

BOLSHEVIKI BREAK WITH ENEMY

Spirit of Civil War Active in the Cossack Territory Peace Negotiations Cease Owing to Hun Terms

Overtures at Brest-Litovsk Brought to a Close by Bolsheviki Because of Teuton Attitude Toward Poland and Lithuania and Proposal to Retain Carrisons at Libau and Riga

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Jan. 2.—Peace negotiations at Brest-Litovsk have been broken off by the Bolsheviki Government owing to the German attitude in regard to Poland and Lithuania and the enemy's proposal that garrisons be retained at Libau, Riga and elsewhere, according to a telegram from the Petrograd correspondent of The Daily News appearing in a late edition of that paper to-day.

The dispatch quotes an article from the Bolsheviki newspaper Izvestia discussing "the new phase in the peace negotiations." The article says that owing to pressure from below the Germans have been obliged to soil their lips with the formula put forward by the Socialists at the beginning of the war, but the German imperialists would not be imperialists if they did not try to take back in fact what with gritted teeth they yielded in words.

By Courier Leased Wire

New Declaration By Foe

London, Jan. 2.—The Central Powers within the next ten days will make new declarations regarding Germany's peace conditions, a dispatch from Geneva to The Daily Express quotes The Munich Nachrichten as saying. It is added that modifications may be introduced owing to the attitude of the Entente Powers.

Civil War

London, Jan. 2.—The spirit of civil war is active in the Cossack territory, and the entire population of the Don valley has been mobilized, according to a Petrograd dispatch to The Times. All men of military age are under arms, and women and youths are being employed behind the fighting line. Thousands of officers of the regular army have joined the Cossack ranks, and there are said to be more than twenty thousand commissioned officers.

German Attitude

London, Jan. 2.—Weltman Pavlovich, a non-Bolsheviki member of the Russian delegation to Brest-Litovsk, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Petrograd, says the German attitude in regard to the freeing of occupied Russian territories depends entirely on the relationship of the Bolsheviki government with the Ukrainians and the Cossacks. He adds that if the Entente Allies refuse to negotiate a general peace, Germany will not consider her declarations to the Bolsheviki binding.

Germany's fundamental war aims, M. Pavlovich adds, is to restore economic union stretching from Hamburg to the Persian Gulf, giving Turkey and Bulgaria, with certain restrictions, the same position as that occupied by Australia and Canada in their economic relations with Great Britain.

The representatives of Bulgaria and Turkey, the Russian delegate says, are most obstinate regarding concessions as compared with the German delegates, and he believes that their attitude will hamper further negotiations.

M. Pavlovich thinks that Germany certainly will demand the evacuation of Mesopotamia, Arabia and Palestine, for the freeing of Belgium and occupied French territory and, if the successes of the Central Powers in Italy continues, will demand the return of Tripoli.

Joint Sitings

London, Jan. 2.—According to Petrograd dispatches, joint sittings of the Austro-German delegations with the Russian representatives started Monday, the members of the Brest-Litovsk delegations participating. The discussions turned chiefly upon the fate of prisoners and trade relations.

The movement of the delegates of the Central Powers from hotel to hotel in search of better rations, has created amusement among the Russian newspapers, which say the Germans love luxury and have an appetite.

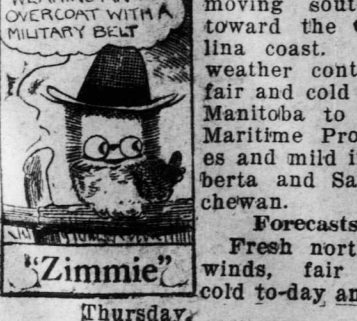
Consults of the neutral powers have held a consultation in Petrograd concerning security of bank deposits belonging to their nation.

WEATHER BULLETIN

Toronto, Dec. 2.—A disturbance now centered in Kentucky is moving southeast toward the Carolina coast. The weather continues fair and cold from Manitoba to the Maritime Provinces and mild in Alberta and Saskatchewan.

FORECASTS

Fresh northerly winds, fair, cold to-day and on Thursday.



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C.M.G. AWARDED GEN. ASHTON

Local Officer, Adjutant-General of Dominion, In New Year's Honors

Brigadier-General Ernest C. Ashton, of this city, Adjutant-General of the Dominion, is among the Canadians who share in the King's New Year honors. Gen. Ashton is awarded the



Brig. Gen. E. C. Ashton, C. M. G.

C.M.G., Companionship of St. Michael and St. George, which comes as a fitting climax to the military honors already won by Brantford's premier soldier man.

NEW BLOOD IS WANTED

London Chronicle Pleads for Strengthening of Diplomatic Service

AMBASSADORS RETIRE Sir Cecil Spring-Rice and Lord Bertie of Thame to Quit Posts

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Jan. 2.—In announcing that Sir Cecil Spring-Rice and Lord Bertie are on the eve of retiring from the embassies at Washington and Paris and in repeating the rumor that Sir George Buchanan is about to resign from the Petrograd post, the Daily Chronicle pleads the urgent need of bringing fresh blood into a service which has long been divorced from the actualities of modern life. The paper asks whether the government has the courage to make a new departure in filling these important posts.

It does not criticize any of the ambassadors and especially commends Sir George Buchanan's work, but "speaking broadly, the prestige of the British ambassadorial service stands none too high to-day." It remarks that Viscount Bryce was the most successful British ambassador in the past decade and hopes that Premier Lloyd George will follow the example then given by appointing new men. The Daily Chronicle continues:

"The time has gone when British interests abroad can be entrusted wisely to men whose principal qualifications are aristocratic birth or wealth and who spend their lives in an atmosphere utterly removed from the realities of the modern world and look with disdainful eye on commerce."

Sir Cecil Spring-Rice became British ambassador to the United States on April 19, 1913, in succession to James Bryce, now Viscount Bryce. Lord Bertie of Thame has been British ambassador to Russia since January 1, 1905. Sir Cecil was born in 1859 and Lord Bertie was born in 1844. Sir George Buchanan was born in 1874 and was promoted ambassador to Russia on November 23, 1910.

FIRE ON STATEN ISLAND.

By Courier Leased Wire. New York, N.Y., Jan. 2.—Fire, which followed a violent explosion to-day, destroyed the two and a half million dollar plant of a private corporation on Staten Island, which has a contract for the reduction of all garbage from the city of New York.

ENGLAND FACING A MEAT SCARCITY

Supply is Fairly Abundant, But Farmers Refuse to Sell at Prices Fixed by Food Controller; Cattle Markets Short on Tuesday

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Jan. 2.—Many parts of England are now threatened with a meat scarcity. Until very recently meat was fairly abundant, though high in price, but a new order issued by Lord Rhondda, the food controller, regulating the price of cattle on the basis of live weight, has caused the farmers to refuse to sell their beasts in the market, while the butchers in some places complain they cannot continue to sell at scheduled retail prices and are determined to close their shops unless the prices are revised.

As regards the complaint of the farmers, Lord Rhondda has empowered his commissary to commandeer cattle, wherever it is proved farmers are holding them back, and it seems likely that this measure will be put into effect. The food controller is equally unympathetic with the grievances of the butchers. He says that on no account will he alter retail prices and has ordered the prosecution of any butcher exceeding the prices fixed.

All the largest cattle markets Tuesday were greatly short of their usual supplies. At Leeds, for instance, where there was a demand for six hundred head only 14 were offered. Conditions elsewhere were similar, including Lincoln, York, Doncaster, Exeter, Southampton and Derby. At Smithfield, London's central meat market, the supplies Tuesday were the smallest on record and many butchers were unable to obtain supplies. Numbers of retailers in the London area, who for some time have been closing their shops at midday, say they see no prospect, but to close them entirely.

FOUR CANDIDATES IN THE FIELD FOR MAYORALTY

Mayor Bowlby Essaying a Come Back While Ald. Dowling, Jones, MacBride, are Also in the Fight—Aldermanic Field Still Fairly Wide

A four-cornered fight for the Mayoralty became assured at the City Clerk's office this morning, when Ald. MacBride signed his qualification papers, in addition to Ald. Dowling and Jones, and W. J. Worship the Mayor. So until January 7th there's likely to be a hot time in the old town.

The qualifications this morning brought forth no startling developments. A number of those nominated withdrew from the field, but no further acclamations were provided. Ald. MacFarland for the Hydro Commission and Boddy, Harp and Hurley for aldermen in Ward 3 are the only ones who will take their seats unopposed. H. J. Clement, qualifying as an alderman in Ward 5, has withdrawn from the running for the Water Commission, leaving the fight there between John Fair, seeking re-election, and Peter Noble, who was defeated last year. A. O. Secord and P. H. Secord are in the field against Commissioner F. J. Calbeck for the Railway Commission. Six candidates are running for the four vacancies on the Board of Education, W. N. Andrews being the only one of those nominated to withdraw.

None of last year's Council representatives from Ward 1 are in the aldermanic field this year. P. H. Secord is essaying the Railway Commission, S. A. Jones the Mayoralty, while Ald. Varey has withdrawn. In Ward 2, Ald. English and Kelly are again in the ring, with two newcomers, Ald. Hess is apparently taking a year off. Ald. Harp has an acclamation in Ward 3. Ald. Dowling is in the running for the Mayoralty, and Ald. Tulloch is out of it. Ward 4 has two worthy representatives still in the ring. Ald. Bragg and Mellen, while Ald. MacBride is out for bigger game. In Ward 5, Ald. Symons is essaying the come-back, Ald. Jennings and Wiley having quit the field.

The full list of qualified candidates follows:

For Mayor, J. S. Dowling, J. W. Bowlby, S. A. Jones, M. M. MacBride. For Water Commission, John Fair, Peter Noble. Hydro Commission, A. McFarland (acclamation), Railway Commission, F. J. Calbeck, A. O. Secord, P. H. Secord. Board of Education, C. E. Jenkins, T. S. Armstrong, J. W. Shepperson, W. H. Lane, Miss M. Colter, Mrs. P. P. Ballackey.

ORATORIO SOCIETY RENDERED MESSIAH

Splendid Musical Attraction at First Baptist Church Last Night

The annual performance of Handel's "Messiah" by the Brantford Oratorio Society last evening in the First Baptist Church was a distinct musical triumph. All who attended the recital last evening were delighted with the excellent work of the choruses and also of the soloists.

At eight o'clock the church was comfortably filled, both upstairs and down, and all settled down for an evening of real enjoyment. Both the choir and the audience entered fully into the spirit of the beautiful work and all are enthusiastic over the result. Great praise is due Mr. J. T. Schofield, who has so faithfully trained his choir. The splendid practices carried on for many weeks showed up last evening in the fine shading, sympathetic conception of the work as a whole, and the production of the parts to the strictest of the leader. Mr. Schofield with his choir of 75 voices last night, with Mr. Tom Darwin at the organ and his brother assisting with the cornet produced wave upon wave of tone as sweet and perfect as has been heard in this city for many a day. Brantford is to be congratulated on having such a leader as Mr. Schofield and the annual performance of this and other works the society may undertake should receive a wide patronage from all lovers of good music.

Mr. Darwin's work at the organ was splendid and gave an excellent support to the leader and the choir. The opening overture and Pastoral (Continued on Page 3.)

