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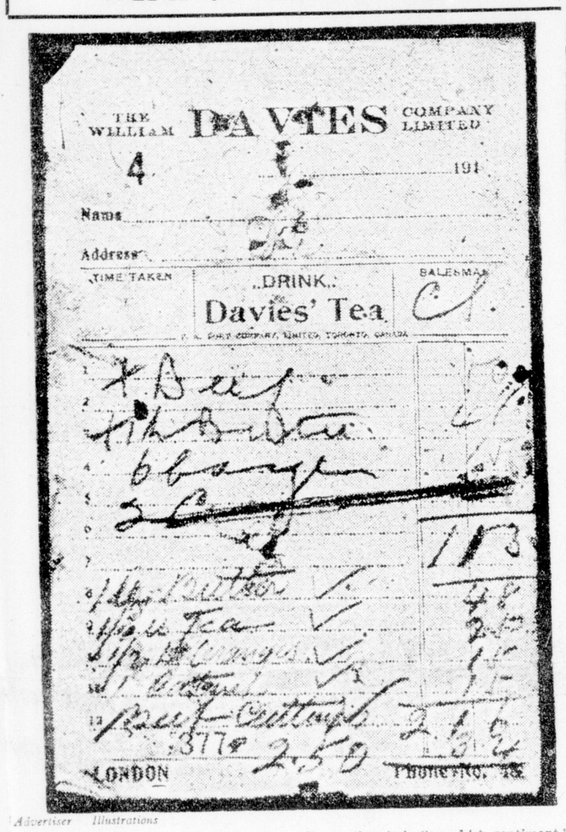
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BRITISH CAPTURE JERUSALEM CITY

SIR JOSEPH FLAVELLE AND A FEW BEEF CUTTINGS FOR WIFE OF RETURNED MAN



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This is a sob story. The Bordenites will say that it is "mawkish sentiment," and seek to dismiss the responsibility from the overlords at Ottawa. They will say it is written to make the wives of soldiers think the situation over, in an attempt to awaken the memory of how they have been treated. They will sniff at the attempt to link this story with the name of Sir Joseph Flavelle. How could he, sitting in his Toronto mansion or his handsome suite of offices, know about this woman? He could not know, it is true. But his system is responsible. He blinded himself and passed by on the other side, taking his 81 per cent profit, while thousands of women like this woman were straining to live. They snatched at the crumbs that fell from this rich man's table. Like a Joseph of old he made his sisters and his brethren come to his storehouses for food—and they paid his price.

She was waiting for her husband to come home from the front. He had been there for months that seemed like years, and finally the war machine was through with him. She anticipated his coming with joy, yet she dreaded it. She wanted him, and she had waited day after day with pictures of battles in her mind, wondering if the shrapnel that burst everywhere would spare him. Mercifully, he was spared.

And tomorrow while October beamed chill and bright he was to be with her once more. She had been worthy of him, but she had been ill. The money that came to her was spent quickly in an effort to keep the hand of death from her, and although she was a soldier's wife, she found little sympathy. She hated charity and she would not beg. But today on the eve of his return there was no food and no fuel in the house. She had no money—and the dear Government that was soon to demand her assistance to retain power had no emissaries to send to her at that time. She lived in a bare room and she had kept alive for some days on two loaves of bread.

Her tragedy was unknown to her husband. She had never sought to make his suffering greater by telling of her plight. She had hoped against hope that in some way she would have a home for him when he returned. As she sat gloomily thinking she came to the decision that she must have food for him when he came back to her. She would secure it somewhere. She tried several places which need not be mentioned here, and she was not successful. Each rebuff made her resolution stronger, however, and finally after a hard fight with her pride, she decided to go to the city hall and ask for support.

She told her story there, and finally it was agreed that food should be ordered.

And it was from the great, bright, brimming store of Sir Joseph Flavelle that she secured the food. But NOT WITHOUT MONEY OR ITS EQUIVALENT. What a difference between looking into Sir Joseph's store without money and being able to go inside and secure a few beef cuttings for 24 cents, a pound of butter for 48 cents, and a few other things that brought the bill to $2.50.

Sir Joseph's normal rate of 81 per cent profit was no doubt provided for in the 24 cents worth of beef cuttings. With the name of the soldier's wife omitted the bill is herewith shown in an engraving.

What a contrast today. Everywhere the soldier's wife is being sought by the courtiers of Sir Robert Borden's dynasty. But it was charity, city charity, that gave a soldier and his wife food two months ago—charity that in the end found its way into the pocket of Sir Joseph Flavelle, owner of the William Davies Company, from whom the few beef cuttings were secured in order that a woman might have a "feast" for the soldier who was coming home.

Let the People Rule, Not the Big Interests!

(Fom the Toronto Globe of September 24, 1917.)

"In Canada today there is less poverty, it is true, than before the war, but the high cost of living has neutralized the phantom increase in wages and TAKEN AWAY WITH ONE HAND WHAT THE OTHER HAS GIVEN.

The poor are those who, disorganized and open to attack, are PREYED UPON BY THE WEALTHY AND POWERFUL TRUSTS AND COMBINATIONS, WHO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THEIR ORGANIZATION AND ENTRENCHED POSITIONS TO MAKE WAR ON THE WEAK AND HELPLESS.

What is the remedy?

There is one remedy only. The people must organize in the only way in which it is possible to prove effective.

THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA MUST BE THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE, BY THE PEOPLE, AND FOR THE PEOPLE.

The rule of the Big Interests is a gross anachronism in this pulsating age, when the free nations of the earth are fighting to the death the tyranny of autocratic power.

The Big Interests are all-powerful in the dominion today because government in this country no longer is government by the people.

THE BIG INTERESTS WILL BE OVERTHROWN WHEN THE PEOPLE SEIZE THE REINS OF GOVERNMENT.

25000 HOMELESS FROM EXPLOSION; 1,200 ARE DEAD

Wounded at Halifax Number Eight Thousand, Two Thousand Unaccounted For.

STORY OF IMO'S SAILORS

Relief Trains Continue to Reach City—Boston Sends Another Supply Ship.

Halifax, Dec. 10.—Revised figures in connection with the casualties resulting from the explosion here follow:

Known dead, 1,200.
Identified, 900.
Unaccounted, 2,000.
Wounded, 8,000.
Homeless, 25,000.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 9.—For the first time since the steamers Mont Blanc and Imo collided in Halifax harbor last Thursday, with the result that the former vessel caught fire and her cargo of T. N. T. exploded, wiping out a large section of this city, the incidents of the tragic morning from the point of view of the crew of the Imo became available today.

It appears that the Im was proceeding down Halifax harbor towards the sea, when the Mont Blanc was seen coming towards them and apparently steaming for Bedford Basin. The Imo men contend that the French vessel was on the Dartmouth side of the Narrows, and that she blew two blasts on her whistle, indicating that she was going to starboard. The Imo replied with two blasts. The Mont Blanc turned, and the crew of the other steamer thought they could pass in safety, but the distance between them was too short, and the Imo rammed the Mont Blanc on the starboard side. Neither vessel was seriously damaged from the collision, and after they separated it was noticed that the Mont Blanc headed for one of the city piers. The Imo went on, her skipper's intention being, some of his men suggest, to get

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THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last were: Highest, 22; lowest, zero.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 10; lowest, 1 above.

TOMORROW—FAIR AND COLD.

Toronto, Dec. 10.

Forecasts.

Strong west to northwest winds; some light local snow, but mostly fair and decidedly cold today and on Tuesday.

Temperatures.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather
Victoria	44	28	Fair
Calgary	6	—10	Cloudy
Winnipeg	—10	—24	Cloudy
Port Arthur ...	—	—14	Fair
Parry Sound ..	18	— 2	Fair
Port Stanley ..	32	—	Cloudy
Buffalo	10	8	Cloudy
Toronto	10	4	Clear
Kingston	22	6	Cloudy
Ottawa	20	—	Fair
Montreal	20	6	Cloudy
Quebec	20	6	Cloudy
Father Point ..	28	8	Cloudy

Weather Notes.

The disturbance which was over Kentucky on Saturday morning moved quickly northeastward with increasing intensity to the Gulf of St. Lawrence, causing heavy gales, snow in Ontario, Quebec and Northern New Brunswick. The weather continues decidedly cold in the west.

BORDEN, IN QUEBEC, INDORSES ANTI-CONSCRIPTION MEMBER

Gives Official Stamp of Approval to Jos. Girard, Who Voted Against Military Service Act—"Facing-Both-Ways" Role of 1911 Again Being Adopted by Sir Robert.

According to the Toronto Star, one of the strongest Borden papers in the country, Premier Borden has given his sanction to at least one anti-conscriptionist in Quebec.

In a long article from Montreal appearing in the Star of Saturday the Quebec political situation is reviewed.

One significant paragraph in this article is as follows:

In Chicoutimi-Saguenay, Jos. Girard has represented the Conservatives at Ottawa for 17 years. He voted against the conscription bill in the House, but has been officially recognized by Sir Robert Borden. He is looked upon as being unbeatable. His opponent is Dr. E. Savard.

Ontario people are not supposed to know about this, that the great conscriptionist leader is again facing both ways as he did in 1911. But crooked politics, like murder, will out.

Girard appears as the official Government candidate in the records.

WOMEN OF CITY MEET TUESDAY TO HEAR ISSUES

Big Rally in Y. M. C. A. Auditorium for Their Benefit—Prominent Speakers.

ENTHUSIASM PREVAILS

Capacity Audience Is Expected Because of Interest Aroused.

The women of London will have an opportunity of hearing the issues of the day discussed on Tuesday evening in the Y.M.C.A. Auditorium, when Mrs. Rose Henderson and Mrs. Hector Prenter, Toronto, both well-known figures in that city; Mrs. (Capt.) Hallam, this city, whose husband was killed in Flanders, and George S. Gibbons will speak.

The women are well qualified to discuss the questions of the day. They have given much time and study to them, and can speak with vigor and force on them. Women are invited to be present. This will be an excellent opportunity of hearing the political issues explained by persons competent to deal with them.

Both Mrs. Prenter and Mrs. Henderson are prominently identified with patriotic work in Toronto, and have a reputation as forceful and logical speakers. Mrs. Henderson is especially qualified to speak on the subject of problems of women business and industrial workers and the present issues as they affect these women. Both have given much time and study to the questions of the day and are in a position to speak on them in an authoritative manner.

Women of the city are invited to be present, the meeting having been arranged to afford an opportunity of hearing issues of vital interest explained by people competent to deal with them. Judging from the interest aroused already, and the many inquiries being made in regard to the meeting and speakers, a capacity audience will attend Tuesday evening's meeting.

NEW TURK CREDIT.

Amsterdam, Dec. 10.—According to a dispatch from Constantinople to the Cologne Gazette, the Turkish Senate has unanimously adopted a supplementary war credit of £20,000,000 sterling. The finance minister said that, in accordance with the agreement with Germany that country would not require interest payments on advances made to Turkey until twelve years after the war ended.

GREAT OVATION FOR LIB. LEADER FROM WINNIPEG

Big Crowd Greets Sir Wilfrid Laurier's Arrival at the Prairie Metropolis.

CHEERED MANY MINUTES

Meeting Tonight Expected to Break All Records of Its Kind in the West.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Winnipeg, Dec. 9.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier was greeted at 10 o'clock tonight, on his arrival in Winnipeg, by the coldest weather of the winter. It did not freeze the spirits of 1,000 persons who gathered at the C. P. R. depot to meet the party, and who cheered for several minutes until the departure of Sir Wilfrid to the Fort Garry Hotel.

A half hour's reception was held at Fort Garry Hotel, where supporters of Sir Wilfrid from all parts of the West were present.

Sir Wilfrid's private car was attached to the mail and baggage section, and arrived two hours ahead of the regular train. The party reports severest weather all along the route to this city, but is well gratified to know it had no ill effect on Sir Wilfrid, who appeared to be in excellent spirits, and smiled his kindliest as he walked through the line of cheering friends.

A Record Meeting.

The meeting tomorrow night promises to be the largest attended political gathering in the city's interest in no political assembly of history; this is generally conceded. the past has been so keen. Sir Wilfrid has always in the past been highly favored by Winnipeg audiences, and there is no doubt he will be given a splendid hearing. How the thousands who will line up outside industrial bureau will be refused admission, which is by ticket, is a problem the police have on hand. There are fears that some friends of the Unionists, who have been denied tickets will gather early and rush the doors. Sir Wilfrid has arranged a special interview with Hon. Motherwell, Saskatchewan minister of agriculture, tomorrow.

ARTILLERY FIGHTING ON EAST OF MEUSE

Paris, Dec. 10.—Violent artillery fighting occurred last night on the Verdun front east of the Meuse.

"The artillery fighting was violent for a time in Alsace, and also on the right bank of the Meuse, in the region of Chambrettes," says today's official report. "An enemy raid south of Corbeny was repulsed."

ENTIRE CONGREGATION MAY HAVE PERISHED.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 10.—Practically the entire congregation of St. Joseph's Church was either killed or injured. The church itself is a mass of ruins.

Mr. Ledieux, representing Cassavant Bros., of St. Hyacinthe, Que., was in the chruch at the time of the explosion superintending the installation of a new organ. The organ was overturned, with Mr. Ledieux underneath. His was one of the many marvellous escapes that occurred, for he came out with only slight injuries.

MAJOR HUME CRONYN BLAMED TREATMENT GIVEN QUEBEC PROVINCE IN EARLY PART OF GREAT WAR FOR SUBSEQUENT ATTITUDE REGARDING RECRUITS

Borden Candidate Gave Out Notable Interview on May 26, on Return From National Unity Convention—Placed the Responsibility for Shortage of Men Where It Belonged.

"The undiplomatic treatment accorded Quebec in the beginning of the war has undoubtedly been responsible to a large extent for the subsequent attitude there."—Major Hume Cronyn, Borden candidate in London.

"We must have national unity if we are going to win the war."—Major Hume Cronyn, Borden candidate in London.

The above are two statements made by the Borden candidate in London, Major Hume Cronyn, in the course of an interview given to The Advertiser on Saturday, May 26, after his return from the "Win the War" convention held in Quebec. This was some time after Sir Robert Borden had announced that he would introduce a conscription bill.

The views expressed at that time by Major Cronyn are the views expressed by many Liberals today. But they are the very antithesis of the statements issued in the name of the Unionist candidate in London in the form of attacks upon Quebec and Sir Wilfrid Laurier during the present campaign.

EDUCATION BEFORE CONSCRIPTION.

Major Cronyn, after coming from the province of Quebec and its people, declared that the people were not blame. He counselled a "campaign of education" before conscription was introduced, and he expressed the deepest sympathy with the French-Canadian people.

The estrangement of the people of Quebec was blamed by Major Cronyn, as it should have been blamed, on those influences which sought to hamper Quebec, and which killed the war sentiment in Quebec at a time when it was ready to burst in a flame of patriotic fervor. Major Cronyn patently saw the influences of the Nationalists who sat, and who continue to sit, at the councils of the mighty.

MAJOR CRONYN'S INTERVIEW.

The interview granted by Major Cronyn to The Advertiser is reproduced exactly as given on May 26. Several other persons were interviewed at the same time, but their statments are eliminated. The introductory paragraph and the views of Major Cronyn on the Quebec situation are as follows:

A number of the delegates who represented London at the "Win the War" convention in Quebec have returned home with vision clarified in regard to the real attitude of Quebec towards the war and a more secure feeling of the unity of the nation in the struggle.

Major Hume Cronyn said to The Advertiser today: "We found when we arrived that the convention was called 'National Unity,' or 'Win the War.' I think myself that the first term was preferable. WE MUST HAVE NATIONAL UNITY IF WE ARE GOING TO WIN THE WAR. The important mission of the convention, to my mind, was the opportunity afforded the outside provinces to get in touch with the real Quebec feeling and point of view, and to obtain an idea of the difficulties under which Quebec has labored.

LIKE ONTARIO TWO YEARS AGO.

"One statement that was reiterated again and again was this: 'We in Quebec are just about where Ontario was two years ago. What success would a conscription agitation have met in Ontario two years ago? With the exception of the cities, Quebec has been absolutely out of touch with the war. We were told of a most successful recruiting meeting held by Blondin at St. Hyacinthe recently. There is no doubt that if the war situation were thoroughly understood, Quebec would do her part in the way of recruits, just as Ontario and the other provinces have done.

"Another statement which was given emphasis in the convention was this: 'Whatever steps the Government of the Dominion of Canada chooses to take for the successful prosecution of the war will be loyally backed by the Province of Quebec.' The announcement of conscription made by Premier Borden some days before the convention removed one difficulty that would have confronted us. The people of Quebec say: 'We are law-abiding people. We will stand by the law of the country.'

NOT TO BE TAKEN SERIOUSLY.

"We heard, perhaps, more than has been heard here of demonstrations in the province of a political character. These, we were convinced, were the utterances for the most part of students, of excited youths, egged on by interested people, and not really to be taken seriously. The best thought of the province is undoubtedly in line with that of Ontario. Nevertheless, the term 'conscription' causes a certain amount of apprehension. It is not the principle but the term to which exception is taken. 'National service' is preferred.

"The people there who agree that conscription should be adopted feel that caution must be exercised in the use of terms. An educational campaign is required in the country to prepare the people for the situation. They are afraid that if the word is adopted and thrust down the throats of the people difficulties will be created.

THE BILINGUAL QUESTION.

"Another point emphasized again and again was that Quebec feels strongly on the bilingual question. Re-

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HOLY CITY IS CAPTURED BY THE BRITISH

German-Led Turks Surrender Jerusalem to General Allenby.

ENDS DRIVE AT EGYPT

First Time in Twelve Hundred Years City Has Passed to Christians.

London, Dec. 10.—Andrew Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer, announced in the House of Commons today that Jerusalem, after being surrounded on all sides by British troops, had surrendered.

The capture of Jerusalem by the British forces marks the end, with two brief interludes, of more than 1,300 years' possession of the seat of Christian religion by the Mohammedans. For 673 years the Holy City has been in undisputed ownership of the Turks, the last Christian ruler of Jerusalem being the German emperor, Frederick II, whose short-lived domination lasted from 1229 to 1242.

Ends Drive for Suez.

Apart from its connection with the campaign being waged against Turkey by the British in Mesopotamia, the fall of Jerusalem marks the definite collapse of the long-protracted efforts of the Turks to capture the Suez Canal and invade Egypt. Almost the first move made by Turkey after her entrance into the war was a campaign against Egypt across the great desert of the Sinai Peninsula. In November, 1914, a Turkish a my, variously estimated at from 75,000 to 250,000 men, marched on the Suez Canal and succeeded in reaching within striking distance of the great artificial waterway at several points. For several months bitter fighting took place, the canal being defended by an Anglo-Egyptian army, aided by Australians and New Zealanders and French and British forces.

The Turks Beaten.

For the greater part of 1915, conflicting reports of the situation were received from the belligerents, but in December of that year definite information showed that the Turks had been driven back as far as El-Arish, about 65 miles east of the canal. A lull occurred then, which lasted for six months, and in June, 1916, the Turks again advanced as far as Katieh, about 16 miles east of the canal. There they were decisively defeated, losing more than 3,000 prisoners and a great quantity of equipment.

RUMANIANS BETWEEN THE BOLSHEVIKI AND GERMANS ARE FORCED INTO AN ARMISTICE

Threat to Withdraw Support in Moldavia Compels an Agreement.

Jassy, Rumania, Saturday, Dec. 8.—It is understood that an armistice for three months between the German and Rumanian forces, taking in also the Russians on the Rumanian front, has been agreed upon. All the conditions proposed by the Rumanians were accepted by the Germans with the exception of one prohibiting the transfer of troops to other fronts, in regard to which negotiations are still being carried on with Field Marshal von Mackensen at Bucharest. On its arrival at Fokshani, the joint Russo-Rumanian commission, which is conducting the negotiations, was received cordially and dined by the Germans.

FORCED INTO IT.

Amsterdam, Dec. 10.—The Rumanian Government was forced to enter the armistice negotiations with the Germans, according to a Vienna dispatch to the Lokay Anzleger of Berlin, as a result of an ultimatum from the Russian Government. This threatened the withdrawal of Russian troops from the Moldavian front and the stoppage of the export of food and war material.

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NO HYPOCRISY TO TRENCH RELIGION, CHAPLAIN'S WORD

A Returned Minister-Officer Pays Rare Tribute to Soldiers.

LIFE NEEDS SACRIFICE

Must Teach Rising Generation To Make "Life," Not "Money."

"I have been frequently asked since my return 'What of the religion of the boys overseas?' There is one thing about his religion: It has no hypocrisy and no veneer. You see him just as he is. His religion would perhaps be difficult to define according to theological and ecclesiastical standards. But he has a religion, and it is this, holding by faith to the hand of God with one hand and holding out the other hand to help a pal. Have you got a better religion than that?" The foregoing statement was made in St. Andrew's Church at the morning service yesterday by Rev. N. H. McGillivray, returned chaplain, in the course of a sermon on "The Abundant Life."

Continuing, the preacher who has had fifteen months' experience as an overseas chaplain, a large part of the time at the front, related a number of touching experiences illustrating the willingness of the soldiers to sacrifice even life itself for others and for their comrades.

To those who have been bereaved by the war, comfort was offered in the assurance of continuity of life for the lads who have passed on, sacrificing themselves for the cause of righteousness, and for the fulfillment of God's purpose for the world. "There can be no real life without sacrifice," declared Mr. McGillivray, adding, "which are you more concerned about, making a living or making a life? There is grave need to teach our boys and girls less about making money and more about making life and character. We have been tested in the years before the war, tested and found wanting because our first concerns were money, luxury, pleasure. We failed, and the testing of war is on us today. Where there is abundance of life, disease cannot abide, even the disease of war. Life is continuous, life is given to us as an opportunity to grow. When we take life as an opportunity, we have no fear of the emergency of death, the revelation of the judgment. These for us lead only to the fruition of destiny. Two roads are offered to us to choose between, the high road of sacrifice and life, the low road of selfishness and death. Three conditions are necessary for abundant life, atmosphere, food and exercise. We are never better than the air we breathe, the food we eat, and what we do. If we would breathe God's air, we must keep good company. If we would be properly nourished, we must feed upon God's word. And we must have the exercise of sacrifice and service. Only in this way can we have the fullest, highest and best life."

An appeal at the close was made for the chaplains' fund, indorsed by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, to provide comforts, conveniences, etc., for our soldiers in England and France. Envelopes were placed in the pews for offerings to the fund for which the objective is $15,000 for the Presbyterian Church in Canada. Concerning this, Mr. McGillivray said: "Sometimes the boy is entirely out of money, his box, his letter, or even his money order fails to reach him. Whom is he to go to? The padre. The padre isn't by any means the highest paid officer, but I know from experience that he is always glad to help. It would have been impossible for me many times to have given the help needed were it not for kind friends in my own county, Elgin County, who sent me from time to time remittances, five pounds or so, for this work of helping out the boys with comforts and conveniences. You may think you have to work hard and make sacrifices here but I tell you, the one that has the hardest position here has an easier one than the one who has the least difficult over there. On a stormy, cold, wet night, when you go home after your hard day's work, go right through the house, take two blankets and sleep outside in your woodshed. That will give you some idea of the life of the men over in France."

Badge of Honor Eagerly Sought By Many Here

Offers To Buy Buttons Bring Greatest Indigation on Part of Returned Men.

There is a little button with the British flag on it worn by hundreds of men in London that is coveted beyond measure by a number of young men in the city. Some have offered to buy the aforementioned button at prices ranging from $20 to $50, but the owners who have risked their lives on the battlefields of Europe would not part with one of their most precious and cherished valuables for all of the Victory Loan.

Secretary Ed. Lance of the S. A. C., stated today that a number of returned soldiers had reported being approached on the streets and asked how much they would take for their returned badges.

"Most of the boys who were approached were on crutches," said Mr. Lance. "The men whoever they were took care that they did not go after soldiers who could put up a fight. The boys were furious, and it is safe to say that the next man who tries to buy a button will get some rough handling."

19 RECRUITS BUT ONLY TWO OTHERS EXAMINED IN CITY

Saturday's Work of Medical Boards Light.

Only two men underwent medical examination at the armories by order of the exemption tribunals on Saturday. One of these was in category B, fit for non-combatant service overseas, and the other in category C, fit for service in Canada. Thirteen men were examined by order of the deputy registrar. Tree were in category A, one was in category B, three were in category C, one in category D and five in category E, unfit. James Anderson reported for service and was sent to the 1st Depot Battalion, Western Ontario Regiment.

Nineteen recruits were examined, the majority being from the United States. The men, their birthplace, the points at which they were accepted and the units to which they were sent were: John Osseoult, Grand Rapids, W. O. R.; H. Freeman, Russia, Detroit, W. O. R.; O. F. Birkett, Wales, Detroit, W. O. R.; A. Boynton, Canada, Detroit, W. O. R.; J. Morrison, Scotland, Detroit, W. O. R.; L. J. Hilton, England, Detroit, W. O. R.; J. B. Tofffn, Canada, London; G. W. B. Toffin, Canada, London; G. W. Ross, U. S. A., London, Forestry; B. L. Russel, U. S. A., London, Forestry; R. B. Birker, England, Detroit, W. O. R.; J. Phillips, England, Detroit, W. O. R.; F. C. Neville, Canada, Detroit, W.O.R.; E. E. Misener, Canada, Detroit, 63rd Battery; J. F. Andrew, Forestry; J. Hockings, England, Detroit, W. O. R., G. Ames, Canada, Grand Rapids, Forestry; J. J. Dix, England, Detroit, W. O. R.; C. H. Otis, Canada, Detroit, W. O. R.

Today one medical board is acting instead of the two which have been in operation for the past few weeks. The greater part of the work entailed in calling up the first class has been finished, and it is thought that one medical board will be sufficient to carry on.

VETERAN EVANGELIST TO TURN OVER MONEY FOR PUBLIC CAUSES

Rev. H. T. Crossley Gives All Receipts to Charity and Patriotic Objects.

At the conclusion of a series of evangelistic meetings in Tilsonburg, after the final offering had been taken a few evenings ago, Rev. H. T. Crossley, the famous evangelist, in advising people to be their own executors, distributing to benevolent purposes while living, announced that hereafter, as long as the war lasts, he will give to patriotic, benevolent and religious objects every dollar he may receive from his evangelistic work. For over thirty years Mr. Crossley has distributed to benevolent objects on an average of from 40 to 50 per cent of his evangelistic income.

Mr. Crossley, who has conducted many evangelistic campaigns in this city and took a prominent part in the conference held in Dundas Centre Church in June, continues his evangelistic work with unabated enthusiasm, notwithstanding the fact that he began his 34th year in this service on September 9th. Since that date this fall until November 25th, he has held campaigns in Burford, Mount Pleasant, Allenford and Tilsonburg, conducting services practically every night but Saturdays.

LONESOME SOLDIER WANTS MORE LETTERS

Plea From England for Home Town News.

A former London boy, a member of the 208th Battalion of Toronto, now in training in England, longs to hear more frequently than he does from his own home town. He has written to the editor of The Advertiser as follows: "I seldom hear from my home town, and I find it very monotonous as you may guess. Would you kindly ask some of your subscribers through your paper if they would be kind enough to mail The Advertiser on to me when they have finished with it?

If any of your subscribers would care to write to me their letters would be most welcome. Sincerely yours.

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BETWEEN THE ELECTION ACTS

The Globe describes what is an an optimist. It should describe a pessimist. It's one of the latter right now.

H. J. Pettypiece is such a Liberal that he voted against Hon. N. W. Rowell at the last provincial elections. A fish is a bird, according to that reasoning.

The Borden Government is as dead as a last year's bird-nest. Everybody is invited to the funeral on December 17. There will be no complaints.

The Free Press has made its first of a series of apologies. There will be many more to come, possible with dollar marks all over them.

The Borden apologists claim they are very fair. They are quite as fair as Gyp the Blood and his pals. They are murdering reputations as a life's undertaking.

The Liberal party in Ontario is very fortunate in the enemies it has made. The Borden Government might well pray to be saved from its friends.

So a business partner of Hon. Newton Wesley Rowell is mixed up in that C. N. R. munitions contract, given out of the Victory Loan. Oh, ho, also oh, hum! A great light is dawning on the people.

The tide is turning towards Laurier still stronger. The Borden Government is tied to Flavelle, Mackenzie & Mann, Allison, the profiteers, and the rest. That's the only "tide" it knows.

Sir Robert Borden will not stand in the way of a stronger man, it is stated. That's what he is doing now, and that is what he has been doing. He cannot recognize strength at all.

Sir Robert Borden stated that by purchasing the C. N. R. the people would get rid of Mackenzie & Mann forever. He is getting rid of them by paying still greater tribute to them.

There are some members of the Borden Government lamenting over Sir Wilfrid Laurier. The lamentations are heartfelt—they know what is going to happen to their jobs.

Just to expedite matters, why not turn the government of Canada over to Mackenzie & Mann and Joseph Flavelle and save the salaries of a lot of men who are doing their work? What's the use of duplicating staffs and men?

Word comes from Toronto that the Bordenites in that city are in such a panicky state that every effort is being made to keep off the lists thousands of voters disfranchised by unscrupulous enumerators. Everything to win, is the cry of these honorable (?) gentlemen.

James M. Ross, in East Middlesex, will defeat the Brave Fireman of Parliament Hill on December 17. The attempt to make a traitor and a pro-German out of Mr. Ross, who has his only two sons at the front, is reacting against his traducers, and the owner of the famous overcoat will be relegated to oblivion.

The Free Press says that The Advertiser is still yammering about the Ross Rifle. Yes, and will continue to discuss this, in justice to a thousand Canadians who will never be able to speak their mind in this world again. The sin of their deaths lies at the door of the Borden Government.

The Borden Government organ here gives the Laurierites twelve seats in Ontario. It will have to have about one hundred sure seats from Ontario, eighteen more than the law allows, to get an even break with the Liberals. They are doomed, are Borden and his outfit, and they know it.

If the kaiser will vote for the least effectiveness in the war, he will vote for the bad shoes of the Borden Government, the improper binoculars of the Borden Government, Foster's spavined horses, the blunders and the plunder of the Borden ministers, and the spineless leadership of Sir Robert Borden. Wilhelm is strong for that Government.

The Free Press has actually said a mean thing about Sir Sam Hughes. Says the country was [illegible]. That journal never criticized one of his fool acts during his administration, nor did it oppose him. Only when he placed his finger on the cause of the failure of voluntary enlistment, to wit, Sir Robert Borden, Sir Thomas White, Sir Joseph Flavelle, and others, did that journal discover that Sir Sam was a misfit and a mistake. If he were in the cabinet now, the Free Press would be shouting its fool head off about him.

If some people in London followed the tactics of "The Tattler" they might give some interesting information as to the attitude, the real attitude, of Sir Adam Beck toward the Borden Government. However, they consider themselves as gentlemen, not as cads.

If you are thinking of what you'll give this Christmas and will make your choice among the more useful things, you'll not make a mistake. There are reasons for this, but we will not dwell on that. We want to tell you of the fine collection of beautiful slippers of all kinds and sizes for men, women, misses and tots we are showing at most reasonable prices.

You can't make a purchase of any of them without pleasing the one you would make happy with a present. There is nothing that pleases a person more than something which adds to their personal comfort, and a nice pair of slippers does contribute very much to one's comfort after a few days' work. Drop in and see them in most interesting variety. There are velvet and felt Juliets, Kozy and high-cut Kozys for the ladies; Romeos, Operas and Everetts for Men, and others for others. So easy to choose what will please if you come soon. Why not today?—Casselman Bros., 171 Dundas street.

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and constipation, headache, drowsiness, coated tongue, bad breath, bad taste in the mouth, quickly disappear if you take Hood's Pills. Many say these pills act better on the liver and bowels than anything else. Do not gripe; 25c. of druggists or by mail of C. I. Hood Company, Lowell, Mass.

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Before buying elsewhere come in and get our prices. Our furs are the best that money and skill can produce.

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KEEN SUFFERING IN COLD DIP IS LAID AT DOOR OF FUEL CONTROLLER

Special Trains May Be Necessary to Avert Fuel Famine.

GAS SUPPLY INADEQUATI

Factories at Chatham Cut Off to Help Domestic Supply.

BLIZZARD WAS GENERAL

Requests Pouring In From the Whole District for Coal Supplies.

Reports from all over this district indicate that the fuel controller is getting and is going to get in the next few hours a great many urgent and emphatic requests that he do something. Not a few unkind things have been said about the situation in which thousands of people find themselves today as a result of the policy of inaction at Ottawa. The blizzard which raged Saturday evening and all day Sunday resulted in a great deal of suffering in Western Ontario. The outlook should the cold continue is anything but cheerful. It was stated last evening that in scores of the towns and villages all through this district there is hardly any fuel, and that people are bitterly blaming the fuel controller.

Was Felt Keenly.

The storm which broke Saturday was one of the worst in years, and while the lowest point reached by the mercury in London was zero, the cold was driven in by a piercing wind and was felt keenly. The railways had troubles of their own, most of the trains running many hours late.

Urgent appeals for fuel poured in to Mayor Stevenson and to the railways from all over the district. Those who called emphasized the seriousness of the situation and the suffering that would follow unless fuel is received. What they said about the inadequate fuel control at Ottawa would not be passed by the censor. In order to avert an absolute fuel famine in some towns it may be necessary to run special trains.

Mayor Kept Busy.

