryon of this city.

COLD WEATHER By Courier Leased Wire. New York, Feb. 13.—A drop in the temperature to three degrees above zero this morning brought this city the coldest weather of the season. Rivers and bays about New York are filled with heavy drifting ice fields to-day, interfering to some extent with navigation. For the first time in five years, the Hudson is solidly frozen over the three mile stretch between Tarrytown and Nyack. Hundreds of persons were washed from shore to shore, and several automobiles were safely negotiated the trip. Gananogue's death rate for 1916 was 37, or at the rate of 10 per 100. Mr. Elijah Barton, an old resident of Coatsworth, died suddenly, recently.

SAGE TEA BEAUTIFIES AND DARKENS HAIR

Don't Stay Gray! It Darkens So Naturally That Nobody Can Tell You can turn gray, faded hair, beautifully dark and lustrous almost over night if you get a 50-cent bottle of "Wyleth's Sage and Sulphur Compound" at any drug store. Millions of bottles of this old famous Sage Tea Recipe, improved by the addition of other ingredients, are sold annually, says a well-known druggist here, because it darkens the hair so naturally and even that no one call tell it has been applied. Those whose hair is turning gray or becoming faded have a surprise awaiting them, because after one or two applications the gray hair vanishes and your locks become luxuriantly dark and beautiful. This is the age of youth. Gray-haired, unattractive folks aren't wanted around, so get busy with Wyleth's Sage and Sulphur Compound, and you'll be delighted with your dark, handsome hair and your youthful appearance within a few days. This preparation is a toilet requisite and is not intended for the cure, mitigation or prevention of disease.

MONTREAL GIVES By Courier Leased Wire. Montreal, Feb. 13.—The board of control voted \$1,000,000 to the Patriotic Fund at a meeting this morning. The patriotic fund committee is raising \$2,500,000 for the fund this year, and though the collecting campaign only began this morning, more than half this figure has been reached.

TRAIN DISASTER By Courier Leased Wire. New York, Feb. 13.—A train of twenty dirt cars carrying many tons of earth and rock, dropped 25 feet through a chute into an East River sewer to-day. Two members of the train crew were crushed to death or drowned, and a third was fatally injured. The sewer sank, taking the train with it. The dirt was being removed from the excavation of a new subway tube leading under the river.

WHY PAY MORE? Boy's Wool Cashmere Ribbed Hose, 2 1/2 pair; Women's Plain Cashmere Hose, at 39c, worth 50c; Fleece Lined Hose, at 25c, worth 35c, at Crompton's.

Mr. W. Cyrus Inglehart, of Merton, recently celebrated his 94th birthday. A Southwold resident has a flock of hens that produce 18 to 20 eggs per day. Germ's of Disease should be promptly expelled from the blood. This is a time when the system is especially susceptible to them. Get the new "The Blood" by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, and thus fortify your whole body and prevent illness.

CHEW King George's NAVY PLUG CHEWING TOBACCO AND ENJOY THE LINGERING FLAVOR OF CHOICE, RICH, SAPPY TOBACCO SEASONED AND SWEETENED JUST RIGHT SOLD EVERYWHERE 10 CTS. A PLUG The Rock City Tobacco Co. Limited.

FINE FURS REDUCED PRICES On Coats and Fur Sets, a splendid opportunity to buy good reliable furs at extraordinary low prices. We Guarantee Everything! Dempster & Co.

Starrette Tools We have just received another shipment which includes drop forged combination sets, scales, hardened squares, a few micrometers etc. Howies EST'D 1886 Successors to Howie and Feely Temple Bldg. 76 Dalhousie St.

KITCHEN UTENSILS Now is the time to replenish your worn out cooking utensils. Let us supply you from our complete stock of enamelware, Aluminum ware and Galv. Ware. All goods first quality and prices right. Tea Kettles Granite or nickel plated Tea and Coffee Pots Granite or Aluminum Sauce Pans Galv. Tubs Granite or Aluminum All sizes. Boilers Preserving Kettles Tin or Copper All sizes. And other articles too numerous for special mention. W. S. STERNE 120 MARKET STREET — Open Evenings

should make it a little easier for men to stay at home and a little harder for them to sign up. It would seem more worthy of the men whose shoulders rest the civic government and well-being, were they to give "no quarter" to such and refuse to foolish young men the opportunity to waste their money. We think the "city council" will act wisely and in the interest of both city and empire as well as of our young manhood in resending the motion of their last meeting and restoring provisions of the old bylaw. On behalf of the Ministerial Association, G. A. WOODSIDE, President.

Canadian H Premier Hears itia Are Knig of Montre Ottawa, Feb. 12.—the Colonial Office to the Duke of Devonshire that the following had been honored by his Majesty the King: SIR HUGH GRAHAM, real. To be Knight Commander Most Distinguished of Michael and St. George ALBERT EDWARD, ister of Militia. WILLIAM HOWARD, Premier of Ontario. To be Grand Commander Distinguished Order of St. George. CAPTAIN EDWARD, superintendent of the F yards. To be Knights Bachelor JUSTICE WALTER G. the Eschequer Court. MORTIMER B. DAV real.

Other New Year London, Feb. 12.—An postponed from New Grand Commander St. George, Sir George F nent Colonial Under Baronet Sir Charles W. Lord Mayor of London; Sheriffs Touche and Sp later three are well-kn ada as having recently presenting the new maced adian House of Common Sir Edward Ke Sir Albert Edward Ke G. Minister of Militia, n an legislator, in B. B. ville, Quebec, native of August 11, 1858. He w at the academy there an also by our pastor, Rev. W. E. Bowyer, and we wish you every success in your noble task of moulding public thought and character in this helpful way. I remain, Yours respectfully, PETER M. YULE, Secretary.