ITALIAN NEW YEAR VICTORY

Austro-Germans Driven From Zenson Bridge-head on West Front

ITALY STRENGTHENED

By Courier Leased Wire. Rome, Tuesday, Jan. 1.—The Italian Government has taken measures to intern all enemy subjects in Italy within four or five days. La Epoca says. No exceptions will be made.

Italian troops have won the first victory recorded in the new year. The defensive line from Lake Garda to the Adriatic has been strengthened by the Italian success in driving the Austro-Germans from the Zenson bridgehead on the western bank of the Piave, which they had held since mid-November.

While holding strong positions in the mountain region from Asiago across the Brenta to the Piave, the Italian flank along the Piave is now intact. The Austro-Germans have extended their fire to the left bank of the river, but have made no attacks. The Germans attempted a raid near Loos, north of Lens, Tuesday morning, but were repulsed by the British.

On the western front, the coming of 1918 was welcomed by strong artillery duels in the Ypres, Cambrai and Verdun areas. In the Verdun sector the Germans have extended their fire to the left bank of the river, but have made no attacks. The Germans attempted a raid near Loos, north of Lens, Tuesday morning, but were repulsed by the British.

With the entire Cossack territory reported aroused against the Bolsheviki, General Kaledines' troops are advancing toward Moscow, and fighting with the Bolsheviki has been resumed at Kurak, about 200 miles south of Moscow. All men of military age in the Don Cossack region have been called to arms, and it is reported that General Kaledines has 20,000 officers, including many from the Russian regular army, also under his command. The situation in the Roumanian front is reported to be very serious, the Roumanians having rebelled against Bolsheviki agents. Train service between Riga and Petrograd has been resumed.

New declarations regarding German peace terms will be issued within ten days, according to the Munich newspapers. It is said the attitude of the Entente Powers, presumably toward the terms expressed at Brest-Litovsk, may bring about some changes.

THE MERCHANTS CORNER

Advertisement is an investment—not an expense—and should be treated as such.

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For Railway Commissioner

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ON THE JOB

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Return the only member of the present Street Railway Board who is in the field in this contest.



I appeal with confidence to the electors of Brantford for re-election to the municipal Street Railway Board on my record of public service in this city.

This record extends over the past twelve years, embracing a wide range of service on such public bodies as the License Commission, the Public School Board, the City Council and the Municipal Railway Board.

In all of these capacities I have endeavored to render faithful service have been active and zealous in the discharge of my duties and have at all times regarded office as a public trust to be exercised solely in the interest of the people whom it has been my privilege to serve.

I feel confident that electors will not overlook these past services, coupled as they are with a two-year period of successful administration on the Railway Board.

YOU CAN ENDORSE THE RECORD OF THE RAILWAY COMMISSION BY MY RETURN, AS I AM THE ONLY MEMBER OF THE BOARD WHO IS STANDING IN THIS CONTEST FOR RE-ELECTION.

Frank J. Calbeck

ATHLETES HONORED

By Courier Leased Wire.
Montreal, Jan. 2.—Included in the list of New Year's military honors are the names of two Montreal athletes, Major Arthur Ploie and Lt. Lorne C. Montgomery, who have been awarded the Military Cross for conspicuous service and gallantry.

FOUND NEICES

By Courier Leased Wire.
Halifax, N. S. Jan. 2.—Mrs. John Read, of Moncton, through J. J. Sreeder, chairman of the information bureau, found her two nieces, Annie and Lizzie White, last night at St. Joseph's Orphanage. Their mo-

ther and four other members of the family were killed in the explosion and their father, Walter B. White, formerly a brakeman on the Intercolonial Railway is now overseas.

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NEWS OF NORFOLK

Sudden Death of Mrs. Robert Thompson, New Year's Night

VISITING IN SIMCOE

Nominations for Norfolk—Four Named for Mayoralty

Write Simcoe Agency, Box 311, or phone 356-3 all matters regarding delivery of subscriptions, news items or advertisements.

Simcoe, Special, Jan. 2.—Mrs. Robert Thompson of Victoria, died suddenly at the home of Mrs. Robert E. Scott, Talbot Street, North, shortly after eleven o'clock last night. Mrs. Thompson, who was about 55 years of age, was over for the day and attended the picture show. The end came shortly after reaching the dwelling. It was doubtless caused by an acute attack of asthma.

BE THANKFUL

Mr. J. E. Jackson spent New Year's day looking for coal in Buffalo, and returning last night reported that in the Bison City, coal was quite as scarce as in Simcoe and actually under a controller. Let us be thankful that we have Lymedoch gas and consider the necessity of segregation to conserve what fuel we have, for so many Austrians and Italians have left the mines that it is impossible to get out coal enough to supply demands. The situation is getting really serious. Save the fuel.

Simcoe, Jan. 1.—(From Our Own Correspondent)—The local nominations yesterday apparently gave evidence of more interest in matters municipal than has been the case for many years, and as a result of liberal nominations for all offices an election seems almost a certainty.

Throughout the county there has been a desire to avoid contests but the returns to hand last night showed acclamations only in Port Rowan, Waterford, South Walsingham and possibly Houghton.

Middleton and North Walsingham may be reduced to acclamations. In the former municipality it would be expected that Mr. Dick should meet opposition at the present juncture, especially from the men who have been nominated against him. Only in Windham and Charlotteville do we look for hot contests though Simcoe has the material collected for a big struggle.

WE GIVE HEREWITH A TOLERABLE FULL LIST OF THE NOMINATIONS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY YESTERDAY.

SIMCOE

For Mayor

Wm. L. Innes, by R. E. Gunton and H. F. Cropp.
T. E. Langford, by J. A. Calder and Chas. Crosbie.
Geo. Williamson, by T. E. Langford and H. Cropp.
Geo. J. McKies, by Geo. Williamson and Geo. H. Luscombe.

For Reeve

Albert E. Slater, by Sol. Vrooman and W. A. Bowyer.
H. A. Carter, by Geo. Luscombe and A. C. Lea.
T. E. Langford, by W. James McKnight and J. A. Calder.
Wm. Geo. Jackson, by J. A. Calder and T. E. Langford.
Roger Cropp, by R. Craig and A. Jaques.
T. E. Langford, by H. A. Carter and Grover Murdoch.
G. A. Curtis, by L. C. Gibson and Jas. L. Acker.
Geo. Williamson, by R. E. Gunton and R. Cropp.
Geo. Doughty, by C. Smith and Sol. Vrooman.

J. B. Jackson, by H. A. Carter and J. A. Calder.
L. C. Gibson, by Wm. Burt and Grover C. Murdoch.
T. E. Sibley, by A. Jaques and R. Cropp.
W. M. McGuire, by R. Craig and W. A. Bowyer.
Geo. Williamson, by R. E. Gunton and L. C. Gibson.

For Councilors

Robert Craig, Gentleman.
B. B. Ballie, Merchant.
Roger Cropp, Mechanic.
Henry Crobb, Clerk.
Jas. L. Acker, Auto Dealer.
A. Jaques, Dealer.
W. A. Bowyer, Gentleman.
T. E. Langford, Insurance and Journalism.
A. C. Lea, Manufacturer.

For Council

For Council—Geo. H. Claxton (acclamation).
For Council—Wm. Roney, John Pepper, Wm. Brandow, J. K. McLenahan, Dwight Denning, O. E. Keefe.
There was rather a small turnout Monday at the closing meeting of the I.O.E. for the year that is now closed. Nominations will be held on Jan. 28th, and elections one month later. We understand that there is a considerable decrease in the funds provided by the Citizens Patriotic Committee and there is a need for speeding up of subscriptions to this most worthy cause.

Donations—From Women's Institute at Langton: 15 suits pyjamas, 1 pillow, 2 quilts, 1 scarf, 2 caps, 33 pair socks, 1 doz. pillow covers, 4 vermin gaiters, 4 rolls old cotton, 2 doz. handkerchiefs.

Shipments—To Canadian Red Cross: 2 doz. suits pyjamas, 2 doz. towels, 6 doz. wash cloths, 5 doz. handkerchiefs, 1 doz. pillow slips.
Shipments Overseas—To Pte. Norman Warrett, 15 pr. socks; to Pte. J. M. Goulden, 15 pr. socks; to Pte. R. W. Culver, 14 pr. socks, 1 cap, 1 pair wristlets.
To Corp Clayton Marriott, 15 pair socks; to Lt. M. M. Dillon, 1 Lt. W. Durward, Lt. Norman Dick, Capt. D. D. Gunton.

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S. L. Krompart, Implement Block-maker.
D. Robb Tisdale, Gentleman.
Geo. Doughty, Contractor.
Herbert Fick, Lumber Merchant.
Wm. Jas. McKnight, Gentleman.
J. L. Overlawyer.
J. H. Butler, Photographer Delhi.
Reeve—John McPherson (acclamation).
For Council—G. Henry Smith, John Hillier, Geo. A. Smith, John Bannister, David Berthing, Port Rowan.
Reeve—J. L. Huck (acclamation). C. S. Kilmaster and Dr. Meek withdrawing.
Council—W. Howie, T. E. Alton, W. P. Ferris, J. Robinson (acclamation).
Port Dover.
For Reeve—Wm. Walker, Matthew Wilson.
For Council—R. M. Taylor, Chas. Teeple, Matthew Wilson, Harry A. Smith, John Horrie, Clara Deal, James Bannister, John Reynolds, Wm. Graham, Carl Coleman, Wm. Langs.

Waterford.
Reeve—Dr. O. A. Duncombe (acclamation).
Council—Dr. R. Teeter, James Furley, W. S. Mason, L. M. Leflar (acclamation).
Houghton Township.
Reeve—M. S. Williams (acclamation).
Townsend.
Reeve—James Welsh (acclamation).
For Deputy Reeve—Wm. Woodley J. Schuyler.
For Council—Nelson Hall, W. H. Mason, J. Overlawyer, Geo. Sewell.

South Walsingham.
Reeve—Jos. Cridland (acclamation).
Council by acclamation with one new member at the board.
South Walsingham.
For Reeve—Matthew McDowell, James Brayley, Cushman Heatherington.
For Council—Henry Hawney, Geo. Robertson, Robert Hill, Chas. McKim, Roy Marshall, Geo. Brownlie, Ed. Mahshall.

Middleton.
For Reeve—Robt. W. Dick, Aquilla Sandham, Henry Wallace.
For Council—O. Insson, M. Schafer, Albert Swina, Henry Wallace, Aquilla Sandham.
Reeve—Gilbert McSloy (acclamation).
For Council—Charlton Woolley, R. W. Caswell, Nathan Butler, Wilson Center, Geo. Hammond, Thos. Horn.
Windham.
For Reeve—Clayton Hunter, John Macklin.
For Deputy Reeve—Horace Kellum, Jas. Crane.
For Council—Fred Woolley, Wm. Haviland, Russell Winske, John Brydman, Sam Desboro, Jos. McCauley, Angus Smees, Duncan.

Charlotteville.
For Reeve—Harry Lawrence, A. McKeown.
For Deputy Reeve—Ed. Scram, Alex. Hutchings.
For Council—Wm. Roney, John Pepper, Wm. Brandow, J. K. McLenahan, Dwight Denning, O. E. Keefe.