In London the sudden cold snap caused considerable suffering, according to reports received by Mayor H Stevenson. Hurry-up calls for fuel flooded the mayor and civic officials during the day. The mayor declared that he was enabled to fill these orders through the assistance of dealers.

"In the majority of cases the people had to take their own wagons or secure drays to get the coal, but so far as we know all emergency calls were well met," declared the mayor to The Advertiser

Sweepers Were Out.

Snow-sweepers and plows of the London street railway were kept in service all through Saturday afternoon, Saturday night and Sunday. Continuous operation was the only way in which the tracks could be kept cleared. The snow drifted back on the tracks almost as fast as removed by the sweepers, and extra crews were kept on duty all night to man the big sweepers.

The report of the C.P.R. locally was that the greatest trouble had been in the Toronto district and the immediate vicinity of that city. Around London no branch lines were blocked, according to a semi-official report given out here. All trains, however, on Saturday and Sunday were running late.

Livestock Suffered.

Shipments of livestock on the railways suffered considerably from the sudden drop of the temperature. Stock cars, under the best of circumstances during winter months, are more or less of hardship on livestock, and with trains blocked and stalled by snow and blizzard conditions such as prevailed on Saturday and Sunday, the hardships were aggravated a thousand per cent.

Railway and telegraph linemen, in an effort to keep the wires up and working, were subjected to the full blasts of the storm, and were forced to work under the worst conditions possible.

NO COAL OR GAS.

WINDSOR, Dec. 9.—So serious is the fuel situation in Windsor that Mayor Tuson has called a special meeting of the council for Monday afternoon to deal with the situation. There is not a pound of coal to be in the city at any price, and the natural gas supply is weaker than usual due to the large increase in consumption and new customers recently taken on by the gas company. The council Monday will also deal with measures for the relief of Halifax. Mayor Tuson having been advised by wire today that clothing, rubbers, bedding and surgical apparatus are most urgently required. The thermometer today recorded as low as four below zero with a high wind blowing.

Blames Ottawa.

Scoring the Canadian fuel controller for lack of action in dealing with the coal shortage in Windsor and other Ontario cities, George Peocock, manager of the Windsor Ice and Coal Company, declares the coal dealers of the border cities are without a pound of coal of any kind.

"The coal situation in Windsor is worse than serious," Peocock said. "I consider it criminal on the part of the fuel administrator to allow thousands of tons of coal to be hoarded at the head of the lakes while this section of the province is practically without fuel.

"I have written to the United States authorities many times regarding the shortage of coal in this part of Ontario, but all the satisfaction I got was to be referred to the Canadian fuel administrator. I was told that the Dominion had imported more coal this fall than during all of last winter.

"It seems to me the Canadian fuel administrator and his staff are content to sit back and draw fat salaries, writing a letter once in a while to make a showing. That has been my experience."

BAD AT CHATHAM.

CHATHAM, Dec. 9.—The sudden dip to zero weather caused keen suffering here and the storm tied up the Chatham-Wallaceburg and Lake Erie Electric Railway completely. As a result of the coal shortage and the inadequate supply of natural gas many homes had insufficient heat. In an effort to relieve the situation factories were notified that their supply of natural gas would be cut off and the supply turned in for domestic purposes. Even then the pressure was so poor as to be most unsatisfactory. Owing to lack of fuel the C. W. and L. E. Railway people were unable to generate enough power to keep their cars moving and several of them remained out in the blizzard at various points completely stalled. Mayor Kerr has been urging the fuel controller at Ottawa for some days to get busy, but has had no satisfaction. Many citizens are loud in their arraignment of the way in which this department is being handled and a civic protest may be sent to Ottawa.

SHIVERING AT SARNIA.

SARNIA, Dec. 9.—With the mercury at zero and the gas pressure so low that many houses cannot be satisfactorily heated by it many Sarnia families are shivering. The supplies of coal are anything but what citizens would like to have on hand, and if the cold spell lasts it is feared there will be trouble. As might be expected the fuel controller is coming in for a storm of criticism. The storm raging over the lake has caused a cessation of navigation. Railwaymen report trains running many hours late.

WORST IN YEARS.

ST. THOMAS, Dec. 9.—The worst storm of the season struck St. Thomas last night and continued throughout today. The railways are terribly handicapped in the movement of trains. Michigan Central Railway officials state that advices received from the east indicate that the storm is the heaviest in New York State experienced in thirty years. Trains from New York City are running all the way from eight to twelve hours late. Railwaymen are suffering great hardships, battling the storm with the mercury at two zero below. The freight traffic is practically tied up.

Coal shortage in St. Thomas is more or less alarming. Some dealers were unable to make any deliveries on Saturday, and the general tie-up will probably prevent expected shipments from reaching here for a few days.

SMALLMAN & INGRAM — THE WEATHER FAIR AND COLD. — SMALLMAN & INGRAM

THE ULTRA TOPCOATS FOR WOMEN

The cold cannot penetrate these smart coats of wool velour, tweeds, seal plush, etc., with their huge collars and trimmings of fur—new models with inverted pleats, giving the necessary flare below the waistline. Immense pockets and deep cuffs with large buttons, which give a charm of distinctiveness, and not necessarily expensive, for these coats have all the chic of fashion's favored style notes, executed in fabrics of tasteful choosing, finished with workmanship skilled and painstaking, at remarkably low prices.

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Fancy Ribbons for Christmas Things and Decorations

OUR ANNUAL INSTITUTION

It is to this store that many people look for their handkerchief gifts. This dependence has been won through years of exceptional service in showing of great numbers of Handkerchiefs of all kinds and qualities, each one a superior value. There is real inspiration in a trip to the Handkerchief Counter.

See Window Display.

Ladies' Pure Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, hemstitched and lace edges, dainty embroidered corner, assorted patterns .....25c and 35c each
Finer quality linen, dainty embroidered design in one corner, assorted patterns, hemstitched and lace edge. Each ..... 40c and 50c
Maltese Lace Handkerchiefs, pure Irish linen centres .....65c and 85c each
Wider lace and finer centre at, each .....$1.10, $1.25 and $1.50
Still wider lace and finer centre at ..... $1.50 to $2.75 each
Ladies' Pure Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, initialed..... $1.25 for box of 6
Same quality and style 75c for box of 3
Pure Linen Handkerchief, hemstitched, dainty embroidered corner, assorted patterns in box. Price $1.25 for box of 4
Children's Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, chiefs, colored border 45c for box of 3
colored border .....45c for box of 3
Handkerchief Sachets, daintily embroidered, very pretty and useful gift, pure linen..65c, 75c, 85c and $1.00 each

Coats of Individuality Moderately Priced

Splendid assortment of Ladies' and Young Women's Coats, in seal plush, velour, chinchilla, broadcloths, tweeds, in variety of styles, showing fur and fur-wove trimmings of seal, sable, mole, coon, beaver; colors burgundy, taupe, Russian green, nigger brown, navy, also black; styles show smart belts, pockets, large wrap collars.

Tweed Coats, $10.95, $15.00 and $25.00
Velour Coats, $27.50, $30.00 to $50.00
Broadcloth $45.00, $49.00, $50.00, $65.00
Seal Plush Coats at $27.95 $30.00, $37.50 to $75.00

Coats show full skirts, many pleated on either side or box pleated. Lengths show one to three inches of skirt or full length.

The demand for Ribbons was never so great, and was never met with such a gorgeous display. The color combinations are beautiful and the plaids, stripes and brocaded effects are most attractive, and the prettiest gifts are shown here made from these ribbons.

Plaid and Striped Ribbons in assorted colors, suitable for hair bows, fancy bags, etc. .....50c, 65c, 75c per yard
Fancy Ribbons in pretty floral designs, suitable for work bags, vanity bags, etc. Price .....55c, 65c, 75c and 85c yard
Duchess Ribbon in blue, yellow, green, white, purple, mauve, useful for making coat hangers, camisoles, boudoir slippers, etc., also in narrow widths to match .....3c to 50c yard
Latest Wash Ribbons in all widths, suitable for lingerie purposes, for camisoles, fancy boudoir caps, etc..4c to 30c yard
Taffeta Ribbon, 4½ inches wide, in red only, suitable for hair ribbons or Christmas decorations ..... 18c yard
Other shades at..25c, 35c and 40c yard
New assortment of Holly Ribbons for tieing Christmas gifts, assorted colorings .....15c per bolt of 5 yards

Brushed Wool Skating Sets For Girls

Handsome Brushed and Angora Wool Skating Sets, which make very acceptable gifts for Christmas.

Angora Sets, white with green, rose, or Copenhagen stripe, smart toque to match ..... $3.50 set
Smart Plaid Sets with tam or toque .....$2.50 and $4.00 set
White Brushed Wool, with rose, Copenhagen or green stripe, smart toque with buttons at side. Special .....$2.50 set
19 dozen sets, special brushed wool, in plain paddy, red, Copenhagen, white, rose, brown or silver grey; the regular-size scarf and heavy brushed cap with button on sides; extra value. Price ..... $1.50 set
Special line of Mercerized Mufflers in plain colors of grey, white or black, fine ribbed with fringed ends.....75c each
Silk Mufflers in fine, plain weave, paddy, purple, rose and white. Special ..... $2.00 each



The Habutai Blouse Offers a Splendid Gift Possibility

This week a special display of New Blouses especially for gifts. Some woman of your acquaintance would be delighted with a blouse. It can be expensive or modest, but it should be just such a blouse as the recipient has longed for. This display contains many styles that will gladden the heart of any woman.

Habutai Blouses, one of the most practical and easily laundered waists, light, medium and heavy weight. The light weight is made with square collars, hemstitching on seams, convertible at neck, fastened with small pearl buttons, white only. Price $2.50

Medium weight also in Jap silk, square necks and convertible collars, black. Price .....$2.95, $3.50 and $4.00 each

Very fine quality Habutai Silk Blouse, the new Robespierre collar, which crosses over in front and fastens with one large pearl button, white only. Prices .....$4.50, $6.00 and $6.50 each

Very dainty styles in White Voiles, plain and figured materials, prettily trimmed with fine tucks, guipure and filet lace edgings, also very neat embroidered designs; a number of pretty styles to select from. Prices, each ..... $1.75 to $8.50

Medium weight has clusters of tiny tucks down each side of front, soft roll collar, the new Tuxedo style, fastens down front with large pearl buttons, long sleeve with turned-back pointed cuff, double-stitched seams on shoulder and around armholes, white only. Price $3.50

Heavy weight, plain tailored Jap Silk Blouses, convertible collars, double-stitched seams, fastened with finest quality pearl buttons, white only. Price $4.50

Ladies' and Children's Mitts and Gloves

Good Mitts in all wool with long cuff, in brown, grey, black, cardinal, scarlet, navy and white, all sizes. Price 50c pair
Short Mitts in all wool for small children, good length in wrist, white, grey, brown, scarlet, cardinal and navy. Price ..... 35c pair
Good Warm Mitts for larger children in wrist length, in pure wool; black, grey, brown, navy, cardinal, scarlet and castor. Price ..... 50c pair
Woolen Gloves for girls, in white, in pullover style, very warm. Price ..... 40c pair
Ladies' Fleece-Lined Mocha Gloves, with band of fur at the wrist; dark greys and tans. Price .....$3.00 pair
Ladies' Mocha Gloves, in grey and tans, fleece-lined throughout, very comfortable. Prices.....$1.65 and $2.00 pair
Ladies' Fleece-Lined Kid Gloves, in tans. Price ..... $2.00 pair
Ladies' Mocha Mitts, in tan, fleece lined, very warm for driving, etc. Price ..... $1.50 pair

AFTERNOON TEA.
Special Menu from 3 to 5:30. Service 10c up.

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$25,000 FUND IS HALIFAX AID CANVASS AIM

City to Raise That By Voluntary Subscription.

USING OLD ORGANIZATION

Patriotic Campaigns Systems Will Be Followed in Thursday Drive.

The city of London will raise $25,000 by voluntary subscriptions for the relief of the sufferers at Halifax.

At a joint meeting of the Rotary and Canadian Clubs at noon today, arrangements were made for the canvass. Controller E. S. Little was made honorary chairman in charge of the campaign, with J. J. Foote as head of the teams. The various organizations in charge of the former patriotic campaigns will be asked to assist.

There was considerable discussion. Ald. Ashplant and Ald. Harley were in favor of receiving $10,000 from the city, and Jared Vining suggested that the amount necessary be made up out of the taxes. However, Controller E. S. Little stated that the money could be raised voluntarily, and he suggested that this method be followed. With the city council's contribution of $2,000 he had $7,500 in sight, and he felt confident that the rest could be raised. The organization will be made complete in a day or two.

It is expected that the citizens will be canvassed on Thursday, and it is thought that in half a day the amount necessary could be obtained.

There will be twelve teams, and a thorough canvass will be made. Citizens are asked to have their contributions ready.

FUEL SITUATION LOCALLY ACUTE; BINS ARE EMPTY

Some Dealers Have Not Pound Left to Meet Demands.

MANY HOMES FIRELESS

Navy Taggers Report South London Families Where No Coal Available.

The coal situation in London is getting more serious every day. Half a dozen local dealers stated today that they did not have a pound of coal in their bins and were anxiously waiting for even a carload.

"We haven't had a shovelful for several days now," said one coalman. "Early last week we got in four carloads, but it was snapped up in no time I believe that there are any number of families who have not enough fuel to last them for more than a few days. What can we do? We are helpless. There is a supply in transit to us that has been due for the last month and we are still waiting. Last week we did not sell more than half a ton to a customer."

All the dealers declare that everything possible is being done to rush coal to the city and they hope that the situation will be brighter in a few days. The closing of navigation, it is thought, will mean more coal shortly.

Absolutely Fuelless.

One of the taggers in Saturday's campaign for the Navy League came across two families in London West without a fire in the house.

"Four youngsters were huddled close together in bed, while the mother stood shivering and rubbing her hands," said the tagger in telling the story to The Advertiser. "The woman said she was unable to get a bit of coal or wood, and had sent out her oldest boy to borrow a scuttleful from a neighbor. She was quite cheerful over the situation, and insisted on giving me a dime for the Navy League.

"The other family were all in bed except the mother, who answered the door. She said it was no use for them to get up, as there wasn't a bit of firewood in the house, and she wouldn't let me got until she had contributed a nickel to the navy.

The situation is so grave that a number of families are seriously considering the advisability of doubling up for the winter, in order to save coal.

Using Soft Coal.

Thousands of persons in this city, who have never used soft coal in heaters before, have been compelled, because of the hard coal shortage, to use the other variety as a last resort.

Coal companies and factories have been supplying this variety of coal for stove purposes since Saturday morning.

A special train of seven cars of hard coal reached Watford early this morning. The fuel did not arrive any too soon, and many there were put to the necessity of burning up packing boxes and any wood available on Sunday.

Wood as fuel is almost as hard to procure as coal.

The railway companies claim that the situation is different this winter than last. Last winter coal could not be secured because it was impossible to get it transported from the mines. This year the difficulty the railway maintain is in the fact that the coal is not being delivered from the mines in sufficient quantities to supply the demand.

Using Up Reserve.

The G. T. R. started to use its reserve stock of soft coal for the first time today.

A Northern Navigation boat, carrying sixty-one cars of hard coal, is expected to arrive at Sarnia today. These cars will be distributed to towns where it is most needed.

DOMINION PROVOST MARSHAL.—Lieut.-Col. G. Godson-Godson, D.S.O., has been temporarily appointed provost marshal of the Dominion of Canada with the rank of temporary colonel, it is announced in camp orders today. He will have charge of the provost work throughout the country, and the various assistant provost marshals will be directly under his command.

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LOCAL NEWS

PROMOTED TO TORONTO.—C. McHenry, for fifteen years chief night dispatcher at the local office of the C.P.R., has been promoted to the office of chief dispatcher at the Toronto station.

PUPILS' RECITAL.—The recital at Conservatory Hall was given last Saturday afternoon by the following pupils: Rex Walsh, Madeline Fitzgerald, Delia Packham, Doreen Detlor, Annie Ormond, Mrs. Burton, Audrey Farncombe, Dorothy Timbrell, Cecelia Lewis and Marjorie Dorrington.

MANOR PARK INTERESTED.—Saturday night's storm failed to keep Manor Park electors from the meeting in the interests of J. M. Ross, and the school house was filled with an interested audience. Men and women came forward, after the speeches by Warden Blaikie, J. W. McEwen and others, to assure Mr. Ross of their support.

SUIT OVER NOTES.—Action has been entered in the supreme court by Jarvis & Vining, acting for A. J. Hazelwood, to recover the sum of $5,328.10 from the Brooks Body and Gear Company, James Brooks and John Stevely. The amount sued for is claimed by the plaintiff to be due him from the defendants, and represents, the plaintiff claims, three promissory notes and interest thereon.

"A CAMP-FIRE FROLIC."—One of the best entertainments of the season is to be given in Dundas Centre schoolroom on Thursday evening next. The attraction is "A Camp-Fire Frolic." Dainty and novel costumes are to be worn by the performers. The music will consist of songs, instrumentals and choruses, such as make camp-fire celebrations so fascinating. Recitations and stories will contribute to the enjoyment. The proceeds are to be devoted to soldiers' comforts.

CANTON'S SOCIAL.—Canton, London, No. 1, I.O.O. F., held an enjoyable social last Friday, when over 200 people enjoyed the hospitality of the lodge. Mrs. Durdin and Mr. Turner won the euchre prizes while Mrs. J. Collison and C. Ross carried off the booby prize without much opposition. The euchre was followed by a dance and refreshments. Friday, January 18, will be the occasion of the next evening given by this popular lodge.

SUCCESSFUL CONCERT.—A successful concert was held last week in St. James schoolhouse for the boys of the junior Bible class, Rev. Principal Waller presiding. The program included readings by Misses Richmond, Sybil Higman and Wood; solos by Misses McEvoy, Thorne, Marjory Pierce and Master Jack and Miss Manuel; violin and piano numbers by Capt. Fletcher and the Misses Fletcher; violin solos by Allan Stead, cornet solo, Mr. Legg; piano numbers, Cyril Clark and Miss Phyllis Harding.

FOOD CONTROL OF HANNA NOT FOR OWN USE!

$4.20 Meal on Dining-Car Is Another Sample of Preaching, But Not Practice.

While preaching thrift and economy, is Canada's food controller, Hon. W. J. Hanna, practicing what he preaches, or setting an example to others to follow out his teaching, when he pays $4.20 for a supper?

This pertinent question was asked by Mrs. Souter, speaking at Toronto. She is a North Bay mother, whose only son has made the supreme sacrifice. She severely arraigned the Government for its treatment of soldiers' dependents, and in doing so told a little story on the food controller.

A close friend of Mrs. Souter was traveling from Ottawa to Toronto. She discovered, on going into the dining car for her war-time meal of tea and toast, that the food controller was a fellow-passenger. She was attracted by the large order which the waiter brought him, and connived to learn the total of his check.

"Mr. Hanna's supper cost him just $4.20," declared Mrs. Souter, "or nearly as much as the Borden Government gives for the maintenance of the child of a soldier for a month."

Mrs. Souter is campaigning in the interests of A. J. Young, the Liberal candidate in North Toronto.

MILITARY NURSES FROM LONDON FOR HALIFAX RELIEF

Party of Six Leave for There This Evening.

Six nursing sisters from Army Medical Training Depot No. 1 at Carling Heights camp are leaving tonight for Halifax to assist in the work of caring for those injured as a result of the catastrophe.

The young ladies who are leaving tonight are Nursing Sisters M. Haynes, B. F. Baty, M. Card, R. Carrothers, F. Fisher and J. Gillespie.

They will leave via Grand Trunk about 7 o'clock tonight and will proceed directly to Halifax. The nurses were expecting to leave in the near future for overseas service, but they are being sent sooner than was expected in order that they may be of assistance in handling the hospital cases that will be too numerous for the ordinary hospital staffs to handle.

This is the second military party to leave London to go to the aid of the Halifax sufferers, a party of seven bakers having left Saturday.

CAMP BORDEN SAND CAUSED HIS DEATH

The death of Pte. Archie Campbell, late of the 142nd Battalion, occurred at Byron Sanatorium Wednesday afternoon. Pte. Campbell contracted internal trouble as a result, it is claimed, of breathing in sand at Camp Borden, when the 142nd Battalion was training there during the summer of 1916. Many soldiers of the C. E. F. have suffered from similar complaints, but Pte. Campbell is the first in this city to succumb to the unfavorable conditions of the camp. He had been sick for a year.

The funeral was held from the family residence, 527 King street, Sunday afternoon at 2:30, Rev. W. R. McIntosh conducting the services. Full military honors were accorded. The firing party was from the W. O. R. under the command of Lieut. Blandford. A gun carriage of the 63rd Battery carried the body to the grave, and the A. M. C. Pipers played the Dead March from Saul. Interment was made at Mount Pleasant Cemetery, where the last salute was fired.

Before enlisting Pte. Campbell was a well-known teamster for the British-American Oil Company of this city. He is survived by a widow, Annie Campbell, and one small son.

LONDON BOYS ON PARADE AT HALIFAX AS PLATES FROM MUNITIONS SHIP TORE THROUGH RANKS

Ptes. Wilkey, First to Reach This City From Port, Tell of Own Miraculous Escapes and of Wonderful British Heroism of Those Who Escaped Devastation.

The first Londoners to arrive home from the stricken sity of Halifax came in this afternoon via G. T. R. Ptes. Lorne and W. J. Wilkey, sons of W. J. Wilkey of 510 Quebec street declared that the people conducted themselves in true British fashion and that the women especially showed heroism of the highest degree.

"We had a very narrow escape from death," said Lorne Wilkey to an Advertiser reporter. "At 9 o'clock Thursday morning we, with about two hundred soldiers were on parade in the Barracks square. Five minutes later the terrific explosion threw every man to the ground. Pieces of the munition ship's plates fell thick amongst us, but fortunately only one man was killed. The married men's quarters caved in, and after recovering from the shock we hurried to the work of rescue amidst a dense cloud of dust and smoke.

"A piece of steel went hurling through the cook house window, killing the cook, while another soldier in the building was also struck down. I can't describe the pitiful scenes that we witnessed. I remember seeing one aged woman with both eyes out and her jawbone broken. She never whimpered.

"A lad of about 14 had a piec of his forehead about two inches square cut out, as if with a chisel. I went to bandage it, and he said not to bother with him, but to attend to his sister. 'Mine is only a little scratch,' he declared.

"What is known as Richmond was completely burned to the ground. It was a terrible sight, and I'd rather not talk about it. However, I want to tell you that the people could not have behaved better than they did. We certainly had a narrow escape, as the munition ship was only a short distance away from us.

50 MORE NAMES ADDED TODAY BY BOARD OF APPEALS

Steady Stream of Applicants for Votes.

BUT TWO ARE REFUSED

One of These Was Youth Who Wanted to Vote Before of Age.

A steady stream of citizens whose names had been omitted from the voters' lists by the enumerators kept the board of appeal busy today, and as a result of the morning session, which continued until 12:30, nearly 50 names were added to the lists. Only two appeals were refused, John Griffith, 1039 York street, and Harold Hunt, 466 Adelaide street. Hunt was not yet 21 years of age.

Several appeals were held over pending the appearances of notices. If these do not come to the board the appeals will be refused. Cases of this nature were Jean Walker, James Somerville, 920 Dufferin avenue; Lena Somerville, 920 Dufferin avenue; John Coursey, 745 Grey street.

Put on Today.

Names placed on the list at the morning session today were: John J. Wilson, 143 Mamelon street; George Mansbridge, 10 Pipe Line road; Noel Fox, 213 King street; Jacob Fox, 209 King street; A. Sydney Smith, 347 Princess avenue; Louis Mart, 583 Oxford street; Peter Ballantyne, 5 Kennon Place; Laura A. Foster, 503 St. James street; David H. Frezzel, 503 St. James street; Charles Coursey, 745 Grey street; Thomas C. Fleming, 175 Duchess avenue; George E. Clarke, 7 Pearl street; Vincent J. Black, 751 Quebec street; Florence L. Crocker, 481 York street; George Murray, 424 Park avenue; Neville Gibbs, 85 Euclid avenue; Mary A. Brown, 17 Askin street; Elizabeth Marsden, 165 Horton street; Catherine Avent, 70 Becher street; William Proctor, 773 York street; W. C. Dobie, 238 Piccadilly, John Ferguson, 27 Askin street; George A. Warwick, 430 Ridout street; George H. Tross, 502 Dorinda street; Elizabeth Palser, 40 Grosvenor street; George Wiley, 485 York street; L. E. Clarkson, 814 Princess avenue; Lizzie A. Clarkson, 814 Princess avenue; Robert Hanison, May J. Hanison, 312 Thames street; Edward G. Robinson, 427 Oxford street; D. S. Saddy, 433 Ridout street; Hugh P. Knight, 423 Ridout street; George H. Lott, 73 Empress avenue; P. J. Flannery, 319 Piccadilly street; W. A. Ogden 582 Oxford street; Charles M. Allen, 669 Richmond street; Stephen E. Cook, 8 Victor street; William Smith, 64 Grand avenue; J. T. Beattie, 290 St. James street; Lily A. Atkinson, 174 Langarth street; Charles S. Wood, 168 Wharncliffe road; Walter G. Gay, 365 Hamilton road.

Saturday Additions.

At the afternoon session Saturday the following names were added to the voters' lists: Nellie Walsh, 31 Wilson avenue; Kathleen Walsh, 31 Wilson avenue; Rose Knowles, Dominion House; Agnes Burke, 253½ Wellington street; F. P. Riddell, 335 King street; Thomas Wood, 266 Clarence street; Cosino Catalano, Mariano Catalano, Jim C. Catalano, 73 Maple street; Oswald W. Fuller, 332 King street; Fred Prodger, 415 Horton street; Duke Marr, 126 Horton street; Allen Gray, 224 Hyman street; Walter Noyes, 46 Euclid avenue; Andrew Johnson, 566 Colborne street; Minnie Bennett, 746 Hiel street; John W. Guthrie, 7 Ingleside street; George A. David, 180 Dundas street; H. C. Lacky, 238 Oxford street; C. R. Brownlee, 460 Dufferin avenue; Rose Mary Burns, St. Joseph's Hospital; Rose Saville, 252 Oxford street; Lillian Dowding, 252 Oxford street; W. J. Green, 693 Bathurst street; Ralph James Green, 693 Bathurst street; C. F. Zwicker, 384 Waterloo street; Fred T. Nequs, 221 Talbot street; Newton W. Kaiser, Oxford and Waterloo streets; William Hagar, Sam Hagar, Lena Hagar, 23 Orchard street; Dorothy Welsh, 586 Oxford street; W. J. Coutts, 273 Clarence street; Jean McDermid, 7 Ingleside street; Katherine McDermid, 7 Ingleside street; Louis M. Logan, 290 Central avenue; Ethel Coates, 13 Surrey street; Frank Furania, 311 Grey street; Frank Mayston, 822 Elias street; Kenneth Miller, 4 Cove road; Elizabeth Brown, 865 Wellington street; Marion D. Porteous, Mary Porteous, 374 York street; Elizabeth Hutchinson, 90 Mamelon street.

The following names which appeared incorrectly on the lists were added in their correct form: H. H. Pingel, A. R. Pingel, George Highway, Ernest Jewitt, Elizabeth McLeod Lawrence, William McKenzie Messer, Adam Ralph.

James Noble was not placed on the list by his enumerator. He resides at 91 Bathurst street, and told the court that he had appealed his case, but to the wrong enumerator. The court had not received the appeal, but will grant it if it appears. If not, the case will be dismissed.

Week Ends Allowed.

The name of J. L. McGuire was added to the lists after some consideration. His parents reside here, but he is only in the city at the week-ends spending the remainder of the time at Aylmer.

In the cases of William and Sam Hagar their names were added after it was proven that they were naturalized Syrians, and were Christians. The wife of William, Lena, an English girl, was placed on the list, as she has five brothers with the imperial army.

Mrs. Hattie Manigaut, in whose case decision was reserved Friday, was placed on the list. Records were obtained to show that her husband had been naturalized, and had, in fact, held public offices.

Six Years No Visit.

The name of Helen Bapty was struck from the lists, the court deciding that a five years' residence in her sister's home in Vancouver could not be interpreted as a visit. F. E. Perrin, representing the Union Government, contended that as she had always the intention of returning here, it was a visit. A six months' stay would be interpreted as a visit, he said, where was the line to be drawn?

SNOW BLOCKADE ON GRAND TRUNK KEEPS TRAINS HOURS LATE

G. T. R. trains arrived on Sunday from four to seven hours late, due to the unusual December conditions created by the storm and low temperatures of the past 48 hours.

Information received at noon today by local G. T. R. officials was to the effect that the storm was raging as bad as ever in Buffalo, and that the train on the Goderich branch, due to leave Buffalo at 5:30 o'clock this morning, had at noon not turned a wheel.

All day Sunday not a train passed over the New York Central line between Black Rock and Fort Erie. This is the first time in fifteen years that traffic at this point has been as completely tied up as it was on Sunday.

On all branch lines of the G. T. R. where a regular Sunday traffic is not maintained snowplows were operated continuously up and down the lines all day Sunday.

Locomotives were difficult to fire because of the low temperatures, and this contributed a great deal to causing the trains to run late.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

[Reported by Thomson & McKinnon.]

Chicago, Dec. 10.

Corn—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Dec.	$1 20½	$1 20½	$1 20⅜	$1 20½
May	1 18½	1 19	1 18	1 19
Jan.	1 20⅜	1 20¾	1 19¾	1 20⅝
Oats—				
Dec.	72⅛	72⅜	70¾	72¼
May	69¾	70½	69⅛	70⅝

CARD OF THANKS.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Temple of 145 Waterloo street wish to thank their friends and neighbors for their expression of sympathy during their recent bereavement in the death of their son Robert, who made the supreme sacrifice on November 7. b

MAJOR CRONYN BLAMED TREATMENT GIVEN QUEBEC IN EARLY PART OF GREAT WAR ITS ATTITUDE REGARDING RECRUITING

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iterated appeals were made for Ontario to reconsider the famous clause 17. The statement was made by the Quebec people that they desire their compatriots of Ontario to learn both languages. They want them to know English, but they do not want them to forget the French tongue. After all, there is something fine about their pride in their language. One figure of speech used by an eloquent speaker was this: 'When the city is attacked, we must rally to its defence. We must forget for the time being these thorns that press against our sides. But we do rely upon the good faith of Ontario for the removal of this thorn.'

"THE UNDIPLOMATIC TREATMENT ACCORDED QUEBEC IN THE BEGINNING OF THE WAR HAS UNDOUBTEDLY BEEN RESPONSIBLE TO A LARGE EXTENT FOR THE SUBSEQUENT ATTITUDE THERE.

FOR BETTER UNDERSTANDING.

"The 'Win the War' convention has done much without doubt to promote better understanding, and the junketings, or motor trips and banquets, have had an important part in strengthening this national unity. When you sit beside a man for hours at a time and talk with him, you get much more closely in touch with his real point of view than you would in the same number of hours spent in a meeting. During the first trip that has been described in your paper, the executive met until midnight or later each night in conference in preparation for the convention. The great seriousness of the convention was one of its most impressive features."

LONDON AS CITY COMING TO AID OF SUFFERERS

Relief Donations Pour Into Temporary Headquarters Here.

CAR LEAVES FOR HALIFAX

Merchants and Wholesalers Combine Efforts—Red Cross Appeals for Workers.

The Victory Loan headquarters, under the charge of Gordon Philip, is rapidly changing from a businesslike financial office into a veritable warehouse for clothing and hardware supplies of all kinds. Parcels have been pouring in all morning from both commercial houses and individuals who desire to help the homeless people of Halifax.

Hardly had the paper time to come from the press, stating that contributions would be received at the Victory Loan headquarters, opposite Smallman & Ingram's store, than $5 was donated by G. Pryde on behalf of the R. G. Dunn Company. This beginning was speedily followed by other contributions, both of clothing and money.

The interest of thec ity today is centred around the car which will start on its way to Halifax this afternoon. Many of the commercial institutions of the city have been personally canvassed, the result being that great bales of blankets, underclothing, beaver-board, etc., are now ready for shipping.

Get Hardware at Montreal.

At first it was thought that hardware was one of the materials which should be sent to Halifax. However, it is now the opinion of the shippers that the Montreal hardware concerns will be able to supply everything of that nature, and that it would be unprofitable to ship hardware all the way from London to Halifax. Acting on this belief, the Howden hardware in this city, has contributed $500 in place of goods. However, where the money contribution is impossible, the hardware will be by no means rejected.

What Firms Have Done.

The following contributions have been already received from leading firms and individuals in the city. Smallman & Ingram and McMahen & Granger have made large contributions in goods. J. N. Thomson's store has sent two boxes of clothing; Brickendon & McCrimmon, 7 big parcels of clothing; Robinson & Little, 7 large bales and a big packing case; Kingsmills, a large case of goods. The Royal Helpers of the Circle of King's Daughters has sent several big parcels, and St. Paul's Women's Auxiliary, 6 parcels of clothing. Many individuals have also sent in contributions, some bearing names, but many anonymous.

Official Appeal.

An appeal comes from the Ontario Red Cross Association on behalf of the sufferers in Halifax. It comes in the form of a telegram dated Toronto, December 8, to Lady Beck, the president of the London Red Cross Association, and reads as follows: "Halifax diaster. The president of the Red Cross, Halifax, is authorized to render all possible assistance with money or supplies. Our shipping agent from St. John's has gone to Halifax with supplies and full authority to assist. The American Red Cross is co-operating with us. An appeal has come for clothing of all kinds. If your district can help in this regard have shipments made direct to H. Milburn, care of the Canadian Red Cross." (Signed) Neil Marshall.