THE MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE AND POOL ROOMS To the Editor of The Courier.—We wish to say that we regard the action of the city council at its last meeting, in wiping out the law limiting the number of pool rooms within the city, and are amazed that such should be done without notice, or assurance of public sentiment demanding it, and believe that had the "city fathers" considered it more widely and wisely they would not have done so. We regard it as a backward move. Some of us can recall the effort made to have the "pool rooms" separated from the premises occupied as hotels. In the days of "the bar" they furnished easy opportunity for the young man to take his first glass and go on to the worst forms of the "drink habit," persuading himself that he was only going out to play "pool." Abohoistic brewers are still "pool-rooms," and the temptation to play, or gamble for drinks and other things, old conditions are brought back which by general consent were acknowledged bad. On whose agitation then did the "council" so generously open the gates? There being now no limit to the number, applications will come in thick and fast, and disease spots, dives, and gambling joints within the community will appear as easily and as readily. Police supervision will become a most difficult thing. One man or another may be innocent in his intention to run such a place, but eventually become the "hell wether" leading a gang of undesirable into the business and when it is too late the citizens will wake up to find the last state is most deplorable. The public not having agitated for such it would seem as if it were time for the citizens to organize to watch over and study civic conditions. We believe there is neither need nor place for more "pool-rooms" in town. Several "pool-rooms," all equipped together with the good will of their present holders can be purchased. These places are at present only half filled. Why more? What is the secret more behind it all? We are pleading for recruits and charging that the young men would rather play "pool" than enlist. Surely then it is rather strange on the part of the city council, unless they wish to block recruiting, that they

At That, C THE YES NO US NEVER GOIN LWIN IN A HO MA KEEPS T FRESH AIR E TH SON-IN-S SUREY Copyright, 1917, B

### Canadian Statesmen Honored by the King

#### Premier Hearst of Ontario and Minister of Militia Are Knighted, While Sir Hugh Graham of Montreal, is Raised to the Peerage

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—A cable from the Colonial Office to his Excellency the Duke of Devonshire announces that the following Canadians have been honored by his Majesty:

**To the Peerage, as a Baron:**  
SIR HUGH GRAHAM, of Montreal.

**To be Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George:**  
ALBERT EDWARD KEMP, Minister of Militia.

**WILLIAM HOWARD HEARST,** Premier of Ontario.

**To be Grand Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George:**  
CAPTAIN EDWARD MARTIN, superintendent of the Halifax dockyards.

**To be Knights Bachelor:**  
JUSTICE WALTER CASSELS, of the Exchequer Court.  
MORTIMER B. DAVIS, of Montreal.

**Other New Year Honors.**  
London, Feb. 12.—Among Honors postponed from New Years are: Grand Commander St. Michael and St. George, Sir George Fiddes, Permanent Colonial Under-Secretary; Baronet Sir Charles Wakefield, Ex-Lord Mayor of London; Knights, Ex-Sheriff's Touches and Spread. All the latter three are well-known in Canada as having recently joined in presenting the new mace to the Canadian House of Commons at Ottawa.

**Sir Edward Kemp.**  
Sir Albert Edward Kemp, K. C. M. G., Minister of Militia, manufacturer and legislator, native of Clarenceville, Quebec, where he was born on August 11, 1858. He was educated at the academy there and at Lacolle Academy, and in 1879 married Miss Wilson of Montreal. He is President of the Kemp Manufacturing Company and the Sheet Metal Products Company, a Director of the National Trust Company and the Imperial Life Assurance Company. He was President of the Toronto Board of Trade, from 1893 to 1901, and President of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association in 1895-6. In 1906 he was appointed a delegate to the 6th Commercial Congress of the empire.

Sir Albert Kemp made his first entry into politics in 1900 when he was elected member for East Toronto. He held his seat until 1908, when he was defeated, but in 1911 he was returned again. In the campaign of 1911 he contributed materially to the defeat of the reciprocity pact. He became a member of the Borden Cabinet, as minister without portfolio, following this election, and upon the resignation of Sir Sam Hughes was named Minister of Militia. Sir Albert has been prominent in local social circles, and is a member of the board of regents, Victoria College, on Castle Frank Crescent, Rosedale. He is a member of the Toronto Club, the Albany Club and the York Club, of Toronto, and of the Rideau Club, Ottawa.

**Sir William Hearst.**  
The knighting of Hon. W. H. Hearst is a recognition not alone of his high place as Prime Minister of the first province of the Dominion, but of the splendid patriotic work he has been carrying on from the first day he accepted office as the head of the government of Ontario. When Mr. Hearst became Prime Minister he set politics into the back ground and his ever prominent has been directed to strengthening in every way possible the sinews of Empire. By his personal example and through what he has been able to accomplish as a member of the government, particularly the establishing at Orpington of the great Ontario Military Hospital, he has given the lead to the people of the province in patriotic earnestness.

Hon. W. H. Hearst, from the time he entered the Legislature in 1908 has moved ahead with rapid strides. During the life of one Legislature he sat as a private member for Sault Ste. Marie. Following the reciprocity election of 1911 that placed the Borden government in power and took Hon. Frank Cochrane to Ottawa, Mr. Hearst was called into the Whitney Cabinet as Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines. That he was able, in the next four years, to prove his worth so thoroughly that on the death of Sir James Whitney, though junior member of the government, he was chosen to lead, is evidence of his ability and his tremendous energy. Not content with what his government has been doing in other directions, Mr. Hearst's intense interest in patriotic work led

him to take upon his shoulders the task of running the Department of Agriculture in addition to carrying on his work as Prime Minister. His energy has shown itself already in the launching of ambitious schemes for increasing patriotic production throughout the province, from the backyard of the city dweller to the broad acres of the farmer.

**Canada's New Baron.**  
Sir Hugh Graham is one of the most prominent and financially the most successful of Canadian journalists. He is the founder and proprietor of the Montreal Daily Star and of the Family Herald and Weekly Star. That he also controls the Montreal Herald is an assertion of the new baron.