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For Christmas parcels—2 pair each to Ptes. Gingsel, Bruce Jackson, C. Rankin and D. E. Stignewer, 1 pr. each to Ptes. D. Lawson and Pte. J. Matthews.
Disbursements:—
British Navy Fund \$400.00
To Field Comforts and Tobacco Fund 100.00
To Canadian Red Cross 75.00
To Prisoners of War 100.00
To Belgian Relief Fund . . . 17.50
Mrs. Rupert Simpson, who has been Regent of the Simcoe Chapter since its inception, has advised the members that retirement from office on her part is imperative. The members are casting about for a successor.

Odd Ends of News.

John McNally of Norfolk St. and Fred Doan of Lynn Valley, leave today for an extended trip to New Orleans, and home via the Pacific coast.
Chief Canning checks our estimate of the number of fire alarms sent in during the year by months, as follows: 1-1-3-3-2-1-0-0-1-0-3. Total 15.
Personals.
Miss Helen M. Dey, M.A., leaves this afternoon for college duties at Providence, R.I.
Corp. Russ Cook, now 46 years of age, still on frontier guard at De Cow Falls, spent yesterday with the family here. Military service is no novelty for him. He was 12 years of the Black Watch, seven years of which was spent in India.
Mrs. Annie Atherton will attend the wedding of her friend, Miss Woodside, in Hamilton to-morrow.
"Ted" Nicholls hit the town Saturday night prepared for all comers at draughts.
Mrs. John Cook and little son and Mrs. Mary Lightbody, of Hamilton,

Music and Drama

AT THE GRAND

Manager J. T. Whitaker of the Grand Opera House has announced an attractive programme of stellar attractions for the month of January. In all nine shows will be presented including "MacBeth" the Shakespearean, giving picture production showing to-night. The balance of the programme does not include any but plays of the legitimate stage. The list of plays follows:

January 4th—"Which One Shall I Marry?"
January 5th—"Katinka" an exceptionally good musical comedy, with a company of 62, a special orchestra, and two carloads of scenery.
January 11th—"May Robson in a drama, "A Little Bit Old Fashioned."
January 14th—"Bringing Up Father."
January 19th—"Upstairs and Down."
January 23rd—Stanley Lawrence in the Irish play, "Come Back to Erin."
January 29th—Elsie Ryan in, "Out There" playing at the Princess Theatre, Toronto, next week.

January 31st—The I. O. D. E. concert featuring Mmc. Nardini.
whose comrades husbands fell together in France, have returned to Hamilton after visiting with the family of Mr. J. R. Cook, Cedar St.
Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Robertson visited in Waterford yesterday.
Dr. and Mrs. Burt had New Year's dinner in Brantford.

Mr. and Mrs. Mattice and Mr. Chas. Hayes of Brantford had New Year's dinner with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McLean, Market Street and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Butler and son of the western peninsula, visited Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Johnston yesterday.
Mr. John Harper's aggregation gave a good band program at the rink last night, and there was a good turn out on the ice.

After 25 Years Absence

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Misner and daughter of Galahad, Alta, and Mr. Lewis Sharp of Togo, Sask., reached Simcoe yesterday on an extended visit with relatives in and about Simcoe. The Misner family, on the 4th con. of Woodhouse, and left here 27 years ago for Michigan, and two years later went to West.
Mrs. E. H. Hart, J. Jarvis, Mrs. John McInally and Mrs. Isaac McInally of Simcoe are sisters of Mrs. Misner. Both Mrs. Misner and Mr. Sharp have large families on the prairie, the majority of whom are producing wheat.

PATH TO TRIUMPH IS BY SACRIFICE

President Poincare of France Sends Greetings to People of U. S.

King Alexander of Greece Says Hellenes Will Fight for Ideals

Washington, Dec. 31.—The voices of Washington still resound and he shows the path to triumph through sacrifice, says President Poincare of France, in a New Year's greeting to the American people, which appears in the New Year edition of the Official Bulletin.
M. Poincare's message is one of a number received from the heads of the nations associated with the United States in the war against Germany. Others came from King Alexander of Greece, President Menocal of Cuba, President Valdes of Panama, King Peter of Serbia, President Buera of Bolivia, and President Vera of Uruguay.
"As the year 1917 closes," called the French President, "I look back with emotion to the months just elapsed and to the successive phases of the world struggle, and in particular, to the entrance of the United States into the war.
Champions of a common cause, the American people and the French people, whom a fraternity of arms binds together, are proud of whom it is binding still more closely to-day, contemplate with unshakable firmness and with the serene consciousness of their duty, the liberating

task that they have sworn to accomplish to the end. The year 1918 will see the continuation of the sublime effort of the free nations, grouped for the defence of honor, and of the pledged word, for the safeguarding of all motherlands, great or small, against the powers of Imperialism, and autocracy; whose avowed design it is to dispose of peoples just as they have led them to death—without consulting them." Greek King's Message.
The greeting from King Alexander of Greece, said: "The Greeks, who were the first to seek justice and liberty, understand thoroughly, and greatly admire the magnitude of the ideals for which the United States entered so boldly this terrible war. Imbued by the same ideals, the Greeks will fight to help to secure their realization. They will do it with so much more determination, as they expect to contribute to free millions of their brothers actually persecuted by their hereditary enemies."
"I wish that the New Year would bring to all the people fighting for the freedom of the world the just reward of their sacrifices."
"Their glory has undoubtedly never been surpassed in history."
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By Courier Leased Wire.
Charlottetown, P.E.I., Jan. 2.—The Prince Edward Island Railway has been tied up since Sunday last owing to drifted tracks. Two trains got through to-night, but no mail has arrived from the main land since Sunday morning.

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- 4 lb. pail, Pure Marmalade . 80c
- 2 lb. pail, Pure Marmalade . 40c
- 5 lb. pail, Crown Brand Syrup for 55c
- 10 lb. pail, Crown Brand Syrup for \$1.00
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The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over thirty years, has borne the signature of Dr. J. C. Fletcher and has been made under his personal supervision since its infancy. Allow no one to deceive you in this. All Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of Infants and Children—Experience against Experiment.

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A meeting of held at the office of the said on Friday, the 26th of January, 1918, at o'clock in the afternoon, a statement of the affairs of the Creditors are their claims with proofs and participate by the said day of such meet And notice is after the 15th of 1918, the assign distribute the same amongst the persons to having regard of which notice been given, and liable for the amount thereof so distribution or persons of shall not then be. Dated at Brantford of December, 1918.

Bailif

By virtue of a T. Brackenbury v. chell, the following will be sold at Dalhousie street, on 10th, 1918:
1 safe, made by show case; 3 gas desk; 1 desk chairs; 1 placid card stand; 1128 forks.
Gas engine (12 h by Gould, Shapley 1 drill; 3 polisher; 1 vice bench; number of vats; 1 ber of buffet wheel shaft hangers, and snifter mentioned trice generator; dist with all goods, chat every kind, nature whatsoever in upon hereinafter ment where the said part carried on bus City of Brantford, them the said part.

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THE SITUATION

The news from Italy is decidedly better. A despatch under date of December 31st announced that French forces in Northern Italy had assumed the offensive and captured portions of the Austro-German positions in Monte Tomba.

From Palestine the reports of Gen. Allenby continue to record marked progress on the part of the British forces. A further gain of seven miles has recently been chronicled, together with the taking of many prisoners and guns.

The news from Russia is still chaotic. Without doubt much internal fighting still continues and as far as the Bolshevik government is concerned German domination is becoming more apparent.

There are many important matters to be dealt with this year and citizens should see to it that in all directions they make careful choice.

Notes and comments: Hearty congratulations to General Ashton upon his newly conferred honor at the hands of the King.

Probably one of the reasons why Toronto has elected its Mayor for a fourth term, is that it wants to maintain the nickname of "The Good," by keeping a Church at the head of affairs.

Jack Frost having demonstrated what he can do with the zero brand, will kindly remember that everything is going up, and regulate the mercury for the balance of the winter accordingly.

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throughout the Dominion, owes very much, indeed, to its women folk and here is an excellent chance for the residents of this city to make some acknowledgment of that fact.

MANY VOTES.

The citizens in the approaching municipal contest will have many votes to cast as follows:

For Mayor. For Water Commissioner. For Street Railway Commissioner. For School Trustees. For aldermen in four wards.

For the referendum in connection with a municipal coal yard and for the proposed expenditure of \$40,000 on the St. Paul's avenue subway.

Collector of Customs Spence and his assistants have certainly had a very busy year of it, with collections of over one million dollars.

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DROP IN VITAL STATISTICS

Fewer Births, Marriages and Deaths in 1917 Than in 1916

A falling off is observed in every branch of the city's vital statistics for the past year, from those of 1916. For 1917, births, 704; marriages, 737; deaths, 414.

Table with columns for Births, Marriages, and Deaths for each month from January to December 1916-17.

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\$22.00 Persian Lamb Muff \$12.50

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\$30.00 French Seal Sets \$21.75

Made with large cape collars, satin lined and barrel muffs, finished with frill of satin; regular price \$30.00 Sale price \$21.75

Grey Badger Set, two, trimmed stole, head and tail trimmed, pillow muff to match; regular \$19.50; Sale price \$13.50

\$115 Mink Stoles at \$65.00

Two only, No. 1 quality Mink Stoles, beautiful full fur, large size; regular price \$115.00; Sale price \$65.00

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LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

BOARD OF EDUCATION. The closing meeting of the 1917 Board of Education will be held to-night, Thursday, January 3rd.

INLAND REVENUE. Inland revenue collections for December show an increase of \$3,476.66 over those for the same month of 1916. The figures:—1917, \$7,980.19; 1916, \$4,503.53.

STEWART LYON COMING. Through an oversight, the announcement has been made that Stewart Lyon, former correspondent of the Canadian Press with the Canadian armies on the west front, was to speak in this city under the auspices of the Brantford Travellers' Club on Saturday next. The date set is incorrect, for it is not until February 2 that Mr. Lyon will be here, but on that day he will speak as already announced.

COLD WEATHER TO BLAME. A railway official states that the traveling public who may have to put up with some little inconvenience in connection with train delays should remember that the weather now being experienced is the worst and coldest recorded for any December within the last sixteen years. There were two thousand miles, for instance, on the Canadian Pacific system where the thermometer registered 30 degrees below or more at some places. It was as low as 60 degrees. The engineers and train men who work under such conditions are little short of heroes. The additional cost of coal under such conditions amounts to many thousands dollars and the burden placed upon the railways cannot be minimized.

CUSTOMS ON INCREASE. An increase of \$300,138.73 over 1916 is shown in the customs returns for the past year. The figures: 1916 1917 Jan. 42,440.31 83,859.06 Feb. 48,813.84 81,448.10 March 58,417.05 101,136.43 April 58,230.59 93,749.08 May 58,034.37 100,573.32 June 59,795.92 94,813.91 July 51,388.89 86,815.60 Aug. 67,204.13 85,150.09 Sept. 83,749.43 82,166.79 Oct. 80,297.63 80,498.45 Nov. 81,351.59 90,033.45 Dec. 75,310.54 64,578.15 Total \$744,744.29 \$1,044,893.02 Increase \$300,138.73

There Are Two Kinds of Men in the world—Those who do things right and those who don't. In the DO class is the man who keeps his efficiency by wearing the right glasses. In the DON'T class is the man who does without glasses or tries to make the wrong glasses do.