Red Cross Organized.

At a meeting of the Red Cross, held this morning, it was decided that the London Red Cross take definite steps to meet this appeal which has been made to them and to the citizens of London. A thorough program has been worked out, so that the work done by the varius institutions in the city will nt overlap, and that the required amount be done in a limited time. Each of the institutions named in the following list will work every day of this week. The West End Red Cross will sew for children of one year and under, the Salvation Army for children from 2 to 5, the East End Red Cross for children from 6 to 8, the Catholic Red Cross for children from 9 to 10, the North End Red Cross, for children from 11 to 12, the South End Red Cross, for children from 13 to 14. The London Junction Branch of the Red Cross will make nightdresses and flannelette petticoats for women. At Hyman Hall, Wednesday and Thursday of this week will be devoted to Halifax relief work.

Appeal for Workers.

A request for helpers is sent out by all these institutions.

An urgent appeal is made to all the citizens of London for warm, clean and good second-hand clothing. This should be sent to the Victory Loan headquarters, opposite Smallman & Ingram's store. Besides this, any donations of money and new clothing will be greatly appreciated, and are urgently needed. This appeal for second-hand clothing is emphasized by a telephone message received this morning by Lady Beck from Col. Marshall of the Toronto Red Cross, who asks the London Red Cross to appeal strongly for clean, whole and warm second-hand clothing.

The South London branch of the Red Cross sends in a notice to the effect it will meet tomorrow afternoon in the Normal School to sew for Halifax relief. Helpers are urgently requested.

25 PER CENT OF OVERSEAS VOTE HAS BEEN TAKEN

Interest in Elections Continues Keen and Polling Runs Smoothly.

(By W. A. Willison, Canadian Press Correspondent.)

Canadian Army Headquarters in the Field, via London, Dec. 10.—Over 25 per cent of the vote in the Canadian Corps has now been polled. Active service conditions make the circulation of the ballot papers a complex matter, with the persistent moving of units adding to the difficulties of polling votes, but the elections are running smoothly. So far not a single complaint has been made to representatives of the assistant clerk of the crown in chancery. Interest in the elections continues keen, the Canadian developments being followed with close attention.

RE-EXAMINATION OF ELIGIBLES IN LOW CATEGORIES

It was stated today that the young men who have been graded in medical categories lower than Class A2 for military purposes will be reexamined by a special board.

The failure to obtain a satisfactory number of men for the army has caused the authorities to take the view that a number of young men who would be good fighting material have been given too low a rating.

The matter is causing considerable uneasiness among a number of young men.



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We are offering a special discount, averaging $2.00 to $3.00 per pair on these Handsome New Boots, as a further incentive to Early Shopping.

We feel that this innovation will be much appreciated by the lovers of High-Grade Shoes.

Fawn Buck Boots, 9-inch style. Former price $17.50....$15.00
Light Grey All-Kid 9-inch Boot. Former price $17.50....$15.00
Queen Quality Grey Kid Button, with grey buck top. Former price $17.50....$15.00
Queen Quality Black 10-inch Boot, with fawn buck top. Former price $16.50....$13.50
Queen Quality Grey Kid 9-inch Boot. Former price $15.00....$13.50
Pearl Grey Buck Lace Boot, 8½-inch leg. Former price $12.00....$10.00
Brown French Kid Button Boot, hand turned. Former price $11.50....$10.00
Black Kid Boot, with mustard top, 8½-inch leg. Former price $9.00....$ 7.50

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HEAVY PENALTY ASKED FOR MEN WHO DEFY ACT

Round-Up of Those Failing to Report Starting at Once.

3,561 APPEALS MADE

Military Authorities Responsible for 561 of These Secondary Cases.

The work of the exemption boards throughout this military district was brought to a close Saturday with the exception of isolated cases yet to be decided or the rendering of decisions where judgment had been deferred.

Up to Friday night, 27,157 claims had been decided. Of this number 23,917 persons were allowed exemption, and 3,245 refused. Appeals from persons refused exemption against the decisions of tribunals and appeals entered by the military authorities against decisions allowing exemption total 3,561. The military authorities have filed appeals in 561 cases, and individuals to the number of 3,000 have given notice of appeal.

Now that the tribunals have cleared up their work, until such time as another class is called more time will be devoted by the military and civil authorities for rounding up certain persons who have even as yet failed to obey the provisions of the act.

For such persons who have disregarded the leniency shown so far because of their failure to observe the act a severe penalty will be asked.

A system perfected by Deputy Registrar Wismer will place the names of these men in the hands of the military and civil police in a short time.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

Thomson & McKinnon, brokers, Royal Bank Building, report fluctuations in New York stocks for The Advertiser as follows:

New York, Dec. 10.

Trunk Lines and Grangers—	Open.	High.	Low.	1:30.
Baltimore & Ohio	47½	48	47½	48
Erie, com	15¼	15¼	15⅛	15⅛
Erie, 1st pfd	23	23	22	22
Great Northern	89¼	..	..	..
New Haven	28½	29¼	28½	29¼
New York Central	68⅝	68⅞	68½	68½
Rock Island	18⅞	..	..	..
St. Paul	38⅝	38⅞	38¼	38½
Pacifics and Southerns—				
Atchison, com	83¼	83¼	83	83
Canadian Pacific	132⅞	133¾	132⅛	133½
Missouri Pacific	23½	23⅞	23¼	23½
Northern Pacific	84½	..	..	..
Southern Pacific	81½	..	..	..
Southern Railway	24¼	..	..	..
Union Pacific	110½	111¼	110½	111⅛
Coalers—				
Ches. & Ohio	46¼	46⅝	46¼	46⅝
Norfolk & West	102	102½	102	102½
Pennsylvania	44⅞	44⅞	44½	44½
Reading Railway	68⅝	69⅝	68¾	69
Industrials—				
Allis-Chalmers	17¼	..	..	..
American Can	34¼	34½	34	34½
American Car	65	65½	65	65½
Am. Locomotive	51	51½	51	51½
American Sugar	95½	96	95½	96
Am. Smelters	72⅝	72¾	72⅝	72⅝
Am Tel. & Tel	103½	104½	103⅞	104
American Wool	43	..	..	..
Baldwin Loco	53⅝	54¼	53¾	54¼
Central Leather	62⅞	63	62⅞	63
Corn Products	29	29⅞	29	29½
Distillers	32¼	32½	32¼	32½
General Electric	123⅛	124	123⅛	123½
General Motors	86⅝	87	85½	85½
Goodrich Rubber	36	36½	36	36½
G. Northern Ore	25¼	..	..	..
Inter. Nickel	26⅛	26	26	26
Maxwell Motor	25	..	..	..
Marine, com	21¼	22½	21¼	22
Marine, pfd	91¾	93⅞	91⅜	93⅛
Studebaker	42¾	43	42½	42¾
U. S. Rubber	50	50¼	50	50¼
Westinghouse	37⅝	38⅜	37¾	37½
Willys-Overland	18½	18¾	18½	18½
Coppers—				
Anaconda Copper	55⅝	56⅝	55⅝	56¾
Inspiration	41⅝	41⅞	41½	41½
Ray Consolidated	22⅞	22⅞	22⅝	22⅝
Tennessee Copper	12¾	..	..	..
Utah Copper	77	78⅜	77	77¾
Oils—				
New Mexican	75	75½	74	75½
Texas Oil	135	136	135	136
Steels—				
Bethlehem Steel	74¼	75¼	73⅝	74¾
Crucible Steel	52½	62½	62	62¼
Lackawanna	79½	80¼	79½	80¼
Republic Iron	74½	75¼	74½	75⅛
Sloss-Sheffield	37¾	..	..	..
U. S. Steel	87⅜	88½	87⅛	87⅞
Bonds—				
Anglo-French 5's	89	89	88	88½

TORONTO STOCK EXCHANGE.

[Reported by Edward Cronyn & Co.]

Toronto, Dec 10.

	Asked.	Bid.		Asked.	Bid.
Am Cy	20	15	Spanish	14	..
Ames, c.	14½	..	do pfd.	50	..
do pfd.	50	..	Stl Can	50½	49½
Barcel	9¾	9	do pfd.	85	84½
Brazilian	32	..	Tor Ry.	60¼	..
Burt, c.	70	..	Tucketts	19	..
do pfd	86	..	Tw City	67	..
C Bread	20	17	Win Ry.	48	..
C Car	18½	..	Banks—		
do pfd.	50	..	Com'rce	185	184
Cement	57	..	Dom	202	..
C S L	39¼	..	Hamil'n	184	..
do pfd.	76	..	Imperial	185	..
CGElec.	101½	..	Merch	167	..
C Loco	84½	..	NScotia	250	..
C P R	132½	131½	Royal	205	..
C Dairy	30	..	Stand	200	..
do pfd.	60	..	Union	138	137
ConLife	375	..	Loans, etc.—		
C Smelt.	25	..	C Land	152	..
Con Gas	..	150	C Perm	165	..
Cr Nest	50	..	C Invest	..	137
Dome	675	650	H & E	210	..
D Steel	52½	51¾	20% pd	..	196
Mackay	74	72	L Bank	..	143
do pfd.	61	60	N Trust	205	200
M Leaf	..	91½	T Trust	202	..
do pfd.	..	92	T Mort	136	..
Monarch	..	30	Bonds—		
do pfd.	77	..	C Bread	..	90
N S Car	..	4	M L & P	40	30
Nipis'g.	830	805	Penmans	..	80
Petrol.	1300	1200	Rio Jan.	..	81
PPaper,p	81	..	Stl Can.	89¼	..
Russell	..	50	War Loan, 1925	95½	95¼
do pfd.	70	..	War Loan, 1931	93¼	92¾
Sawyer	11	..	War Loan, 1937	92⅝	92⅛
do pfd.	48	..			
SWheat	117	..			
St Ch, p.	57	..			

REASSURING NEWS OF ADAM SMITH

News of a reassuring nature came to the residence of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Smith Sunday, stating that their son, Adam, a naval cadet at Halifax, was safe, and would be home in a few days from the scene of the terrible catastrophe

The telegraph companies state that communication with Halifax is more or less interrupted, and that few private messages are coming through.

Ray Lawson, Cheapside street, received a wire late Sunday night from a friend, E. J Butcher, of Dartmouth, stating that he and his family had had a miraculous escape from injury.

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25,000 HOMELESS

into shallow water to find out exactly what damage was done to his ship. The crew of the Imo claim that they had not knowledge of the nature of the cargo on the Mont Blanc, which had only just come in from sea, though when the lurid chemical flames sprang from her they knew her cargo was not an ordinary one.

Caught in Tidal Wave.

While the Imo was proceeding towards shore, the explosion took place, and the Belgian relief ship was caught in the tidal wave and upon its crest was hurled on the rocky beach. The men claim that no attempt was made to leave the ship until she struck, and point out that every man was at his place on the deck. The captain was standing on the bridge, and his head was blown off. The wheelman was at his post, and his body was still lying beside it when an examination of the ship was made yesterday. It is believed that the pilot, William Hayes, was blown off the deck of the vessel, as his body was found along the shore near the hulk of the Imo. The bodies of the deckhands were at their posts. Every man above deck at the time of the accident was killed, and the task of getting official details of what movement led up to the collision from those in charge of the Imo is therefore out of the question.

When the vessel was forcibly grounded, the men say, they rushed up from beneath decks and piled on shore. Thirty-one men escaped. After they had wandered around the brush in a distracted condition, they were picked up by naval relief parties, in whose custody they have since been.

RELIEF POURING IN.

Halifax, Dec. 10.—Relief parties continued to pour in today, the New York, Toronto, Montreal, Rhode Island and Fredericton hospital and help units arriving about the same time. All the injured have now been comfortably housed and are receiving the attention of doctors and nurses. The steady rush of relief workers to the crippled city is causing some confusion.

Fine weather today enabled the searchers among the burned-out a chance to proceed rapidly with their grim task, and more bodies were unearthed and conveyed to the morgues.

At the mortuaries the stream of people trying to locate relatives showed little or no signs of shortening. The number unaccounted for is around 2,000, but with missing people being located and put into contact with their relatives every hour through the information bureau in the Chronicle office it is hoped that at least a quarter of this list will turn up.

BURYING THE DEAD.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 10.—In the Fairview Cemetery, where lie the dead of the Titanic and the Bourgoyne victims of the great marine disasters in the past, many of the dead from the explosion here last Thursday were laid to rest this morning. In the military burying grounds a number of unidentified soldiers were interred today. The coming of warmer weather has made it imperative to bury as many of the bodies as quickly as possible.

BOSTON HELPS SOME MORE.

Boston, Dec. 10.—A second steamer bearing relief supplies will leave for Halifax tomorrow. Energetic measures to raise a large relief fund were in progress here today. More than $2,000 was raised at a meeting last night under the joint auspices of the Red Cross and the American-British Federation and the general fund early today had reached $122,000.

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Traverse Difficult Country of Boys.

ENEMY BURNS MINES

Commander of Turk Regiment Taken With 227 Men.

LONDON, Dec. 9.—The British war office issued the following statement tonight in regard to the Palestine battelfront:

"The situation is unchanged in Palestine. The heavy rains yesterday have made the roads difficult."

The following official statement concerning operations in Mesopotamia was issued yesterday:

"After securing Sakaltutan Pass Tuesday, the Turks were pursued to the village of Kara Tepeh, 25 miles north of Deli Abbas, through which the enemy was driven Wednesday after a sharp engagement. The pursuit was made over the difficult country containing bogs and intersected by numerous water courses. The British and Russians fighting on our right flank showed great powers of endurance, overcoming all obstacles.

"Friday our airplanes bombed Tuz Kurmatli with good results.

"It is reported the Turks have set fire to the Kifri coal mines, as fires were observed burning there Thursday.

"The total captures between Monday and Wednesday were 227 prisoners, including the commander of the 156th Regiment and six other officers, two field guns and one machine gun."

DARTMOUTH DEATH LIST GIVEN AS 150; 5 STREETS DAMAGED

Church and Several Manufacturing Plants Wrecked.

DARTMOUTH, N. S., Dec. 9.—This town, on the opposite side to Halifax, caught the edge of the destructive blast from the munition ship, Mont Blanc. A number of manufacturing plants were destroyed and several rows of houses blown down. The loss of life totals 150, and the big buildings destroyed were: Dartmouth rink, Emmanuel Church, Consumers' Cordage Company, Starr Manufacturing Company, and the Dominion Molasses Company.

The houses destroyed were on George, Pelzant, John, Jamieson and Hester streets.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES MOURN PASSING OF LATE DR. P. J. MUGAN

Board Passes Resolution of Deepest Regret.

The board of education will attend the funeral of Dr. P. J. Mugan, a former member, in a body.

A resolution of sympathy has been passed, as follows:

"That this board has learned with the deepest regret, of the death of Dr. P. J. Mugan, who had for several years represented the separate school interests on the board, and the members in meeting assembled desire to place on record their appreciation of the services rendered by their late colleague to education, particularly in connection with the collegiate institute and the industrial and art school, and also to bear testimony to the deep interest he took in educational matters generally.

"The board desires to extend to his widow and family its sincere sympathy in this time of sad bereavement."

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MAYORS OF HALIFAX AND DARTMOUTH ARE CALLING FOR HELP

Twenty-Five Million Dollars Required to Provide Shelter and Maintenance—All Communities Are Urged to Lend Helping Hand.

HALIFAX, Dec. 9.—Mayor Martin of Halifax and Mayor Williams of Dartmouth issued the following statement today:

"To the People of Canada:

"An Appeal for Help.—An appalling disaster has visited the old and historic city of Halifax, and the town of Dartmouth. Its cause and a general account of it have already appeared in the press, but its magnitude is not yet known, even to ourselves. The damage to shipping and the port's equipment is of a very serious character: windows and doors everywhere were shattered to pieces, and in many streets outside of the ruined district houses were partially wrecked. But in the areas which, at closer range, came under the full force of the explosion, every building of every class was completely destroyed, and fire in many cases finished the work of the explosion. It is estimated that at least 1,500 dwellings and their contents have been wiped out of existence, as many more partly destroyed, and from 10,000 to 20,000 rendered homeless. It is feared that as many as 2,000 persons were killed. Thousands have been injured, and in nearly all cases the families in the devastated areas have been left destitute and penniless. The stricken district was occupied almost exclusively by the people of the industrial and poorer classes.

$25,000,000 Needed.

"For the present and immediate future shelter and maintenance is being found for them in public buildings and private homes, but the season of the year renders it imperative that immediate steps shall be taken to begin the work of reconstruction. For this purpose we estimate that from twenty to twenty-five million dollars will be required, and in the names of these stricken communities we send out this urgent appeal to the general public of Canada for immediate help. We have confidence that the citizens of our own city and province will not fail us in the hour of our distress, and we are sustained by an equally confident hope that our appeal to the other portions of the Dominion will meet with a prompt and generous response, so that it will be found that these sorely-afflicted persons shall be provided with dwellings, clothing and food.

"The numerous dead are beyond our help.

"It will be of great assistance to us if, when offers of goods or building materials are made, description and quantities should be mentioned, so that supplies of all kinds may come forward as requested.

"The Bank of Nova Scotia, Halifax, will act as treasurer of the relief fund, and the branches of that bank and of all the other banks in Canada will receive subscriptions and transmit them to Halifax without charge.

(Signed), "P. A. MARTIN,
Mayor of Halifax.
"E. F. WILLIAMS,
Mayor of Dartmouth."

IDENTIFIED DEAD IN HALIFAX CATASTROPHE

HALIFAX, Dec. 9.—Identified dead are—Annie P. Campbell, Mrs. Sarah Greenman, Laurie C. Hilles, Mrs. P. McTiernan, Blanche Bowes, Lizzie Westhaver, Mrs. Westhaver, Marie Myra, Carrie Mulloch, Delilah Mullins, Annie Mullins, L. Landry, Annie Landry, Emily Andrews, Elsie Allen, Christina Johnson, Frank Shephard, Bessie E. Brehault, Patrick Murphy, Chas. S. Purcell, Heisler, Deputy Fire Chief Wm. Brunt, Isabel Gillespie, Sydney; Mary Smith, Sydney; Commander Jas. A. Murray, Theo. Burges, tramway inspector; Wm. Brown, warrant officer, Niobe; Annie Lampart, Mrs. Mary Laporte, John Laporte, Lettie Laporte, Alice Ireland, Mrs. Conrod, two Heffler children, Harry Arnold, Nettie Ailes, Jack Welsh, engineer, Mooney; Edward Little, Jos. Little, Neans Lytle, Clemenceau; Bertha Dwyer, John Munro and boy, Rodney O. Burnett, Mrs. W. J. Beaurel and two children, James Monamy, Annie M. Williams, Margaret McPirmat, George Harris (child); Wm. Traverse, John Hills, Dunbrack; Richard Squires, Mrs. Thomas, Mary Smith, Sydney; V. J. Coleman, Mary A. Smith, Geo. Veal, about 19; Ida May Cameron, Dorothy M. Coudroy, William Drake, Clarence Thomas, Martha Thomas, Dorothy C. O'Grady, Jan Henderson, S. S. Picton-Dunn, C. P. Edinburgh, Bascher; S. Penarth, S. Schelles, R. Rotherhyke, Pitcher; R. C. L. Maidenhead, Miss Hattie Upham, Mrs. Winifred McLean, Harold W. McLean, Basil W. McLean, Estella M. Crawley, Ada Milson, Annie Redman, Marion Lilly, William Donahue, Ryan, girl; Florrie Flynn, Madeline Elliott, Miss Ward, Mrs. Kelly, Mrs. Christina Edwards, Mrs. Sarah Stevens, Mrs. Mary R. Evans, Thomas W. Whiteway, Hamm (infant); a baby boy ticketed "baby boy Bram", Hankley, Ralph Cruickshanks, Walter Cruickshanks, Alton Cruickshanks, Mrs. Percy Robinson, Mrs. Samuel Cruickshanks, Mrs. R. Donnelly and small baby, Bennett Nauss, O. C. Conrod, John Gaston, Wm. Hinch, Mrs. George P. Thomas, Miss Lily Thomas, Pte Clarence C. Thomas, Bernadette Thomas, Miss Ada Lovett, Vincent Duncan, Isaac J. Stephens, James Holland, Lieut. and Mrs. Fowell, James Stockall Sen., Mrs. J. G. Henderson, Mrs. Stapleton, Mrs. Jas. O'Grady, Josephine Connors, Mrs. A. Ireland, Mrs. E. Dunn, Griffiths Randerson, James Hunt, Isaac Creighton, J. W. Creighton, Mrs. Caln Creighton, Alex Bond, Mrs. Joanna Farron, Sergt. Wm. Thomas Cameron, Pte. E. Post, Mrs Wm. Westhaver

Mrs. Newleson with baby in arms, Mrs. Annie Forsan, Annie May Hilton, Alfred C. Frizzele, Louise Crowdis and child, James Watson, Frank Carew, Mrs. Jos. Ornim, Wm. Power, Frank Crue, Mrs. B. Hillis, James Saunders, Walter Room, Mrs. James B. Calvin, Mrs. Eliza Murphy, Mary Murphy, Mrs. Mary Lee, Baby Frances Lee, Miss Agnes M. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Millier and child, Frank Sheppard, Mrs. Bert Hillis, John Henry Macham Jun., Noah Graves, Mrs. J. A. Mallock, Mrs. C. Duggan Jun., Baby Duggan, Charles and Mrs. Duggan Sen., Vincent Duggan, Mrs. Patrick Galloway, Edward Harner, Sergt. J. E. Belch, Beh (child); Emery H. Short, N. Robertson, Murphy (sailor); Annie Hurschman and child, Jas Hurschman, Sergt. Robert Hufter (25th Battalion), Foster Baker, Florence Young, Mrs. M. B. Wallace, Mrs. Ellen Stapleton, James Hunt, Chas. Hunt, Mrs. T. Bell, Seymour Levy Jun., Mrs. Ed Fraser, Mrs. Boutilier, Mrs. Fred Cameron, Jean Cameron, Mrs. Eliza Murphy, Mrs. Mary Lee, John F. Lee (child); J. Elliot, John W. Morash, Mrs. Annie May Hilton, Douglas W. Tyrer, Wm. O'Toole, M. E. Cameron, Pte. Reeble (special service); Clifford Matheson, Walter Hennessy, Wm. Thomas, James Dennett, Pinley (child); Michael Malteas, Jos. Shea, Ostley (child); James Lotter, Frank Kleen, Allen Brown, Mrs Stockall, Wm. Hemsworth, John F. Bell, Geraldine Bell, John Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Faulkner, Mr. Fraser, Kathleen Hector, Matilda Lamson, Kalley Boutilier, Mrs. Eliza Dean, John W. Morash, Alfred E. Brown, David Orr, Mrs. Mary Jane McTiernan, Wm. Hamm, Chris. Mealesan, Helen D. Ternin, Wm. O'Toole, Pte. and Mrs. Hoscoe and four children, James Stockall, Mrs. E. Heffler, Mrs. Joseph Heffler, Fred Heffler, Lita Heffler, Miss Baxter, Mrs. Hawkins, Ernest Gay, N. Nash, Chas. Shrum, Wm. Dumaresqu, Conrad Olan, infant child of L. Staples, Geo. Arthur, Mrs. Cooper.

KINGSVILLE WOMEN BUSY WITH PATRIOTIC WORK

KINGSVILLE, Dec. 9.—The Women's Patriotic League made the following shipment for November: 5½ dozen pneumonia jackets, 6¼ dozen flannel shirts, 2½ dozen pyjamas, ½ dozen long night shirts, 2 dozen many-tailed bandages, 2 dozen personal property bags, and 2 old sheets.

BORDEN'S ONE AIM TO GET BACK IN POWER ANY WAY POSSIBLE

Disrupted Canada at Critical Time by Unnecessary Election.

KITCHENER, Dec. 9.—John Callahan of Toronto at the Laurier Liberal rally here last night, in one of the most brilliant and stirring addresses that has been heard in this city since the campaign began, flayed Borden and his supporters for disrupting Canada at this crucial period in the nation's history of racial and religious bitterness for the purpose of securing a return to power for himself and the corrupt group surrounding him.

In an address that searched deep into the issues that are confronting the people of Canada, Mr. Callahan accused Borden and the so-called Union group of sowing the seeds of discord and distrust throughout the land at a time when the best instincts of patriotism demand that Canadians shall stand united. He pointed to the hypocritical methods which the Borden crowd are using in their mad effort to retain their fast slipping grip on public confidence, and contrasted their frenzied cry of "traitor" with the composed attitude of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, whom he claimed is making a strong fight for tolerance and unity in Canada, at the very moment when the best interests of the country and the Empire demand it.

Mr. Callahan made a deep impression on the audience, and was cheered again and again during his speech. The rally was presided over by W. Asmussen, and was the most enthusiastic and successful that has been held so far. The hall was crowded to the doors. Other speakers were George Schnarr, T. W. Huehn and W. D. Euler.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE MET AT THORNDALE

THORNDALE, Dec. 9. — About 70 attended the Woman's Institute meeting at the home of Mrs. R. H. Harding. An interesting program was given, consisting of a topic, entitled. "Christmas Thoughts," by Mrs. C. Hobbs; reports of the annual convention, by Mrs. H. McIntyre and Mrs. Ramsay; reading, Miss Lena Guest; vocal and instrumental solos, Mrs. J. McKenzie of London.

The Excelsior and Young Crusaders' Bible class met on Friday evening in the league room of the Methodist Church. There were about 40 present. Rev. W. R. Osborne, B. A., B. D., was chairman, and the program consisted of an instrumental solo, A. Hannahson; vocal solo, Wilfred Hueston; readings, Miss Lena Guest and Jas. Angus. A feature of the program was a debate, "Resolved, that the will has more influence in molding character than environment." The affirmative was supported by Lorne Guest and Miss A. V. Hueston, and the negative by Miss G. Duffin and H. Fitzsimons. Excellent addresses were given by all. The judges were H. B. Mossip, James Angus and Miss B. Alderson, and they decided in favor of the affirmative.

FINE MEETINGS IN SUPPORT OF McCOIG

CHATHAM, Dec. 8.—Fine meetings in support of Archie McCoig were held this afternoon and evening at his headquarters. They were largely attended and much enthusiasm prevailed. The afternoon meeting was for women and splendid addresses were given by Mrs. Ball, Mrs. Stokes and Mr. McCoig. The lady speakers have relatives at the front, and came out strongly in support of Mr. McCoig. At tonight's meeting Mr. McCoig offered to call off any of his meetings for the week if his opponent, J. W. Plewes, would accept the challenge he has so often made for a joint debate on the big issues of the campaign. Addresses were given by R. L. Brackin and Mrs. Ball.

STEAMER DRIVEN ASHORE BY TERRIFIC SNOWSTORM

CHARLOTTETOWN, P.E.I., Dec. 9.—Early yesterday morning, during the height of the terrific snowstorm, the steamer George N. Orr, 2,800 tons, was driven ashore at Savage Harbor, on the north side of the island. Her captain and crew of 22 men landed safely.

FIRE DAMAGES CHURCH.

QUEBEC, Dec. 8.—Fire breaking out early this morning in the church at St. Anne De La Pocatiere badly damaged the edifice together with the Presbytery. The efforts of the inhabitants of the district saved the college, which is only a few feet from the church, and which was partially destroyed by fire one year ago.

SEA CAPTAIN'S NERVE SAVED HALIFAX FROM TOTAL DESTRUCTION

Extinguishes Fire in Second Munitions Ship.

FIGHTS BLAZE ALL ALONE

Captain and Crew of a Tug Perish Trying to Avert Disaster.

HALIFAX, Dec. 9.—The narrow escape the city of Halifax had from complete destruction, with possibly the loss of 20,000 lives, was disclosed today when a description of how a fire which broke out on the munition ship Picton was put out before it could reach its cargo. The Picton caught fire following the explosion on the Mont Blanc, and at the time was lying in a position much nearer the heart of the port than the Mont Blanc. The credit for extinguishing the flames on the ship and placing her in a position where, even had she exploded, she would have done little harm, is given to Captain James W. Harrison, formerly a British skipper, and now marine superintendent of the Furness-Withy Line in Halifax.

A short while ago the Picton, while on a voyage with munitions from an American port to Great Britain, lost her rudder off Halifax in a storm. She was towed here for repairs.

Opposite Heart of City.

These had been completed, and she was moored off the Acadia Sugar Refinery, about a mile straight across from the heart of the city, waiting the order to proceed to sea.

The skipper of the ship and the members of his crew were watching the fire on the Mont Blanc, and were nearly all killed when the explosion occurred. Those who survived, knowing the nature of the cargo of their own vessel, and seeing it ablaze from the effects of the explosion, made haste to desert her and place themselves in safety.

Captain Harrison, seeing the ship on fire, and also recognizing that Halifax would be utterly destroyed if its cargo of munitions were exploded, went aboard, and single-handed began the hazardous work of placing the steamer as far away from the city as possible. He cut the hawsers, and the ship began to drift away on the tide.

Fought Fire Alone.

He then fitted up a hose, and played it on the fire.

Fortunately the flames were attacking a section of the ship where they were easily accessible, and owing to the captain's timely work were kept away from the munitions in the cargo hold.

Captain Harrison stuck to his task until he could get assistance to completely extinguish the flames. The ship was then taken outside the danger zone.

In addition to saving the city from the effects of a second explosion, the captain apparently also saved her valuable cargo, while the ship, it is thought, beyond being badly strained and partially burned, can soon be rendered fit for service again.

Crew of Martyrs.

Less successful but not less courageous was the action of Captain Brannan and the crew of the tug-boat Stella Marie. Ordered by the admiralty officials to try and draw the beached Mont Blanc into deep water to sink her, Captain Brannan had begun his work, when the explosion occurred, killing him and his crew, and blowing ashore the torn fragments of the tiny vessel.

The Stella Marie was towing two scows up the harbor when the collision between the Imo and the Mont Blanc occurred. She was signalled by the admiralty officials to drop the scows and go to the Mont Blanc, which was ablaze from stem to stern at the time. Captain Brannan lost no time, and followed the French ship, which had been beached. He had just got a rope aboard her when the explosion occurred.

Lieut.-Commander James A. Murray, formerly captain of the Empress of Britain, recently appointed commander of conveyers, with headquarters here, was instantly killed at pier No. 8.

Transport Wrecked.

Unbelievable things happened when then munitions ship exploded. But the case of Third Officer Mayess of the British transport Middleton. Castle stands out as the most remarkable. The transport was not more than two hundred yards away from the Mont Blanc when the crash came. At that moment Mayess was on the deck ready to step into a small boat to go ashore.

When Mayess came to he was prone on the high ground half a mile away stark naked. There was not a piece of clothing on his body when he was picked up and removed to a house nearby.

The Middleton Castle was wrecked beyond repair, and most of her crew and mechanics from the city at work in her engine-room were killed.

The citizens got a shock today when a ship was noticed to be on fire outside the harbor. Immediately rumors got around that she was a munitions craft, and that another explosion was expected. Happily it turned out that the ship was a collier. She was taken in hand by the naval authorities, who got the fire under control.

The list of the ships injured by the explosion was added to by the beaching of the Caracas. She was loading horses at the time. Many of her crew and men helping in the trans-shipment of the horses were killed, and she broke loose from her mooring and drifted across the harbor, grounding on the shore opposite Halifax.

HOPE ABANDONED OF SAVING SIMCOE CREW

QUEBEC, Dec. 9.—Practically all hopes are abondoned for the crew of the Government steamer Simcoe, which was reported sinking Friday night off Magdalene Islands.

ST. JOHN, N.B., Dec. 9.—The department of marine and fisheries here received word from Pictou, N.S., tonight that a steamer was still searching, but no trace of the steamer Simcoe's crew had been found. Hope is still held out here that the crew is still safe.

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BIG MEETING OF GALT LIBERALS IN ARMORIES TUESDAY

Monster Gathering To Be Addressed by Dr. Thomson.

GALT, Dec. 9.—The final week of the election campaign finds the hottest fight in progress here that Galt has ever known. Dr. Thomson, the Liberal candidate, is making a splendid fight, and is sure to poll a heavy vote. A monster public meeting in his interests will be held in the armories on Tuesday night. The speakers will be A. G. Flaght of Toronto and Dr. Thomson.

The council at a special meeting yesterday voted $500 toward relief work at Halifax, and went on record as prepared to duplicate this amount if the necessity demands. The donation will not be a cash one, but will be in the form of underwear and clothing, which was purchased from local concerns and dispatched at once by express. The council felt that with such large donations of cash, the relief committee of Halifax would have difficulty in getting goods, and decided to send clothing, which is badly needed.

Nursing Sister Madeline Jaffray, daughter of Mrs. J. P. Jaffray, who won distinction with the French army, being awarded the Croix De Guerre, and who was badly wounded, is expected to reach Galt early this week. Arrangements are being made for a civic reception.

The funeral took place today to Mount View Cemetery of Robert Kerr aged 64. For 25 years he conducted a flour and feed business here. Two daughters, Mary and Edith, survive.

DUNCAN ROSS TELLS OF LAURIER'S AIMS

STRATHROY, Dec. 8.—During the week Duncan Ross, ex-M.P., and J. C. Elliott, M.P.P., addressed several meetings which brought the electors out in full force. At Delaware on Thursday a rally was held, with Ephraim Howlett, chairman, and on Friday both speakers appeared at Melbourne, where Henry McCracken acted as chairman.