Lord Graham is of Scottish origin, the son of the late R. W. Graham and Marion Gardner. He was born at Huntingdon, Que., on July 14, 1848, and educated at the Huntingdon Academy. In 1891 he married Miss Annie Beckman Hamilton. Under his uncle, the late D. H. Parsons, successively editor and publisher of the Commercial Advertiser and the Evening Telegram of Montreal, the new peer gained his first insight into journalism. He was later for a short time secretary-treasurer of the Gazette Printing Co. of Montreal, and in 1869 he founded the Montreal Daily and Weekly Star. He has since devoted the greater part of his activities to the direction of the Daily and Weekly Star, and the former today claims the largest circulation of any English paper in the Dominion. In 1910 he was elected a vice-president of the Institute of Journalists, England and was a delegate to the Imperial Press Conference at London, England, in 1909. He was knighted by the late King Edward.

**Practiced in Toronto.**  
Hon. Walter Gibson Pringle Cassels, Judge of the Exchequer Court, and a resident of Ottawa, is created a Knight Bachelor in the honors announced last night. He was born in Quebec City in 1845, and educated at the High School in Quebec and Toronto University, where he took his degree of B.A. in 1865. He became a barrister in 1869, and a K.C. in 1883. He practiced his profession in Toronto for many years.

Sir Mortimer B. Davis is president of the Imperial Tobacco Company of Canada, and a resident of Montreal. He was born in Montreal in 1864, and was educated there. He was early associated with his father in the business. He is of the Jewish faith and was for some years president of the Baron de Hirsch Institute, Montreal. He is director of many large enterprises, and is one of the best known of Canadian business men.

### PHILLIES HIT HARD BY STRIKE

**Brooklyn and Boston Braves Also Bear Brunt of the Trouble**  
**Holdouts Cause Little Trouble to Other National League Clubs**

The Phillies, Robins and Braves seem to be bearing the brunt of the strike of the Players' union in the National League. Owners of the other clubs in Gov. Tener's circuit report that they are having very little trouble with their men, and that the strike, as far as they are concerned, has been broken. According to the latest information, the Cubs have four men who declare that they will not sign until they receive the word from the union. The Cardinals have a similar number, while the Pirates have three and the Cincinnati Reds two.

Col. Ebbets of the Brooklyn has been notified that at least ten members of the National league champions will remain on strike. They include Zach Wheat, Stengel, Pfeffer, Hi Myers, Chief Myers, Cuthaw, Getz, Dell and Otto Miller. President Baker of the Phillies so far has been unable to sign Alexander, Killefer, Whitted, Byrne, Stock, Nichoff, Luterus, Rixey, E. Burns and Paskert. Practically all of these players insist that they will stick to the union, although it is believed that several of

### HOMELESS CHILDREN WAITING FOR A PLACE TO SLEEP



Pitiful victims of the recent big munitions explosion in the east of London. Thousands were left homeless, and many adults working in the factories were killed.

them would readily sign contracts if Baker would agree to their terms. The members of the Braves who have classed themselves among the strikers are Red Smith, Maranville, Magee, Ragan, Fitzpatrick, Allen, Ruelbach, Hughes and Rudolph, but it is believed that Maranville will surrender to President Haughton when the latter names a certain figure.

The Brooklyn club is ready for a finish fight. Ebbets believes that Otto Miller will not refuse to report at Hot Springs, inasmuch as Miller has admitted that he has been liberally treated. Manager Robinson, therefore, is figuring on rearranging the champions if the strikers do not come into the fold some time next month. He may be able to line up the Robins this way:

Pitchers, Marquard, Coombs, Cheney, Malis and Appleton; catcher, Miller; infielders, Daubert, Smyth, Olson, O'Mara and Mowrey; outfielders, Nixon, Merkle and Johnston.

Smyth played fine ball last season for the Montreal club of the International League. He stood third in batting, with an average of .344 in 114 games, stole forty-five bases and had a fielding percentage of .951 at second base. Nixon played in the outfield for the Beaumont club of the Texas League. He stood third in batting, with an average of .344 in 114 games, stole forty-five bases and had a fielding percentage of .951 at second base. Nixon played in the outfield for the Beaumont club of the Texas League. He stood third in batting, with an average of .344 in 114 games, stole forty-five bases and had a fielding percentage of .951 at second base.

The Phillies have several new players who will sign, including Rhoades of Richmond, Fortune, Fish and Sir Mortimer B. Davis is president of the Imperial Tobacco Company of Canada, and a resident of Montreal. He was born in Montreal in 1864, and was educated there. He was early associated with his father in the business. He is of the Jewish faith and was for some years president of the Baron de Hirsch Institute, Montreal. He is director of many large enterprises, and is one of the best known of Canadian business men.

### SLUGGING IS STILL WANTED

**In Baseball of Today, Says President of Boston Braves**

Percy D. Haughton, president of the Boston Braves, says the popularity of baseball has been boosted if the rules were changed so as to increase the batting. Perhaps Mr. Haughton is right. Then again, perhaps he is not.

From the way the average fan begins to yell when a pitcher allows two successive hits it would seem that the bugs prefer airtight pitching to even tame batting. "Take him out," or "Send him to the show-er" can be heard in every part of the yard the instant a pair of blows are registered off a finger. Which would seem to knock the bottom out of the argument that more batting is wanted.

**Hitting Big Thing in Past.**  
On the other hand the old timer contends that walloping the ball is a "crisp" way what made the games real baseball in the eighties and nineties. And they believe that a revival of the old slugging game is what baseball needs today. But it must be borne in mind that in the old boys' day heavy hitting and large scores were the fashion and the fans of that period knew no other brand of pastime.