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RELIEF REPORT. Twenty-five families were assisted by Relief Officer Wm. Givner during the month of December, entailing an expense of \$66.05. Five tons of coal, one quarter cords of wood, and \$15 worth of provisions were supplied.

JOINS FLYING CORPS. J. H. Johnson, advertising manager of the Courier, left this morning for Toronto to join the Royal Flying Corps. Prior to his departure his fellow workers Major Scruton went overseas with an address of appreciation accompanied with an appropriate gift.

REPORTS FOR DUTY. Harry Waddington left this morning for Toronto to report at the headquarters of the Royal Flying Corps.

WINS MILITARY CROSS. Major Frank Scruton, Toronto, cousin of Immigration Officer Wilfrid Scruton, has been awarded the Military Cross for gallantry shown overseas with a Winnipeg battalion and was wounded at Vimy Ridge, where it is understood he distinguished himself and has been rewarded with the Military Cross.

BOX SOCIAL. A successful box social and dance was held in Moffatt's Hall last evening by the Zionists of the city, for the cause of relief work among the Jewish population of Palestine. The attendance was of a very large nature in the morning, and two at the latter end by Mrs. Seidman of Toronto, who is in the city in the interests of the relief work.

NEW YEAR SERVICES. Jan. 1 being a holy day of obligation in the Catholic church, mass was sung at both St. Basil's and St. Mary's churches yesterday, three services being conducted at the former in the morning, and the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament was observed in the afternoon.

POLICE COURT. Ten dollars and costs, the usual imposition for the offence of becoming inebriated, was the O. T. A. tax levied on Peter Cosonich, found drunk at the Lake Erie and Northern station early last night.

WATCH NIGHT SERVICE. Wesley Methodist Immanuel Baptists, Gospel Tabernacle held a union watch night service and ushered in the New Year. Ten minute addresses were delivered by Messrs. John Bowden, Harry Green, and Rev. Garrison, all of which were enjoyed. Miss Edna Cowie and Mr. Wm. Pickering sang a duet together. All the pastors were present and took part in the service. It is certainly very fine to see all these churches work together in a spirit of good-will and harmony.

FUEL DEPOT. Approximately 200 tons of coal arrived in the city yesterday and proved a God-send to the many citizens who applied at the municipal depot at the City Hall for fuel. The anthracite shortage continues, and at an early hour this morning all the hard coal had been disposed of, and applicants were forced to be content with the soft variety, a sufficient supply of assistance for the administration of the depot has become imperative owing to the large crowds that are thronging the City Hall daily, and as a result arrangements were made this morning to secure two assistants. One of the men expected did not report, and Secretary George Macdonald of the Soldiers' Aid Committee filled in the breach and relieved the situation.

SYDENHAM ST. CHURCH. The services in Sydenham Street church on the last Sabbath of the year were very interesting and of an unusually impressive character. Good congregations were in attendance. After the sermon at the service there was reception of members, when two were received by letter, twenty on profession of faith and 28 who had re-dedicated themselves to the service of God. A watch-night service was held on Monday night, commencing at 10 o'clock. There was a large attendance at this service. The service from 10 to 11 o'clock was conducted by the members of the Epworth League. Mr. John Laing, the president, was in charge. A very interesting program was rendered. The pastor was in charge of the latter part of the meeting, and gave a helpful address suited to this solemn mid-night service. A short time was spent in prayer and testimony. The last moments of the year were spent in silent prayer by the congregation. Then the New Year greetings to all were heartily given.

SEVERE RHEUMATIC PAINS DISAPPEAR. Rheumatism depends on an acid which flows in the blood affecting the muscles and joints, producing inflammation, stiffness and pain. This acid gets into the blood through some defect in the digestive processes, and remains there because the liver, kidneys and skin are too torpid to carry it off. Hood's Sarsaparilla, the old-time blood tonic, is very successful in the treatment of rheumatism. It acts directly, with purifying effect, on the blood, and through the blood on the liver, kidneys and skin, which it stimulates, and at the same time it improves the digestion. Get Hood's Sarsaparilla today. Sold by all druggists.

REMOVED TO ASYLUM. County Constable Wm. Taylor this morning conveyed an unfortunate young man, residing near the White School House, to the Provincial Asylum for the Insane, Hamilton.

BREAD IS GOOD. Very satisfactory conditions in the manufacture and distribution of bread in the city are indicated by the report of Bread Inspector Glover, covering the final quarter of 1917. During that time twenty-one samples of bread were taken and examined. One was 54 oz. under the required weight, 5 were 50 oz. overweight one was 100 oz. over and another 200 oz. to the good. The premises examined were without exception found to be in at least a fair condition, while many were reported as good.

CAR BURNED. Coal oil placed in the radiator of an automobile to prevent freezing, became overheated and exploded, wrecking the car by starting a fire which burned for half past nine, at the corner of Colborne and Bridge Sts. The automobile was the property of Frank McGregor, Pearl St., and the owner in company with several other young men were on a hunting trip when the accident occurred, which totally destroyed the body of the car, leaving only the chassis and engine. Some ferrets that were in the car were burned to death, the men being prevented from rescuing the unfortunate animals by the intense heat and the flames from the conflagration.

NOT SO DRY AFTER ALL. For the year 1917, a total of 1,857,923,511 gallons of water was pumped through the civic mains from the pumping station. Ten years ago, the amount of water was considerably less, the difference being due to the increase in the consumption of the waterworks product. In 1907, ten years ago 822,096,702 gallons were pumped. During 1917, 7,861,267 gallons were pumped at first, and one year ago to-morrow, ten years ago 4,629,394 gallons were pumped at fire pressure for 42 alarms. During the past year the greatest amount pumped in one day was 3,739,012 gallons on January 2nd, one year ago to-morrow, the smallest amount was forced through the mains on June 7th, when 1,823,576 gallons was the limit.

REPRIEVES EXTENDED. Extension of the reprieve of Carmel Calleja, from January 17th until February 6th has been granted, according to word received to-day by A. H. Boddy, counsel of the convicted man, from T. C. Robinette, Toronto, Judge Master, returned on Sunday from Northern Ontario, and approved of the proceedings of Saturday, when a reprieve until January 17th was granted. Another hearing was granted by Judge Maston on Monday, when application was made for a stated case. Edward Bayly, K.C., represented the Attorney General's department and did not oppose the extension of time. As a result of the hearing on Monday, the reprieve was extended until February 6th and during the meantime application may be made for a new trial, or for royal mercy. It is probable that Sheriff Westbrook will receive notification of the extension this afternoon, and it is Mr. Boddy's intention to confer in Toronto with Mr. Robinette to-morrow.

OBITUARY. MRS. M. MAXWELL. An old and well known citizen passed peacefully away last Saturday afternoon at the General Hospital, in the person of Mrs. M. Maxwell. She deceased was born on the 3rd of June 1842 in this city. She was in her 74th year. Of late she has been in failing health. She leaves to mourn her loss her only son, Mr. Charles Maxwell, the well known town councillor of this city, 150 Colborne street, who has the sympathy of his many friends in this bereavement. Rev. David Alexander of Immanuel, conducted an impressive service at the family residence, 59 Ontario st., and at the grave at Greenwood. The floral tributes were very many and beautiful.

INLAND REVENUE TOOK QUITE A DROP. Inland revenue collections during the year 1917 dropped \$50,919.99 below the total for the year previous due to the enactment of the Ontario Temperance Act. The figures: 1917. January 3854.33 February 3881.10 March 5243.73 April 5243.73 May 6527.83 June 3839.78 July 8161.89 August 4015.49 September 7214.14 October 3893.10 November 4227.77 December 7980.66 Total for 1917 \$69,267.72 Total for 1916 \$94,187.71 Decrease \$30,919.99 1916. January 7262.06 February 8280.57 March 8976.54 April 9282.34 May 8851.90 June 9482.30 July 14,092.37 August 10,998.32 September 3018.33 October 4801.49 November 4504.66 December 594,187.71

TO THE ELECTORS OF WARD FOUR. Ladies and Gentlemen: At the urgent request of many of my supporters I have reconsidered my intention to retire. Consequently I solicit your vote and influence.

FOR RE-ELECTION FOR 1918 and stand for economy, efficiency and the elimination of graft and politics in the city government.

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FOR ALDERMAN—WARD TWO. VOTE FOR AND HELP TO ELECT JOHN H. HALL. Pres. and General Manager of John H. Hall and Sons, Limited; (60 years a resident of the city). The interests of the city in general and of Ward 2 and Terrace Hill in particular, will have my best attention.

FOR ALDERMAN—WARD ONE. GRANT JARVIS. Thirty years a resident, interested at all times in civic advancement, and with a strong desire to see every civic department properly managed. I will urge, at every opportunity, the necessity of car service to West Brantford. It will be impossible, in the short space of time, to see personally each elector, but I respectfully solicit your vote and influence. GRANT JARVIS, 21 Carlisle Street.

C. E. JEAKINS. FOR BOARD OF EDUCATION. At the request of many friends I have consented to allow my name to go before the citizens as a candidate for the Board of Education. I am a graduate of McGill University. I taught school for a number of years and was Professor in a recognized college in Ontario. Before coming to Brantford I was chairman of the Board of Education in Clinton. I solicit the support of the citizens in general. (REV.) C. E. JEAKINS

FOR MAYOR. M. M. MacBRIDE. I ask the Electors to watch for my statement, which will be published to-morrow. In the meantime, I wish one and all a Prosperous New Year. M. M. MacBRIDE.

For the Children! THE ONLY KIDNIE KAR. KINDERGARTEN SETS 1 table and 2 chairs \$2.25, 2 chairs \$2.50. WHEEL BARROWS 75c to \$2.00. ROCKING CHAIRS 75c, \$1.60. DOLL CABS \$1.35 Up. ROCKING HORSES \$1.00 Up. BOY SCOUT AND KOASTER WAGONS. SLEIGHS All kinds—All Prices. Dolls, Drums, Brooms, Snow Shovels, Granite Dishes, Copper Tea Pots, Carpet Sweepers, Cutlery of all kinds. \$1.50, \$2.00. W. S. STERNE 120 MARKET ST. Open Evenings. Bell 1857

COMING EVENTS
RED CROSS BOXES now in usual places. Finance committee will be obliged if subscribers would kindly put all balances due for 1917 in boxes by Saturday Jan. 5. There are numerous amounts still due.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY
LOST—On Dufferin or Brant Ave. Knitting bag, containing white sock and wool. Finder kindly return to 96 Dufferin Ave. L/3

LOST—On Dec. 31st. White Fox Terrier. Brown head. Answers name of Spike. Persons found harboring dog after this notice will be prosecuted. Reward at 51 Peel street. L/7

LOST—Saturday afternoon pair of eye glasses. Return to 75 Brant Ave. Reward. L/7

LOST—Will the person who picked up \$10 bill in Post Office, Woolworth's or Ogilvie's kindly return to 177 Wellington. Reward. L/5

WANTED—Room and board for young couple. Centrally located. Phone 18. M/W7

TO RENT—Medium moderate, house; conveniences. Apply 172 Sheridan street. T5

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DR. L. G. PEARCE, Specialist in Diseases of the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat. Office: Bank of Commerce Building. Hours: 1.30 to 5 p.m. Other hours by appointment. Phone, office: Bell 1885, machine 558. Residence Bell 2430.