The issues of the day were discussed in such a manner as to win the audiences completely. Assurance that Canada was to carry on to the end, and that a new regime would give the nation a new place in the war was given.

The Ross campaign proceeds with great enthusiasm, and scores of converts have been won by means of the Ross-Elliott meetings.

$25 CHECK GIVEN FIREMEN FOR WORK

Another Subscription for Benefit Fund of Local Department.

Fire Chief John Aitken has received another $25 donation for the firemen's Benefit from H. J. Jones & Sons, Limited. In the accompanying letter the firm says: "We wish to thank you and your men for the very quick response to our call and efficient work in connection with the small fire in our factory on Sunday last.

"We feel that the promptness of your action prevented, what might have been, a very serious loss to us."

ASKING GOVERNMENT TO SAVE POINT PELEE

WINDSOR, Dec. 8.—Essex County Council in session here today adopted resolutions, requesting the provincial government to revoke all licenses now standing permitting the removal of sand and gravel from the vicinity of Point Pelee. It is alleged that sand suckers have carried away so much material from the Canadian point of land that the acreage is decreasing at an alarming rate.

CUBA TO DECLARE WAR ON AUSTRIA-HUNGARY

HAVANA, Dec. 9.—The belief was expressed by several congressmen this afternoon that President Menocal tomorrow would send a message to Congress, asking that a declaration be made that a state of war exists between Cuba and Austria-Hungary.

Cuba was the first of the Latin-American countries to follow the United States in declaring war against Germany, and the expectation is that she will duplicate this action in the case of Austria-Hungary.

INGERSOLL YOUTHS ESCAPE UNHURT

INGERSOLL, Dec. 9.—A telegram to William McKay relieved anxiety as to the safety of his son Marshall, who is on the Niobe at Halifax. As soon as the news of the disaster reached here there were grave fears for the safety of a number of Ingersoll boys who recently joined the navy. Marshall McKay in his telegram stated that he and Vincent Wilson were safe, and as no mention was made of the other local boys it is believed they, too, are safe. Several of the boys have been there for some time, and it is supposed they may have been on patrol duty when the explosion occurred. Among the boys of this vicinity who joined the navy recently are Charles Christie, Lorne McDougall and O. A. Robinson.

THREE HORSES BURNED IN INGERSOLL BLAZE

INGERSOLL, Dec. 8.—Fire of unknown origin about 7 o'clock this morning destroyed a barn and all the contents on the farm of R. Ellis, West Oxford, which is occupied by A. McNally. The flames are said to have suddenly burst out in the upper part of the building while Mr. McNally was in the stable below milking the cows. Three horses, a large number of hens and several pigs perished, while the season's hay, all the grain and implements were consumed. There was insurance on both the barn and contents, but it will not cover the loss.

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GOODYEAR INDUSTRIAL HOSE

FINE MEETING WAS HELD AT WROXETER

WROXETER, December 8. — An enthusiastic meeting in the interests of Arch. Hislop, Liberal candidate for North Huron, was held last evening. The town hall was filled. Addresses were given by A. Hislop, G. Cameron, of Goderich, and Geo. Spotton, of Wingham, the latter speaking for the opposition. The chair was occupied by John Douglas.

S. Rasmussen, who suffered a paralytic stroke, is still in a serious condition.

JUDGE DRYSDLE TO OPEN INQUIRY INTO DISASTER TOMORROW

HALIFAX, Dec. 9.—Mr. Justice Drysdale, judge in admiralty, has been requested by the Federal Government to undertake an investigation of the collision between the Mont Blanc and the Imo. He has named Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock in the court house here for the opening of the inquiry. Justice Drysdale, who is an expert on admiralty law, will also be assisted by nautical assessors.

DENIES HE SAID BORDEN RULE IS LIKE KAISERISM

KITCHENER, Dec. 9.—I. G. Neuber, a prominent local motor car salesman, was arraigned before Magistrate Weir in police court today charged with having uttered seditious language in the auditorium on the night on which Premier Borden was denied a hearing. It is alleged that Neuber, in argument with some people, who were near him in the crowd, said: "If a man would risk his life and he didn't have to, he would be a d——d fool." He is also alleged to have said that: "One might as well be under the kaiser as under Borden." Neuber pleaded not guilty when arraigned, and the case was adjourned until December 19. It is understood that Neuber's plea will be that he uttered the remarks in a jest. Considerable interest attaches to the case because of the prominence of the defendant, who is the manager of one of the leading automobile agencies here.

SAD SCENES IN WAKE OF DEATH AT STRICKEN CITY

Former Advertiser Man Describes Many Dreadful and Pathetic Incidents.

ENTERS FAMILIES KILLED

Scores of Workmen Destroyed As They Worked — All in Railway Depot Perished.

[The following description of the Halifax disaster was written by George Yates, a former member of The London Advertiser staff, and at present private secretary to Sir Robert Borden.]

BY GEORGE YATES.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 10.—The catastrophe is almost too dreadful to admit of description in coherent, matter-of-fact English, and yet too complete for adequate portrayal by means of the indiscriminating camera. To properly appreciate it, one must be able to conjure up a picture of what once was, in contrast with what no longer is. I have visited Halifax on many occasions, have seen the North street station area, Richmond and Willow Park in normal times, and when swollen with the abnormal flux of war. I have seen the panoramic beauty of the Dartmouth shore at all seasons and always in restful contrast to the somewhat sombre, decidedly crowded and for the most part, frame constructed district that sloped back from the tracks up the hill on which this historic old city stands. It was the home district of the working classes, with here and there an isolated though stately relic of other times. It was this hard-working, wage-earning community that Thursday morning's tragedy wiped out.

Completely Razed.

Wiped out is exactly the proper phrase. In the hard-shelled towns of Flanders some walls do stand after the intensest bombardment. Here a single devastating blast passed up the hill and, in the twinkling of an eye crushed the breath of life out of two thousand people and rendered twenty thousand homeless and destitute. This morning I walked over what had been a dwelling, among the debris where an old man worked alone.

It was merely a flattened heap of wreckage, offering no obstruction to the eye and very little to the feet. What had once been a backyard looked out over the exact scene of the explosion.

Tidal Wave.

In the cutting below where the railway tracks, in the foreground the Narrows, leading from the harbor proper to the seclusion of Bedford Basin and, probably half a mile across the Dartmouth shore. In the railway yards scores of men labored to re-establish communication where the tracks had been washed out by the tidal wave that followed the explosion and which left dead fish and other evidences of marine life embedded in the wreckage at the base of the cliff on which I stood.

Fifteen-Hour Blizzard.

The blizzard, which had raged for fifteen hours had doubled the task of tired and disheartened men. Imagine, ye with intact rooms and snug double windows, the depressing influence of a terrific gale of wet, clinging snow, sweeping over a city with scarcely a pane of glass intact, and carrying its chill consent in a falling temperature over thousands of beds of pain. But towards morning the gale subsided into a steady, though bitter, northeast breeze, and now the sun lit up a melancholy scene.

In the Harbor.

On the shore, less than 200 yards away, lay the war-grey prow of a steamer—all that was left of the Mont Blanc, so I was informed. To the right, over on the Dartmouth shore, hard aground, but seemingly not in bad shape, lay the Imo, Norwegian Belgian relief ship which collided with the French boat with its dreadful cargo. To the left a few sunken piles and one distorted steamer, slammed bodily against a pile of wreckage which had once been a dock, was all that was left of piers 6, 7, 8 and 9. To those piers had come the fire chief and his deputy and men when the alarm of fire was turned in and to the same spot hurried Reporter Ronayne of the Chronicle, who had gossiped cheerily with me in my room in the Queen Hotel when the prime minister opened his campaign in Halifax the other week. Soldiers who hurried to the scene—how many I do not know, but I have talked with one man who told me he and others had found at one point at least a score of bodies of men, who though stripped of clothing and, in some instances, even of flesh, were quite evidently military men because of the scraps of khaki rags in their immediate vicinity. It was indeed a rendezvous with death and death overtook even the man who turned in the alarm.

All Killed at Station.

But death was no respecter of persons in the neighborhood of the explosion. A few blackened timbers along the track to the left represent the Richmond station, where every employee was killed. The dispatcher telephoned to a confrere up the line, "ammunition ship is on fire in the harbor, and there is likely to be an explosion, I'm going to beat it." Just then the explosion occurred, and they found his body in the basement. Of the yardmen not ten per cent remain; of seventy-square trainmen not ten had reported for duty this morning.

Searching the Ruins.

That mass of wrecked and twisted rolling stock in the Richmond yard represents some four hundred freight cars and seventy or eighty passenger coaches have been temporarily placed out of commission. All that and more was what the eye caught as it swept in semi-circle along the waterfront and railway tracks. But what lay behind and up the hill? It is not necessary to move from the spot to supply details enough to convey an adequate idea of the scene as a whole. Less than a hundred yards away volunteers are searching the ruins of a house for bodies. With sledge hammers, pickaxes, crowbars and levers of all kinds, they tug at the twisted wreckage which they hurriedly throw aside.

Premier Visits Scene.

A passing sleigh pauses and a man joins the little group of onlookers. It is the prime minister of Canada, gathering at first hand the intimate details of the appalling disaster to the city of his youth and early manhood. Along the road comes another sleigh—an open cutter. The driver walks behind and with him walk two downcast men. There are passengers in the sleight, but they are mercifully covered, though not sufficiently to hide the ghastly contortion of their twisted frames. Across the street, is a heavy wagon turned upside down. In the shafts lie the remains of two horses, one completely cut in two with what seems to be a plate from the ill-fated vessel. This team had reached the street from a roadway leading back about fifty yards to what had been a foundry. There is a jumble of bricks and a brightly burning pile of coal marks the tomb of forty men who met death at the bench and lathe. None escaped. On the roadside the remains of two motor cars torn absolutely to splinters. The old man already referred to is working aimlessly over the wreckage of what had been his home. He threw to one side an artificial limb. "That," he said seeming to think that the incident required explanation, "belonged to the lodger downstairs. He won't need it any more. He was a railway man and he lost his leg and they put him on a crossing. He's gone. When my old woman heard that the boat might blow up she went up to the daughter's place on the hill there. You can see the place, still smoking, from here."

Family Burned Up.

"Did she escape injury?" I asked, as it seemed to me the old man had left his story unfinished. "Oh, no," he answered simply. "She and the daughter and four children were burned up. It's funny I should find that cork leg undamaged, don't you think?"

Two men approached. One had the usual bandages around neck and face that mark the hundreds of walking victims of flying glass, the other with hollow, lack-lustre eyes and blackened hands and face, carried a sack on his shoulder. It was of sinister shape and bloodstained, possibly all that was left of his family. I was prepared for that by the story a railroad friend told me earlier in the day, about a man carrying a small box on his shoulder, who was inquiring for a train. He seemed dazed, and someone asked him what he had in the box. "That," he replied, "is all that is left of my wife and two children. I am taking them to Windsor to bury them."

CAN HE ESCAPE?



NEW RUSS ARMY MOVING AGAINST THE RUSS "REDS"

Moscow and Other Cities Are Menaced by Kaledines and Korniloff Forces.

MAY SEIZE FOOD SUPPLY

Manifesto Says Stable and Sane Government Is Object of Movement.

London, Dec. 10.—The counter-revolution in Southeastern Russia, under the leadership of Generals Kaledines, Dutoff and Korniloff, apparently is aimed at seizing the authority in that region, and in cutting off food supplies from Siberia. According to the proclamation of the Bolsheviki Government, Gen. Kaledines' forces are menacing Ekaterinoslav, Kharkovo and Muscow. In the Province of Orenburg the Bolsheviki have been overthrown by Dutoff.

LONDON, Dec. 9.—A proclamation to the Russian nation has been issued by the Russian Government announcing that "Kaledines and Korniloff, assisted by the Imperialists and Constitutional Democrats, have raised a revolt, and declared war in the Don region, against the people and the revolution."

The proclamation adds that "the Constitutional Democrats and bourgeoisie are supplying the revolting generals with scores of millions."

As a counter to the movement the Bolshevik Government has ordered its troops and followers immediately to set to work to put down the uprising, and forbidding even any attempts at mediation.

No details of the prisoners are as yet to hand, but the proclamations by the Bolsheviki assert that the constitutionists and the bourgeoisie are aiding the movement against the Leninite factor. The Cossacks, of which Kaledines is the hetman, are famous as dashing fighters, and in choosing Korniloff as his right-hand man, Kaledines obtains a man of military ability.

FOOD SUPPLIES STOPPED.

Petrograd, Dec. 9.—The Provisional Government of Siberia has ordered the stoppage of food supplies for European Russia, particularly Petrograd, on the ground that they may reach Germany.

NOTHING TO REPORT, IS STATEMENT OF BERLIN

Berlin, Sunday, Dec. 9.—Via London, Dec. 10.—The supplementary statement issued by the German war office tonight reads: "There is nothing of importance to report from any theatre."



Advertiser Illustrations

LITTLE MISS FAITH BERRY of Toronto is the original of the Victory Loan poster girl who inspired Canadians during the past month with her appeal: "Oh, please do! Daddy, buy me a Victory Bond." On December 4 the executive of the Victory Loan presented the little Toronto miss with a $500 war bond and a huge basket of flowers.

EXPOSURE TO WEATHER ADDS TO SUFFERINGS AT HALIFAX; RAIN BLOCKING RESCUE WORK

Streets Turned Into Torrents by Rising Temperature and Heavy Downpour—British Admiralty Assumes Charge of Inquiry Into Affair—Appeal Made for 25 Millions of Dollars.

HALIFAX, Dec. 9.—Because of lack of accommodation and scarcity of food supplies, all persons, excepting those on relief work or specially urgent business, have been urged by the mayor to stay away from Halifax for the next three weeks, while non-residents have been asked to leave.

HALIFAX, Dec. 9.—An appeal for $25,000,000 was made to the people of Canada by the mayors of Halifax and Dartmouth today, and this figure is taken as representing the material damage done by the explosion of the cargo of the Mont Blanc last Thursday. The Dominion Government announced today that a preliminary million dollars had been given the relief committee by the Dominion Government.

The survivors of the Belgian relief steamer Imo, which collided with the Mont Blanc, and Pilot McKay and Captain LaMedoc of the Mont Blanc are being detained by the British admiralty authorities pending the official inquiry, which should open tomorrow.

Today, after another terrific night, when the wind blew a hurricane and the rain fell in torrents upon condition, becoming normal again, the relief work and the search for the dead was continued. Many more bodies have been found, and the number at the various morgues is 1,050.

May Be 4,000 Dead.

As yet, no definite statement can be made about the total number of dead, though four thousand is given as the figure that may ultimately be reached.

"Bellevue," formerly the official residence of the British general commanding the Halifax garrison before Canada took over the defence of the Dominion, has been handed over to the Massachusetts Red Cross doctors and nurses who came here on a special train. It will accommodate about one hundred and fifty patients.

Relief units from Massachusetts and Maine arrived today with nurses, doctors, medical supplies and blankets.

Sir Robert Borden announced that the Dominion Government's preliminary appropriation of $1,000,000 will be immediately set at the disposal of the local relief committee.

Terrific Wind and Rain.

Halifax's cup of misery was filled last night when, after two days of horror caused by the explosion and the blizzard the following day, which made rescue work almost impossible, the temperature dropped, and rain and windstorm broke over the city. Experiences of the refugees, who, unable to secure accommodation in the already overcrowded homes here, were housed in tents upon the Citadel Hill and the common, is indescribable. The wind blew the tents down in a number of cases, while the rain drenched the occupants. Many of them had to spend most of the night in the open fields in pitch darkness until the relief parties found them and escorted them to buildings, where they could at least stand up out of the rain, although the wind blew through the windowless buildings at 50 miles an hour.

Streets Run In Torrents.

Today a warm rain was falling, partially melting three feet of snow on the ground, causing each street to be a torrent, and hampering in the work of getting the automobiles with supplies to their destination.

Notwithstanding the awful conditions 500 sailors from the navy department toiled among the ruins searching for bodies.

The relief committee which was appointed last night lost no time in organizing its work. The repair and reconstruction committee, which will have charge of repairs and reconstruction, appointed Col. R. S. Low of Ottawa, manager of this department, and Hamilton Lindsay, assistant manager, Col. Low built camps at Valcartier and Borden, Ont.

A request was issued to all donors of building material to wire Col. Low, Halifax, giving a reasonably accurate description of the materials offered, and await an answer before shipping, so that confusion may be avoided.

Need Building Materials.

Building materials of all descriptions are urgently required. The railways are asked to expedite the shipment of material and label cars "HALIFAX RELIEF—RUSH." The administrative situation in Halifax, as can be well imagined, is extremely strained, and the outpourings of assistance, personal and material, from outside points, is temporarily adding to the difficulty of the situation.

The executive of the relief committee requests, therefore, that doctors and nurses and other volunteer helpers kindly do not come to Halifax without at first being arranged by telegraph or correspondence, that their benevolent services can be immediately and servicably used. It is also requested that those generously desiring to donate food, clothing, building materials, etc., should first communicate by telegraph with the relief committee in Halifax, and kindly state the character and quantity of goods which are offered. The purpose of this is to maintain control of the Halifax situation with respect to immediate need and distribution.

Many Alive in Ruins.

Quite a few people are being rescued alive from the ruins, and it is feared many living are still entombed.

Naval forces dredging the waterfront have recovered two hundred bodies of sailors, soldiers, and men who were working there when the explosion occurred.

All the boys of the Naval College escaped with slight cuts and bruises. They will be sent to their homes.

Casualties in the Wellington street barracks were: Killed, 6; msinsig, presumed dead, 27; badly wounded, 141; slightly wounded, 96; unaccounted for, 44; total, 378.

Married men's quarters—Women and children, killed, badly wounded and missing, 160.

Fifteen from the Niobe missing and cannot be traced.

Pilot Hayes' Body Found.

The body of Pilot William Hayes, who was on the Belgian steamer Imo which collided with the Mont Blanc, causing the explosion, has been found on the shore. Two tugs engaged in picking up bodies in the harbor were reported to have already taken on board Saturday night at least 50 bodies found floating on the surface.

It was established in conversation with members of the crew of the Mont Blanc today that she was out of her course at the time of the collision.

Capt. La Medoc is of the opinion that the collision set fire to the picric acid, which also was a part of the deckload, with the benzine.

When the crew saw that the explosion was inevitable, they took to the boats and rowed to shore. They were all of a mile from shore when the explosion took place.

Cadets' Miraculous Escape.

The escape of the 36 cadets in the Naval College was one of the miracles of the explosion. The young men, who mostly come from Central and Western Canada, were watching the fire on the Mont Blanc, which was less than 500 yards away from them, through the windows, when the explosion occurred. A thick wall running around the premises seems to have absorbed most of the shock, and to have protected the latter part of the premises. The boys were mostly cut by flying glass, while some of them were bruised when they were thrown across the room by the concussion.

Western Ontario Boys.

The boys in residence at the college at the time of the disaster were:

Leonard Winans, Montreal.
Joseph Terry, Montreal.
Arnold Smith, Toronto.
Robert Throtl, Toronto.
Kenneth McKenzie, Wakefield, Ont.
Harold Pentlow, Guelph, Ont.
Beckles Wilson, Windsor, Ont.
Edward Woolcombe, son of Admiral Kingsmill.
R. Orde, Fred Hilliard, George Desbarats, Ottawa.
William Holmes, Lindsay Pritchard, Victoria, B. C.
Rollo Mainguy, Chemainus, B. C.
Wilfrid Richardson, son of Bishop Richardson, Fredericton.
George Mills, St. John, N. B.
A. C. Lee, Dawson City, Y. T.

Young Orde is wounded in the back, while Pentlow is reported as hurt in the eyes.

One of Twenty Left.

Of the 20 members of the family of Heffler, only one is left.

Sir Robert Borden, Canadian premier, heads the list of subscribers to the relief fund with $1,000.

The Halifax Herald is informed by Government railway officials that a message came over the wires a minute before the explosion occurred. It was from Vincent Coleman, the operator at Richmond station, directly looking out on the scene of the collision, and read: "A munition ship is on fire and is making for pier No. 8. Good-bye."

Coleman's charred remains were found that evening. Had he chosen to desert his post he might have saved his own life.

The new Acadia refinery tug Ragus was lost with all hands.

The gun of the steamer Mont Blanc was blown two miles in-shore.

Dog Effects Boy's Rescue.

Soldiers who were excavating in the cellar of a house which had collapsed but had not been destroyed by fire heard the faint bark of a dog. As quickly as they could they moved away the heavy covering of debris and found not only the dog but a little boy of about 3 years of age. The little fellow was still alive and seemingly unbruised. He was taken to one of the hospitals.

The birds have suffered in the explosion, hundreds of pigeons being seen with no tails and many with broken wings.

Digging today, sailors found a live kitten under debris which had killed a family of five persons.

The Canadian Press operator here was just copying the world "explosion" in an item from Pittsburg when the windows were blown in by the explosion on the Mont Blanc.

Newspapers Again Published.

The newspapers, which have been greatly crippled by the shutting off of the gas supply, resumed regular publication yesterday.

The relief committee of the city tonight accepted the offer of Governor Milliken of Maine of 200,000 panes of glass, 10 tons of putty and 100,000 rolls of tarpaper. These goods will be shipped by special train.

At the suggestion of the mayor no church services were held here today, in order to give the citizens an opportunity to render relief work. All the stores were kept open to facilitate the distribution of foodstuffs.

Two Hundred Taken From Water.

Men of the naval forces here dredged the waterfront and recovered 200 bodies of sailors, soldiers and men working there.

The Rock Head Military Hospital was flooded owing to the bursting of water pipes, but the soldiers in charge chopped a hole through the floor and allowed the water to run away into the basement.

The women of the city began work today upon children's clothing, the attire most needed being for children between 6 months and 5 years old.

A large number of premature births took place in the city as a result of the explosion.

At one of the clothing depots a soldier, who only returned from the front Thursday, to find his wife and children dead, was found working on Saturday night, having had no sleep since the explosion.

"I must do something, or go mad," he said.

A boy of 16, named Michael Elchel, who resided at Mahone Bay, ten miles from Halifax, walked through yesterday's blizzard to offer his assistance. He had worked all day without food, when he collapsed and had to be put to bed.

This Is Real Tragedy.

David Hinch Sen., boilermaker, when he reached home after the explosion, found his house entirely destroyed. It having first collapsed and then burned to the ground. In the ruins were his wife, two of his little sons, John, aged 11, and his 11-months-old daughter, Catherine, also Harold, aged 17. Leo Hinch, 16 years old, is a messenger boy for the Canadian Press, who was saved.

David Hinch Jun. was working at the exhibition grounds, and on his hastening home found his wife and child to be among the missing. Later his wife's body, cut in two, was discovered in the ruins. His infant child, Gerald, is still recorded as missing. His home, 24 Richmond street, was blown down. The case of the Hinchs is only characteristic of hundreds of families.

Cora, wife of John Matheson, who is at the front with the Royal Canadian Regiment, is in a hospital with both legs broken and a dangerous wound in her head. When the explosion occurred she left her father's home and was knocked down. When she recovered her fur coat had been taken from her.

All the boys of the naval college escaped with slight bruises and cuts. They will be sent to their homes in Ontario and other parts of Canada. The escape of the lads is remarkable, as the naval college is only 500 yards from where the explosion took place.

What Halifax Needs.

The estimate of material required for the temporary repairs to be done in Halifax, so as to make damaged houses available, and which have been prepared by the reconstruction section of the Halifax relief committee, follows:

Glass, 1,000,000 lights or panes, assorted sizes; putty, 50 tons; sashes, 18,000; doors, 2,000; scantling, 25,000 B. M.; boards, matched, 1,000,000 feet, P. M.; roofing paper, 5,000 square feet; wall board, 300,000 square feet; nails, 1,000 kegs, 2½ to 4 inches.

The above does not include any material which may be required for dwellings which have been completely demolished, nor for public buildings, railway terminals, manufacturing, industrial buildings or walls. All desirous of forwarding materials should communicate with Col. Robert S. Low, chairman of the reconstruction committee, Halifax Hotel, Halifax, N. S., so as to avoid overlapping.

LIST OF NIOBE'S DEAD.

HALIFAX, Dec. 9.—The following is a list of the dead on the Canadian cruiser Niobe:

T. Murphy, able seaman; G. Wier, signalman; A. W. Henry, stoker; S. Burnett, petty officer; A. Matheson, carpenter; G. C. Cleveland, boatswain; Edward E. David, boatswain; George F. Yates, petty officer; C. E. McKillian, petty officer; C. C. Wilson, leading able seaman; A. Saunders, able seaman; F. E. Nickerson, able seaman; Sidney Chick, able seaman. Fifteen missing cannot be traced.

WHOLESALE ARRESTS OF GERMAN CITIZENS ORDERED AT HALIFAX

Move May Have Been Due to Information in Connection With Explosion.

Halifax, Dec. 10.—Acting upon instructions from the military authorities, Chief of Police Hanrahan has commenced a wholesale arrest of Germans resident in Halifax. There have been a number of citizens of German birth who have been allowed full liberty and only required to report once a month. Sixteen have been placed under arrest and it is understood that following some investigation by the authorities a few of them will be released. Some are being held at the county jail. No information has been given out as to the reasons for the arrest and the authorities refuse to say if it was done through any evidence that they had secured in regard to the explosion.

OTTAWA NOT ADVISED OF MAIL DESTRUCTION

Ottawa, Dec. 9.—Reports that large quantities of overseas mail had been destroyed by the Halifax explosion are not confirmed by officials of the post-office department. Up to a late hour this evening no word of destruction of mail had been received at Ottawa. It is assumed that had mail been destroyed the department would have been advised by Halifax officials as soon as communication was established with the stricken city.

WILSON'S MESSAGE HAS SCARED VON REVENTLOW

Amsterdam, Dec. 10.—The German press generally uses language of denunciation in commenting on President Wilson's message to Congress. Count Von Reventlow, in the Tages Zeitung, sees in the message proof that quite apart from the war on land it is a question of the actual existence of the German Empire, and that only the strength and tenacity of Germany will and can prevail against the Anglo-Saxon attack.

The Tageblatt says that the message has raised new difficulties for the friends of peace.



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GOVT. OF PORTUGAL TO STAND BY ALLIES; ALL OBLIGATIONS ARE SAFE IN NEW HANDS

Monarchist Influence in Old Ministry Has Received a Severe Blow.

Paris, Dec. 10.—Telegraphic communication with Portugal is being reestablished, according to a Havas dispatch from Badajoz, Spain, near the frontier. Dispatches received there from Lisbon say that the uprising was a military one, nearly the entire garrison of Lisbon taking part. Government troops attacked their positions at Campolide, but were defeated after 48 hours of fighting. The Government then resigned and the Government forces surrendered.

Stick by England.

The revolutionists published the following manifesto:

"The revolutionary forces, composed of nearly all of the Lisbon garrison, fought during three days from entrenchments in the Park Edouard VII. to save the country and the republic, menaced by a miserable government formed almost totally of monarchists. The revolutionists will organize a cabinet composed of reliable and competent men. We affirm solemnly that we will remain at the side of our old ally, England, and all the other Allies, and we engage to maintain all international obligations of the Portuguese nation."

The Republican Guard, the Fiscal Guard and part of the naval forces joined the revolutionists. The battleship Vasco Da Gama and the destroyer Guadiana bombarded the positions of the revolutionists for two days without effect.

FRANCE AND ITALY REFUSE TO PARLEY WITH LENINE GANG

Petrograd, Dec. 9.—The French and Italian military missions here deny that Gen. Rampon of the French mission, or the Italian officers, have expressed the willingness of their governments to negotiate peace with the Bolsheviki at this time.

London, Dec. 10.—Maurice Paleologue, the French ambassador to Russia, according to the Petrograd correspondent of the Times, has issued a declaration which includes a statement of willingness to discuss war aims and peace terms with the Russian Government as soon as it is established and recognized. It is added that the declaration is similar to one made by Sir George Buchanan, the British ambassador.

NEW BOOKS ADDED TO LIBRARY SHELVES

The following new books have been added at the public library and are now in circulation:

Religion and Sociology.

Bohmer, Luther in the Light of Recent Research; Peter, History of the Reformation in the 16th Century; Burns, Revivals, Their Laws and Leaders; Blackwood, The Prophets, Elijah to Christ; Harris, Christian Science and the Ordinary Man; Commons, Distribution of Wealth; Boehm, Modes and Manners of the 19th Century; Fortescue, History of the British Army, Vol. 8 and Maps; Imperial Year Book, 1917.

Useful and Fine Arts.

Hawkins' Electrical Guides, 10 volumes; Byron, May Byron's Pudding Book; Farrar, Typography of Advertising That Pays; Pleger, Bookbinding and Its Auxiliary Branches; Wier, Sacred Music the Whole World Loves; Wier, Love Songs the Whole World Sings; Wier, Violin Pieces the Whole World Plays; Higgins, Dyeing in Germany and America.

Travel and History.

Barbusse, Under Fire; Cholmondeley, Christine; Vivian, Italy at War; Whittall, With Botha and Smuts in South Africa; Marcosson, Rebirth of Russia; Burnaby, Travels Through North America; Ellis, King Philip's War; Dodd, Jefferson Davis; Autobiography of O. O. Howard, 2 vols.; Meeriam, Life and Times of Samuel P. Bowles, 2 vols.; Stephens, Recollections; Carpenter, Roger Williams; Crawford, Kansas in the Sixties; Morley, Recollections of John Morley.

Fiction.

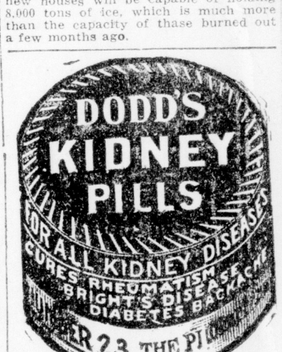
Barr, Maid of Old New York; Benson, Mr. Teddy; Bindloss, Carmen's Messenger; Brown, Bromley Neighborhood; Camp, Abandoned Room; Campbell, Donald and Helen; Churchill, Dwelling Place of Light; Cooper, Cap'n Ahe, Schoolmaster; Doyle, His Last Bow; Connor, The Major; Grayson, Great Possessions; Lewis, Innocents; London, Michael; Lowndes, Lilla; Mc-Hargh, Indian Drum; Mason, Four Corners of the World; Maniates, Amarilly in Love; Norris, Marty; Reeve, The Adventures; Sawyer, Herself, Himself, Myself; Sinclair, King Coal.

TOOK ADVANTAGE OF CHANCE AT CHATHM

CHATHAM, Dec. 9.—Many members of the congregation of the Park Street Methodist Church were hostile today, when Capt. Carswell, bursar, of Victoria College, Toronto, took advantage of a situation that developed to take the pulpit and instead of preaching a sermon, made a straight appeal for support of the Borden Government. In the course of his remarks he declared that any man who would vote against the Government was a despicable creature. Remarks like this and others he made aroused the wrath of many present. One member declared that Capt. Carswell's remarks were most ill-timed and tactless. Rev. Dr. Daniels, the pastor of the church, it is stated, did not know that Capt. Carswell intended discussing politics or he would not have allowed him the use of his pulpit for that purpose. It is stated that at another church this evening Capt. Carswell was warned not to in any way broach political matters.

PROGRESSING RAPIDLY.

SARNIA, Dec. 9.—Work on Brown's Icehouses is progressing rapidly. The new houses will be capable of holding 8,000 tons of ice, which is much more than the capacity of thase burned out a few months ago.



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THE POWER OF THE PRESS.

The Canadian Press, Limited, Canada's principal news distributing agency, refused The Advertiser's request to send the Pearson-Atkinson telegram to the newspapers of Canada. This news of conditions at the front was refused on the ground that it was "partisan," but the petition for votes to the boys at the front, signed by a "noble eighteen" of Liberal-Unionists, was given the broadest transmission. There's a reason.

Probably the Canadian Press, Limited, of which The Advertiser is a member, believed that it was serving the interests of the majority of the papers when it refused to publish this most important news as to the feeling of the soldiers overseas. BUT THE FACT REMAINS THAT ALL BUT 18 EDITORS REFUSED TO SIGN THE "S. O. S." APPEAL FOR VOTES.

The Advertiser has made no charge that the press of Canada is controlled or "bought up." We do know, however, that hundreds of dollars worth of offensive Unionist advertising has been refused admission to these columns, and that hundreds of thousands of dollars are being spent in publicity. The press is not bought up, but it is well fed—and at a time when there are statements to the effect that the Unionists are certain to win. If this be the case, when the much-vaunted power of the press is almost entirely on one side, why should money be spent so freely in advertising? FURTHERMORE, WHO IS PROVIDING THE MONEY?

One thing is certain, and the public should be made aware of it, that the proposed increase in the price of newsprint to publishers has been withheld until after the election. One well-known Unionist publisher made the statement that if the price of newsprint went up he would turn all his forces upon the present Government. Other papers have made veiled threats.

The Government is controlling the price of newsprint for the newspapers, and The Advertiser is deriving the same benefit as any other paper. There is nothing wrong with this. But why should the Government control prices only for the newspapers? SIMPLY BECAUSE IT FEARED THE POWER OF THE PRESS BEFORE AN ELECTION. Newsprint is the only article in Canada upon which the price is fixed.

CONTINUED ROTTENNESS.

SHAMELESSNESS and contempt for public opinion are expressed in every act of the Borden Government, past and present. Not only does it call upon the nation to forget all the evils of the last few years, but it demands that the eyes of all Canadians be closed to what is done now and what is going to be done between this date and December 17. Its promises of reform must all be accepted as dating from the beginning of the New Year, and as liable to breakage as the average New Year's resolution.