The present generation of fans "can't see" the games of twenty-five or thirty years ago. They point to the fact that the game never was so

fast as it is today. Nor was the sport ever on so solid a foundation as regards both the playing and business departments. The large attendance, the fat salaries paid to managers and players, and the millions of dollars invested in parks and franchises are items that tell of the progress of the national game. Still, like fizz joy, the pastime should improve with age, and perhaps an increase in batting will be the next step forward.

**Mighty Swatters Rare.**  
There is no denying the fact that mighty swatters are becoming rare. The following lists show the number of National and American league players who have batted for .300 or better since 1874, the initial year of the National league. Only players who took part in fifteen games or more are included.

Year	National League	American League
1874	12	18
1875	12	18
1876	12	18
1877	12	18
1878	12	18
1879	12	18
1880	12	18
1881	12	18
1882	12	18
1883	12	18
1884	12	18
1885	12	18
1886	12	18
1887	12	18
1888	12	18
1889	12	18
1890	12	18
1891	12	18
1892	12	18
1893	12	18
1894	12	18
1895	12	18
1896	12	18
1897	12	18
1898	12	18
1899	12	18
1900	12	18
1901	12	18
1902	12	18
1903	12	18

**WOMAN'S CHAMPIONSHIP.**  
Chicago, Feb. 12.—Announcement was made today that the 1917 women's western golf championship will be held during the week of August 27 at the Ploss Moor country club, Chicago. The offer of the club has been accepted by the officials of the Women's western golf association. The date is subject to ratification by the club, as it had not definitely been set when the offer was made.

**INTERNATIONAL MEET.**  
New York, Feb. 12.—Ed. G. Barrow, president of the International League, today sent out a call for a meeting in Newark on February 16 at which the 1917 baseball schedule will be drawn up.

**Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA**

### No Negotiations Until Sub Warfare is Modified

#### United States Replies to German Proposal for a Discussion of the Situation; Berlin Must Restore Former Pledges

Washington, Feb. 13.—The United States has replied to Germany's proposal of a discussion of the submarine situation by declining to enter into any negotiations while the proclamation of unrestricted warfare remains in effect, and until Germany restores the pledges given in the Sussex case.

An Oral Suggestion, Even The Staff Department gave out a statement, as follows:—

"In view of the appearance in the newspapers of February 11 of a report that Germany was initiating negotiations with the United States in regard to submarine warfare, the Department of State makes the following statement:—

"A suggestion was made orally to the Department of State late Saturday afternoon by the Minister of Switzerland that the German Government is willing to negotiate with the United States provided that the commercial blockade against Britain would not be interfering with the request of the Secretary of State, this suggestion was made in writing, and presented to him by the Swiss Minister on Saturday night.

"The communication was as follows:—

Memorandum.—The Swiss Government has been requested by the German Government to say that the latter is now, as before, willing to negotiate, formally or informally, with the United States, providing the commercial blockade against England will not be broken thereby." (Signed) P. Ritter.

**Modify Sub. Methods First.**  
"This memorandum was given immediate consideration, and the following reply was despatched to-day:—

"My Dear Mr. Minister: I am requested by the President to say to you, in acknowledging the memorandum which you were kind enough to send me on the 11th inst. that the Government of the United States would gladly discuss with the German Government any question it may propose for discussion, were it to withdraw its proclamation of the 31st of January, in which, suddenly and without previous intimation of any kind, it cancelled the assurances which it had given this Government on the 4th of May last; but that it does not feel that it can enter into any discussion with the German Government concerning the policy of submarine warfare against neutrals which it is now pursuing, unless and

until the German Government renews its assurances of the 4th of May and acts upon the assurance.

"No other interchange on this subject has been taken between this Government and any other Government or person."

It was stated in Washington yesterday afternoon that President Wilson would soon reach a decision favorable to the arming of American merchant vessels against sub. attacks.

**LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY.**  
By Courier Leased Wire.  
Chicago, Feb. 12.—The Chicago Board of Trade and other leading grain exchanges of the United States were closed today on account of Lincoln's birthday.

**PEACE FEDERATION.**  
By Courier Leased Wire.  
Washington, Feb. 12.—A special train today brought a delegation of the emergency peace federation here from New York, Philadelphia, and other eastern cities to solicit members of congress on behalf of pending measures to provide a popular referendum before declaring war. They arranged a demonstration, and meetings for which peace advocates were the speakers.

**FORTY BELOW.**  
Saratoga, N. Y., Feb. 12.—It was forty degrees below zero in many places in this vicinity this morning, the coldest of the winter.

**Catarrh Cannot be Cured**  
with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly upon the mucous surfaces, curing catarrh in the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quick medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in the country for years and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing catarrh. Send for testimonials, free. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation. Sold by Druggists, price 50c. Made in U.S.A.

## Why You Should Buy PATERSON'S BULK SODAS

BECAUSE—

- (1) PATERSON'S BULK SODAS ARE DELIVERED TO YOUR GROCER FRESH FROM OUR OVENS.
- (2) PATERSON'S BULK SODAS ARE MADE WITH THE BEST CANADIAN FLOUR.
- (3) PATERSON'S BULK SODAS ARE A "QUALITY" SODA ALL THE WAY THROUGH.
- (4) PATERSON'S BULK SODAS ARE SODAS THAT HAVE A DISTINCTIVE AND DELICIOUS BUTTER CREAM FLAVOR—ONE THAT EVERYBODY LIKES.
- (5) PATERSON'S BULK SODAS ARE BAKED IN A SANITARY REVOLVING OVEN BY BAKERS WHO KNOW HOW.
- (6) PATERSON'S BULK SODAS ARE A GUARANTEE THAT YOU GET A SANITARY, FRESH CRISPY, WHOLESOME AND NUTRITIOUS BISCUIT, FRESH FROM THE OVENS.