LOST—Ladies gold watch initials E. M. J. New Year's Day. Return to Hospital. L/7

Wanted—Warm room, single, central, reasonable. Apply Box 339 Courier.

CARD OF THANKS.
 Mrs. Joseph Clarke and family, 27 Wellington street, wish to express their thanks to the many friends who were so thoughtful for them in their recent sad bereavement.

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ALL IS IN READINESS
For the Soldiers to be Located in Brantford
 Lt.-Col. McCausland who is in charge of this district with regard to draftees, arrived in the city on Monday afternoon together with members of his staff. They looked into all final arrangements for the accommodation of soldiers to be located here. Some 85 N.C.'s are expected to arrive today and 250 men on January 5th. The sleeping bunks have been placed in readiness in the Armories and the Taberna'e building has been fitted up for mess purposes. The place has been subdivided and includes a kitchen, dining-room and so forth.

J. W. BOWLBY
FOR MAYOR
 Your vote and influence is respectfully solicited for J. W. Bowlby as Mayor for 1918. I flatter myself that I can be of service in the many pending serious questions to be determined the ensuing year:
First—The unsettled dispute with the G.T.R. over the St. Pauls Subway.
Secondly—Providing the way for the construction of the Street Railway around Terrace Hill which was first promoted by me years ago and not yet accomplished.
Thirdly—The extension of Clarence street over the canal to the Cockshutt Road as an easy and direct entrance to the city to and from Eagle Place.
Fourthly—Obtaining from the Dominion Government an Order in Council prohibiting the export of at least 50,000 horse power of electric energy now exported to the United States and so urgently needed in Brantford by our factories and elsewhere in Ontario.
And Fifthly—Because there is scarcely an elector who would discharge a faithful servant willing to serve another year to employ an untried man in his place. After what service I have performed it would have been a graceful act to have elected me just once by acclamation.
 Trusting the electors will vote in what they think will be in the highest interest of our beloved Brantford.
J. W. BOWLBY.

BRITISH READY IN CRUCIAL YEAR
Strength of the Nation for Conduct of Offensive Against Enemies
WAR EFFECTIVENESS Is Putting Her Utmost Effort into Everything for Prosecution of War
 By James M. Tuohy.
 London, Dec. 31.—The New Year marks for the allies, especially Great Britain, a critical period in the war. The detection of Russia not only enables Germany to increase the strength of her forces in the west, but materially simplifies her military situation. The western allies have not merely to hold the line until America's troops arrive in force; they must prepare to take the offensive with vigor alongside their trans-Atlantic comrades.
 Victory cannot be won by mere defence. Great Britain must bear the bulk of the burden. Italy needs support. How Britain stands for means of prosecuting the war is a question which cannot be answered in detail, but there is general information from which thinking persons can draw their own conclusions. What Britain with a population of 48,000,000 has done in the way of raising and maintaining armies compares favorably with what Germany with 70,000,000 and 45 years' preparation has achieved. Britain's forces in the field may be roughly put at 3,000,000 against 5,500,000 of Germany's. But these Germans are working together on interior lines, while Britain's forces are fighting in France, Italy, Greece, Palestine, Mesopotamia, and East Africa, as well as providing a large force for home defence. Germany has sited her population to the west, while Britain's is more widely distributed. Britain's arms and munitions are now as good as the German Landwehr.
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 Further, there is a drastic cutting out process to be applied to the munitions industry and other specially exempted occupations, such as coal mining, the places of those taken being supplied, as far as possible, by returned soldiers and women, who will also take over clerical work in the administrative departments of the army, which are now being performed by men of military age, while a large additional contingent of capable officers will be provided by paring down the headquarters and other staffs, both at home and abroad, which are now declared to have reached unwieldy proportions. No official totals of casualties are obtainable, but Premier Lloyd George gave a line on this most important element when he said that Great Britain's permanent disabilities were less than one-fifth of those of Germany, and Germany's has been estimated at 3,500,000. More than 80 per cent. return to the firing line, but men who have been seriously wounded will not in future be sent to the front.
 Great Britain has to provide for wastage during the coming year when her full munitions productivity will only be reached. During 1918 the shell and gun output, already colossal, will then have reached stupendous proportions. For example, the total number of 18-pound shells turned out in the first year of the war could be produced in January, 1917, in thirteen days, are produced now in eight days, and in 1918 will be produced in four days. The quantity of projectiles for field howitzers which previously took a year to make, can now be supplied in five days, while early



Scene from "Which One Shall I Marry," Grand Opera House, Friday, January 4th.

TWO MILLION DOLLAR FIRE AT NORFOLK
Business Section of Capital City of Virginia Flame Swept Yesterday
 By Courier Leased Wire
 Norfolk, Va., Jan. 2.—Marines and blue jackets stood guard to-day over the downtown section of Norfolk, where three separate fires yesterday wiped out five of the city's largest buildings, entailing a loss estimated at \$2,000,000. Police Chief Kyser and Fire Chief McLaughlin to-day were less inclined to place blame for the fires on incendiaries, although both declared that the circumstances were suspicious. Military guards, however, were in no way relaxed and during the night all persons who could not give an account of themselves were warned away from the business section.
 Two fires early to-day, one across the Elizabeth River at Portsmouth and the other across the bay near Camp Stuart, broke out while the ruins of the two blocks destroyed here were still smoking, but neither resulted in exhaustive damage. A few small houses were destroyed in each case and the fires were thought to have been accidental. Revised lists of the casualties from the fire has engaged the attention of Norfolk, Portsmouth and Suffolk firemen all day yesterday and into the night, showed that Charles McCoy, a fireman, was the only person known to have lost his life. Four firemen were seriously hurt and a score of others were less seriously injured. Firemen said it was possible that removal of debris would show other deaths resultant from fallen walls.
 From the time the first fire broke out at daybreak yesterday in the old Granby theatre until flames appeared in the Montecello Hotel and later in the Lenox building, firemen were hampered by the bitter cold. Sailors and marines were quickly called out and joined heartily in the work of rescue and fire fighting.
 Reports began coming in that bombs were causing the fire to spread and persons had been seen setting buildings afire, and while no confirmation of these reports developed, they led to extra precautions being taken and a large part of the business district was surrounded by a cordon of marines and sailors.
 More than a score of persons were arrested as suspects during the day and night, and about a dozen held for investigation.
 This year the number of projectiles for heavy guns and howitzers turned out in 24 hours equalled the total output of the first year of the war.

IRWIN S. ARMSTRONG
 83 DUNDAS ST.
Blacksmith (wage earner)
FOR MUNICIPAL BOARD OF EDUCATION

Brantford Municipal Railway Commission
Vote for Re-election of
Frank Calbeck
 to Railway Commission

YOUR VOTE SOLICITED FOR
J. W. SHEPPERSON
FOR RE-ELECTION TO BOARD OF EDUCATION
 EXPERIENCE—Two years as Alderman; two years on Board of Education; Chairman of Management Committee, 1917.
J. W. SHEPPERSON.

FOR ALDERMAN—WARD ONE
W. H. TURNBULL
 I have seen Brantford grow from a husky, kicking youngster of 10,000 to its present proud position of 30,000 people and am proud of our city.
 I helped to make it a city, being one in its inaugural procession some 40 years ago. For 35 of these years I have been before the people as a stove and hardware merchant, having been fairly successful, thanks to my friends and neighbors. I am able to devote some of my time to our city's business. Kindly give me a chance by placing me at the head of the polls.
W. H. TURNBULL, 33 COLBORNE ST.
Stove and Hardware Merchant

FOR ALDERMAN—WARD TWO
JOHN T. BURROWS
THE MOVER
 I have been connected, more or less, with civic business for many years, and I believe that, if elected, I could do much to help to better civic conditions. For that reason I solicit your vote and influence.
 Respectfully,
J. T. BURROWS

VOTE FOR EX-ALDERMAN
ARTHUR O. SECORD
FOR STREET RAILWAY COMMISSION
Whose Qualifications Include:
 Graduate of University of Toronto in Civil Engineering. Practical experience on construction of Grand Trunk Pacific. International Correspondence School course in Electrical Engineering.
And Who Believes in
 A much faster and more regular service on existing lines. Immediate motor bus service to and from West Brant and Terrace Hill, with transfer privilege to and from existing lines. Extension of lines to West Brant and Terrace Hill at earliest possible date.
 The trial of a 3 cent fare. Brantford can do what others have done. Increased patronage will give required revenue.
That the interest of the whole city, not part of it, should receive attention

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 A WORD ON INDUSTRIAL BRANTFORD
 If elected, Mayor, I will devote a lot of energy and the best of my ability to the industrial development of the city. Anyone can criticize and pull down. I would rather be a builder. The wise and energetic policy of the business men of Brantford in days gone by in the encouragement of manufacturers is responsible for the city's splendid condition of industrial progress to-day. Cities which thirty years ago equalled Brantford in population, have been left far behind, and to-day our busy City is the industrial hub of Western Ontario. What helps the factories, helps the working man and the merchant. Brantford must not mark time, but must have more industries. My aim will be to have the Board of Trade, the Labor Party, the Greater Brantford Board, the Parks Board, the Rotary Club and the City Council all work together, not only in sympathetic but in enthusiastic co-operation for a greater and a better Brantford. If that spirit happily exists and we all pull together, there is no reasonable aim to which our city may not attain.
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By P. O. D. In Saturday Night

Of course, there is no real and decent reason why a man should break out in a rash of good resolutions on New Year's Eve—"rash" is right. But the rasher they are, the more a man seems impelled to form them. He throws his evil old pipes out the window, puts the case goods in a distant and inaccessible corner of the cellar, and gives up swearing, Sunday mornings in bed, mimic pie, cheques ladies, and debt.

Why is this thus? He is perfectly well aware that there is no more fruitful form of human endeavor than the passing of resolutions—whether individually or in committee. He knows that he won't carry out his noble plans for his moral improvement, and that, if he did, they would make him extremely uncomfortable. Being improved is a painful process, and a man gets when he discovers that his income won't permit of his being anything else.

But there is also something in the occasion itself. A man may forget his own birthday, and thus escape the melancholy reflections such a milestone on the road of life suggests to one—after one has passed thirty-odd of them. But New Year's Day is an anniversary there is no overlooking. It is the birthday of the human race, so to speak. The world is a year older, a year wiser and sadder and wearier.

And so, dearly beloved reader, we all feel impelled at this season to go through that frivolous and rambling process which we dignify by the name of reflection. We smoke our cigar more thoughtfully than usual after dinner, while we revive soothing memories of pies we stole from the pantry and evenings spent at school, and girls that kissed us when we were too young to defend ourselves. This is our way of bluffing ourselves that we have reached an age of philosophic breadth and serenity.