Borden speakers openly acknowledge some of the rottenness of the Government, but would induce the electorate to believe that all that has been wiped out and a new set of ethics has been drawn up by the altered cabinet. As a matter of fact, nothing has been changed; the grafting, profiteering and pandering to the C. N. R. and Flavelle interests continue, and will continue unabated until the whole nest is cleared out by Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

Forget Flavelle, pork and profits, cries Hugh Guthrie. Taking obedience for granted, the Borden Government immediately gives a half-monopoly of the oleomargarine manufacture in Canada to Flavelle's company. This also must be forgotten at once, in order that there may be no impediment to the handing over of more national treasure to the 81 per centers. But Canadians cannot and will not forget and be blind. Only those who desire domination and barefaced robbery by the moneyed interests will vote for Borden candidates next Monday.

Forget Mackenzie & Mann and the C. N. R. ring is the urgent command of Conservative orators and writers. They do not go far enough. If the past were forgotten, the present is enough to damn the Government. Millions of dollars are being handed over to these parasites in munitions contracts, money which the nation has made sacrifices to supply. More millions (whether from the same fund is not apparent) are placed at the disposal of the railway ring with lavish hand.

This is not being done by the "dead" government, but by the quick and living; quick to follow in the old footsteps and living for the greed of power. The government which Sir Robert Borden promises as an improvement is that which now exists, and which sanctions and smiles on a continuation of all the damnable trickery, deception of the people and subservience to the millionaires condemned by every decent Canadian.

What hope for reform can there be with such a Government? If it had a single good intention it would not have failed to prove it while the election result is in doubt. The best behavior, the least dishonesty, the best treatment of the people must be expected when the gift of power is being sought, not after it has been granted. Reform after marriage instead of during the courtship has been proven a myth. If the present acts of the Borden Government are the fairest sample it can exhibit, what would happen if it were given the boon its craves?

USELESS, IMPERTINENT EMPLOYEES.

CANADIANS have the privilege of paying out many thousands of dollars to alleged fuel controllers and assistants, for what? For nothing.

London's experience in dealing with these opportunists, who have secured good, well-paid positions because of the country's distress and need, should be published in every corner of the Dominion with parallel cases, and the result ought to be the elimination of the present office-holders and the appointment of men who are able and willing to do something.

"Go out into the open market and buy coal." This is the only advice or assistance to be obtained from these "controllers," who are content to sit back and watch the people who pay them struggling to get enough coal to keep frost out of their houses.

The coal situation is little, if any, better than it was last year so far as users of anthracite are concerned. Any improvement there is may be accounted for readily by the fact that no snow-storms have affected the railroads until Saturday. What conditions will be if the roads become blocked is an alarming speculation.

Have these men found it impossible to secure supplies? If so, it was their duty to so inform their employers, and to resign their positions. Instead of doing this, they are dumb, but tenacious. The least that can be expected of them is courtesy and regret, but neither is forthcoming. Instead, they are impertinent and discourteous. They pay no attention to letters written to them, give no information requested, and when forced to speak they are neither more nor less than impudent.

No firm would endure such behavior from its employees, and there is no reason why the nation should be more lightly treated than other employers. If the Borden Government has a vestige of honesty or courage, it will rid the country of such an incubus immediately, and take steps to handle the situation. But it is too busy electioneering to trouble about the health and welfare of the people. If Canada is ever to have a government by the people and for the people, she must oust the Borden crowd on December 17. Failure to do this is equivalent to admitting Canadians ever, ever, ever will be slaves.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Which Liberals have left Laurier? Not those who feel the pinch of the rise in prices.

Why not have it all open? Why not another Victory Loan, the proceeds to go direct to the C. N. R. interests, to signify their victory and power over the Government?

In desperation, the Tory papers now ask the voters' support for President Wilson. We had not heard of his trading places with Borden, but, if he has, Canada will rejoice.

Since two great packing firms are to have the monopoly in manufacturing oleomargarine, there need be little fear of the price being low enough to injure dairy business.

The date has been set, January 3, for the calling of the first draft to the colors. It must be understood that this, like other Government decisions, is subject to alteration.

The suggestion to utilize the Victory Loan organization in collecting money for Halifax relief is worth consideration. The loss is national, and the replacing ought to be national.

British authorities say the submarine menace is not yet conquered, but Mr. Cottam of this city declares it is. Sixteen large ships were sunk by these conquered subs last week. Who is right?

One of these days Bolsheviki will be helping themselves to the contents of cold storage plants in Canada if Sir Wilfrid Laurier is not returned to power. He promises either to regulate or commandeer.

The main argument left against Laurier is that all the bad people are supporting him. It was these same bad people who helped Borden into power in 1911, but that was all right, though Borden compacted with them and rewarded them with a representation in his cabinet, while Laurier does not recognize them, is openly reviled by them, and in some constituencies opposed by them now as in 1911.

The Life of Sir Wilfrid Laurier---2

A Series of Articles Taken From Professor Skelton's Latest Book "The Day of Sir Wilfrid Laurier."

As a young man of 25 Sir Wilfrid Laurier showed his courage and the strength of his convictions in undertaking the editorship of the Rouge organ "Le Defricheur" (The Pioneer). This task he carried on at Arthabaskaville for six months in the teeth of the religious authorities of the district who did not perceive, as Professor Skelton says, that the editor's "quarrel was with ecclesiastical pretensions, not with religion." Laurier's paper flickered out under persecution, and thus was lost, and yet not altogether lost, his first bout with bigotry. The grand struggle was to come in the following decade.

In 1871 the ultramontane party dominating the Quebec Church issued "The Catholic Programme." "It sought," says Mr. Skelton, "to lay down a policy to govern all good Catholics in the coming elections. The doctrine of the separation of Church and State, the document declared, was impious and absurd. On the contrary, the authorities of the state, and the electors who chose them, must act in perfect accord with the teachings of the Church, and endeavor to safeguard its interests by making such changes in the laws as the bishops might demand. To secure this end the Conservative party must be supported. . . . The right of the clergy to intervene in politics was upheld."

So Laurier, then a candidate for the Quebec Legislature, was branded for his Liberalism, for his championship of individual liberty, as "impious and absurd." And the ultromontanes found in 1871, as in 1911 and since, their natural allies in the Conservative party. History repeats itself.

The Liberals in Quebec had a hard fight against clerical intolerance and interference. In 1873 and 1875 the bishops issued pastorals, and priests interfered improperly in elections both provincial and federal, in support of "The Catholic Programme," and against Liberals or Liberalism. Priests threatened voters with eternal punishment if they went Liberal. If Liberal candidates announced themselves as not anti-clerical but merely opposed to such undue clerical pressure, if they called themselves "moderate Liberals" in order to mollify the wrath ecclesiastic, a Chambly priest was ready to say that "moderate is only another term for liar." Another priest, referring to the colors of the two parties, bleu (Conservative) and rouge (Liberal), declared with French or fanatic vivacity that "The sky of heaven is bleu, the fire of hell is rouge." Elections of Conservatives in Quebec being contested as brought about by these illegal tactics, one witness testified in court that he "was afraid if he voted for Tremblay he should be damned." The voiding of some of these elections by the Supreme Court put a damper on the fires of bigotry. "The sturdy fight of the Liberals of Quebec for the most elementary rights of a free people had its effect." But bitterness had reached such a pitch by 1877 that all "the vigor and moderation, the grace and flair" (Skelton p. 34) of Laurier, from 1874 the leader of Quebec Liberalism, was still needed to calm a dangerous ferment and complete the victory won for his cause in the courts by a masterpiece of statesmanly and epoch-making oratory.

It was in June, 1877, that Laurier in a speech to "Le Club Canadien" of Quebec City

"Came forward to do for his province and his country a service which could be accomplished only by a man of rarely balanced judgment, of firm grasp of essential principles, of wide reading and familiarity with the political ideals of other lands, and, above all, of matchless courage. Rarely, if ever, has there been delivered in Canada a speech of such momentous importance, or one so firmly based on the first principles with which Canadian statesmen too rarely concern themselves."

It is noticeable that here (p. 48) and elsewhere in his history, Professor Skelton emphasizes the principle and consistency of Laurier. Again and again this is brought out. Finally, summing up (p. 325-330), the historian says:

"With rare consistency and steadfast courage these ends were held in view. Ever an opportunist as to means, Wilfrid Laurier has never been an opportunist as to ends. . . . A wise opportunism, that met each issue as it arose and dealt with it in the light of long-held principles, kept the nation advancing steadily and advancing abreast."

That is, Laurier has aimed to keep the two Canadian races abreast and harmonious. He is still working at that, and still meets the issue as it arises, with a judicious application of rock-bottom principle. What serious historian will praise the principle and the consistency of Sir Robert Borden? Mr. Robert Rogers may earn condemnation if not praise for "principle" and consistency.

But to return to the great oration of June, 1877. The subject was "Political Liberalism," with particular reference to the question agitated in Quebec of the relation between the Church and the State.

"No true Liberal wished to deny the Church's officers the right which every citizen enjoyed of taking a part in his country's politics; Liberals had opposed, and would continue to oppose, every attempt of politicians in clerical garb to crush freedom of speech by spiritual terrorism. . . . On individual freedom alone could a sound national political system be built up, just as on colonial freedom alone had it been possible to build up a lasting imperial system." (p. 49-50.).

Mr. Skelton recognizes the uniformity of Laurier's imperialism with his Liberalism. Individual freedom as the basis of freer and fuller social or racial co-operation is the central and unifying principle. But of that and other matters more anon. In 1877 Laurier finished the victory for Liberalism in Quebec against ecclesiastical persecution. As Mr. Skelton says (p. 50), the speech "was a master-stroke, both for freedom and for harmony."

16 YEARS IN THE UNIFORM, WILL NOT VOTE BORDEN

[From the Aylmer (Ont.) Tribune.

Mr. and Mrs. Chalk and Family:

Dear Friends,—In answer to your kind and welcome letter, was glad to hear that you are all enjoying good health, as I am pleased to say I am going on very nicely at present, but I am afraid I shall never be good enough to go back to France again, but it cannot be helped. I am in the sixteenth year in uniform, so I think I have done my bit. You cannot be the same all your life. I can tell you it takes it out of you, this kind of warfare.

Well, George, I am sorry the crops have been a failure this year, just the time we can do with the best of crops, but I guess we shall pull through in the end with the help of God. It is for a good cause, and I am confident we shall come out on top at the finish.

Well, George, I expect it is very rough going in Canada now. I know we are not getting the food as we should, but the boys are still smiling and hoping for the best. As you say, we are all suffering more or less for some purpose, but, thank God, we who are fighting for a good cause are not the only ones who are suffering. What I have seen of the Germans, I came to the conclusion that they are suffering more than we are, and I hope old Kaiser Bill will suffer more until he is brought to his senses.

Well, George, I don't think Borden will have any backers up with the troops when the election comes off. I think they have read too much of the grafting business to be in his favor. I know one he won't get.

Well, George, I would be very pleased if you would be so kind as to send me the paper. A look at the old paper does us good. I must draw to a close now. Please remember me to all the kind friends in and around Lakeview. Hoping to hear from you again, I remain, yours truly,

TOM.

500 Men Ready To Enlist If Sir Wilfrid Is People's Choice

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

In reply to your column in The Advertiser, under date of December 6, 1917, in which you say Sir Wilfrid can get the men of French and English Canadian descent, if elected, I wish to say that I am a French-Canadian, born and raised in Ontario, and now in Detroit, and have a good job at $6 a day.

And if Sir Wilfrid Laurier is elected I am willing to quit my good job and respond and enlist and fight for my maple leaf country, the land of my choice and liberty.

And where we work are 500 Canadians of French and English descent, willing to enlist to fight for Sir Wilfrid Laurier if elected. But for Borden, no, never!

There is no Canadian at the Ford Motor Works in Detroit—and we are 500 strong—who is not willing to fight, and if Sir Wilfrid is elected all Canadians of French and English blood are willing to fight for him.

Long live Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and I hope that all full-blooded French-Canadians will support him on December 17 for right and justice.

I hope this will appear in The Morning Advertiser, for the benefit of French-Canadians in the United States who are willing to serve for his country if Sir Wilfrid Laurier is elected. Vive Laurier et Le Canada. Yours truly,

A. DUQUETTE.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 6, 1917.

HOW PREMIER BORDEN ABOLISHED (?) PATRONAGE

One of the first professions of the new Government was that patronage was to be abolished. The degree of sincerity of this profession may be gauged from the following list of partisan appointments made during the period of union negotiations and thereafter:

J. H. Fisher, Conservative member of Parliament appointed to Senate at salary of $2,500.

Richard Blain, Conservative member of the Senate at salary of $2,500.

Lendrum McMeans, a prominent Conservative, appointed to the Senate at salary of $2,500.

D. O. Lesperance an ex-Conservative member of Parliament, appointed to Senate at salary of $2,500.

G. G. Foster, a Conservative, and director of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, appointed to Senate at a salary of $2,500.

R. S. White, a Conservative, and owner of the Montreal Gazette, appointed to the Senate at a salary of $2,500.

R. H. C. Pringle, a Conservative, appointed to the Senate at a salary of $2,500.

A. C. Macdonnell, a Conservative member of Parliament, appointed to the Senate at a salary of $2,500.

Alme Benard, a Conservative M. P. P., appointed to the Senate at a salary of $2,500.

Clarence Jamieson, a Conservative member of Parliament, appointed to the civil service commission at a salary of $5,000.

Hon. W. J. Roche, a minister in the Borden Government, appointed as chairman for the civil service commission at a salary of $5,000.

A. A. McLean, a Conservative member of Parliament, appointed as controller of the Royal West Mounted Police at salary of $5,000.

C. H. Barnard, a Conservative member of Parliament, appointed to the Senate at a salary of $2,500.

J. D. Taylor, a Conservative member of Parliament, appointed to the Senate at a salary of $2,500.

W. B. Willoughby, Conservative leader of Saskatchewan Legislature, appointed to the Senate at a salary of $2,500.

F. L. Schaffner, a Conservative member of Parliament, appointed to the Senate at a salary of $2,500.

E. N. Lewis, a Conservative member of Parliament, appointed as junior judge at a salary provided by statute.

E. J. Hearn, a prominent Conservative, appointed as junior judge at a salary provided by statute.

A. C. Boyse, a Conservative member of Parliament, appointed to the railway commission at a salary of $5,000.

G. H. Brabazon, a Conservative member of Parliament, appointed superintendent of reservoirs, Upper Ottawa system, at a salary of $2,500.

Hon. Frank Cochrane, a Conservative member of Parliament, to be appointed chairman, C. N. R. board, at a good salary.

Hon. J. D. Hazen, a Conservative minister in the Borden Government, appointed chief justice of New Brunswick at a salary of $7,000.

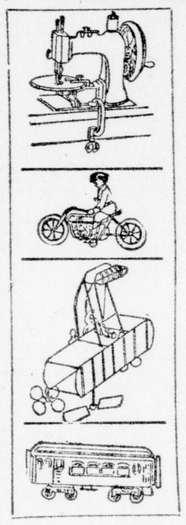
Hon. George Perley, a Conservative minister in the Borden Government, to be high commissioner for Canada in England, at a salary of $10,000.

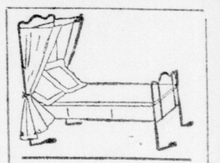
A study of the whole history of union makes it plain that its one purpose and aim was to perpetuate the Borden Government and to continue the reign of special privilege which had characterized the whole of the Borden regime. Liberal members who entered have "placed the mantle of respectability" upon all the nefarious acts of the Government, and must share its responsibility for them.

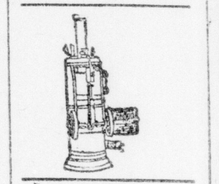
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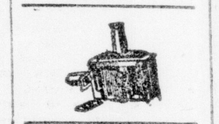


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How the Wind Blows As December 17 Approaches

With the election a week away, the parties are sitting down and taking stock of the situation. The lines are being quite tightly drawn, and it is possible to get an idea of the way the country is going. Information coming to The Advertiser indicates victory for the Liberal party.

Expert opinion, after a close survey of the situation in the Maritime Provinces, states that there will be at least seventeen seats, possibly nineteen seats, there out of thirty-one, for the Liberal party.

In Quebec there will be 62 out of the 65 for Laurier, although some of the Borden orators say that Quebec will be unanimous.

In the west, out of the 56 seats, estimates place the number of Liberals sure to be elected at not less than 30, and more likely 35. Alberta and Saskatchewan are strongly Liberal, while Manitoba is divided. British Columbia is also likely to send a majority of Liberals to the new House. The trend of sentiment is veering more strongly day by day towards the Liberal cause.

The Liberals mentioned do not include those who have come out in favor of the Borden Government. Many of the latter are Liberals, or at least were Liberals.

The Ontario Outlook.

The news from Ontario is most encouraging. It is variously estimated that there will be from 30 to 45 Liberal supporters from Ontario. The Borden headquarters at Ottawa admit that there will be at least twenty such seats.

In Western Ontario the outlook for the Liberal candidates is most rosy. After a close scrutiny there are possibly two seats that can be classed as certain for Borden.

The two Essexes, Kent, two Hurons, two Perths, South Oxford, North Waterloo and South Bruce are considered certain for the Liberal party.

In the Lambtons the hadest battles in the history of those ridings are in progress. F. F. Pardee, West Lambton, is fighting for his political life, with the chances none too good. If Sarnia does not give him a very large majority, he is liable to be beaten. In East Lambton the chances of Neil McDougall, the Liberal candidate, are considered much the better.

In West Elgin Hon. T. W. Crothers is beaten, the most recent advices state. The rural districts will send William Tolmie to St. Thomas with from 800 to 900 majority. Wise students say that the Railway City will do no better for Crothers than split even. W. G. Chalton has the finest opportunity in East Elgin, and it would not be surprising to hear that he has a big majority.

Mr. Wallace's Fine Run.

In Norfolk Hon. W. A. Charlton, the Borden candidate, is losing ground daily. J. Alex. Wallace, the Labor-Farmer-Liberal candidate, is proving a hustler, and Mr. Charlton's friends admit that it does not look at all promising for the former member.

In North Oxford E. W. Nesbitt, Liberal, is the Borden candidate, and it looks as if he will be elected. However, Col. Donald Sutherland, a war veteran, is a very popular man, and may throw a monkeywrench into the machinery. He is a Conservative.

Brantford will probably elect Mayor Bowlby, the Liberal candidate. The Borden forces are split, and Bowlby, a hard man to beat, is going strong.

The Borden forces are also split in Brant County, with the chances that the Liberal will be elected.

W. D. Euler will carry North Waterloo, while the south riding is good fighting ground.

Hugh Clark's friends claim that North Bruce will stand behind him, but the Liberals refuse to admit that for a minute.

Some Liberal Seats.

Reuben Truax is considered safe as a church in South Bruce. There is no doubt about Archie McCoig in Kent, it being merely a question of majority. The same may be said of W. C. Kennedy, North Essex. J. W. Atkin is also considered certain in South Essex.

The word from Hamilton is that Rollo, the Labor man, is just as good as elected in West Hamilton, with the Labor man the favorite in the east riding.

Private information given The Advertiser is that Halton, Peel, the two Pembrokes, West Peterboro, East Peterboro, the Renfrews, Russell, Temiskaming and Algoma will go Liberal. In several other ridings the fight is close, and any side may win.

It would seem that the very best the Borden Government can hope for is an even split in the country, which would then give the Liberals who are with Borden now a chance to go over to the straight Liberals, and form a strong government.

The indications are, however, that the Laurier party will be elected by a considerable majority.

Duncan C. Ross will be elected in West Middlesex, advices state. J. M. Ross is putting up a gallant fight in the east riding, and it would not be at all shocking if he beat the brave fireman of Parliament Hill. London is most satisfactory from the Liberal standpoint.

The Pulpit and the Elections

To the Editor of the Advertiser:

I could not help thinking, when I read Bishop Fallon's letter and Bishop Williams' statement re Union Government, how very far removed their ideals were from those I heard recently in one of our leading churches.

The speaker was no lord bishop, it is true, nor a cleric of the church of special privilege, but one who reaches and touches the hearts of the common people—a strong, devoted and eloquent follower if his Master, and his sermon gave a reassuring message to some of us who were bewildered by the brutal things we have read during this campaign.

He preached from the incident of Elijah and the priests of Baal.

On the one side he showed us the stately cortege of the priests of special privilege—the 400 priests of Baal and the 450 priests of Astarte—backed by the magnificence of Ahab, the king, his courtiers and parasites, (the profiteers of his day!), showing that, alas! the forces of power and privilege were too usually associated with the forces of evil.

On the other side he pictured for us the majestic figure of the prophet, apparently alone, solitary in his grandeur, yet not alone—for God was with him!

As he spoke I was thrilled.

I could plainly visualize today's parallel in Canada.

On the one side a corrupt descensional government flanked by the lords spiritual and the clerics of high degree associated in altogether too close affinity with the profiteers and the "profits" of Baal.

On the other side I saw the shining one, our Sir Galahad, the Elijah of action, and that many, many of our dear boys lie beneath the sod of Flanders for this reason.

Our own Jimmie Murray, D. C. M., London's hero of Ypres, threw away his jammed Ross rifle and fought his way to glory with a German rifle and ammunition taken from the enemy. This rifle is now in London, and it saved at least one precious life.

I have my full quota of loved ones at the front (5), and am quite content that a change of government will mean far better handling and backing for them and better treatment when they return. I rest on Sir Wilfrid's promise—"I am in the war to the end."

May I compliment you on the gallant and clean fight you are waging for better conditions for the boys and their loved ones? Yours faithfully,

REFORM.

Bits of Byplay

by Luke McLuke

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Fact.

I've been in many cities,
From Frisco to Norwaik;
But I never met a barber
Who didn't like to talk.

Betcha!

"What is criminal negligence, anyway?" asked the Old Fogy, as he locked up from the newspaper he was reading.

"Forgetting to cut the cards when you are playing poker," replied the Grouch.

No Joke.

A lie can travel fast. That's so.
It certainly can speed and spin.
It seems to make the truth look slow,
But in the long run truth will win.

Still on the Job.

"You had one of our burglar alarms installed in your home some months ago," said the Agent. "Is it still working?"

"It is," replied the Businessman. "Six burglars have visited my home since it was installed, and that alarm was one of the few things they didn't take with them."

Breaking It.

His promises he'll keep, I know,
His pledge is never slurred;
And yet the poor man stutters so,
He always breaks his word.

Huh!

"You Suffs are the limit," said the Mean Brute.

"How's that?" asked the Suff.

"Why, you can't close a Suff's mouth when she is free, and you can't open her mouth when she is in jail," replied the Mean Brute.

Giddap!

She loves the letter carrier,
And he loves Mabel Hale;
So she stands at her door for hours
And waits there for her male.

Yeah!

Wasn't it remarkable how city folks began to realize how much farmers needed better roads when automobiles came into general use?—Luke McLuke.

And wasn't it strange how quickly the farmers found out that many of the streets of the villagers were mighty rough, after the era of the flivver arrived?—Wilmington Journal-Republican.

Correct.

It seems to us that the average reformer needs less reform and more chloroform.

R-r-r-r-r!

Beatrice Blizzard is an officer in the First Christian Church of Hutchinson, Kansas.

Gosh!

It must be tuff to have a name like that and have to live in a Dry State. Oh, yes, what we started to say was that J. H. Casebeer is publisher of the Blue Springs, Neb., Sentinel.

My, My!

We may be wrong. But it seems to us that Tun Rich, of Richwood, Ky., must have loads of money.

Police!

The convicts played baseball quite free
Outside the prison walls 'Twas fun,
And several batters said to me:
"I wish I could make a home run."
—Luke McLuke.

So base they were when on a bat,
They stole the diamond and the plate;
It is by such foul acts as that
The judge benign they alienate.
—Newark Advocate.

To steal the diamond and the plate
Make out a most appalling case,
But to complete the record, why
Did he not also steal a base?
—Memphis Commercial Appeal.

Luke McLuke Says

There may be other puzzle solvers, but our idea of a real good guesser is a prescription clerk in a drug store.

One of the hardest things for a young fellow to learn is that he can make plenty of enemies without butting in.

The man who swears off on buying drinks keeps his pledge longer than the man who swears off on drinking.

A Princess often wonders what her Mother was smoking when she married an old fat-head, who doesn't wear his coat and vest with straps around the tummy and who can't even play pool.

Many a woman on the matrimonial bargain shelf is 33 reduced from 23 if the truth were only known.

A wife tells her husband everything she knows. But a husband is never that liberal.

Solomon must have been a pretty smart old geek, all right, if he told each wife that she was the only girl he ever loved and got away with it.

A PAGE OF GENERAL INTEREST TO WOMEN

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Our readers are invited to phone all news of this kind to the Society Editor. Phone 3670.

The Alexandra school is by no means behind in Red Cross work, under the supervision of Miss Davidson they were able to hand over to the Red Cross last Friday 107 pairs of socks, 12 pairs bedsocks, 3 scarves, 1 sweater, 1 pair of wristlets and 1 pair of kneecaps.

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Charles and Fred McMillan of Cove road, South London, are attending the funeral of their brother-in-law, Frank Corlett. Mr. Corlett is well known to many Londoners.

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The High School Girls' Club has been doing excellent patriotic work. They are now working for the society known as Friends of France. They have lately sent to a branch of that society in Toronto, 200 pounds of sugar and chocolates. At the present time they are knitting socks for the Friends of France.

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A most successful patriotic dance was given on Friday evening by the employees of the McCormick Manufacturing Company, in the large dining hall at the new plant. Special prizes were given. The proceeds will be devoted to a returned soldiers' organization, and the benefit society of the company.

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The Local Council of Women, of which Mrs. Boomer is president, have sent a message of sympathy to the National Council of Women at Halifax.



Canadian and American soldiers find the girl munition workers in France good "pals." This photo by Underwood & Underwood shows a typical group at one of the great ammunition plants near Paris.

JIMMY COON STORIES

By Dr. Warren G. Partridge.

THE SECRET OF THE WHITE VISITOR.

You see, everyone heard about the Strange Visitor or Ghost. And all hid in their houses, and didn't dare to put a foot on the ground. It was comical to see them all poking their heads out of their top-windows, and peeking about, to catch a sight of the monster!

But Teddy Possum was on the ground, kicking up his heels, and laughing as if he would burst off all the buttons of his vest. And Mr. Wolf and Mr. Fox heard all that Teddy Possum said, and they tried to hide behind two trees, because they were so ashamed. But all the Little People saw Mr. Wolf and Mr. Fox slinking off into the woods, and Teddy followed them, calling loudly, "Oh, you Heroes! Don't be afraid of the little Widow Mrs. Peggy Porcupine! She is blind and she couldn't hunt. So don't run away in fear."

And Mr. Wolf and Mr. Fox were so angry and so ashamed that they didn't turn up for months, and no one shed a tear at their absence.



It is a poor, blind, little widow, Mrs. Peggy Porcupine.

Teddy Possum made so much noise, and seemed so safe down on the ground, that many of the little people ventured out of their hiding places, and crowded around Teddy Possum, and all cried together: "Teddy Possum, what's the joke? Do you know anything about the great White Monster, that's as big as an elephant? Tell us all you know!"

And Teddy Possum threw his little knowing head on one side, and winked his left eye, and called out to all: "I was up in a tree and saw the whole business! Ha, ha, ha, ha, ha!"

And Jimmy Coon was awfully angry and blurted out: "I guess you would have laughed out of the other corner of your mouth if you had seen what I saw. Of course, I was not so frightened as were Mr. Wolf and Mr. Red Fox!"

And again Teddy Possum exploded with peals of laughter at Jimmy Coon, saying, "I wish you all could have seen Jimmy Coon! Why, he was as white as a sheet with fear, and he sat down in the water of the brook, and was so scared that he sat as still as a bump on a log. He didn't have the spunk to get out of the water. And if I had blown a breath he would have fainted away."

And everybody crowded around Teddy Possum, asking together: "Tell us quick, who is that big White Stranger, who scares all the Little Folk of the Great Wood?"

"Well," drawled Teddy Possum, "If you really wish to know, I'll tell you the sober truth. It is a poor blind little widow, Mrs. Peggy Porcupine. And she lost her way, as she is stone-blind, and she was stumbling around, trying to find her brother's home."

And all the Little People shouted at the immense joke on Jimmy Coon. And Jimmy Coon was so angry he snorted "I guess I know when I see a Ghost. Why, Mr. Wolf and Mr. Red Fox would have been eaten alive if it hadn't been for me!" And all shouted at Jimmy Coon's bragging.

Tomorrow: Jimmy Coon goes to see the Widow, Mrs. Peggy Porcupine.

Cynthia Grey's Mail-Box

Tanning Fur Skins.

Miss Grey.—Here is the process requested the other day for tanning fur skins: First remove legs and other useless parts, scrape with dull knife until all fat and flesh are removed thoroughly. Soak until soft in blood-warm water. Take for each skin, half ounce each borax, saltpetre and Glauber's salts, wet to a paste and spread with a brush on flesh side, thickest on the thick part of the skin; a brush is best, but a cloth will do. Leave in a cool but not freezing place for 24 hours. Wash skin clean, then take salsoda, 1 ounce; borax, ½ ounce; pure white soap, 2 ounces; melt slowly together without boiling; apply mixture to flesh side as before; roll up and keep in warm place 24 hours. Wash the skin clean, and have saleratus, 2 ounces; dissolve in rain water and soak skins until saturated. Then take alum, 4 ounces; salt, 8 ounces; dissolve in hot rain water; let cool until you can bear the hand in it comfortably, then soak 24 hours; wring out and soak for another 24 hours; repeat this four or five times, and hang out to dry. Now heat hardwood sawdust and rub the skins in that until soft enough to suit.

All this trouble is avoided by professionals, thus: Scrape clean, soak in water until soft; then soak in chamber lye for three days, and rub in the sawdust.

Furs are hard to tan, as the hair and fur often comes off in the process; hence the high cost. ONE WHO KNOWS.

Ans.—Inquiring readers will be obliged to "One Who Knows" for sending this information.

Magazines for "Pernickety."

Dear Miss Grey,—I see on your page where "Pernickety" wants to get reading matter. If you will put this letter that is inclosed in her envelope, I will inclose a stamp. And oblige,

HOLLY BERRIES.

Ans.—The letter inclosed has been mailed to "Pernickety" as requested.

Would Like to Try It.

Dear Miss Grey.—I see where some have tried that recipe for marmalade made of oranges and pumpkin, and liked it; so thought I would like to try it. Will you please print the recipe again, as I can't find it. I think it was in September it appeared before. I will send "Widder Green's Last Words" for "Patriotic," and maybe I can be some help another time. G. V. E.

Ans.—Here are two ways for using pumpkin, oranges and lemons in a marmalade. As a number of readers seem to have tried the combination with success, I hope you may also. "Patriotic" will thank you for your copy of "Widder Green."

Cut 8 pounds yellow pumpkin into small pieces and mix with 6 pounds of sugar. Let this stand 12 hours. Then peel 6 oranges and 6 lemons. Boil rind of 2 lemons and 2 oranges for 2 hours, changing water two or three times, and then cut off as much of the white as possible to prevent bitterness. Chop the remainder of rind and add with juice of fruit, and boil from two to three hours. Put in jars and keep in dark place.

No. 2.—One housewife caught a handy idea in using pumpkin. Her three healthy youngsters had a great affinity for orange marmalade, so she bought one day, she stocked her small pumpkins, finished with three lemons and five oranges, and required sugar, making seven pints of as good an article as the citrus fruits alone.

What Women Could Do.

Dear Miss Grey.—Gracious, Miss Grey, did you see all the birds in the Mail-Box? Bluebirds, snowbirds, homebirds—any blackbirds? I saw an awful flock the other day. I don't know whether they were going to the Mail-Box or hunting sunflowers. But I kept under cover, so I still exist. But these awful "homebirds," they never leave at all, so one is always in danger, I suppose. But, never mind, "Mrs. Homebird," if you and I were to meet, I know we would be the very best of friends, and I know you would not want to pick me to pieces like that. And I would be the first one to nominate you as a candidate for that women government you spoke of starting. Say, won't we have a funny government after a while? There are Laurier men, Union men Independent men, and Win-the-War men (Win-the-Election it ought to be), and then when we get women government, we will surely have variety. This is a good time to start, for they are taking so many of our men away we are sure to come out ahead. We ought to have a little government of our own anyway, for you know Mr. Borden is not going to let any women vote only those he is sure will vote for him. It is a great thing to be long-headed, eh? Be saving, women, and raise lots of hogs. I see Mr. Borden has to have $7,000 more a year. But return to our old debate: "Mrs. Homebird," you said if you could feed and clothe all the hungry and bare-footed children, you would vote. Don't you think if you voted to banish the bar you would help to feed and clothe a great many children? If you voted to banish the poolroom, don't you think you would perhaps help to save many a boy from becoming a gambler?

If you voted to banish the cigarette, don't you think you would save many a boy from an early grave?