**Order From Your Grocer To-morrow and Convince Yourself**

## At That, Cedric Did Not Get Pa, Warmed Up

THEY NO USE TALKIN I AINT NEVER GOIN T GET USED Y LVIN IN A HOUSE AS COLD AS MA KEEPS THIS FER THAT FRESH-AIR BUG THAT'S VISITIN TH SON-IN-LAW? I'LL FREEZE SURE?

YAWSS OLD CHAP I'LL ADMIT THAT I FOUND THE HOUSE A BIT TOO COLD FOR MYSELF BUT I'LL TRY ANYTHING ONCE!

THEN COME WITH ME OLD TOP.

AH? I GETCHA? A GOOD HOT BATH? WHY DIDN'T I THINK O' THAT BEFORE?

OH, NOT A HOT BATH FANTHAW—AN ICE BATH! YOU'LL FIND WHEN YOU GET OUT OF IT, YOU'LL BE QUITE WARM BY COMPARISON!

**That Son-in-law of Pa's**

Copyright, 1917, by Newspaper Feature Service, Inc. Great Britain rights reserved.

**JRS**

**PRICES**

did opportunity extraordinary low

everything!

**& Co.**

**Tools**

and another

des drop

ts, scales,

ew micro-

76 Dalhousie St.

**EN**

**ILLS**

sh your worn

from our com-

luminum ware

prices right.

and Coffee Pots

or Aluminum

Tubs

ing Kettles

erous for spec-

**RNE**

Open Evenings

ink the "city council" will

and in the interest of both

empire as well as of our

in rescinding the

of their last meeting and re-

visions of the old bill.

WOODSIDE, President.

**e's**

**CO**

**FLAVOR**

**CO**

**T RIGHT**

**PLUG**

T. H. & B. RAILWAY. EASTBOUND

2-7.52 a.m.—(Daily)—For Hamilton and Intermediate points. Welland, Niagara Falls, Buffalo and New York.

WESTBOUND
1-10.09 a.m.—(Ex. Sunday)—For St. Thomas, Detroit and Chicago.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY. MAIN LINE—EAST.

6.35 a.m.—For Dundas, Hamilton and East.
7.05 a.m.—For Toronto and Montreal.
4.51 a.m.—For Hamilton, Niagara Falls and East.

Buffalo & Goderich Line.

Leave Brantford 10.05 a.m.—For Buffalo and intermediate stations.
Leave Brantford 6.00 p.m.—For Buffalo and intermediate stations.

G. T. R. Arrivals.

From West—Arrive Brantford, 1.56 a.m., 7.05 a.m., 9.30 a.m., 1.57 p.m., 3.50 p.m., 6.00 p.m., 8.37 p.m.

L. E. & N. RAILWAY. PORT DOVER TO GALT.

Daily Except Sunday
P. D. 6.50 9.00 11.00 1.00 3.00 5.00 7.00 9.00
Stee 7.02 9.12 11.12 1.12 3.12 5.12 7.12 9.12

NEWS OF THE STAGE

INTERESTING ITEMS FOR ALL FOLLOWERS OF THE DRAMA, SPOKEN AND SCREENED

AT THE GRAND.

A little touch of Irish accent makes the whole world kin, and there you have the success of "Peg O' My Heart."

"Maddin."

It is exceptional when a theatrical company scores such a hit in these days that they have to be brought back again within a few weeks to satisfy the popular demand for a return engagement.

SOME CASINO.

Say "Casino" to Fannie Ward and there immediately arises in the mind of the Lasky star visions of Nice and Monte Carlo.

RAID THE DIAMOND.

Having gobbled up most of the stage stars, the motion picture magnates are now invading the baseball diamond and stealing stars by the team-full.

PINS.

Paraphrasing the horrible rhymed pun that was perpetuated upon the name of Owen Moore before a real person of that name appeared in the film world to live down the catchy heaped upon an abstract name.

TURKEY MISSING.

House Peters and his lovely co-star, Myrtle Stedman, have had a serious disagreement which is threatening to disrupt the entire Morosco organization unless something is done about it.

FLIED TO MOUNTAINS.

Promptly after her marriage, Mae Murray fled to the mountains. This was not in order to avoid her newly acquired husband, but at the urgent behest of Director Robert Leonard.

ATTEMPTED EXPLOSION.

New York, Feb. 13.—An investigation of reports that an attempt was made early yesterday morning to blow up the Catskill aqueduct, which supplies this city with drinking water, was ordered to-day by Major General O'Ryan, commanding the state national guard.

FOR NATIONAL GOVERNMENT.

Toronto, Feb. 13.—The Canadian Club of this city has just taken a vote by mail on the question of national government for Canada. One thousand three hundred and ten cards were sent out to members, and eight hundred and sixty have been returned.

ON TRIAL.

By Courier Leased Wire. Montreal, Feb. 13.—Eva Boyle, 25 years of age, who shot and mortally wounded Albert Haynes on Jan. 8th, was formally arraigned before Judge Lacroix this morning on a charge of murder.

THE REX.

"Husband and Wife," a thrilling drama of domestic estrangement and financial embarrassment, in which Ethel Clayton and Holbrook Blinn are the co-stars, is Manager Moule's offering at the Rex for the first two days of the week.

NASAL AND THROAT CATARRH

Cured by Veno's Lightning Cough Cure. As a remedy for Catarrh in all its various forms, Veno's Lightning Cough Cure is incomparable.

Americans Quit

Belgian Relief

Withdraw From Work in Belgium and Northern France

London, Feb. 13.—The American Commission for Relief in Belgium has officially notified the German authorities that the Americans will withdraw from participation in the relief work in Belgium and northern France.

PIGS IN CLOVER

Boston, Feb. 13.—The American Commission for Relief in Belgium will continue its activities toward obtaining funds and supplies, and will support and co-operate with another neutral relief organization as soon as one is formed to administer the work.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children In Use For Over 30 Years Always bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Hutchins.