It seems to be a basic need of human nature to stop now and then and look backwards and forward along the road. Both views are probably almost equally misleading—a grown man's recollections of his boyhood are no more to be trusted than his visions of the years to come. But it is a natural and salutary thing to do, just the same. It helps one to establish some sort of continuity in the kaleidoscopic patterns of life. Just for a moment we seem to drop an anchor through the swift tides and gain a fleeting rest, grappled to the fundamental rock.

New Year's Day is particularly well fitted for this exercise of the soul, even though the division of time it marks is an arbitrary thing with no actuality in nature. New Year's Day is really just like any other day, except in our sentimental attitude towards it. Between the last second of 1917, and the first of 1918, there is no gap, no real ending, and beginning. The Time Machine whirrs on with the same unrelenting and terrifying persistence and smoothness. Our arbitrary divisions of time are as childish as unreal as though we tried to separate the Atlantic into parts by throwing a chip into it.

People are not even agreed as to when New Year's Day occurs. Our little Russian brothers, nonconformists in this as in everything else, insist that it comes thirteen days after our day. But perhaps each of the various Russian republics will now pick a New Year's Day for itself alone. Then there are the Hebrews. Theirs comes somewhere in March. But, of course, they don't permit this ancient prejudice to interfere in any way with business. Our favorite pawnbroker always sends us a New Year's card—on our day, not his.

But whether you celebrate New Year's Day on the First of January, or the Seventeenth of March, or the Twelfth of July, it still remains a highly significant and suggestive occasion. One is expected to be serious and reflective—incidentally, it is not so difficult to be serious now as it used to be before the present era of dryness and decumour. Our mind goes back to New Year's Days in the good old careless times before people took to world-wars and the uplift. No one wanted especially to kill anyone else—except a few persistent creditors, possibly—and no one was very anxious to make other people any better. In those days the First of January was a social function and a test—a test of endurance and capacity.

Lordy, the big bowls of punch they used to brew!—real punch that would float a brick, not the kind you get nowadays. And the decanters and plates of cake and bowls of Tom and Jerry. And all the afternoon and evening with the gentlemen kept dropping in with the compliments of the season and the thirst of a newly-arrived camel at an oasis. How they contrived to keep up their liquid enthusiasm is a mystery to us yet. These were the heroic days. Potatoes that would fly away like the feeble dribblers of today merely teased the throats of those gargantuan gluttons.

Does the time they went, frock-coated and silk-hatted slightly goggled as to the eyes and with a dazzle to their gait, but debonair and determined, men not to be daunted by anything in bowl, bottle, or barrel. "And it's yourself, Mrs. Doolan, that lights up the New Year like morning sun steppin' on the hill tops," says the gallant Bernard O'Brien—he has already said it to eighty-seven other ladies that afternoon.

"Shure, ye had a bit of the Blarney Stone in yer teething-ring," archly replies Mrs. Doolan, "but won't ye sprinkle yer compliments with a little rum punch?" And the gallant Bernard sprinkles with three fingers of a ray and vigorous compound that would make the head of Bacchus himself whirl. He has had three gallons more or less of assorted punches, grogs, and toddies, and enough fruit-cake to bulge the plates on a tramp steamer. But with forty more calls to make he is still undaunted. He knows that somehow, sometime his cab will take him home, and that Mrs. O'Brien will nurse him back to life with proud tenderness. She will now that he has performed the duties of a gentleman and a social favorite with genuine grace and fervor.

Nothing but serious illness or a death in the family excused a man who went to bed conscious on New Year's night in those reckless but happy years. That was before people knew anything about hardening of the arteries or cirrhosis of the liver. Now and then some unusually soft-headed gentleman developed a mild case of delirium tremens, but no ignominy attached to it. It was regarded as a misfortune and the will of God, something like getting a cinder in your eye.

But they are all gone now, those old-fashioned Irish gentlemen whom we remember as a little lad to have seen pouring out generous libations to the gods of laughter and good fortune on those distant New Year's Days. Light lie the turf above them, and may their graves be green with mind! This is a more sensible and more decorous age, but it is also much duller. People eat and drink and kill one another with a sort of coldly scientific precision. Personally, we like the old times best, and our ingrained cussedness, perhaps, or merely a premonitory symptom of middle age. We say "premonitory" by way of kidding ourselves.

It may be, too, that the stress and peril of the present leads one to take refuge in retrospect. Certainly there is little temptation to look forward into a future over which clouds so dark and heavy hang threatening. Even the most robust optimism must face the First of January, Nineteen-Eighteen, in a mood of grim determination rather than the traditionally fitting one of joyous expectancy.

And so, personally, we look not forward, but backward. We cheer ourself up by recalling New Year's Days of long ago, when we sat silent and round-eyed in the corner of the parlor listening to the sleigh-bells as they rattled up to the door, and watching the very merry gentlemen who came in stamping the snow from their boots and shaking it from their great-coats to wish their friends the best their hearts desired.



A CANADIAN Y. M. C. A. POST NEAR THE FRONT. This happens to be "Toronto Dugout" in Zouav Valley, just behind Vimy Ridge, in the autumn of 1917. Notice "Coburg Subway." The splendid Canadian boys shown have had their wants attended to by the Dugout staff, and, cheered up and happier, are resting before starting out again.

TO REPORT AT RATE OF 250 PER DAY

First of Draftees to Reach Headquarters On Thursday

Weather Conditions Here Such as to Make Training Impossible

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 2.—On Thursday the first of those chosen for service under the Military Service Act will report at the headquarters of the divisional area in which they are located. It has been arranged that, beginning Thursday, they report at the rate of two hundred and fifty a day. Every man liable for service in the first draft has been notified the day to report and been furnished with transportation and a subsistence allowance. It has been arranged that they report at the rate of 250 per day, so that they can be properly equipped and given quarters.

The number called to the colors in the first draft will provide reinforcements sufficient for at least three months. The divisional headquarters at which they will report are Halifax, St. John, Quebec, Montreal, Kingston, Toronto, London, Winnipeg, Regina, Calgary and Vancouver. There are sufficient men to provide for the first call without awaiting complete results of exemption tribunals or appeals to the central appeal judge. Many thousands waived the right of appeal, and others have

(But excuse us, friend, this is our cue to rush at Brother Yorick, and kick him in the paunch, while he pounds us with a stuffed sausage on the pate—we all have our parts, you see.)

But the great Barons of the Universe is never late. There is no check to the flow and variety of his invention. And here comes Ringmaster Time, cracking his great whip for the new show—the Follies of Nineteen Eighteen! See the mighty monarchs in their chariots, and the mailed warriors in their stupendous and death-defying feats! The stage-properties are battered and worn, and the performers are weary and spent. But for flame and frenzy there has never been such a spectacle in all the pageantry of the ages. Take your seats people for the Big Show in the main tent is now on.

But hang it all, the most determined clown in the world cannot get on cutting capers. He has his sympathies and grins like everyone else, poor devil, and there are times when he stumbles in the tangled sawdust of the empty ring and thinks of tiring horsemen that are gone, and dainty ladies who flashed like stars among the flying rings and now are but memories of spangled and reckless grace. Perhaps he thinks too, of a time when he had other dreams than to scamper with Dog Tray at the end of the procession and make faces at the crowd.

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Perhaps we remember it so well, because the today was not for us. Older heads were probably vaguer. We sat on the beaded ottoman in

TO REPORT AT RATE OF 250 PER DAY

First of Draftees to Reach Headquarters On Thursday

Weather Conditions Here Such as to Make Training Impossible

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 2.—On Thursday the first of those chosen for service under the Military Service Act will report at the headquarters of the divisional area in which they are located. It has been arranged that, beginning Thursday, they report at the rate of two hundred and fifty a day. Every man liable for service in the first draft has been notified the day to report and been furnished with transportation and a subsistence allowance. It has been arranged that they report at the rate of 250 per day, so that they can be properly equipped and given quarters.

The number called to the colors in the first draft will provide reinforcements sufficient for at least three months. The divisional headquarters at which they will report are Halifax, St. John, Quebec, Montreal, Kingston, Toronto, London, Winnipeg, Regina, Calgary and Vancouver. There are sufficient men to provide for the first call without awaiting complete results of exemption tribunals or appeals to the central appeal judge. Many thousands waived the right of appeal, and others have

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DARK HORSE WAS A WINNER, IN LONDON

C. R. Somerville, Last Minute Candidate, Captured Mayoralty

London, Ont., Jan. 2.—C. R. Somerville, a retired business man, who was brought into the field forty minutes before the close of the nominations only one week ago, and who was at once given the support of both local newspapers and men of all political stripes, was elected to the Mayoralty of London, yesterday in a three-cornered fight.

Mr. Somerville was given a majority of 822 over Mayor Hugh A. Stevenson, who tried to break the "hoodoo" against a fourth term. Controller Dr. R. W. Shaw, who announced that he was riding a certain kind of a horse, was not given a hearing, and finished third. The figures were: Somerville, 3,486; Stevenson, 2,664; and Shaw, 2,254.

Mayor Stevenson in his three years scored two records. The first was made two years ago when the count was tied with W. M. Gartshore, and he was appointed on the casting vote of the fourth clerk. Last year he had the greatest majority in any election ever held in London when he beat W. W. Gammage by more than 4,100.

Philip Pocock, chairman of the Utilities Commission for the past six years, was elected at the head of the polls notwithstanding a dead set against him by means of anonymous advertising. Mr. Pocock's vote was 4,198, while Jared Vining, barrister, who comes into municipal life for the first time, was second, with 2,830. F. W. Daly, who, like Mr. Pocock, had the endorsement of the Trades and Labor Council, was the loser.

Heads Board of Control E. S. Little repeated last year's performance in heading the poll for controller. J. M. Moore and J. H. Saunders, also members of the retiring board, were re-elected, while the fourth man is ex-Ald. C. H. Merryfield. Ex-Ald. Garratt, who has been out of municipal life for some years, was defeated. The figures: Little, 4,452; Moore, 3,579; Saunders, 3,009; Merryfield, 3,440.

been refused the exemption applied for. It is not expected that the troops mobilized during the next two weeks will complete their training in Canada. Weather conditions are such that training here is almost impossible, while in England or France it can be carried on under more favorable circumstances.

The work of the Military Council has been most difficult and intricate. They had to make a new organization, and the problems to solve were of the character that required the most careful consideration. In their organization they have made careful consideration of the designation and mobilization of the men to be called for service.

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"FRUIT-A-LIVES", the marvellous medicine made from fruit juices—has relieved more cases of Stomach, Liver, Blood, Kidney and Skin Troubles than any other medicine. In severe cases of Rheumatism, Sciatica, Lumbago, Pain in the Back, Impure Blood, Neuralgia, Chronic Headaches, Chronic Constipation and Indigestion, "Fruit-a-lives" has given unusually effective results. By its cleansing, healing powers on the eliminating organs, "Fruit-a-lives" tones up and invigorates the whole system.

50c. a box, 6 for \$2.50, trial size, 25c. At all dealers or sent postpaid by Fruit-a-lives Limited, Ottawa.

Town of Paris Fuel Notice!

The coal situation is one of very serious moment, and I have deemed it wise to act on the authority vested in me by the Dominion Fuel Controller, and appoint a local officer to carry out the regulations, as laid down by the Dominion Fuel Controller. I have therefore, appointed Mr. J. A. Thompson to act in that capacity and he will, from this date, control the distribution of coal throughout the town, on its arrival, and all orders must pass through his hands.