It seems to me these things ought to go. Are they not only a curse to the land? How can we expect our boys to go in the right way when we place every temptation in their way to lead them astray? By the way, I was reading a few days ago where our Red Cross workers gathered a lot of things together in a hurry for the soldiers. The writer said lots of pipes and tobacco and cigarettes, among other things, and she said it was a wonderful work. Are they going to make cigarette fiends of the returned soldiers? (I am glad none of my boys were there). It seems to me if they would send something to strengthen the weak bodies of the soldiers instead of something to weaken them it would have been a greater work. I hope none of these women get into our Union Government or we will never be able to put down the cigarette

I saw where another woman was calling down our Government men for their extravagance. I would just like to ask her who puts these men there? Is it not the big fools of farmers who vote for them on election day? I wonder sometimes when farmers will get sense enough to stick together and vote together, and put some of their own chaps in the Government. You know we are "the people." We are the ones who feed the multitudes; why should we not be represented in the Government? And what do we get out of it? Nothing. There should be one farmer sent to the Government from every county, no matter whether he be Tory or Grit, but it is all lawyers and doctors, and the farmer feeds them all. And they build ballrooms to swing and promenade their ladies around in. The farmer pays it all, and on election day waves his hat and hollers "Hurrah, hurrah!" for the Government.

Oh, dear, look at the mouth of that W.P.B. Will I dare ask?

If a man owes you for work and won't pay you, is there any length of time that debt is outlawed so you cannot collect it? If so, how long. Merry Christmas to all. SUNFLOWER.

P.S.—Be lenient, Miss Grey, and I won't come again for a good while. I think we will have to get a paper of our own, too.

Ans.—Your letter will be noted with interest by many of our readers, and perhaps we may even hear from "Mrs. Homebird" on the same subject.

The debt for wages, like any other debt, is considered outlawed after a space of seven years.

P. S.—I'm in a very, very lenient mood, so cheer up!

A Mother's Help.

Dear Miss Grey.—As I have a little time on hand I am writing to you re answer to "Juanita."

I am the mother of eleven children, and I had the same trouble with two of my boys. I went to the Children's Hospital with the first one, and I was advised to get a pair of shoes with the steels in. You can get them from S's, Toronto. My two little boys, aged 2 years and 3½ years, wear them all the time, and they walk splendidly. I have found the butter recipe fine. My little girl, aged 10 years, makes it up each Saturday, and she is quite proud to think she can make four pounds of butter out of two. My little girl helps quite a lot, for she has seven brothers under 13 years. I am sending you the address of a young sailor lad who is only 16 years and is going to India shortly. He has seen a lot of this war, and cannot have any holiday. I do think sailors should be thought of as well as soldiers. I hope you can understand this, for I have baby on my knee all the time. Wishing your paper every success, ENGLISH MOTHER.

Ans.—What a busy, busy woman you must be, and what a dear little helper you have in the 10-year-old girlie! The firm name mentioned by "English Mother" can be supplied to "Juanita" if she desires it. And who will undertake to be nice to the sailor lad?

Cavalryman's Mount.

Miss Grey: 1. What side of the horse does the cavalryman get on?

2. I wonder, Miss Grey, if you or one of your readers could please give me some sure remedy for dandruff? It is really more bother to me than all of my money. Thanking you in advance, I am, SANDY.

Ans.—A cavalryman mounts from the left side.

(2) Am hoping some reader may be able to help. Many have asked lately for a "sure cure" for this distressing scalp trouble, and while I have formulas for various "helps," "sure cures" do not, alas, seem easily located.

Heart Should Tell Her.

"Mae"—It would be impossible for an outsider to say "do this" or "do that" in such a case as yours. The young man overseas asked you to "wait," you say, but did he definitely speak of loving you and of marriage upon his return? Some men are diffident about binding a girl by any promise, but surely it is better for some definite understanding to exist, than these half-engagements. If he writes to you in the spirit of an accepted lover, and as though his return meant you, and if your heart responds to his message, I do not see why you should hesitate to regard him as your sweetheart, and the agreement as an engagement. If your heart is overseas, you will easily know how to meet the advances of other young men.

But, as I said before, how can an outsider know? The promptings of your own heart is all that can tell you.

Knitting Comes First.

Dear Miss Grey.—While reading over your Page, I see a letter from "Buttercup" in regard to dainties at the front. I hardly think they receive very many, as a friend of mine said: "The cake you sent didn't last long, as we do not see those things over here." But if they did, don't you think they would enjoy dainties from home far better? I do.

I enjoyed the letter the other day in regards to Christmas presents. I think just a small remembrance should take the place of so much work in years gone past. Mine, for one, will be that, for I cannot keep crochet needle, tatting shuttle, and knitting needles, all busy at once, but wonde: if those who are so busy crocheting can knit? I am afraid not or they would give it up, for knitting is so much nicer and easier to do—but then I am always looking for easy things.

I wonder if the lady who sent the three 161st Boys' addresses could furnish me with the wounded one's address? I had written him and sent a parcel about two weeks before his name appeared among the wounded ones. I trust his wound is not serious, and that he will soon recover. I am afraid my parcel will be late for his Christmas now, but he will have his when the other boys are through with theirs.

Well, I must close. Regards to all.

E. F. B.

Ans.—Referred to reader sending in Pte. T. W. A.'s address, along with two others. Please may we hear from you as soon as information is to hand?

She Should Know.

Dear Miss Grey.—We (a number of young people) have been thinking about giving a play, and as we have not the address of any firm where we could procure a good play, I was wondering if you would be so kind as to enlighten me. Yours faithfully,

SUSAN RUGGLES.

Ans.—Well, Susan, if you had been as devoted a reader of this column as is your bounden duty you would know that I cannot give addresses here! If you like to send me your name and a stamp I'll tell you all the places I know where you may write for a catalogue of plays.

Not a Soul.

Dear Miss Grey,—I see where "Twenty-Seven" was asking if anyone heard from "C. A." I get lovely letters from him; got one yesterday. I wrote "Twenty-Seven" a letter, but perhaps she has not received it.

I am sending two names of soldiers, both young boys who haven't a soul in the world to send to them. I know they will be thankful to anyone who will be kind enough to send them anything. One boy wrote me and said in his letter he said, "Oh, if you had to stand here in this mud hole for hours and see the other boys get parcels, you would be bold enough to write for a parcel, too." I send to these boys when I can, but I have only all I can do, so will some kind reader take them to care for, and oblige, your old friend,

KHAKI KEY.

Ans.—You will note "Twenty-Seven's" epistle and see that she has not forgotten you. How sad to hear of these lonely lads. I'm just wondering how many applications I'll receive after Pageites read your letter.

Those Homemade "Eats."

Dear Miss Grey.—I am sending Sister Susie a recitation, hoping you will forward it to her. I had a letter from Scottie frae Dundee the other day. He writes such splendid letters. He seems so cheerful, and yet how can he be away over there in France amidst the war? We sent six boxes overseas for Christmas gifts. The boys seem to like the homemade eats.

Have you any more "lonelies" names, boys from Canada? I would very much like two if you have. Well, Miss Grey, may I call again?

BUTTERMILK.

Ans.—"Sister Susie," the piece sent by "Buttermilk," has gone forward to your address. Shall try to mail you names of two lonelies ere long. "Buttermilk," just now few seem to be at hand. Of course, you may.

"Poverty Party."

Dear Miss Grey,—Have you or any of your readers ever heard of a "poverty party"? If so, please explain how it is carried out—that is, how to dress and what lunch to serve. Would you please print a number of games that would be suitable for a party of young people about 20 years of age? I remain, yours truly, POPPY.

Ans.—Invitations to a "poverty" or "hard-times" party are usually issued on brown wrapping paper, bepencilled, and mailed in common manilla envelopes. Request guests to attend in "hard-times" costumes, and no doubt some unique effects will be attained. The hostess herself should, of course, wear a costume thoroughly in keeping with the idea of "poverty." For lunch baked beans, brown bread and butter, pickles, gingerbread, mince tarts and coffee form a suggested menu. An old-fashioned taffy-pull is a pleasant feature for the evening's program, for once no one being afraid of spoiling their clothes." No particular games, so far as I know, may be said to be "appropriate" for such an affair, and generally the usual contests, guessing games, etc., are indulged in.

Favors the "Smokes."

Dear Miss Grey,—Well, here I come, with nerve enough to poke my nose in again, even when I didn't see my last letter in print. I have just received a letter from one of my three lonelies, Pte. A. P., and oh, it was such a lovely letter, so beautifully written, and he seemed so grateful for the few letters I had sent him, that it makes me wish I could do a thousand times more for him. I sent them each a big box of goodies for Christmas, and hope they receive them all right.

My, how I do enjoy reading the Mail-Box, but in reading one of the letters (I forget by whom it was written), I saw where they were willing to send boxes to lonely soldiers, but would NOT put in any tobacco. Now, although I do not want to disagree with anyone for the sake of being contrary, I feel sure that she is quite wrong in her view of the use of tobacco. I do not agree with the constant use of the weed among the boys at home, but I think that the boys in the trenches would "die" if they couldn't have their smokes. I have learned this from four of my cousins, who have returned badly wounded, and are in convalescent hospitals in your city of London at the present time. I believe in giving the boys who are offering their precious lives on the battlefields anything they ask for, and, if need be, take the tobacco away from the slackers to send to the soldiers. I hope this writer to whom I am referring will not be offended at me, but I am only writing about what I know to be the truth.

I enjoy reading "Scottie Frae Dundee's" letters.

I have a very pretty recitation called "A Soldier's Letter," which would be appropriate to recite at a patriotic concert, or, in fact, any concert. If anyone would like to have it, I will leave my name and address with Miss Grey. It is a very pretty piece, but also very sad.

1. Miss Grey, I am 13, weigh 136 pounds, am 5 feet 2 inches tall. Am I too large for my height and age?

2. What do you think of my scribble?

3. And last, but not least, may I come again? Yours sincerely,

'KHAKI KID.

Ans.—Are you sure your last epistle is not in print? A letter was received not so long ago minus a signature, and strikes me that just possibly it may have been yours.

1. You are a big girl, all right, but fairly well proportioned, I should say.

2. You write very well

3. Certainly.

VERSE
NEW AND OLD

OH, WHY SHOULD THE SPIRIT OF MORTAL BE PROUD?

[Published by Request.]

Oh, why should the spirit of mortal be proud?
Like a swift-fleeting meteor, a fast-flying cloud,
A flash of the lightning, a break of the wave,
Man passes from life to his rest in the grave.

The leaves of the oak and the willow shall fade,
Be scattered around and together be laid;
And the young and the old, the low and the high,
Shall moulder to dust, and together shall die.

The child that a mother attended and loved,
The mother that infant's affection who proved,
The husband that mother and infant who blessed,
Each, all, are away to their dwellings of rest.

The maid on whose cheek, on whose brow, in whose eye,
Shone the beauty and pleasure, her triumphs are by;
And the memory of those who loved her and praised,
Are alike from the minds of the living erased.

The hand of the king that sceptre hath borne,
The brow of the priest that mitre hath worn,
The eye of the sage, and the heart of the brave
Are hidden and lost in the depths of the grave.

The peasant whose lot was to sow and to reap,
The herdsman who climbed with his goats to the steep,
The beggar who wandered in search of his bread,
Have faded away like the grass that we tread.

The saint who enjoyed the communion of heaven,
The sinner who dared to remain unforgiven,
The wise and the foolish, the guilty and just,
Have quietly mingled their bones with the dust.

So the multitude goes, like the flower and the weed
That wither away to let others succeed,
So the multitude comes, even those we behold,
To repeat every tale that has often been told.

For we are the same our fathers have been;
We see the same sights our fathers have seen;
We drink the same stream, and we feel the same sun,
And run the same course that our fathers have run.

The thoughts we are thinking our fathers would think;
From the death we are shrinking from they too would shrink;
To the life we are clinging to, they too would cling,
But it speeds from the earth like a bird on the wing.

They loved, but their story we cannot unfold;
They scorned, but the heart of the haughty is cold;
They grieved, but no wail from their slumber will come;
They joyed, but the voice of their gladness is dumb.

They died, ah, they died, and we things that are now,
Who walk on the turf that lies over their brow,
Who make on their dwellings a transient abode,
Meet the changes they met on their pilgrimage road.

Yea, hope and despondence, and pleasure and pain,
Are mingled together in sunshine and rain:
And the smile and the tear, and the song and the dirge,
Still follow each other like surge upon surge.

'Tis the wink of an eye, 'tis the draught of a breath,
From the blossom of health to the paleness of death,
From the gilded saloon to the bier and the shroud,
Oh, why should the spirit of mortal be proud?

—Wm. Knox.
(Scottish poet, 1789-1825.)

KNITTING

MAN'S KNITTED GLOVE.

This glove may be knitted in a pattern, viz.: Two rounds plain. Third round—1 plain, 1 purl. Repeat these three rounds, or as described in plain knitting. Four-ply fingering wool, needles No. 14.

Cast on 66 stitches. Knit in plain and purl for 2 inches.

Knit 2 rounds.

Increase for thumb.

Arrange 20 stitches on one needle. Knit the first stitch. Knit the thread lying across between this stitch and the next. Mark the stitches on each side of this raised stitch. All the increasing is made between these two stitches.

Knit two rounds.

Third round—Increase on each side the middle stitch.

Knit two rounds and increase two stitches in the same way in the third. Repeat these three rounds until you have 27 increased. Slip these on to a piece of wool; do not take up the marked stitches. Tie up the 27.

Cast on 10 stitches across where the thumb is taken away.

Knit one round.

Second round—Decreasing by taking two together at the beginning and end of the 10 stitches.

Third round—As second.

Decrease every round till all 10 are taken in. Knit 1¼ inches.

Divide for the fingers.

Take twelve stitches from the needle to the right of the thumb needle, eight stitches from the thumb needle cast on eight. Take these on to other needles; they are for the right hand first finger

Knit one round.

Second round — Decrease on the eight stitches in the centre.

Decrease every round until only four of the eight are left. You have now twenty-four stitches on to a piece of wool.

Work the finger until you are within half an inch of its full strength. Then knit two together at the end of each needle till you have nine stitches. Slip them on to a sewing needle, and fasten them neatly on the wrong side.

For second finger — Pick up the stitches of the gusset and nine to the left of those you took off the thumb needle, cast on eight, and take nine from the right of the twelve you took for first finger. Decrease each gusset, as before, to twenty-six stitches. Knit as first finger, making it half an inch longer.

Third finger—Take up the eight of gusset, eight stitches to the left, cast on eight for the other gusset, and pick up eight to the right of the nine taken up for the second finger. Decrease as before until you have twenty-three stitches. Make same length as first finger.

Fourth finger — Pick up eight of gusset, take up the stitches left on the wool. Make an inch shorter than third finger.

For the thumb—Take up the ten gusset stitches with the twenty-seven on the wool. Knit around. Second round — Take two together, beginning and end of ten stitches. Decrease in this way every round till you have twenty-seven stitches. Knit the length and finish as fingers.

For the left hand glove, when setting the fingers, take twelve off the thumb needle.

Has Cured Your Neighbors And It Will Cure You

Look Into This Evidence for Dr. Chase's Nerve Food From Your Own Town People.

London, Dec. 10.—It is only natural to doubt reports from people at a distance and who are unknown to you. If you have felt this way about what you have read in regard to the great good being accomplished by Dr. Chase's Nerve Food you do not need to doubt any longer.

Every day we are publishing in this paper reports from people right here in London who have been cured by Dr. Chase's Nerve Food, some recently and some years ago. When you have read these letters look these people up and inquire into their case. Everyone of them is glad of an opportunity to help others suffering as they did.

Mrs. J. Peters, 548½ Richmond street, London, Ont., writes:

"For some time, I felt a little rundown, and suffered from loss of appetite. I did not relish my meals, and most of the time had a tired, languid feeling. I tried a treatment of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food, and they certainly did me a great deal of good. They strengthened and built up my system. I got rid of that tired feeling, and am now able to eat my meals with relish."

Mrs. W. Singer, 12 Wilson street, London, Ont., says:

"I was a victim of nervous headaches for about a year, and my nervous system generally was not what it should be. I began a treatment with Dr. Chase's Nerve Food and am pleased to say that by the time I had used a few boxes the headaches had disappeared, my nerves were strong and steady and I felt entirely different."

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DAILY BIBLE QUESTION CLUB

SUGGESTIVE QUESTIONS ON THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON.
By Rev. T. S. Linscott, D.D.

"Nehemiah Enforces the Law of the Sabbath." Nehemiah, xiii., 15-22.

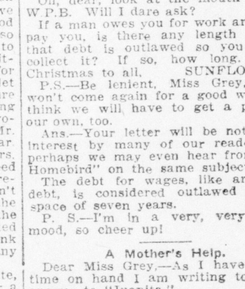
Golden Text—"Remember the Sabbath Day, To Keep It Holy." Exodus, xx., 8.

1. Verse 15—What was the moral condition of the Jews in Jerusalem at this time?

2. If Jesus were to come to this community today, in how many ways would he find that we are breaking the Sabbath?

3. Would you say or not, and why, that publishing a Sunday newspaper is breaking the Sabbath?

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Linen in white, natural or other shades is nice for this model. Khaki cloth, drill, gingham, chambray, percale, serge, gabardine poplin and corduroy are also desirable. The Pattern is cut in 3 sizes: 12, 14 and 16 years. It requires 4¼ yards of 44-inch material for a 14-year size.

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Town .....

Province .....

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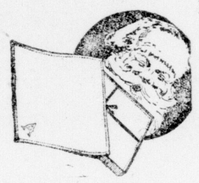
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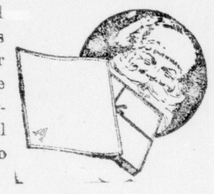
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THE SPORT-LIGHT

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Out of the vast mass of records made on the ball field there are only one or two that will stand—that may, in fact, stand for all time, so far as the limited human mind can grope its way through the mist-covered future.

It is possible, of course, that even a major league record of 26 straight victories, now held by the Giants, will be cracked.

It is easily possible that the Braves' record of four world series triumphs in succession may be equalled.

It is also possible that Mathewson's record of three successive world series shutouts may be equalled.

Cobb's record of 248 hits and 149 runs in one year may some day be passed.

The nineteen straight pitching record held by Keefe and Marquard may be beaten any year, as remarkable as these marks are.

ONE ALMOST CERTAINTY.

One record that is almost sure to last out the ages is that held by Cy Young.

Take such stalwarts as Mathewson and Walsh. Neither was able to pitch as many as 550 games. Walsh and Plank both fell below the 500-game mark, while Mathewson, with all his pitching longevity and unending service, barely passed the 500 mark.

But Cy Young won 505 big league games. He pitched 819 games, over 300 more than any other pitcher.

He won nearly 200 games more than any other.

Now, a narrow margin may be wiped out at any season. But when you get to a margin of 200 games, extending over twenty years, that happens to be another matter.

If Young was only fifty or sixty games ahead of the flock he might be passed at some future date.

But if Mathewson could only win 328 games in his long career, what show has any future marvel of winning 200 more ball games than Matty could put away?

What chance has any Future Great of pitching 820 games, where Matty could only go a trifle beyond 500?

Only Cy, in the way of stamina and endurance, was one of those Master Marvels who seem to come this earthly way but once.

His mark is so far beyond all rival competition that no one who follows the game can visualize some future star moving on beyond.

Cy has one of the very few records that should stand.

ANOTHER PEAK HOLDER.

Nap Lajoie led a major league batting assault four years out of twenty starts.

His best turn was two years in succession.

Hans Wagner led a big league assault eight times in twenty years. His best span was four years in succession.

The batting greatness of Lajoie and Wagner are too well known for any extended persiflage.

Now take up Cobb's record.

Ty led a big league assault nine years in succession—and he finished in front ten out of eleven starts! And he hasn't yet concluded the dash. What man is to come and break that nine-year-in-succession rush?

Where Lajoie's limit was two years in succession and Wagner's best mark was four, what chance has any man running the successive turn up to ten?

Here is a man who has led Lajoie's successive record by seven years and Wagner's by five.

These margins are so wide, so much beyond all competition, that it seems impossible to figure another entry who can go further.

WHAT OTHERS?

Outside of these two, in a pitching and batting line, we know of no other records that are comparable.

No man has yet established any fielding or base-running mark with an extensive margin.

The strike-out record isn't fixed for any extended date. Alexander ran up sixteen in 1916, but that is a mark that may be shot away, as the margin beyond the old record isn't very wide.

The Cobb-Young, or rather the Ty-Cy or Cy-Ty, are beyond all assault, as the game now stands.

HOCKEY SITUATION TO CLEAR UP THIS WEEK

Meeting at "Y" Tonight Likely to See Formation of London Junior O. H. A. Team — Soldiers May Have O. H. A. Intermediate Squad and N. H. A. Crew, Too.

The hockey situation in London will likely be cleared up before this week comes to an end. Both the civilian and the military ends of the game will, in all probability, be straightened out.

Fans will gather at the Y. M. C. A. parlors tonight at 8:15 p.m. to discuss entering a team in the junior O. H. A. series. As things are at present it is extremely likely that the meeting will be in favor of having a local collection of puck-chasers out. The London Curling Club has agreed to let the team have the use of their ice for both games, and practices, and will help the "kids" in every way possible to make a good showing and keep London on top of the list.

On Tuesday night a general meeting of the executives of teams in the Military Inter-Unit League at Queen's Park and Carling Heights will be held in the military Y. M. C. A. at the park. The soldiers will decide whether or not they will enter the O. H. A. intermediate series.

The four groups entered in the Inter-Unit League met on Friday evening and elected their own executives, which will form the executive committee of the league. Since Friday the units have been combing their ranks for hockey men, and it is expected that a good number of names will be brought before the meeting tomorrow night. The players for the O. H. A. team will be selected from members of all teams in the league.

The soldiers are also considering entering a collection in the Northern League

A. T. Taylor is mentioned as the probable manager for the squad. Mr. Taylor is the man for the job. Popular with boys of all ages, from 10 years to 70, he has had long experience in athletics of all kinds, and should be able to get the most out of every member of the team.

There is not much likelihood of their doing this, as the Northern will play junior stuff exclusively this winter, and most of the boys in khaki are above the junior age. Until Tuesday night, however, it is impossible to state just what junior material they have. Possibly enough young players will be found to form a junior team, in which case the boys will be represented by two teams, an intermediate playing O. H. A. schedule and a junior playing Northern League time.

There is plenty of enthusiasm at the camp for hockey. The soldiers are strong for it, and if a team enters it will get fine support from them. Ice rinks will be built, one at the park and the other at Carling Heights, where the teams can play, and games will be staged at the London Curling Club's rink on Lyle street.

Fans who registered despair every time hockey was mentioned last week, should brighten up. There is still a real good chance that instead of having only one team here there will be three: A London junior, a soldier junior and a soldier intermediate, two squads in O. H. A. series and one Northern. This sounds good. Two out of three (eliminating the soldier junior), is a pretty safe bet.

SPORT NOTES

The local curling season opens tonight at the Thistle rink. Every curler in the city is invited to take part in the bonspiel. The draw will be made at 7:30

The chances are that the meeting tonight at the Y.M.C.A. will see a junior team entered in the O.H.A. series.

The soldiers will meet Tuesday evening to decide if they will have a team in the big series. An O.H.A. intermediate squad is being seriously considered out at the park.

As well as the intermediates, the boys in khaki may put a collection in the Northern League if they have sufficient junior material.

Hitting the ball sign at major and minor leagues parks netted players $5,050 at $50 a hit during the past season.

Five members of the Broadway Sporting Club were held at $500 bail each in New York the other day, charged with conducting boxing matches on November 17, two days after the repeal of the Frawley law.

Larry Lajoie is now slated for a job with the Yankees, says the latest baseball rumor, and as merely a player. By the time the next baseball season rolls around Larry will have been on every major league club there is.

"Lena" Blackburne is wanted by three major league clubs who are willing to pay a high price for him. "Lena" is also wanted by Toronto fans, and President McCaffery would be well advised to think very carefully before letting Blackburne leave Toronto.

President Paxton of the O.H.A. has still two appointments on his executive committee to fill, and Hamilton seems to think that "Bob" Parker will be one of the men to fill the open spots.

CORRUPTION OF THE PRESENT GOVERNMENT SHOWN UP TO LABOR MEN OF THIS CITY

Delegate Ingles Exposes It at Meeting Held in Interests of George S. Gibbons—Labor Behind Liberal Candidate to the Last Ditch.

That the workingmen of London are behind George S. Gibbons, the Labor-Liberal candidate, to the last ditch, was forcibly demonstrated at the G. T. R. carshops today at noon hour when John Kennedy, Toronto, organizer of the Sheet Metal Workers of Canada; Delegate Ingles of the trades and labor council, and the Labor candidate addressed the employees on the political issues of the day.

Delegate Ingles, representing the London Trades and Labor Council, the first speaker, made a strong appeal for the working element of the city to get behind the Labor-Liberal candidate with all its might and influence that he may win the coming election and enter parliament in the interests of the workingman. Mr. Ingles said that it was the duty of every workingman to support George Gibbons not only because the trades and labor council, as representing the labor of London, had indorsed him, but because the working element of the whole Dominion will be greatly benefitted with men who are truly representative of labor running the affairs of the country.

"Gibbons is a man who will stand behind organized labor," Mr. Ingles said, "it is up to the laboring men to support their candidate for their own interests. The workingman has been the butt of a government composed of profiteers and self-interested men long enough, and on the 17th of this month labor will be given the chance of choosing for itself a man who will work and fight for the interest of labor at all times. The government of this country is in the hands of a clique of corrupt politicians who are making frantic attempts at trying to throw deception in the face of 'ignorant' workingmen. But the labor element of Canada is not ignorant.

"At this election I am sure it will use its power and turn out the grafters who have shown such a despicable disregard for the opinion of labor and the country at large.

Corruption Shown.

"An instance of the corruption of the Government is the manner by which the Victory Loan is being used. The hogs are already out for their graft. A new company has been formed, called the Universal Steel Company, of which Sir Donald Mann is president and Sir William MacKenzie and the manager of the Bank of Commerce directors.

"This concern has been taking contracts for the manufacture of munitions from the Government, the funds for which are part of the victory loan. It is my firm belief that this concern does not intend building a munition factory or buying machinery for the manufacture of munitions, but will take over Government contracts and sublet them of legitimate munition factories, thereby reaping the middleman's huge profits.

"The Government has issued a pamphlet which recommends that the working man exist on a menu of which skimmed milk is the principal article of diet," Mr. Ingles continued. "Fancy skimmed milk for the workingman, while the profiteer drinks cream. Men, I appeal to you; are you going to stand for 65c bacon, bad working conditions, $1.10 per day for the boy at the front and millions for the profiteers?"

Labor's Opportunity.

John Kennedy, in a forceful address, pleaded for the support of Gibbons by the workingman as a step toward labor receiving its rightful privileges.

"I am identified with no particular political paty," M. Kennedy assued his hearers. "I represent the workingman because I am a workingman myself. I have only one interest at stake, and that is the interest of the people I represent. I appear as a supporter of the platform of George S. Gibbons, because his platform is for the rights of labor. You men as clear-thinking citizens, will be given the opportunity of righting the wrongs an unscrupulous government has imposed upon you. Is the price of food in keeping with your wages?

"Must the workingman continue living in a country always as the underdog, with no representation in Parliament to safeguard the interests of labor? I want to ask you fairly and squarely if you are satisfied with the conditions brought on by the Borden Government? Are you going to let a capitalistic coterie of human hogs use the war as an excuse for high prices, low wages and grafting? Not one labor man is a member of the Union Government. Newton Wesley Rowell said in a speech the other day that after the election labor would be represented in the Government. Why is labor not represented in the Government now?

"The profiteers of Canada will not allow a workingman in the government because he would hear everything that ranspires and it would be shown that the government is not working in the interests of labor. There is in the history of the world has there been a more damnable, despicable —what will I say? Words cannot describe the kind of men we have at the head of our national affairs."

George S. Gibbons outlined his platform in a clear and concise manner to the workingmen. He said that he stood for representation of organized labor in the cabinet. Referring to the G. N. R. deal, he said that he would vote for a repeal of the act which gives McKenzie and Mann millions of the people's money. He assured his hearers that he would try all in his power to have guaranteed a fair wage and cheaper necessities for the workingman.

22ND ANNUAL RALLY OF PRESBYTERY Y.P.U. BEING HELD IN CITY

Large Representation of District Societies Here.

WEATHER IS HANDICAP

Cuts Down Attendance Somewhat—Vigorous Policies Outlined.

The cold weather has somewhat interfered with the attendance at the twenty-second annual rally of the Young People's Union of the Presbytery of London, in progress this afternoon in the First Presbyterian Church. Though there is a good representation of the 75 or so organized Bible classes, young people's societies and clubs, as evidenced by the response to roll call, Miss C. Allen of Chalmers Church is convener of the billetting committee and arrangements have been made for the entertainment over night of sixty delegates, others expecting to return to their homes in various parts of the presbytery.

Other Conveners Here.

An interesting feature in connection with this annual gathering this year is the presence of the conveners of young people's work in the presbyteries constituting the Synod of Hamilton and London. The London Presbytery is the only one of the nine, Paris, Hamilton, Stratford, Huron, Bruce, Chatham, Sarnia, Maitland and London in which the young people's rally has been an outstanding success, continuing for so long a time as twenty-two years.

The conveners, including Rev. J. W. M. Crawford, London Presbytery; Rev. L. H. Currie, Hamilton; Rev. Reith, Bruce; Rev. A. J. Mann, Maitland; Rev. Dr. Aitken, Huron; Rev. W. H. Burgess, Chatham; Rev. R. G. MacKay, Sarnia; Rev. Mr. Newton, Stratford, and Rev. R. McLeod, Paris, arrived in the city this forenoon, holding a meeting presided over by Rev. W. A. Bremner, the synod convener of young people's work, to discuss the conducting of religious educational campaigns in the presbyteries and also efficient organization of rallies. This evening, the conveners, who are studying the methods of the London Presbytery rally will present greetings from their own presbyteries.

Exceeds Its Quota.

The vitality of the young people's organizations of the presbytery and the success which attends their united efforts are indicated by the givings for the year. The rally assumes the responsibility of raising one-fifteenth of the missionary budget of the presbytery, and both last year and this year has exceeded the apportionment. Each organization knows exactly what it is expected to contribute, and the treasurer, D. E. Carroll of Corval reported that the money had flowed into the treasury most generously.

In his presidential address this afternoon, Rev. W. A. Bremner of St. Thomas declared this twenty-second rally to be the most important and momentous in the history of the organization, in view of the fact that the ranks of the young people have been so thinned by the war, and the resultant necessity for introducing a vigorous campaign of religious education to train others to take their places. At this point, he referred to the fact that the church is thoroughly alive to the emergency, and has devised means of meeting the situation through a program of religious education, on the program for discussion during the afternoon.

Two points were particularly dwelt upon by Mr. Bremner: (1) The young people as a challenge to the church for training, and (2) the church as a challenge to young people for service.

Work is Outlined.

Apart from reports of the executive and visiting committees, and of delegates, the afternoon was almost entirely devoted to a consideration of the outline of work for young people, Rev. W. R. McIntosh introducing the subject in a general way. Short addresses were given on the various phases time being given for discussion after each.

The following were the speakers and their subjects: Instruction—"Bible Study, etc.," A. H. Williams, Ivan Worship—"Daily Bible Reading, Prayer," R. E. Elliott, Westminster. "Giving," D. E. Carroll, Corval. "Teacher Training," G. W. Hofferd, London. Training for Leadership—"In Girls' Work," Miss Lailes, general secretary Y. W. C. A.; "In Boys' Work," R. G. Davis, boys' work secretary Y. M. C. A.

At the conclusion of the afternoon session, supper is being served in the church basement, the Roadmakers' Girls' Club, the Ladies' Bible Class and the Boys' Club of the First Presbyterian Church looking after the tables, while the young people's organizations of the other churches of the city are assisting in providing the eatables.

Rev. W. J. Knox, minister of the First Presbyterian Church, presides at the evening session, the program including an address by Rev. C. S. Oke, Toronto, who has been on overseas service; greetings from the conveners on young people's work of the presbyteries of the Synod of Hamilton and London, reports of committees, introduction of the new president and music.

INVESTIGATION MAY RESULT IN FIRST CHARGE OF KIND

"Procuring" Section of Code May Be Invoked.

William Anderson and his wife Dorothy of Boston, Mass., were remanded to jail for one week by Magistrate Graydon, when they were arraigned in police court today on charges of vagrancy.

Inquiries will be made in the meantime and upon the information will depend action in laying a charge of "procuring" against Anderson. Information was laid against Anderson under that section of the code today, but was amended to vagrancy upon the advice of the magistrate.

A soldier was in the court room to give evidence to the effect that Anderson had approached him and suggested a plan in which Anderson's wife was the other party.

If the charge of procuring is laid it will be the first tried in a London court. The penalty provided in case of conviction is up to five years.

Mrs. Anderson, a young woman of less than 20 years, presented a pathetic sight as she told the magistrate that she came to the police station on Sunday because she had no place to stay, nothing to eat, and was forced to seek shelter because she was in a delicate condition. She was transferred to the Salvation Army Rescue Home from the jail because of her condition.

Anderson, in pleading not guilty, said that he and his wife had arrived in Canada in July, and had traveled ever since, coming to London two weeks ago. He had only worked a day and a half since his arrival. He stated that the reason he had not worked more was because he was unable to stand hard work.

As the magistrate stated he would remand Anderson to jail a week, the latter forgot his weakened condition, and asked to be allowed a chance to work, announcing that he was strong and healthy and could work and was willing to work at any kind of employment. His admission came too late, and he was remanded to permit of his record being thoroughly investigated.

WORK IS DIVIDED.—For purposes of administration of the Engineer Services the city of London has been divided into two sections Division No. 1, north of Dundas street, in charge of Capt. Robinson as Divisional Engineer officer, and Division No. 2, south of Dundas street, in charge of Capt. Fletcher.