Men Wanted for the Navy. The Royal Naval Canadian Volunteer Reserve, wants men for immediate service Overseas, in the Imperial Navy.



Three girl pupils of the Nottingham, England, Education Committee Schools, where farming in all its branches is a specialty of the curriculum.

Atrocities of Austrian Army

Forces Occupying Serbia Guilty of Wholesale Murder and Outrage

CIVILIANS HANGED TO Posts Along the Railway Lines

London, Feb. 13.—The Times says, "We have received from the Serbian Legation a copy of a photograph found on the body of a dead German officer, showing six Serbians hanging to posts near the railway station at Krushevatz, part of Serbia in Austria occupation.

Murad THE WORLD'S GREATEST CIGARETTE. —whose fame has been flashed beyond the Seas. MURAD with its goodness that cannot be imitated, with its sales greater than any other cigarette in history.

Lantic Sugar. Thorough mixing is what makes cake delicate and tender. makes the best cake because it causes cream to whip and thoroughly with the butter which is the hardest part of the mixing.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to Postmaster General, will be received Ottawa, until noon, on Friday, 17th day of February, 1917, for the contract for four years, six months over Brantford No. 2 Rural from the 1st of April, 1917.

Countless Women find—that when suffering from nervousness, sick headache, dizzy spells and ailments peculiar to their sex, nothing affords such prompt and welcome relief, as follow a few doses of BEECHAM'S PILLS.

Nature's aid to better Health. N.P. SOAP. The Laundry for the Household. It is the greatest value in soap you can get today—it is really very good soap.

Navy Volunteer



Education Committee of the curriculum.

Thorough mixing is what makes cake delicate and tender

### Lantic Sugar

makes the best cake because it creams quickly and thoroughly with the butter which is the hardest part of the mixing. Its purity and extra "fine" granulation make it dissolve at once.

2 and 5-lb. Cartons  
10 and 20-lb. Bags

"The All-Purpose Sugar"

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the Postmaster General, will be received at Ottawa, until noon, on Friday, the 22nd day of February, 1917, for the conveyance of His Majesty's Mails, on a proposed contract for four years, six times per week over Brantford No. 3 Rural Route, from the 1st of April, 1917.

Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed contract may be seen and blank forms of Tender may be obtained at the Post Office of Brantford, Eagle's Nest, Burch and Newport, and at the office of the Post Office Inspector, London.

G. C. ANDERSON,  
Superintendent  
Post Office Department, Canada, Mail Service Branch, Ottawa, 12th January, 1917.

### Countless Women find—

that when suffering from nervousness, sick headache, dizzy spells and ailments peculiar to their sex—nothing affords such prompt and welcome relief, as will follow a few doses of

### BEECHAM'S PILLS

A proven women's remedy, which assists in regulating the organs, and re-establishing healthy conditions. Beecham's Pills contain no habit-forming drug—leave no disagreeable after-effects. They are—

Nature's aid to better Health

Director of Special Valves to Women are with every box. Sold everywhere. In boxes, 25c.

the Laundry for the Household

It is the greatest value in soap you can get today—it is really very good soap.

This Big Bar 15¢

### THE COBWEB GOWNS.

Anna awoke and rubbed her eyes. Then she rubbed them again. Beside her bed stood a golden chariot drawn by six peacocks. There wasn't a doubt of it. They stood there plain as day.

"Have you ever seen us before?" asked a peacock.

"Ye-es," said Anna.

"When?"

"The day I got lost in the woods. And I—I climbed into the chariot to see what it was like and you ran off with me."

"We thought you were the fairy Princess," said one of the peacocks. "And so did the fairy Prince who came riding up on the coal-black steed. You see, he'd never seen his bride-to-be and he came near marrying you. If you hadn't made a wish and whisked off home through the trees, dear knows what would have happened."

"Are they married yet?" asked Anna timidly.

"The Prince and Princess, I mean."

"They're to be married to-night," said the peacock nearest Anna's bed, "and the Princess sent us for you. She wants you for a bridesmaid."

"But," said Anna, "I just can't go in my night-dress."

"Oh, yes, you can," said the biggest peacock. "When you get there you'll have to put on your bridesmaid dress anyway."

And with that Anna climbed into the chariot, and they were off. Now, those peacocks, it seemed, could trot along the ground or gallop through the air and over the tree tops. Now they went through the window at full speed, over the house tops, over the tree tops and on into the fairy forest. They stopped after a while at a crystal cottage. Anna went in and found a beautiful bridesmaid gown made of cobwebs. It sparkled with dew and the cobwebs were woven in a beautiful pattern of lace.

"Oh, dear," said Anna. "I wish I had a lot of gowns like this."

Now, you and I know that a mortal's wish in the fairy forest always comes true, and the minute Anna spoke, the room was full of cobweb gowns. I don't know why, but the very sight of them there seemed to make her sleepy.

"Dear me," said Anna, blinking. "I wish I was in bed!"

And in a twinkling of a star, my dear, she was!

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

### SIDE TALKS

By RUTH CAMERON

#### SHE WANTED TO KNOW.

"Better fifty years of Europe than a cycle of Cathay," quoted someone the other day.

"Where is Cathay?" asked Molly, the stenographer-lady.

"Yes," said the Authorman's wife, "where is it? I've always wanted to know."

"So have I," said Molly.

"Don't believe it," said the Cynic. "Why not?" demanded the Authorman's wife.

"If you did, you'd have looked it up, wouldn't you?" asked the Cynic.

"Well—" said Molly.

That's Different.

"Yes," said the Cynic, "you're going to say 'that's different' or something to that effect. You want to know a thing in a vague way, but when it comes to making the effort to look it up 'that's different.' And yet it would only take you this long."