Citizens are requested to apply to him in all matters pertaining to delivery of coal. Householders whose supply is entirely exhausted will be given preference and those who are fortunate enough to have sufficient on hand to cover them for a period of two (2) months, are warned not to apply at the present time for any further supply.

Rigid economy in the use of coal is necessary, as the future supply is by no means certain. Mr. Thompson will be in the Council Chambers daily, except Sunday's from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., and from 2 to 4 p.m. Phone No. 8.

C. B. ROBINSON, Mayor Paris, 29th December, 1917.

FIRE IN MUNITION PLANT

By Courier-Lessee Wire Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 2.—Fire this morning destroyed eight acres of the Pipe and Pipe-Bending Company munitions plant with a loss of more than \$250,000. The fire started in the paint shop by a can of paint exploding. Two workmen were badly burned. The loss is covered by insurance.

Hood's Pills Cure Constipation, Biliousness, Liver Ills

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3:46 a.m.—For Detroit, Port Huron and Chicago.

BUFFALO AND GODEFRICH LINE
Leave Brantford 10:05 a.m.—For Buffalo and intermediate stations.

GALT, GURPLE AND NORTH
Leave Brantford 6:30 a.m.—For Galt, Guelph, Palmerston and all points north.

W. G. AND R.
From North—Arrive Brantford—9:28 a.m.; 12:48 p.m.; 4:59 p.m.; 8:0 p.m.

L. E. and N. Railway

Effective November 14th, 1917.
Leave Kitchener 8:41, 10:45, 12:45, 2:45, 4:45, 6:45, 8:45 p.m.

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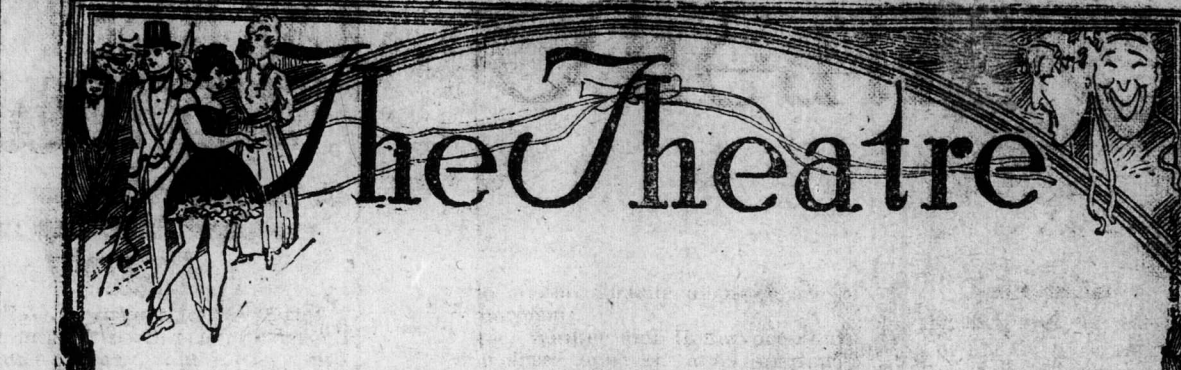
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THE BRANT
Douglas Fairbanks is a king. True he has long worn the crown and borne the sceptre of king of screen comedians, but in “Reaching for the Moon,” he blossoms forth as a really and truly honest-to-goodness monarch.

His great rival in the field of screen comedy is also on deck, frisking rapidly and nonchalantly in his convict garb to evening dress, although worn in the day time. You have guessed it, Charlie Chaplin. In “The Adventurer,” in the scene with

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CAN BE NO BIG DRIVE

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Attacking over a front of about 1,200 yards and using liquid fire against the defenders of the ridge, the enemy succeeded momentarily in entering one of the British trenches. This tenure, however, was of short duration, as Field Marshal Haig's men in a brilliant counter-attack completely regained their lost ground. On the other part of the line the Germans were met with a withering fire and compelled to retreat with heavy casualties.

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In the course of the day our bombing parties drove the Germans out of several traverses and saps, inflicting considerable casualties on them. The fighting has been almost continuous, but there is no reason to believe that the affair is more than a local attack with the object of regaining a bit of the Hindenburg line, the possession of which gives good observation.

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ARIZONA NATIVE BOSS HELPLESS WHEN WIFE GOT TANLAC

Was Six Feet Tall and Got Down to Where he Only Weighed 116 Pounds

“I lay helpless when my wife ordered our first bottle of Tanlac from El Paso, Tex., writes Harry S. Scott of Dragoon, Ariz., under date of Nov. 15th, in telling of his remarkable recovery from an illness such as has been bequeathed by no other delineator of Shakespearean roles, an immortal rendition of that play, generally acclaimed the masterpiece of the Avon-bard. It is a pity that such an audience took advantage of such an opportunity as those which were in attendance at the Grand Monday and New Year's Day, afternoon and evening, and those who are well advised will embrace their last chance, by seeing the picture to-night.

Mr. Scott's letter was addressed to C. F. Moss, a well-known druggist of Benson, Ariz., who has the Tanlac agency for that town, and was forwarded by Mr. Moss to the Tanlac offices in Atlanta. His letter follows: Dragoon, Ariz., Nov. 15, 1917. Mr. C. F. Moss, Benson, Ariz.: Dear Sir:—As you expressed a desire to hear more about my case, I will try and tell you part of it. I was down and out nearly all the time for two years with rheumatism and stomach trouble and went to eight doctors, two of whom were osteopaths. Three of them refused to take my case, saying it was incurable, and the others might as well have done so, as they did me no good. I guess I have taken a barrel of medicines internally and externally. I also went to Hot Springs and out of all that was ever done I never got over one week's relief at a time.

After going down to one hundred and sixteen pounds—which is very light for a six-footer—I kept getting worse until I couldn't move, even to feed myself, had no desire to eat and couldn't sleep more than two hours a night. Some of the officials of the mine, of which I am foreman, would call to see me, then go out and say, “poor old Scott has fired his last man.” I thought I would never get out of bed alive, and she knew my condition better than anybody else.

At last, when I lay helpless my wife ordered a bottle of Tanlac from the druggist at El Paso, Texas, which was the nearest place we could get it at that time. One evening about four days after I began taking Tanlac I ate a fair meal and enjoyed it. The first in many months. By the time I had taken half of the first bottle I thought I had a good appetite, but when I finished my second bottle I could hardly eat enough to satisfy me. Well, I have just finished my sixth bottle, and my stomach is regular, my nervousness and rheumatism all yield to Tanlac. Mrs. Scott and myself are willing to go before a notary and make affidavit as to the truth of every statement in this letter, which you are at liberty to publish and use for the benefit of others.

Yours very truly, (Signed) Harry E. Scott.” Accompanying the above was a letter from the Moss Pharmacy addressed to the Tanlac Offices, Atlanta, Ga., referring in the highest terms to Mr. Scott as a man and citizen with the added statement that both Mr. Scott and his wife were ready at any time to go before a Notary Public and swear that Tanlac was an uttermost good thing for his rheumatism and stomach trouble.

He also stated he had another customer, an old gentleman who had taken five bottles of Tanlac and had gained twelve to fifteen pounds and that they were building up a large business on Tanlac, etc. Tanlac is sold in Brantford by Milton H. Robertson and Co. Ltd., in Paris by Apps Ltd., in Mt. Vernon by A. Yoemann and in Middleport by William Peddie.

YOUR SICK CHILD IS CONSTIPATED! LOOK AT TONGUE

No matter what ails your child, a gentle, thorough laxative should always be first treatment given. If your little one is out-of-sorts, half-sick, isn't eating, eating and acting naturally, look Mother! see if tongue is coated. This is a sure sign that it's little stomach, liver and bowels are clogged with waste. When cros, irritable, feverish, stomach sour, breath bad or has stomach-ache, diarrhoea, sore throat, full of cold, give a teaspoonful of “California Syrup of Figs,” and in a few hours all the constipated poison, undigestible food and sour bile gobs moves out of its little bowels without gripping, and you have a well, playful child again.

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Vaudeville—Pictures
Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday
2 Shows
New Year's Night—2
Troy's All Girl Revue
10—People—10 Mostly Girls

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Is Putting Effort into Prosecution
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London, Dec. 31.—Knighthoods have been conferred upon Professor Andrew McPhail, Montreal; Major-General Donald Alexander, Montreal; and Admiral Kingsmill of Ottawa, and William J. Gage, of Toronto.

The colonial list of Knights Commander of St. Michael and St. George also include Hon. George Frank Stillman Barhard, Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, and General Sam Steele.

Companion of St. Michael and St. George is conferred upon the Canadian Privy Council.

Is a Philanthropist.

W. J. Gage, who is included in the New Year's list of honors, was born in Peel County, and in his early days was a schoolmaster by profession. He entered the publishing business, and was for many years head of W. J. Gage and Co. He is also president of the Kipling Paper Company and of the Canadian Copyright Association, and a director of the Imperial Bank and many other corporations. During the year 1910 he was president of the Toronto Board of Trade, and in 1911 became first president of the Associated Boards of Trade of Ontario. He is the founder and promoter of the National Sanitarium Association, which controls the Minto Sanitarium, and is chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Toronto Free Hospital for Consumptives. He was married in 1880, the bride being Miss Ida Burnside. In 1910 he offered ten university scholarships of \$50 each to encourage the study and cure of tuberculosis, and in 1902 he presented a mark to Brampton. He is a member of the Methodist Church.

Admiral Kingsmill, of Ottawa, was born in Guelph, Ont., July 7, 1855, and is director of naval service at present. He commanded the H. M. S. Blenheim, which in 1894 conveyed to Canada from London the body of the late Sir John Thompson, then Premier of Canada. He is the eldest son of the late John Juchereau Kingsmill, C.C. He became a midshipman in 1870, a sub-lieutenant on Queen Victoria's yacht in 1875, lieutenant in 1877, commander in 1881, captain in 1888, rear admiral in 1908. Since May 15, 1908, he has commanded the Canadian naval service.

Major-General Sir D. A. McDonald is one of the veterans of the Canadian militia forces. Onerous duties have been his since the outbreak of war in his capacity as quartermaster-general, and the speedy dispatch of the first contingent was in no small way due to his splendid organizing ability. He recently retired. He was born at Cornwall on October 13, 1845, and was C.M.G. of the Canadian forces since 1904, and before that was director of ordnance stores.

Prof. Andrew MacPhail was born at Orwell, Prince Edward Island, on November 24, 1854, and is the editor of the University Magazine. He is also professor of medical history at McGill University, his alma mater. He was for two and a half years at the front with the Canadian army in charge of medical technical equipment and supplies.