PIMPLES AND RUNNING SORES

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TO PORT STANLEY—†*6:20, *8:20, *10:20 a.m. *1:20, *3:20, *5:20, *7:20, *10:20 p.m.

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GOVERNMENT SHOULD CONTROL BALL PARKS, SAYS BAN JOHNSON

Head of the American League Thinks State Should Run National Pastime Next Season.

Chicago, Dec. 9.—President Ban B. Johnson of the American League, suggested tonight that the Government assume control of American League baseball clubs during the coming season and operate them, giving club owners 4 per cent of the profits.

THISTLES' FIRST BONSPIEL TONIGHT

Curlers Will Open Season at North End Rink — Six Sheets of Ice Ready.

The Thistle Club will hold their first bonspiel of the winter this evening. All curlers are invited to be present. The draw will be made at 7:30.

This is the first bonspiel to be held in London this winter, and it is expected that curlers will take advantage of the general invitation issued and attend. Six sheets of ice will be working and the Thistle rink is in first-class shape, so that good sport is assured.

LEAGUE MEETING.

New York, Dec. 10.—Owners of baseball teams in the International League, at their meeting today, considered the advisability of dropping two of the clubs and forming a new six-team circuit. According to gossip before the magnates went into executive session, the Montreal and Richmond teams, which had poor financial seasons last summer, were to be dropped.

While sentiment appeared to be general that a circuit of six clubs would be decided upon, it was reported that baseball men in Jersey City and Syracuse were anxious to obtain franchises in the league.

CANADIAN PAYS FABULOUS SUM FOR RACE HORSE

Turf Men Criticize Ross for Paying Price in War Time.

CALL IT BIG GAMBLE

Sport May Be Stopped in the States Owing to War, as It Is in Canada.

(By Howard Pearson in the Detroit Journal.)

In paying $30,000 for a race horse at this stage of proceedings, J. K. L. Ross of Canada probably will be subjected to more or less criticism by turfmen and others.

Cudgel, the horse sold at the above price by a German brewer of Memphis, might be worth all of the amount paid for him in normal periods, but with racing in a precarious condition, on account of the war, $30,000 looks like a reckless expenditure—in fact, has all the earmarks of a big gamble.

Many will contend that this is no time to essay conspicuousness in gambling tools, especially those connected with the race horse game.

The racing sport, if such it still may be called, is undergoing the most crucial period of its existence in this country and in Canada. In the Dominion the game has been put out of joint during the war, while in the United States there are but three states remaining where betting on the ponies may be safely conducted.

Under the circumstances, the turfmen themselves point out the advisability of pursuing a moderate policy, with reference to acquiring new racing material. At least prudence would dictate such a thing.

It is not without the range of possibilities that racing will cease next year, according to war orders, or at least the game will be considerably curtailed on account of governmental needs, which include the conservation of grain, and because of the increasing transportation difficulties.

Consistant Winner.

The horse Mr. Ross has just acquired at a fabulous cost has been a consistent winner on the Kentucky tracks this season and among the three-year-olds of the year ranks among the best three. With the exception of Omar Khayyam and Hourless, Cudgel has all of the colts and fillies in his division at his mercy if the weights don't interfere.

He has never clashed with Omar Khayyam and Hourless in a race, and perhaps he is their master also.

But $30,000!

If Cudgel should be able to annex for his new owner a string of half a dozen of the richest handicap events of the season, the total amount would not nearly equal the $30,000 paid for him.

But Mr. Ross is reputed to be a very rich man, and is quite able to take a chance.

He can afford to spend the $30,000 to see his colt go, but how much more pleasure for others in like financial circumstances would it be to apply a similar sum to the Red Cross or similar war needs.

COULLETT AND MAGIN OUTCLASS OTHERS AND WIN GRIND ON POINTS

New York, Dec. 10.—Outclassing a field of jaded six-day bicycle racers, Alfred Goullett and Jake Magin established beyond all question their superiority in the driving finish of the long grind at Madison Square Garden by grabbing nearly half of the sprint points in the final hour. The winners received the plaudits of the 12,000 spectators and then retired to split their $2,600 purse. They captured 764 of 1,914 points in 22 sprints, and had a lead of more than 500 points over their nearest competitors, the Corry-Madden team, winners of the Boston six-day race.

Uncle Sam will receive more than $9,000 in revenue on the admissions, which is as much as to say that the gross receipts of the week passed the $90,000 mark.

Seven teams entered the last hour tied in mileage and separated only in the sprint, points scoring. Six of these finished on a par with the lowest mark in ten years, 2,154 miles and 7 laps, and the Verri-Spears combination, one lap behind. The Italian team was lapped in a hot drive at the opening of the twentieth mile in the last hour. Carman and Wiley nearly lost a lap at the same time, when Thomas made a mad dash ahead of the field. While Goullet set a terrific pace in bringing up the field Carman and Wiley alternated in bringing theirs up on even terms with the leaders, but Verri and Spears were unequal to the occasion and lost their sprint score when they dropped back. They had accumulated more than three hundred points. The two teams which went into the final hour behind the leaders did not take part in the sprints. The Drobach-Grenda team finished eighth, and the Newark "Kids," George Chapman and Willie Kager took ninth money.

HEART WAS BAD, NERVES ALL GONE

Very important it is in this age to have a clear, cool head, a strong heart and steady nerves.

Too much rush and bustle, work and worry, fall to the lot of women attending to their household duties and social obligations. The constant strain under which they continue day in and day out will soon shatter the strongest system. Before long the heart gets weak, flutters and palpitates, the nerves become unstrung, you start at the least sound, the pulse becomes weak and irregular, then finally comes physical breakdown or nervous prostration.

Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills are the remedy you require to strengthen your heart and steady your nerves.

Mrs. Jackson, 457 Bolwar street, Peterboro, Ont., writes: "Fifteen years ago I was so bad with my heart I could not walk across the house, my nerves were literally all gone, and I was frightened at my shadow. I commenced to take Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills, and was soon able to do my own work. I have told dozens of people about them, some as bad as I was, and today they are also doing their own work. If more people would take them there would not be so many weak hearts."

Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills are 50c per box at all dealers, or mailed direct on receipt of price by The T. Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.

How Fizsimmons Got Revenge For Pet Bear

When Jeffries was training at Harbin Springs for his championship bout with Jim Corbett, Fitz went along as chief trainer. In some manner Fitz had captured a cub bear. The tiny thing was the apple of his eye. Jeff, always a sulky individual while in training, in a dire contrast to Fitz, drummed up a great dislike for the bob-tailed little thing.

Jim was teasing the bear one day, when it turned and sunk its teeth deep into his hands. That night Jeff stole out and cut short little Bruin's life with one crack of the bar.

They had to hold Fitz in his efforts to get at Jeffries when he learned the fate of his pet.

"I'll get even with you for that."

And old Bob did. When the pair went on the road, Bob always had the little bear in mind every time they went on the stage in a sparring exhibition.

"That for my bear," and Bob's freckled arm would sink into Jeff's ribs.

"That for my bear," and Jeff's teeth would rattle to the very roots.

Bob landed many a stinging punch in the memory of his plaything. Every time that Jeff sees a bear now he thinks of Bob Fitzsimmons.

Circuit Divided Over Three-Heat Plan of Racing

Northern Tracks Are Likely to Favor It—Lexington Against It.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 9.—The principal topic of conversation at the Old Glory sale in New York was the proposed amendment to the grand circuit rules wherein all races should be conducted on the three-heat plan, as applied at North Randall.

It is no secret that there is no feeling of brotherly love between Columbus and North Randall, and for the reason that the North Randall officials are the daddies of the three-heat plan, if for no other, Columbus, it is said, will oppose the scheme.

Lexington has been wedded to the system of three-in-five racing since the inception of the Kentucky Trotting Horse Breeders' Association, and it is going to be a hard matter to swing President Tipton over.

It is believed that the advocates of the three-heat system can depend upon Toledo and Syracuse for support, but with these two exceptions, it does not seem to have much chance, in view of the great strength and power which Columbus and Lexington have in star chamber sessions of the grand circuit stewards.

FOR CHRISTMAS.

Buy a Brantford Bicycle

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POWDER MAKING JEFFRIES WEALTHY

James J. Jeffries is on a fair way to become immensely wealthy.

The former champ is the head of a Los Angeles powder concern and handles an explosive that is said to have maximum penetration and to be lacking in recoil.

Its big feature, and the one which appeals mostly, it is claimed, is that it can be manufactured on the battlefield in an hour's time, thus preventing powder shortage among the troops in battle.

The powder eventually is expected to be used by the Allied governments—in fact, it is said they are negotiating now for the use of the explosive.

Those who have investigated state that the former heavyweight titleholder will soon be classed with the millionaires.

WILSON'S "The National Smoke"

Eighteen million "Bachelors" sold annually in Canada

BACHELOR CIGAR

3 for 25¢

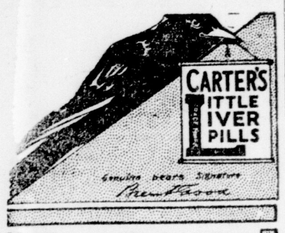
Cheaper by the Box

The universal popularity of this high-grade cigar is due to its unvarying quality. If you do not see it on the counter, ASK FOR IT.

ANDREW WILSON & Co. TORONTO AND MONTREAL

SWEDEN-AUSTRIAN PACT.

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 9.—Sweden and Austria-Hungary have concluded a commercial agreement, under which Sweden will secure some needed articles, especially lubricating oils.



Two Splendid Things

One is plenty of open-air exercise.

If you can't get all of that you should, it's all the more important that you should have the *other* tried-and-true remedy for a torpid liver and bowels that don't act freely and naturally.

Take one pill every night; more only when you're sure it's necessary.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS

Genuine bears Signature

Brent Good

Colorless faces often show the absence of Iron in the blood.

Carter's Iron Pills

will help this condition.

CHILD GETS SICK, CROSS, FEVERISH IF CONSTIPATED

Look at tongue! Then give fruit laxative for stomach, liver, bowels.

"California Syrup of Figs" can't harm children and they love it.

A laxative today saves a sick child tomorrow. Children simply will not take the time from play to empty their bowels, which become clogged up with waste, liver gets sluggish; stomach sour.

Look at the tongue, mother! If coated, or your child is listless, cross, feverish, breath bad, restless, doesn't eat heartily, full of cold or has sore throat or any other children's ailment, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," then don't worry, because it is perfectly harmless, and in a few hours all this constipation poison, sour bile and fermenting waste will gently move out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again. A thorough "inside cleansing" is oftimes all that is necessary. It should be the first treatment given in any sickness.

Beware of counterfeit fig syrups. Ask your druggist for a bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly printed on the bottle. Look carefully and see that it is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company."

G. W. MILLER HAS GAINED 32 POUNDS BY TAKING TANLAC

Improvement of Former Postmaster Surprises All of His Friends.

Remarkable, indeed, was the statement made by G. W. Miller of 232 McNab street, Hamilton, who recently declared that he has not only gotten complete relief from rheumatism and stomach trouble by taking Tanlac, but that he has actually gained thirty-two pounds in weight besides. Mr. Miller was for twelve years postmaster and merchant at 69 Corners, Brant County, and is well-known and respected throughout Southern Ontario. Mr. Miller's complete statement follows:

"As a result of rheumatism and stomach trouble I had fallen off to one hundred and fifteen pounds. I now weigh one hundred and forty-seven pounds, which puts me even beyond my normal weight, and I don't think I have ever felt better in my life. I was so sick and crippled up that I had to sell out my business and get a man to take charge of the postoffice. My legs had perished away until they were no larger than my arms—I couldn't bend them—the leaders seemed to be tied in knots and hurt me so I could hardly bear anything to touch me. I just could manage to hobble around by the use of a walking stick. My stomach was so upset that I could hardly eat anything. My appetite was all gone and I just seemed to be slowly starving. Sometimes all I could take was a glass of milk and even then I suffered.

"For several months I was under treatment at a considerable cost without getting any relief, but my improvement on a few bottles of Tanlac has astonished me and all who knew of my awful condition. It seems that everybody I see asks me what I have done to gain so much weight and make me look so much better. My appetite is so big now I can hardly eat enough to satisfy me, and I can eat anything—meats and all kinds of vegetables—and nothing hurts me. I was badly constipated, too, but by using the Tanlac tablets in connection with Tanlac I have been relieved of this trouble. The rheumatism is all gone out of my legs—I don't have to use a cane any more—and I can walk any place I want to go. My legs are getting back to their regular size, my muscles are getting firm and I simply feel altogether different in every way. Of course, I owe my present good health to nothing but Tanlac and am glad to make a statement that will reach others who may be suffering as I did, for I honestly believe Tanlac will help them."

Tanlac is sold in London by Standard Drug, Limited, under the direction of a special representative, and by an established agency in every town.—Advt.

ASIAGO BATTLE VIRTUALLY OVER; ITALIANS SAFE

Austro-German Offensive Is Brought to a Standstill.

FOE MUST TRY ELSEWHERE

Positions Guarding Frenzela and Gadena Passes Resist All Attacks.

ITALIAN ARMY HEADQUARTERS IN NORTHERN ITALY, Dec. 8.—(By the Associated Press).—The battle of Asiago is virtually suspended, with the enemy checked, if not defeated, in his main design of breaking through to the Brenta valley and the plain a few miles below, although he succeeded in advancing his lines a short distance when the Italians fell back to new positions.

These positions, guarding the Frenzela and Gadena passes have successfully resisted all enemy attacks, and the steep heights on each side of the passes rain down artillery and rifle fire and release huge boulders every time the enemy forces try to get through.

This has continued until the Italians seem reasonably assured of holding the passes, and compelling the enemy to look for another line of approach.

An exceptionally large air raid was carried out yesterday with a fleet of 150 airplanes, including Italian light and heavy squadrons. The huge fleet flew low, scattering more than 2,000 bombs, which caused extensive damage in the northern sector, where the enemy is assembling forces and supplies. Troop trains were scattered railway depots destroyed, and munition supplies blown up. Large fires marked the route of the raiders, indicating the extent of the destruction.

FIGHTING NOW ONE-SIDED.

ROME, Dec. 9.—The official communication issued today says:

"From Stelio to the Brenta River the fighting generally was limited. In the Lagarina valley our patrols captured some enemy soldiers and on the Asiago plateau our batteries repeatedly heavily shelled hostile forces in movement.

"Between the Brenta and Piave Rivers the artillery fire, which had been very violent during the afternoon, became normal again in the early evening. A French reconnoitering patrol brought back ten prisoners.

"On the Piave plain and in the Sedona valley the artillery activity by both sides was very noticeable. Numerous enemy patrols were repulsed by our rifle fire.

"Our Caproni machines effectively bombarded the enemy's lines of communication on the Asiago plateau, afterwards firing with machine guns on troops leaving the bombed places.

"Last night our airships repeated their daring raids, dropping more than four tons of bombs on enemy encampments near Queromotta-di-Livenza and Portogruaro. Two enemy airplanes were brought down and a captive balloon which was on fire, fell in the neighborhood of Grisolera."

Foe Keeps His Distance.

The official statement issued Saturday and which was delayed in transmission follows: "On the Asiago plateau yesterday the infantry action was limited to patrol encounters. Between the Asiago and the head of the Franzella pass movements of enemy troops, which always kept out of our rifle range, were shelled for a long time by the concentrated fire of our batteries, and they also served as objectives for a big bombardment by our air squadrons and those of our allies.

Altogether 150 machines dropped bombs on the enemy's lines, causing damage and losses and explosions in ammunition dumps. The valiant airmen, flying low, attacked enemy troops with machine guns.

"On the rest of the front there were artillery actions only, which were rather intense on the Lower Piave. Last night our airships in the neighborhood of Quero and Motta-di-Livenza bombarded with several tons of bombs bivouacs and motor lorrie columns in movement. Three enemy machines were brought down near the bay."

PRISONERS NOW 16,000.

BERLIN, Dec. 8, via London.—The following official statement was issued today:

"Italian front—In the battle area east of the Asiago the lively artillery firing continues. The positions captured on Mount Sisemol were cleared of the remnants of the Italian garrison. The number of prisoners taken by the army group of Field Marshal Conrad von Hoetzendorf is over 16,000.

ECUADOR BREAKS OFF RELATIONS WITH HUN

GUAYAQUIL, Ecuador, Dec. 8.—Ecuador has severed diplomatice relations with Germany, according to an official announcement made by the Government today.

$10,000 FROM N. Y. CHURCH.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—At a meeting of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church here today, $10,000 was appropriated for the relief of the Halifax sufferers.

VINOL MAKES GOOD BLOOD

Positive—Convincing Proof

Many so-called remedies for anaemia are only so in name. Their makers are afraid to prove their claims by telling what their medicines contain.

The only way to be honest with the people is to let them know what they are paying for. Here is the Vinol formula. When the doctor knows what a medicine contains, it ceases to be a "patent" medicine.

℞ Cod Liver and Beef Peptones, Iron and Manganese Peptonates, Iron and Ammonium Citrate, Lime and Soda Glycerophosphates, Cascara.

Any doctor will tell you that the ingredients of Vinol, as named above, will enrich the blood and banish anaemia and create strength. When the blood is pure and rich and red, the body is strong and robust.

You can prove this at our expense because your money will be returned if Vinol does not improve your health.

Taylor Drug Company, London, also at the best druggist's in all Ontario towns.

McConnell & Fergusson Open a Montreal Office and Mr. L. Benison To Have Charge

During the fifteen years since it was first established in London, Ont., the McConnell & Fergusson Advertising Agency has steadily grown and expanded until now it ranks well up among the leading agencies on the continent. Branch offices have been established in Toronto and Winnipeg, and now the firm announces the opening of an office in Montreal.



L. Benison.

Mr. L. Benison, formerly of the Lionel Benison Advertising Service, has been engaged to take charge of the Montreal branch. Mr. Benison's long experience in advertising and sales promotion in Montreal and the Maritime Provinces will enable the new McConnell & Fergusson Agency to serve with more efficiency their growing clientele, which now includes advertisers in every province in the Dominion, among others the Dominion and Ontario Governments. b

RISING TIDE IN WEST AGAINST UNION OUTFIT

Regina Leader (Unionist) Takes Rap at Manitoba Free Press.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

OTTAWA, Dec. 9.—The following message was received at Liberal headquarters here today from Regina:

"The Morning Leader, which is supporting Union, today (8th) in an editorial takes strong exception to the campaign being waged by the Manitoba Free Press, and calls on it to 'quit the devilish conduct.' A violent attack by the Free Press on Hon. W. R. Motherwell and Hon. George Langley, members of the local Government, who are strongly opposed to the Borden Unionist Government, was the basis for the Leader's stricture on the Free Press and Unionists generally. It says they are alarmed at the rising tide among Western farmers against the Borden Union Government, and are bitter in consequence.

"The Leader also denies a story wired out from Regina to the effect that French-Canadians mobbed Hon. Mr. Calder at Willow Burch. The report had no basis, in fact, the Government supporters are doing their utmost to inflame race and creed prejudice everywhere."

UNIONISTS IMPOSE ON YOUTHFUL BOY SCOUTS.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 9.—Announcement was made at Union Government headquarters Saturday that at 5 o'clock on the morning of December 17 patrols made up of hundreds of Boy Scouts, armed with bugles and drums, will sound a call to the Winnipeg electorate to cast ballots in favor of Union Government

DISTRICT CASUALTIES

KILLED IN ACTION

TALBOTVILLE.
Pte. Guy Clarke.

OWEN SOUND.
J. Robinson.

TEESWATER.
T. Smith.

GODERICH.
E. A. Kemp.

ROCKWOOD.
G. Lovelock.

LISTOWEL.
L. G. Torrance.

STAFFA.
N. Park.

WALLACEBURG.
A. Mitchell.

WOUNDED

LONDON.
S. E. Byfield.

CAMLACHIE.
R. C. Oglivie.

OWEN SOUND.
A. F. Bond.

ST. THOMAS.
Corp. Herbert Whiteman.

DIED OF WOUNDS

LONDON
D. McMurphy.

WALTER'S FALLS.
H. B. Watson.

PRESUMED TO HAVE DIED

OWEN SOUND.
P. E. Francis.

GASSED

OWEN SOUND.
H. J. Catto.

CHESLEY.
R. A. Lochead.

MISSING

PETROLEA.
E. J. Hill.

LONDON JUNCTION.
W. Langridge.

DRAFTS FROM LONDON ARRIVE IN ENGLAND

OTTAWA, Dec. 9.—It is officially announced through the chief press censor's office that among troops arriving safely in England are:

Drafts for horse, field and siege artillery, and howitzer ammunition column from London.

STEAMER CODORUS ON ROCKS.

CHATHAM, N. B., Dec. 9. — The American steamer Codorus struck on Escuminias Point during the night, and will probably be a total loss. The crew is safe. The steamer was bound from the Great Lakes for an American port.

BORDEN PAYING $4 TO ENUMERATORS AND SOLDIERS GET $1.10

New Minister of Militia Spend $15,000 Furnishing Office.

WAR-TIME ECONOMY

"Conscript Foreigners, Too," Says Dr. Merrison at Sarnia Meeting.

SARNIA, Dec. 9. — In spite of the inclement weather, a large and enthusiastic crowd turned out last evening to hear Dr. J. G. Merrison, Laurier Liberal, open his campaign at the city hall. H. F. Kinsman was chairman. W. G. Charlton, who had been announced as a speaker, was unable to be present, and Alex Darragh, of St. Thomas, spoke in his place.

Striking posters decorated the walls bearing such inscription as "Lower tariffs, cheaper food, or higher tariff, dearer food, take your choice." "The consumers and Laurier or the pork barons and Borden." "Who shall rule, the people or profiteers?" "Canada and the British Empire are now passing through the most critical period in its history," said Dr. Merrison, "and this is the time for deep thought and careful and honest consideration. We find four prominent outstanding questions: 1. Shall the people rule? 2. The wartime franchise act 3. The volunteer system. 4. The military system or conscription?

"Now shall the people rule or shall we be dictated to by profiteers, grafters, millionaires and a few autocratic representatives at Ottawa, or shall we rise in our might and fight for what we are justly entitled to in this campaign?"

Wasted $20,000.

In speaking of the economy, which the Borden party is advocating, he touched on the question of the new minister of militia spending from $15,000 to $20,000 in furnishing his office.

In speaking of union government, the doctor said, "If we are going to have union government we should have a man at the head of it whose integrity and statesmanship is beyond all repute, so that we can have the support and respect of both sides, and that man I say is Sir Wilfried Laurier." (Great applause and cheers.)

The doctor then touched on the so-called failure of volunteer enlistment and the foolish expenditure of the government, as regards the submarine purchased from the Chilean Government and the shields which were bought for the protection of the boys and discarded by the British Government, the Webb and Oliver equipment, the purchase of horses and extravagant expenditure thereto, and the millions spent on Camp Borden and the Ross rifle. All of these things, he said, tended to making the thinking man refrain from enlisting.

No Results Yet.

Speaking of Laurier's referendum and the time, it would take to secure same, the doctor was introduced and thousands of dollars spent and not a man in khaki through it yet.

Dr. Morrison advocates conscription of foreigners if conscription is necessary and stated.

"They are not willing to go and fight for their own countries, but want our boys to go and fight for them for $1.10 per day," he said, "while they stay here and get $4 or more per day. If they won't go then I say conscript them and pay them the same as our boys and make them engage in any work here, where they may be needed. In addition to that give the soldiers better pay, and when the men return to Canada give them equal pensions."

The doctor concluded: "I should like to know if my supporters are not just as loyal and doing just as much to win the war as the supporters of the Borden Government."

Alex Darrow was the next speaker. "We should fight shoulder to shoulder to defeat the most corrupt government ever in this country," he said. He touched on the volunteers in the first contingent, stating that "of the 32,000, seven thousand were Canadian born, the rest British subjects, and of these 7,000, two thousand five hundred were French-Canadian, showing that Quebec was heart and soul with the Allies at the beginning of the war." He also spoke of paying enumerators $4 per day and expenses, and the soldiers $1.10.

John Cowan said: "The question is not conscription and win-the-war, but we shall be free people or shall we be slaves."

MAY DIVIDE SEATS IN STRICKEN CITY WITH NO ELECTION

Hon. A. K. MacLean and Dr. Blackadder May Be Returned.

HALIFAX, Dec. 9.—Representative men of both political organizations today were urging their followers to drop the election fight for the two seats in Halifax. The suggestion is made that Dr. Blackadder, representing the Liberals, and Hon. A. K. MacLean, minister without portfolio, in the Borden administration, be elected by acclamation.

ARCHIE WRIGHT HELD AS ALLEGED DESERTER

INGERSOLL, Dec. 9.—Acting on instructions from London, Chief of Police Holmes last night placed under arrest Archie Wright, a local young man, who is charged with having deserted from the 168th Battalion. He is alleged to have thrown his uniform away here, and after being missing for some time, returned to town several months ago. A military escort from London took him to London this afternoon.

CHICAGO GIVES FREELY FOR STRICKEN HALIFAX

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—Forty-three thousand dollars was pledged on the spot at a meeting here last night of a committee organized to rush relief to Halifax. Sub-committees to swell the funds were appointed.

James B. Forgan, head of the First National Bank, acted as chairman of the meeting. "I lived for seven years in Halifax," he said. "Halifax sent relief to Chicago in 1871, at the time of the great fire. What we do now must be done with the greatest appreciation."

Steam Coal for Sale At $8.26 Per Ton

DUTY PAID F. O. B. CARS AT POINT EDWARD, ONTARIO.

NORTHERN NAVIGATION CO.

SARNIA, ONT., OFFER FOR IMMEDIATE SHIPMENT

1,000 Tons of 3/4 Pittsburg Lump

PURCHASED FOR THEIR STEAMERS

Phone, telegraph or write the company at Sarnia.

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POLICE CALLED AT STRATFORD WHEN UNIONISTS FOUGHT

Bordenites Lose Ground and Blame Each Other for It.

DR. RANKIN IS WINNING

Popular Liberal Candidate Will Speak at Milverton Tonight.

STRATFORD, Dec. 9. — "Union" was divided, and did battle within its ranks at a local restaurant last night. As a result one of the party is carrying a damaged optic, while the others are more or less suffering from bruises of both body and mind. The affair has caused considerable excitement and amusement here.

Various stories are afloat as to what they fought each other for, but it is generally accepted that the encounter, the participants in which included a prominent businessman, a manufacturer and banker, all "Unionists," was a result of a free discussion of local political conditions.

One, it is stated, accused the other of being the cause of the Bordenites losing ground locally. The questionable methods of some enumerator which had brought forth reproof from the appeal judge, the new-born solicitude of some of the society women for soldiers' dependents and other phases of the situation were touched upon, according to report, and on some of these there was a difference of opinion, which manifested itself when blows were exchanged.

Police Were Called.

The police were sent for, but no arrests were made. "Why don't you arrest them?" queried an onlooker. "If they were poor men, you would have them in the lockup by now." But no arrests were made, and after patching up and clearing away the evidence the participants departed. Two of them went across to the Union meeting, then in progress. During the scuffle a mirror was smashed and dish broken.

The local political situation has warmed up considerably. Unionists are carrying on an appeal solely on the grounds of sending reinforcements to the boys at the front, and are making great efforts among the soldiers' dependents. So great has become the attendance of some of the women workers that the soldiers' wives are becoming suspicious of this now-born interest in their welfare.

Strong For Rankin.

"They never recognized us before," remarked one. "Dr. Rankin has been the poor people's friend. He wants to win the war as much as anyone."

Varied have been the appeals to the soldiers' dependents, one woman going so far as to declare if Sir Wilfrid was elected it would not be safe for women to walk the streets alone at night.

The Bordenites had a meeting Saturday night at which only 150 or 200 attended. Ald. Robbins and Mr. Spencer of Toronto were the speakers. The former spoke for eleven minutes.

Dr. J. H. Rankin, Independent Liberal candidate for North Perth, today announced three meetings for the coming week. Monday night he will be at Milverton, Tuesday at Rostock and Wednesday at Atwood.

NOT A SHOT BEING FIRED IN RUSSIA; TRUCE IS IN FORCE

Ten-Day Armistice Put Into Effect at Noon on Friday.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 7.—(Friday).—Today, for the first time since the war began, not a single shot was fired on the Russian front from the Black Sea to the Baltic. The cessation of hostilities officially began at noon, when the ten-day armistice, signed last Wednesday, became effective. Notice of this truce reached the armies on the northern and western fronts yesterday, where the Russian war office communication declared that no hostilities had occurred.

SOUTH ESSEX IS STRONG FOR LAURIER

AMHERSTBURG, Dec. 9.—Robert Atkin, the Liberal candidate in South Essex, held a splendid meeting here this evening, and was repeatedly cheered by an audience that packed the hall to capacity, as he declared that he was solidly behind Sir Wilfrid Laurier. He discussed the big issues of the campaign, and the fight the people of Canada are making to free themselves from the control of the big interests which dominate the Borden Government. J. C. Elliott, M.P.P., and W. Meretsky, of Windsor, also spoke. Alex Barron was chairman. The farmers of this district are keenly interested in the campaign and especially in the manner in which the Borden party is juggling with conscription and the military service act. Many believe that promises that are being made now that farmers' sons will get exemption will be forgotten after next Monday if Borden is victorious.

BOB ROGERS' CONTROL OF TROOPS OVERSEAS CAUSES RESENTMENT

Wounded Men Sent Back to Fight While Thousands of Effective Are Straining at Leash — Rogers' Son Said To Be Power Who Dominates.

From a returned officer of the highest standing The Advertiser has learned something of the conditions among the men overseas which evidently caused the resentment against the Borden Government as expressed in the following telegram, by now well-known, sent by one Unionist editor to another in an effort to herd and save the soldier vote:

J. E. Atkinson, The Star, Toronto:

HALIFAX, Dec. 2.—Trustworthy advices received here from overseas indicate VERY STRONG RESENTMENT AMONG THE SOLDIERS AT THE TREATMENT WHICH THEY HAVE EXPERIENCED FROM PERLEY AND THE HEADQUARTERS STAFF.

This feeling, coupled with war weariness, is LIKELY TO RESULT IN THEIR VOTING VERY STRONGLY AGAINST UNION GOVERNMENT, BORDEN BEING VERY GENERALLY CONDEMNED.

What do you think of the idea of Liberal newspapers supporting the principles of Union Government, joining in a cable message to overseas forces to the effect that our attitude had been dictated by our desire to back up the boys at the front, and that, we believe, if returned to power, the Union Government will become an effective instrument TO REMEDY THE INTOLERABLE CONDITIONS WHICH HAVE SO FAR OBTAINED. Message to be published prominently in all the British papers. If you agree, will you take the matter up with Ontario papers? Am wiring Dafoe (editor of the Winnipeg Free Press). Please advise if possible what you think.

G. FRED PEARSON, Halifax Chronicle.

Well Understood in Canada.

The officer in question says that there was more than ample reason for the sending out of this "S. O. S." call, and that despite every effort to silence the voice of soldiers who knew conditions the state of affairs is pretty well understood among military men.

The cause of resentment against the Government is because of the repeated abuses that have been heaped upon the men by politicians who have endeavored to control the forces in England. A son of the Hon. Robert Rogers holds a high staff position in the Canadian forces, and a son of the late Dr. Montague, of the Manitoba Government, is also in a position of influence. These two men are said to control the situation in England, and one who would go to France must consult with them.

Fresh Men Ready, Wounded Sent Back.

Men who have been wounded in France are frequently sent back to the firing line for the second time, while tens of thousands of effectives are straining at the leash to get across the channel and do their bit. Civilian officers of a certain political stripe have been sent home, while other civilian officers of another stripe are given important staff positions, which they would lose if drafts were sent, rather than a whole division.

Lieut.-Col. T. B. Welch, formerly of the 1st Battalion and latterly commander of the 99th Battalion, who spent many months at the front, and who recently resigned his position as commander of the Windsor Mobilization Centre in order to take the platform against the present Government, revealed the same conditions referred to above. He is active in securing the election of Mr. Kennedy, the Laurier candidate, in the hope that conditions overseas will be improved.

1,800 Officers Kept In England.

The Advertiser's informant stated that there were at least 1,800 officers in England who were willing to go across, but who were not permitted to. He added that the man who has served in France was seldom, if ever, given a staff position in England.

The men who have been held in England, many of them for more than a year—the magnificent Bruce Battalion for instance—think they have been kept from the front for political purposes.

Improvement has been hoped for, but it has not been forthcoming.

Time for People to Get Wise.

"If the Liberal party is returned to power there will be some startling revelations in regard to war policy," said the returned officer. "It is time that the people of Canada knew just what kind of a game was being played. I am firmly of the belief that the whole organization may be traced back to Bob Rogers, for his son and Montague largely dominate military matters in England."

PORTUGUESE REVOLT OUSTS GOVERNMENT; NEW BODY CONTROLS

Former Minister to Germany in New Cabinet.

MADRID, Dec. 9.—A telegram received here from Oporto says that the revolution in Portugal has ended with the success of the revolutionaries, and that the Government has resigned.

Dr. Affonso Costa, former premier and minister of finance, has formed a provisional government, including Sidonio Paes, formerly Portuguese minister to Germany. It is reported that all is quiet in Lisbon and Oporto.

TRUAX WILL ADDRESS PUBLIC MEETING AT PAISLEY WEDNESDAY

PAISLEY, Dec. 9.—A public meeting will be held in the town hall on Wednesday evening in the interests of R. E. Truax, the Liberal candidate. The meeting will be addressed by M. G. Cameron, K. C., Goderich, the candidate and others.