Whereupon he turned to the encyclopedia and after a fifty second search informed us that Cathay was the name employed by the European of the Middle Ages for China.

After which he delivered a lecture on the vague footless, helmetless way in which we "want to know" things.

If we Could See Each Other's Thoughts.

There are times when I think it would be most desirable for someone to invent a method whereby we could look into each other's minds and see thoughts in all their pellucidity, unmarred by being passed through medium of language.

And then there are times when I'm glad science hasn't gotten that far.

And this was one of the latter.

For I was guiltily conscious of more than one thing I also had always "wanted to know."

For instance, years and years ago, I started to read an article in the paper about the origin of familiar sayings. I had just reached the one about setting the river on fire when some one called me and I laid the paper down. When I thought of the article again, I couldn't find the paper, and ever since then I've wanted to know what was the origin of the phrase "He'll never set the river on fire."

And I Had to Look It Up to Get The Spelling.

Again there's the word "Electionary." I'll wager I've met that a hundred times and I've always idly wondered what it meant, and planned to look it up "someday."

If your intellectual curiosity were as keen as your ordinary curiosities," scolded the Cynic, "you wouldn't just want to know. You'd find out."

It's a just indictment of most of us isn't it?

Or maybe you are one of the wonderful people who promptly convert all their wonders into knowledge. I assume they exist for the Cynic assures us he is one of them.

### OUR DAILY PATTERN SERVICE

Valuable Suggestions or the Handy Homemaker—Order Any Pattern Through the Courier. Be Sure to State Size.

### LADY'S FOUR GORE SKIRT.

By Anabel Worthington.

almost cover the ankles. There are many detail features of pleasing value to give variety to the models, so that one may have a change from the one-piece frock to a pretty blouse and separate skirt when fancy directs the choice.

A most attractive model on smart, dignified lines is illustrated here. The garment is cut in four gores and has the upper edge of the back gore gathered on a slightly raised waistline; the effect is not unlike that of shirring and answers the purpose of a belt. Making two plaits in each half of the front gore for the plaited panel was a clever idea to preserve the popular straight line feature, and the decorative belt stitched to the top of the front gore and outlined with covered buttons is also in excellent taste.

For copying the design one may choose serge, broadcloth, drevlyn, velour, satin or velvet. By using the pattern you will appreciate that you can cut your clothes expense without sacrificing style or smartness.

The skirt pattern, No. 8,111, cuts in sizes 24 to 32. To make in size 24 requires 4 3/4 yards 36-inch material.

To obtain the pattern send 10 cents to the office of this publication.

### When You Make That Dress You Will Need BUTTONS. See Our Assortment

### The RITCHIE BUTTON Co.

53 Colborne St. Phone 2055

### Rippling Rhymes

Walt Mason

IMMORTAL.

We often hear the critics state, in magazine or journal, "This noble book is truly great—its fame will be eternal!" Just now they're boosting such a book, writ by a gifted Briton, and say we'll all have far to look for one as well written. "It will endure while people speak," they say, "the English lingo; it is the work the highbrows seek—a masterpiece, by jingo!" And in a year, or maybe less, the book will be forgotten. I brought it rather rotten. Since Stevenson was called away, beyond our jurisdiction, I doubt if any human

jay has written lasting fiction. Each year we hail a masterpiece that's bound to last for ages; the sons of men will never cease to con its noble pages. Can you recall the books you read, two years ago last Autumn? They were immortal tomes, you said—and then the junk man got 'em. The modern authors try to teach old lessons, stale and hoary; teach old lessons, stale and hoary; teach old lessons, stale and hoary; and so forget their story. We listen to them as they spout, and yawn where we should chortle; and none, since Stevenson went out, has struck the note immortal.

### BAD COLD? TAKE "CASCARETS" FOR BOWELS TONIGHT

Get a 10 cent box.

Colds—whether in the head or part of the body—are quickly overcome by urging the liver to action and keeping the bowels free of poison. Take Cascarets to-night and you will wake up with a clear head and your cold will be gone. Cascarets work while you sleep; they cleanse and regulate the stomach, remove the sour, undigested food and foul gases; take the excess bile from the liver and carry off the constipated waste matter and poison from the bowels.

Remember the quickest way to get rid of colds is one or two Cascarets at night to cleanse the system. Get a 10-cent box at any drug store. Don't forget the children. They resist the Candy Cathartic and it is often all that is needed to drive a cold from their little systems.

#### GRATEFUL RECIPIENTS

##### Queen Mary's Needlework Guild's Work Appreciated

The following are two extracts from letters received from France by London Headquarters of Queen Mary's Needlework Guild, and sent to the Canadian branch of the Guild, in reference to Canadian Christmas donations.

"Words cannot express my thanks and gratitude for such a generous and magnificent gift which I received at Christmas on behalf of our sick and wounded in hospital. The patients were simply delighted and charmed with the various gifts, and especially so when they knew that they had been sent by command of Her most kind and gracious Majesty the Queen. If you could only have seen them on Christmas Day, how cheery and delighted they all were, you would then, perhaps, realize how much the gifts had really been appreciated. The plum puddings were greatly enjoyed by them, and voted the best they had ever tasted.

"May I beg to say how much we appreciate all that is being done for us out here by the good, kind people at home, and especially you that every thing sent proves the greatest boon to us, both economizing time and work. Also the dressings and comforts sent so beautifully made in every way."

Mrs. Angus, president of the Queen Mary's Needlework Guild in Canada, takes this opportunity to appeal to all Canadian women "who last year contributed towards the Queen's Birthday Shower, to repeat their good work of last year, and also to appeal to others who wish to join in this good work, and demonstration of love and loyalty to Her Majesty the Queen."