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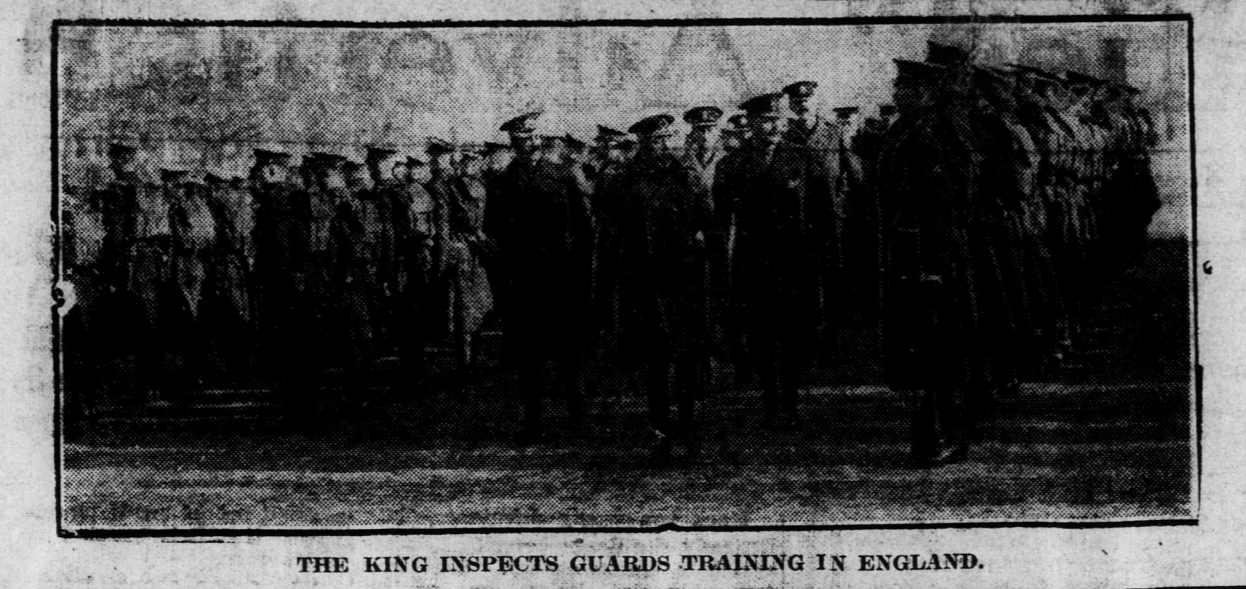
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Pattern Service

DOLL'S NURSE SET.

By Anabel Worthington.

This little Red Cross nurse doll is completely outfitted just as the war nurses are. She wears a little blue chambray dress which is made with a plain shirt waist having a roll collar. The skirt is straight and it is gathered to the waistband all around. The apron is very easy to make because the skirt is one piece, cut circular, and it is attached to a straight band which buttons at the back. The tiny bib is gathered to the band also, and it has two long ends which cross and button at the back. The cap is included in the pattern and it has a soft crown and stiff brim. The red cross on the front may be made from two pieces of satin ribbon or else it may be embroidered.

The doll's nurse set No. 5379 is cut in seven sizes—14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24 and 26 inches. The dress in 24 inch size requires 5/8 yard 3/4 inch material and the cap and apron require 3/8 yard 3/4 inch material.



THE KING INSPECTS GUARDS TRAINING IN ENGLAND.

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Most folks forget that the kidneys, like the bowels, get sluggish and clogged and need a flushing occasionally, else we have backache and dull misery in the kidney region, severe headaches, rheumatic twinges, torpid liver, acid stomach, sleeplessness and all sorts of bladder disorders.

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SIDE TALKS

BY RUTH CAMERON
THEY WON'T TAKE ANYTHING.

My neighbor had a cold coming on. That is she was in that preliminary state where one feels highly sensitive to the cold, a little sniffy as to nose and a little raw as to throat. We were all trying to get her to take something for it.

"Now here's those pills the doctor told me to take when I felt a cold coming on," said her mother producing a little box from behind the clock on the mantelpiece. "I've got them right here and if you take them right off—I'll get you a glass of water."

She Don't Think It Would Amount to Anything.

Her daughter waved the pills aside. "I don't believe they'd do me any good," she said. "Besides, I don't think the cold will amount to anything."

"Why don't you gargle with warm water and salt," suggested someone else. "Dr. C. swears by that and you know he's considered an authority. I paid him five dollars for that advice and I'll give it to you free gratis."

"Maybe I'll try that if I find I really have a cold," parried my neighbor.

"But that will be too late, why don't you do it now?"

"Oh I don't believe the cold will amount to anything," she repeated vaguely.

Another simple remedy was suggested with similar results. "Perhaps she'd try it by and by," she said.

That was two days ago.

This morning I met my neighbor again and she had a howling cold. She was sneezing every few seconds, breathing through her mouth (for obvious reasons) and mopping her nose continually and hopelessly.

"And, unchristian or not, I wasn't particularly sorry for her. I wasn't. Why is it that nine people out of ten with a cold coming on will steadfastly refuse all remedies?"

They know what is probably ahead of them.

They know how seldom it is that that sniffiness "and that chilly feeling" have failed to amount to something.

Why Won't They Give Others a Chance To Escape.

And yet they will not rouse themselves to take the few simple and decisive steps that give them a chance to escape all that discomfort (and give the half a dozen people who may catch the cold from them, their chance of escape.)

It may be that the cold brings with it a lethargy that makes it harder for one to take the necessary action.

But I do not think that is any excuse. It explains but does not justify this astounding negligence.

I think every one who considers himself or herself an intelligent human being, and a good citizen ought to keep some simple harmless remedy on hand and take it the moment he begins to sniff. If that were done think how soon the crop of colds, and all the infinite evils that flow out of them would be reduced. And think what a boon to all humanity that would be.

MAYOR CHURCH VICTOR BY 9,578

Defeated Controller Cameron in Decisive Manner After Spirited Contest

Toronto, Jan. 2.—Mayor Thos. I. Church secured re-election for the fourth term yesterday with a majority of 9,578, which is considerably greater than that given him in his first contest in 1915. This seems to indicate that the great majority of the citizens are more than satisfied with his administration of civic affairs during the past three years. This signal honor must be regarded by his Worship as a personal triumph, as his opponent, Controller R. H. Cameron, has been a most useful member of the City Council and has done a strong following. Interest in the campaign was at best lukewarm, as there was no outstanding issue to induce people to visit the polling booths, and the vote cast was less than in previous years. As is usual in Toronto, approximately 40 per cent of the electors only voted. The cold weather and the holiday, no doubt, prevented many from visiting the polling places.

Result Was Expected.

It was a foregone conclusion that the popularity of Mayor Church was sufficiently strong to ensure his re-election, consequently the fight for



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seats on the Board of Control was the most interesting feature. The fact that there were nine candidates in the field made the result somewhat uncertain and the citizens showed their preference for men experienced in civic affairs. Controller W. H. Shaw, who was the fourth man last year, went down to defeat, polling only a few more votes than elected him last year. Controller John O'Neill headed the poll for the second consecutive year, and Ald. W. D. Robbins, who is a Labor representative, secured second place with a vote of 18,965.

Sam McBride Elected.

Ex-Ald. Sam McBride, after an absence of one year, obtained a seat on the board, and will be a valuable acquisition as he has a wide knowledge of all matters likely to come before the Council during the present year. Ald. C. Alfred Maguire secured fourth place. The other as-

pirants who were members of the retiring Council made a most creditable showing. Those seeking promotion who were defeated were: Ald. Garnet Archibald and Ald. Donald MacGregor. Mr. Edward Meek, K.C., entered the fray at the last moment and was practically unknown to the majority of the people, but he polled a fair vote. Although Mr. Miles Vokes withdrew from the fight, as he was not legally qualified, he received many votes.

Vote on Street Railway Question.

The expression of opinion in favor of the acquisition of the Toronto Railway System in 1921 was overwhelming, and this will strengthen the new administration in the fight to secure possession of the Metropolitan radial line.

Rippling Rhymes

MADE AT HOME.

This year, oh, little girls and boys, there'll be no German Christmas toys. The Germans have so much to do, so many errands to pursue, they really haven't time to pass and carve our toys for Santa Claus. But there'll be toys, I have no doubt, for every little maid and scout, for all the children in this realm, made from our native slippery elm. Why brought our toys across the seas? We have the drawing knives and crescents, and we can now from pine or beech an elephant that is a pecker, and we can shape a polar bear, an amandora or hare, a camel with an upright back, a duck that can emit a quack. We have the tools, we have the skill; why bought we toys from Kaiser Bill? Now, watch me make a Noah's ark, and fit it out with hen and shark, rhinoceros and kangaroo and every beast you wish to view. This war, with all its woes and stings, has taught us lots of useful things. We

Good Night Stories

THE PEPPERMINT BOY
Johnny, penny in hand, ran to the candy shop.

"Hello, Johnny! Going to buy something?" asked his little playmate, Benny, who was looking at the candy in the window.

"Candy! Got a penny!" gasped Johnny, all out of breath.

"Why don't you get that peppermint boy over there?" said Benny, pointing to a candy boy made of red and white peppermint.

Johnny disappeared, and sure enough, he returned with the peppermint boy.

"Good?" asked Benny, as Johnny nibbled off a peppermint foot.

"Fine! Better buy one," replied Johnny, and he ran home to show his mamma.

"Why doesn't Benny's mamma give him a penny to buy one?" he asked.

"Perhaps she hasn't a penny to spare," replied Johnny's mamma. "It would be nice to divide with him."

Johnny shook his head and went out doors. He nibbled the other peppermint foot.

"Ha! Ha! Ha!" laughed the funny little voice.

Johnny looked around to see what it was.

"Ha! Ha! Ha!" laughed the funny voice again, and just as Johnny went to bite off the other leg the Peppermint Boy lifted his tiny red and white cap.

"Hello, Johnny!" the Peppermint Boy cried out. "Don't be frightened at hearing me speak. All Peppermint Boys could talk if they wanted to, but I saw you liked me, so I thought I'd tell you how glad I am that you do."

"If I'd known you could talk I'd never have eaten off your legs," said Johnny quickly.

"Go right ahead and eat me up. That's what the candy man made me for," laughed the Peppermint Boy.

"And it doesn't hurt you to have little boys eat you?"

"No, indeed," replied the Peppermint Boy. "I'm so happy to know you like me that I'll be glad when you have eaten me all up. To be happy in this world one must try to make some one else happy. If I make you happy by letting you eat me, why then—eat me up."

"You're a funny little Peppermint Boy!" laughed Johnny.

"And you're a nice little fellow," replied the Peppermint Boy. "But if you'd share me with Benny I'm sure you'd enjoy me a hundred times more." and the Peppermint Boy put his cap back on his head just as Benny came up.

"Good," asked Benny.

"I should say so!" exclaimed Johnny, and he broke the Peppermint Boy in two and gave Benny half.

"That's the best piece of candy I ever tasted," said Johnny, as the last bite disappeared, and he told Benny and mamma what the Peppermint Boy had said.

"Of course it wasn't the Peppermint Boy himself talking. It was the Good Fairy who tries to teach us not to be selfish. Your dividing with Benny made the Peppermint Boy taste better than any other candy you ever had," laughed mamma.

"Do you suppose he really was glad we ate him up?" asked Johnny.

"Sure! That's what Peppermint Boys are for!" laughed Benny.

find that we can fashion traps we used to buy from foreign shops, and that's a lesson, little kids, which should be passed on in our lids. So watch me take my saw and ax, and fashion toys as slick as wax. I'll carve you beasts of gorgeous shapes. I'll hew out warthogs, bees and apes, and give you, dear ones, ample cause to whoop with me for Santa Claus.

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