The donations most in demand are Day, night or hospital shirts, socks, bed-linen, handkerchiefs, to be sent to the Canadian headquarters of the Guild, 116 Windsor St., Montreal, whence they will be acknowledged, and the letters of acknowledgement published as soon as it is received in Montreal. Donations should all be in before May 1st.

Mrs. Arthur Drummond has accepted the appointment of honorary secretary of the Queen Mary's Needlework Guild, Canadian branch.

#### NEWPORT.

(From our own Correspondent)

A pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Atkinson on Wednesday, February 7th, when their eldest daughter, Grace Viola was united in marriage with Mr. Thomas Alex. Barron. Rev. Charles Mills, B.A., assisted by the Rev. James Drew, tied the nuptial knot. The happy couple left in the evening for New York. Their many friends extend congratulations and best wishes.

Miss Carrie Emmott spent the week-end at the parental home.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Charlton, "Rose Hall," St. George's, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. George Charlton.

Master Leslie Brown of the city spent the week-end with Mrs. George E. Wood.

Wedding bells in the near future, Mr. Walker and Mr. and Mrs. Norris intend moving into their home on Wednesday.

### Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

### Hood's Pills

cure constipation, biliousness and all liver ills. Do not grip or irritate. 25¢

2 and 5 lb. Cartons—10, 20, 50 and 100 lb. Bags.

### DAUGHTER OF EARL AS A PARLORMAID

#### Women and Girls of High Rank Fill All Capacities in London

Who is the prettiest typist in England would be a rash man indeed who would undertake the role of Paris in this regard, but Hayden Church goes so far as to declare that one of the comeliest of the many fair tappers of the typewriter keys in the British Islands is Lady Rosamund Butler, the eldest daughter of the Earl and Countess of Carrick.

What, you exclaim, an earl's daughter, doing typing? Even so, and working hard at it. The Countess of Carrick, herself says that her lovely eldest daughter, who is only seventeen, and the countess herself declares, the prettiest girl in England, is working under the Government as a typist at Southampton.

Lady Rosamund, her proud mamma says, starts work every morning at nine and keeps at it until six, on Saturdays as well as other days, not to mention putting in quite a lot of overtime. Her likewise pretty sister, Lady Irene Beatrice, is also war-working strenuously.

The Earl of Carrick who holds a temporary captaincy in the army service corps, comes of a fighting stock that always has been associated with the Irish county which the popular song has made even more famous, namely Tipperary. The Countess, whose good looks are inherited by her girls, is a soldier's daughter, her father having been the late Lieutenant-Colonel H. C. Lindsay, who served with distinction in the Crimean war and the Kaffir war of 1848.

If an earl's daughter may be a typist, why should not another earl's daughter be a parlor maid? Anyway, one is, and what is more, this aristocratic damsel, who like Lady Rosamund Butler is exceedingly good to look upon, is half American. She is Lady Joan Rachel de Vere Capel, youngest daughter of the late earl and of the very-much-alive Countess of Essex, who formerly was Miss Adela Grant of New York.

Of course Lady Joan's parlor maid, like Lady Rosamund's typewriting, is war work. The scene of it is Londonderry house, the mansion of the marquis of that title in Park Lane, which is now a military hospital. The duty of the ordinary parlor maid in England is to look after things in the drawing-room, serve at afternoon tea, dust, et cetera, and it is to be assumed that Lady Joan does some of these things at Londonderry house, at all events parlor maid is her official designation there.

She too, is just sweet seventeen, and her elder and likewise pretty sister Lady Iris Capel, who will be 21 next June, is also doing her bit to help on with the war. At present Lady Iris is driving a motorcar for the national food fund, and doing canteen work between whiles.

The Grange at Middlemarch decided to "adopt" a prisoner of war for a year.

Recent heavy falls of snow have put a damper on the ice harvest around Brockville.

Benjamin Shelly, for the past 15 years porter at Howell House, Theford, died recently.

There is a movement on foot at Gananogue to have the Brockville to Belleville local restored.

### OUR DAILY PATTERN SERVICE

Valuable Suggestions or the Handy Homemaker—Order Any Pattern Through the Courier. Be Sure to State Size.

### SUTHERLAND'S VALENTINES

## February 14th

### Jas. L. Sutherland

### Redpath SUGAR

From "Ye Olde Sugar Loafe" of grandmother's day, to the sparkling "Extra Granulated" in your own cut-glass bowl, Redpath Sugar has appeared three times daily, for over half a century, on thousands of Canadian tables.

"Let Redpath Sweeten it."

Made in one grade only the highest!

2 and 5 lb. Cartons—10, 20, 50 and 100 lb. Bags.

### PURITY FLOUR

"Mother, that's the flour Mrs. B.K.D. said was so good. Let's try it."

More Bread and Better Bread

### OVAL PICTURE FRAMES

Finished in Gilt and Natural wood, suitable for 14x18 pictures, fitted with con-flex glass, excellent frames for enlarged pictures.

PRICES FROM \$1.50 to \$2.50 COMPLETE

### STEDMAN'S BOOKSTORE

LIMITED

Both Phones 569 160 Colborne St

### ECONOMY AND EDDY'S MATCHES

Buying the Cheapest Article is often the poorest economy.

We do not claim to make the cheapest matches, but we do claim to give—

THE MOST OF THE BEST FOR THE LEAST MONEY

THEREFORE, ALWAYS, EVERYWHERE, BUY EDDY'S MATCHES

### SUTHERLAND'S VALENTINES

## February 14th

### Jas. L. Sutherland

### Redpath SUGAR

From "Ye Olde Sugar Loafe" of grandmother's day, to the sparkling "Extra Granulated" in your own cut-glass bowl, Redpath Sugar has appeared three times daily, for over half a century, on thousands of Canadian tables.

"Let Redpath Sweeten it."

Made in one grade only the highest!

2 and 5 lb. Cartons—10, 20, 50 and 100 lb. Bags.