The funeral of James F. McArthur took place on Friday afternoon from the residence of his mother, Mrs. Peter McArthur, Lovat. Mr. McArthur was in his 34th year, and had been ill a few weeks. Interment was made in Lovat Cemetery. R. G. Little, pastor of Knox Church, officiated.

The Southampton Dramatic Club presented the play, "The Heart of Berry," in the town hall last evening, under the auspices of the Paisley Women's Patriotic League. There was a good attendance and a splendid entertainment. The characters were will portrayed. The proceeds totaled $100.

The Paisley tribunal board finished its work here on Thursday evening, when 218 were exempted and 38 recruited.

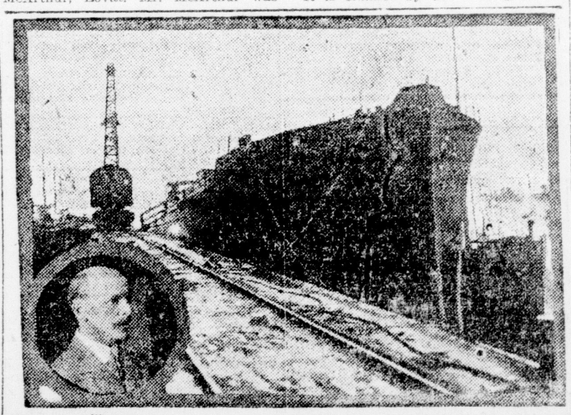
MAY CALL STRIKE OF M.C.R. SHOP WORKERS FOR INCREASED WAGES

Representatives of Men Go To Detroit Today to Confer.

ST. THOMAS, Dec. 9.—Edward N. Compton, of the labor department, and J. A. Killingsworth, St. Thomas, representative of the labor department, are in Detroit, conferring with the officials of the Michigan Central Railway as to an increase in wages for the machinists, boilermakers, blacksmiths and others employed in the company's shops at this point.

It is claimed by the officers of the various unions that if the company continues to defer granting the men's demands a strike will surely follow.

Representatives of the men will go to Detroit Monday, and with the labor department confer further with the officials of the company with a view of averting a strike.



Advertiser Illustrations

The 7,000-ton steamer Porsanger, shown in the picture, was launched November 29th by the Canadian Vickers Company at Montreal. The Porsanger is the largest ocean-going vessel constructed in Canada. Inset is a portrait of P. L. Miller, manager of the Canadian Vickers' Company.

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STEWART—On Sunday, December 9, 1917, at Victoria Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. James A. Stewart, 159 Duchess avenue, a daughter. b

DIED.

KILLEEN—At Buffalo, N. Y., Friday, Dec. 7, John Killeen of London, aged 87 years.
Funeral on Tuesday morning, Dec. 11, from the funeral parlors of John Ferguson's Sons, King street, at 8:45, then to St. Peter's Cathedral for requiem high mass at 9 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation. Interment at St. Peter's Cemetery. b

LESLIE—At Victoria Hospital, on Sunday, Dec. 9, 1917, William Leslie, of Delaware Township, aged 66 years.
Funeral from Smith, Son & Clarke's funeral parlors on Tuesday, Dec. 11, at 1 o'clock. Interment at Delaware Cemetery. b

TILTON—Suddenly, at the family residence, Sarnia road, London Township, on Sunday, Dec. 9, 1917, Ruth Adelaide, dearly beloved and second daughter of Dodd and Olive Tilton, aged 5 years and 6 months.
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WALKER—At his late residence, 530 Talbot street, on Sunday, December 9, 1917, Joseph Walker (formerly of Lobo Township), in his 66th year.
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FAMINE AND FLOODS HELPING TO SOLVE CHINA'S PROBLEMS

Missionary Says Situation Is Serious Without Them.

At the First Methodist Church, on the occasion of its missionary anniversary, two returned missionaries, Rev. J. W. Saunby of Japan and Rev. W. J. Mortimer of China, spoke.

"The papers are so full of the greatest conflict ever fought that it is impossible for a word about the conditions, risings and rebellions to creep in edgewise in the dailies at the present time, therefore many are in ignorance of the deplorable state of China," stated the Rev. W. J. Mortimer in the course of his sermon on China. "Neither can one imagine the hard task of the missionary to keep out of politics; one can only be a sympathetic neutral.

"The over-population is one of the difficulties to contend with in China. Were it not for the constant rebellions, famine and floods, which carry away thousands every year, it would be a problem hard to solve. The educational weakness in China is great. Girls are almost totally neglected and the situation is a serious one to cope with, and the necessity of more missionaries, schools and funds presses home to those who have already sacrificed themselves to the spreading of the Gospel.

"It has been said of the Chinese in general that if they do not hear the word of God it is not their fault, the majority being only too anxious to listen, for hours at a time to a missionary. Many have accepted Buddhism merely to fill the need of a religion. They cannot live without a belief of some description, and we need more to represent the Christian faith and save many of the Chinese from the heathen fate of accepting whatever may happen to reach their ears first."

The urgent need of missionaries in Japan, as well as an increase in funds to carry on mission work was illustrated by Rev. J. W. Saunby, who told harrowing stories of the hard work of the missionaries and the trying conditions to contend with, and of the large field that is open for workers. Rev. Saunby stated that the conditions in Japan were similar to those in China. "To invest money in the mission field for the propaganda of the Gospel is investing Victory Bonds in the Kingdom of Heaven?" said Rev. Saunby.

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STRONG MEN HAVE SAVED WORLD, NOT PARLIAMENTS' LAWS

Dr. Silcox Points to Individuals As Leaders.

NOT BORN AS EQUALS

If They Are, Great Men of History Soon Outgrew Such Equality.

"Again and again has the nation wished that Milton, Gladstone and Lincoln were standing among them today, to speak for a great cause and stand for a great principle," said Rev. Dr. Silcox in the First Congregational Church on Sunday evening when speaking of democracy and leadership.

"Study all successful undertakings, commercial, educational, financial, secudar or spirituad, and you will find at the centre and heart of the undertaking some person who is in the enterprise heart and soul. To send a Napoleon to Helena you must have a Wellington, to check the mad ambitions of a kaiser you must have a Kitchener. Men are not born equal; if they are they soon outgrow it," said the speaker. "God and nature store into brain a quality and a quantity of power that puts its possessor at the head of things. Again and again in the history of the world one strong man has stood in the gap and saved the world.

"It was not a series of parliamentary decrees that broke the absolute monarchism of Britain, it was Cromwell. It was Tolsty who permeated Russia with the leaven of democracy. It was Shaftesbury who brough justice to the factory and mine workers of England. Walt Whitman was certainly right when he said, 'Produce the person and you have the reform.'

"The rising up of great men who lead great movements is to be traced back and up to God. Personality is not intellect alone, nor is it temperament. It is these shot through with energizing light of the Divine Spirit. A nation is made up by its men and its mothers of men. The little lonely sea-girt isle in the North Sea has been great among the nations of the world, and is greater today. God loves her because she has been the mother and nurse of men of valor.

"At present more than any other we need men of strong personality as those of England have been. Bishop Williams, in speaking of the election campaign emphasizes the fact that this is not a party issue. It is a national and an international cause that appeals to us. Partyism should be brushed aside before the great problems that face us. If Quebec has failed us, as she has, it is not because of her religion. The catholics of Ireland, Belgium and the United States are side by side with us in this great campaign to make democracy safe."

Next Sunday Dr. Silcox will preach his farewell sermon.

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Question.—When the medical board visited here I told them that I was 34 last March, and they told me I was not wanted. I had already put in my service sheet. On the postmaster's receipt it states that we are to keep it. What is my best course. R. J. G.

Answer.—If you were 34 years of age last March, you are in Class 1, and are liable for service under the act, which includes all those "born not earlier than 1883."

You were right in putting in a report for service. The officers were wrong in telling you that you were not wanted.

You will be perfectly safe in sending the receipt as requested, and you will be furnished with a temporary receipt in the meantime, which will protect you until the original is returned.

If you did not obtain any medical history sheet when you were given a physical examination, they may be able to locate it, if you write the deputy registrar informing him when, where and by whom you were examined.

Question.—1. I am a farmer and have appealed against the decision of the local tribunal. Can my father appear at the appellate tribunal for me, or must I appear in person?

2. Has a tribunal member despotic authority to offer an insult to one appearing before him, and has the man insulted any redress? SUBSCRIBER.

Answer.—1. The appeal tribunals are much the same as courts, and while it might be possible to hear your case without taking evidence from you, it would seem rather improbable. He might try, and if you were wanted the judge could send for you.

2. No. Lay the facts in writing before the minister of justice.

Question.—1. If a man in Category A was refused exemption by the tribunal, and then appealed his case, would he have to go in khaki before his appeal is heard?

2. When will the first draft be called? AN OLD SUBSCRIBER.

Answer.—1. No. He is considered on leave of absence until his case is finally decided.

2. January 3, 1918.

ANSWER WEDNESDAY TO KINGSTON CALL

Rev. H. H. Bingham to Announce Decision Then.

At the evening service in Talbot Street Baptist Church yesterday, the pastor, Rev. H. H. Bingham, announced that he would give his decision in regard to the call he has received from Kingston at the prayer meeting on Wednesday night. After the morning service a meeting was held of the deacons' board, the members urging Mr. Bingham to remain, in view of the harmony prevailing in all departments of the church work, the united support he is receiving from the congregation and the evidences that his ministry is being blessed. Mr. Bingham expressed his warm appreciation, but stated that he felt it was his duty to give the question more consideration before deciding.

AUTO STOLEN SATURDAY NIGHT—McLaughlin automobile No. 11436, owned by John Brownlee, was stolen on Sunday evening from the corner of Talbot and York streets. The car is a five-passenger machine. A rear tire was attached to the back hanger on car. The radiator is covered with a leather hood and the lamps equipped with yellow-colored lens.

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SALVATION ARMY WORKERS SOON TO LEAVE FOR FRANCE



Advertiser Illustrations

A group of Salvation Army workers photographed at the New York headquarters ready to leave for service with the American army in France. They will aid the soldiers in many ways, from holding religious services to writing love letters to the girl back home. The women members of the party will repair the clothes of the boys when not otherwise engaged.

Financial, Market and Commercial Section

THE LOCAL MARKET

The quantity of produce appearing on the square this morning was below par owing to the unfavorable nature of the weather. The roads were in bad shape for bringing produce into the city, and as a consequence very few farmers were to be seen on the market during the morning. It is expected that slow trading will characterize the square for the next two or three days owing to the snowdrifts all along the district roads to London.

The largest number of loads of hay appeared for sale last week than any previous week during the season. It was thought that the demand for fodder would be much easier this morning, but owing to the snow storm only two loads appeared, and these were purchased immediately. Oats are plentiful and unchanged in price, while barley and wheat sell fairly briskly at stationary prices.

Hog buyers of the vicinity expressed the opinion that a slight advance in the price of live hogs would occur on Monday morning, but the number of porkers coming in on the market was insufficient for an official value being quoted. Dressed hogs were offered at unchanged prices.

The market was bare of potatoes and vegetables. Butter and eggs were available in small quantities and at unchanged values.

The demand for poultry continues to be brisk. A few turkeys were offered for sale on Saturday for 29c to 31c per pound, and were disposed of readily. With Christmas just in the offing poultry will become brisker each day and prices are expected to flucutate considerably.

Grain, Cwt.—			
New oats, per cwt...	$2 00	to	$2 10
Grain, Bushel—			
Wheat, per bu......	2 12	to	2 12
Oats, per bu..........	68	to	72
Vegetables—			
Celery, per doz......	30	to	50
New cabbage, dozen..	40	to	60
Vegetable marrow....	10	to	10
Parsnips, bunch......	5	to	5
Home-grown potaoes, per bag..........	2 00	to	2 25
Pumpkins, each.......	10	to	20
Hubbard squash......	15	to	25
Hay and Straw—			
New hay, ton........	12 00	to	14 50
Straw, per ton........	7 50	to	8 00
Fruit—			
Apples, per bu........	1 50	to	2 00
Dairy Products, Retail—			
Butter creamery, lb....	48	to	53
Butter, diary, lb rolls.	48	to	52
Butter, crocks, lb......	48	to	50
Butter, store lots, lb.	47	to	50
Eggs, per doz.......	50	to	55
New honey, pail......	1 60	to	1 80
Dairy Produce, Wholesale—			
Butter, creamery, lb..	46	to	50
Butter, dairy, lb rolls.	47	to	50
Butter, crocks, lb....	48	to	52
Eggs, crate lots, doz..	45	to	46
Eggs, basket lots, doz.	40	to	52
Poultry, Dressed, Retail—			
Spring ducks, each...	90	to	1 00
Spring chickens, lb...	22	to	22
Live Stock—			
Hogs, per cwt........	16 00	to	16 00
Small pigs, pair.......	12 00	to	16 00
Butchers' Meats—			
Dressed hogs, cwt ..	22 00	to	22 00
Fat sows, cwt.........	13 50	to	13 50
Beef, per cwt.........	13 00	to	16 50
Veal, per cwt.........	20 00	to	22 00
Heifer beef, cwt.......	16 00	to	16 00
Lambs, per cwt.........	20 00	to	22 00
Spring lambs, per lb..	28	to	28
Hides and Wool—			
Wool, unwashed, lb....	50	to	50
Wool, washed, lb....	60	to	62
Calfskins, per lb.....	25	to	30
Cow hides, No. 1.....	20	to	20
Cow hides, No 2.....	19	to	19
Cow hides, No. 3.....	18	to	18

LIVE STOCK.

Toronto, Dec. 10.—The cattle trade at the Union stockyards was steady this morning. Lambs steady, sheep and hogs medium. Receipts, 190 cars, including 3,014 cattle, 142 calves, 1,644 hogs and 2,627 sheep. Quotations:

Cattle—Exporters, choice, per cwt, $11@12; do, bulls, $9@10; butchers, choice, $10 50@11 25; do, medium, $9 50@10; do, common, $8@8 50; do, cows, choice, $8 50@9 50; do, medium, $7 50@8; feeding steers, $8 50@9 75; stockers, choice, $7 75@8 50; do, light, $6 25@6 75; milkers, choice, each, $100@150; springers, each, $90@120; calves, $14 50@15.

Sheep—Ewes, cwt, $11@14; bucks and culls, $7 50@9 50; lambs, $17.

Hogs—Fed and watered, cwt, $1 95; f. o. b., $17.

Chicago, Dec. 10.—Cattle—Receipts, 28,000; market steady; beeves, $7 30@15 50; westerns, $6 30@13 70; stockers and feeders, $6 10@11; cows and heifers, $5 10@11 40; calves, $8@15.

Hogs—Receipts, 37,000; market was steady; light, $16 60@17 35; mixed, $16 80@17 50; heavy, $16 80@17 15; rough, $16 80@17; pigs, $12 75@15 75; bulk of sales at $16 95@17 45.

Sheep—Receipts, 20,000; market weak; lambs, $12 50@16 75; wethers, $8 80@12 90.

Montreal, Dec. 10.—The offerings at the west end cattle market this morning amounted to 1,100 cattle, 600 sheep and lambs and 300 calves. There was a downward tendency in cattle, and prices were down about 25c per 100 lbs. Quotations:

Choice steers, $11 50@12; good, $10 50@11; medium, $9@10; choice butcher cows, $8 50; good cows, $7 50@8; medium cows, $7; choice butcher bulls, $8 35@8 75; good bulls, $8; medium, $7@7 50; canners, $5@6.

Calves—Milk-fed, $12@13; grass-fed, $6@8.

Hogs—Choice selects, $18 25; sows, $16@16 50.

Offerings at the C. P. R. yards were 1,100 cattle, 1,400 sheep and lambs, 350 hogs and 50 calves.

East Buffalo, N.Y., Dec. 10.—Cattle—Receipts, 1,200; steady, strong; prime steers, $13@15; shipping steers, $11 50@13 50; butchers, $9 50@12; yearlings, $11 50@13; heifers, $7@11 25; cows, $4@10; bulls, $6 75@9 50; stockers and feeders, $6 50@10 50; fresh cows and springers slow, $50@140.

Veals—Receipts, 400; market strong, at $7@16 50.

Hogs—Receipts, 4,000; strong; heavy, $18 15@18 25; mixed, $18@18 15; yorkers, $17 85@18; light yorkers, $16 50@16 75; pigs, $16 25@16 50; roughs, $16 75@18 50; stags, $14@15.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 2,000; active and strong; lambs, $12@18; yearlings, $11@15; wethers, $7 75@12 25; ewes, $6@11 50; mixed sheep, $11 50@11 75.

GRAIN.

Chicago, Dec. 10.—Opening: Corn—January, $1 20⅝; May, $1 18⅝.
Oats—December, 72c; May, 69½c.

Chicago, Dec. 10.—Corn prices developed some strength today as a result of cold weather, which seemed likely to retard the movement of the crop. Buying here, however, was not of an aggressive character.

Opening prices, which ranged from the same as Saturday's finish to ⅝c higher, with January at $1 20¼@1 20⅜, and May at $1 18½@1 18¾, were followed by moderate gains all around.

Oats hardened with corn. The demand was chiefly from scattered shorts.

Winnipeg, Dec. 10.—Oats opened ¾c higher for December at 79c, and May ⅝c to ¾c higher at 79⅞c.

Flax opened unchanged.

Receipts on Saturday were 614 cars, inspected, as against 1,257 last year.

PROVISIONS.

Liverpool, Dec. 10.—Beef—Extra India mess, 325s.

York—Prime mess western, 305s 6d.

Hams—Short cut, 137s.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 152s; Wiltshire cut, 152s; clear bellies, 160s; long clear middles, light, 160s; do, heavy, 159s; short clear backs, 157s; shoulders, square, 128s.

Lard—Prime western, in tierces, 133s; American refined, in pails, 136s 3d; do, in boxes, 135s.

OILS.

Liverpool, Dec. 10.—Tallow—Australian (in London), 72s.

Turpentine Spirits—119s.

Rosin—Common, 6's.

Petroleum—Refined, 1s 6⅝d.

Linseed Oil—61s 6d.

Cottonseed Oil—68s 6d.

War Kerosene—No. 2, 1s 2¾d.

HAY

Toronto, Dec. 8.—Hay—Baled, track, Toronto, carlots, No. 1, $15.50@16.50; No 2, $12@14; mixed, $13@15.

Straw—Carlots, per ton, $9@9.50

Montreal, Dec. 8.—Hay—No. 2, per ton, carlots, $15.50

Detroit, Dec. 8.—Hay—Detroit dealers are paying the following prices, f.o.b. Detroit: No. 1 timothy, $24.50@25; standard, $23.50@24; No. 2 timothy, $22.50@23; No. 1 mixed, $20@21; No. 2 mixed, $16@18; No. 1 clover, $19@20 per ton. Wheat and oats straw, $8.50@9; rye straw, $9.50@10 per ton.

FLOUR

Toronto, Dec. 8.—Listed quotations at Toronto are:

Flour—Manitoba: First patents, $11.50, bags; second patents, $11; strong bakers, $10.60; Ontario winter, 90 per cent patents, $9.70, bulk, seaboard.

Millfeed—Manitoba bran, $37 per ton; shorts, $43 per ton on track, Toronto.

Montreal, Dec. 8.—Flour—Manitoba spring wheat patents, firsts, $11.60; seconds, $11.10; strong bakers, $10.90; straight rollers, bags, $5.20@5.35.

Rolled Oats—Bags, 90 lbs., $4.80

Bran—$35@37.

Shorts—$40@42.

Middlings—$48@50.

Moullie—$55@56

Detroit, Dec. 8.—Flour—In paper sacks, best patents, $11.30@11.50; seconds, $10.85@11; straight, $10.50@10.75; spring wheat flour, $11.35@11.60; rye flour, $11.10@11.20 per bbl.

Feed—In 100-lb. sacks, jobbing lots: Bran, $42; fine middlings, $46; standard middlings, $44; coarse cornmeal, $55@60 per ton.

COTTON.

Liverpool, Dec. 10.—Cotton—Futures closed dull. New contracts: January, 22.47; March, 22.42; April, 22.39; May, 22.36d. Old contracts: December, 20.95d; December and January, 20.80d; January and February, 20.70d; February and March, 20.61d; March and April, 20.52d; April and May, 20.44d; May and June, 20.36d; June and July, 20.27d.

WALL STREET.

New York, Dec. 10—Wall Street, 10:30 a.m.—Trading was confined to the narrowest limits at the dull opening of today's stock market. Changes were of the usual irregular character, in no important instance varying more than a fraction. Gains and losses were about equally distributed. A decline of 11 points in American Tobacco was the only noteworthy feature. Events over the week-end seem to exert little influence. Prices hardened generally before the end of the first half hour. Liberty bonds were steady.

Noon.—The market improved later on a moderate inquiry for steels, coppers and shippings. Leaders of those divisions gained 1 to 1½ points. Reading and Union Pacific also responded to support, but the general list made little headway. Specialties were sympathetically affected by the break in oils and relate dissues, yielding 1 to 2 points. Recurrent weakness developed in foreign bonds, the entire french group establishing new low records.

1:30 p.m.—Further irregularity was manifested durin gthe afternoon by the 6 per cent rate for call loans. Steel continued to advance, however, but American Tobacco extended its severe decline, and St. Paul preferred and Atchison preferred touched new minimums.

STEEL ORDERS.

New York, Dec 10.—Unfilled orders of the United States Steel Corporation on November 30 last were 8,897,108 tons, according to the monthly statement issued today. This is a decrease of 112,469 tons compared with the orders on October 31.

NO CHANGE MADE IN OATS SPREADS

Cash Variety in Good Demand at Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, Dec. 8.—Cash oats were in fair demand, with offerings limited, and there was no chanoge in spreads from Friday. Tough oats were trading at 5c under the straight price. Cash barley was strong, with new offerings on the market. Prices practically on all grades were ½c to 1c higher. All offerings of wheat at the fixed prices were being accepted by the usual buyers. Offerings were light.

There was a good demand for flax, with offerings light. Winnipeg new contract oats closed 1½c down for December, 1c higher for January, and unchanged for May. Barley closed unchanged for December, and 1½c higher for May.

Cash grain:

Oats—No. 2 C.W., 80⅜c; No. 3 C.W., 77⅜c; extra No. 1 feed, 77⅜c; No. 1 feed, 72⅞c; No. 2 feed, 69⅞c.

Barley—No. 3, $1.27½; No. 4, $1.22¼; rejected, $1.11½; feed, $1.11½.

Flax—No. 1 N.W.C., $2.99; No. 2 C.W., $2.92½; No. 3 C.W., $2.79.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 8.—Grain quotations are as follows:

Wheat—Ontario, No. 2 winter, $2.22, in store, Montreal; Manitoba, No. 1 northern, $2.23½, in store, Fort William, 2½c tax; No. 2 northern, $2.20½; No. 3 northern, $2.17½.

Oats—Canada western, No. 2, 80¼c, in store, Fort William; Ontario, No. 2 white, 76@77c, outside; No. 3 white, 75@76c, outside.

Peas—No. 2, $2.70@3.80.

Rye—No. 2, $1.75.

Barley—$1.23@1.24, outside for malting.

Buckwheat—$1.45; shipping points, $1.50.

MONTREAL.

Montreal, Dec 8.—In consequence of the American embargo on corn and oats for shipment east, a weaker feeling for oats developed in the local market Saturday. The market here closed easy, with carlots of No. 3 Canadian Western quoted at 89½c per bushel.

Corn—American, No. 2 yellow, $2.15@2.30.

Oats—Canadian Western, No. 3, 89½c; extra No. 1 feed, 89½c; No. 2 local white, 83c; No. 3 local white, 82c.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

London, Dec. 10.—Closing prices today were:

British 5 per cent loan	93⅝
British 4½ per cent loan	99½
Consols, for money	55¼
Anaconda Copper	£14 5s
Atchison, com.	87½
Baltimore & Ohio	51
Canadian Pacific	159
Chesapeake & Ohio	50
Chicago Great Western	8
Chicago, Milwaukee & t. Paul	45
De Beers	12¾
Denver & Rio Grande	9½
Erie, com.	22½
Erie, 1st pfd.	32¼
Grand Trunk	8½
Illinois Central	98½
Louisville & Nashville	120
Missouri, Kansas & Texas	6¾
New York Central	72½
Norfolk & Western	107½
Ontario & Western	21
Rand Mines	3
Reading Railway	72½
Southern Railway	26½
United States Steel	93½

MONEY.

New York, Dec. 10.—Bar silver, 85⅝c per ounce.

BRITISH AND FRENCH NOW WITH ITALIANS, THE CHEERING NEWS

Veteran Fighters Have Taken Their Places on Actual Front.

Italian Headquarters in Northern Italy, Dec. 10.—By the Associated Press.—It will be cheering news to the allied world that the allied forces have now taken their places on the actual Italian front, and are today occupying trenches in the battered positions held by the Italian troops, now relieved for a needed respite.

The British position is around the heights of Montelit, on the upper Piave, where the batteries on the heights are already in action, and rifle fire answers the steady sniping from across the river. The French position cannot as yet be indicated, but it is in an equally important sector.

The formalities of transfer have been in progress for the last week, and are now definitely accomplished, when the Italians saluted the British flag and the Tommies cheered the men in grey as they went for their well-earned rest.

From Venice to Treviso the troops are breathing easier, for they know that the English, with the Highlanders, Welsh, Irish and Colonials and the French are now actually on the battle front.

Reports from the north show the situation in that region has not materially changed, with the new Italian line holding well.

DISTRICT MARKETS

Weather Interferes Somewhat With Saturday Sales, But Business Throughout District Was Good.

EGGS UP TO 65c.

KITCHENER, Dec. 8.—Considering the inclement weather, there was a good market here this morning. There was a scarcity of eggs, and they brought a good price. They were offered at 60c a dozen, while a few got as high as 65c. There was quite a good supply of chickens brought in. The prices were 25c, 28c and 30c a pound. There were quite a few potatoes offered for such cold weather. They brought $2.25 a bag. The smaller vegetables, such as carrots, turnips, celery and cabbage, were scarce.

SPEEDY SALES ON MARKET.

Sarnia, Dec. 8.—Large quantities of butter and poultry were sold on the local market today. The articles did not last long, being sold out for the most part before 10 o'clock. Butter sold at 50c per pound, eggs 55c to 60c, being about the same as last week. Chickens dropped a cent, selling at from 22c to 26c. Beef and pork brought 25c to 26c. Ducks and geese, 25c. A few bags of potatoes were sold for $2.25. Citizens did not stand around long this morning, owing to a snowstorm, they getting what they wanted and leaving almost immediately. The grain market remains firm, with the same prices prevailing as last week. Wheat, $2.08; barley, $1.05; oats, 68c; and hay is bringing around $16 per ton.

HOGS DROP IN PRICE.

St. Marys, Dec. 8.—There was little variation in today's market quotations, except in live hogs, which dropped in price. The quotations were as follows: Wheat, standard, $2.10; oats, standard, 72c; barley, $1.10 to $1.15; peas, $3; flour, per cwt., $5.70 to $6.30; bran, per ton, $35; shorts, per ton, $42; honey, in 10-lb. pails, 15c to 16c; dairy butter, per lb., 42c; eggs, per dozen, 45c; home-grown apples, per peck, 45c; imported apples, per peck, 50@55c; potatoes, per bag, $1.75; do., per peck, 35c; turnips, per bushel, 18c to 20c; chickens, dressed, per lb., 18c to 20c; ducks, 18c to 20c; geese, 18c; turkeys, 28c; wool, unwashed, 60c; do., washed, 70c; hay, per ton, $9 to $10; straw, per team-load, $5; live hogs, per cwt., $16.50

FRESH PORK DROPS.

Woodstock, Dec. 8.—In spite of a driving snowstorm, the weekly market was well attended today by both buyers and vendors. Potatoes were offered in fairly large quantities, and were priced variously at $2.25 and $2.50 a bag. Apples, which sold at 50c a peck, were also fairly plentiful. Butter sold for from 46c to 50c a pound, and eggs were 55c and 60c a dozen. Dressed chickens could be had for 60c up to $1 30, and in some instances were sold at 22c a pound, as were also geese. Dressed ducks were $1.25 each.

Fresh pork dropped to 30c and 32c a pound. Other meat prices were: Beef, 18c to 25c; veal, 20c to 30c; lamb, 25c to 30c; mutton, 20c to 25c. Herrings were offered at 10c a pound. Cured ham was 36c, and bacon from 43c to 45c. Cheese was 30c a pound.

Hay is now $13 and $14 a ton. Hogs, live weight, were $16.50 per cwt. during the week.

EGGS PLENTIFUL; FIRM.

Ingersoll, Dec. 8.—Despite the blizzard which raged there was a good attendance at the market Saturday. Offerings were plentiful, and prices for the most part much the same as have prevailed for several weeks. Eggs were more plentiful than has been the case recently, but the price remained firm at 60c a dozen. Butter was unchanged in price, 50c a pound being the ruling figure. Poultry was plentiful, and sold generally at 25c a pound. No turkeys were offered, and it would appear that they are unusually scarce. No potatoes were offered.

NO POTATOES OFFERED.

Waterloo, Dec. 8.—The cold weather kept a good many patrons as well as a good many farmers away from the market here this morning. The market presented a rather deserted appearance. Butter was sold at 47c a pound, and eggs brought 50c a dozen. There were hardly any chickens for sale. They were sold in bulk, and brought from 80c to $1 apiece. There was a small offering of the smaller variety of vegetables, and no potatoes were brought in. There was also no geese or ducks.

INCREASED ALLOWANCE FOR RATIONS GIVEN

The allowance given in lieu of rations to the members of the permanent staff and permanent force have been increased from 25 cents to 50 cents per day, and to members of the C. E. F. and the active militia from 30 cents to 50 cents per day.

Subsistence allowance has been increased from 60 cents to 80 cents a day for n. c. o.'s and men, and from $1.50 to $1.70 for officers. These changes became effective November 1.

An allowance of 25 cents for each officer, n. c. o. and men for whom rations are drawn, to provide extras for Christmas dinner, has also been authorized, and will be paid by the paymaster to officers commanding units, to expend as they think best.

RAIDERS DRIVEN OFF BY ALERT BRITISHERS

London, Dec. 10.—"A raid undertaken by the Germans last night southwest of La Bassee was driven off before reaching our lines," says today's official communication. "Another party of the enemy which attacked one of our posts east of Klein Zillebeke was repulsed with loss to the assailants."

OFFICERS ELECTED

At the regular meeting of the Daughters of England the following officers were elected:

Past President—Sister Brand.
President—Sister French.
Vice-President—Sister Owen.
Secretary—Sister Penwarden (retained).
Treasurer—Sister Dyson (retained).
Chaplain—Sister Boyall.
Medical Officer—Dr. George.
First Guide—Sister Newman
Second Guide—Sister Robingson
Third Guide—Sister Markham.
Fourth Guide—Sister Freeman
Inside Guard—Sister Wood.
Pianist—Sister Henshaw.
Trustees—Sisters Penwarden and Hill (retained).
Auditors—Sisters Henshaw, Cosier and Smither (retained).
Delegate to Grand Lodge—Sister E. Penwarden.

CANADIAN CASUALTIES

Ottawa Dec. 9.—There were 14? names in the Sunday night casualties. The list follows:

INFANTRY.
Killed in Action.
880820 A. Mitchell, Wallaceburg.
Died of Wounds.
850049 E. F. Enright, St. Catharines.
Presumed to Have Died.
J. W. Worden, Galt.
210?05 C. Filton, St. Catharines.
Wounded.
603274 L. Dereimacker, Chatham.
8?0010 A. F. Bonds, Owen Sound, Ont.
189488 L. Norris, Chatham, Ont.
Gassed.
757252 F. Bolton, Hamilton.
Ill.
880729 G. J. Turner, Brigden, Ont.
CAVALRY.
Killed in Action.
113395 J. Mewes, Hamilton.
ARTILLERY.
Gassed.
304554 C. J. Jones, Jordan Station, Ont.
MOUNTED RIFLES.
Missing.
400952 W. Langridge, London Junction.
MACHINE GUN CORPS.
Wounded.
690037 C. S. Clegg, Hamilton.

SPECIAL PRAYERS IN CITY CHURCHES FOR HALIFAX AID

London Pastors Refer to the Catastrophe.

SPECIAL SERMON GIVEN

Dr. D. L. McCrae Emphasizes Need of All to Be Prepared for Death.

Prayers for the succor of the homeless inhabitants of Halifax were offered in every church in London Sunday. Practically all the ministers in the city made mention of the awfulness of catastrophe, and urged their congregations to help towards bringing relief to the stricken city.

At the Hamilton Road Presbyterian Church Sunday evening, Rev. Dr. D. L. McCrae preached on the Halifax calamity. There was a large congregation present, and Dr. McCrae, though evidently laboring under physical weakness, spoke with great tenderness and power. The text was taken from the first book of Samuel, xxx., 3: "There is but a step between me and death."

"The awful suddenness of the disaster was appalling," said Dr. McCrae. "Without a moment's warning, hundreds, it may be thousands, of human beings are launched into eternity. We pray sometimes that the good Lord would deliver us from sudden death. Sudden death is not an evil if we are prepared for the journey to eternity. But if we are not prepared we might well pray to be delivered from such a death. Preparedness for death on the part of everyone of us is the only salvation, and we all know it, though many of us pay no heed to it.

Need Practical Aid.

"The people of our sister city need the sympathy, the prayers and the practical help of every Canadian in this hour of their awful distress. Such a catastrophe compels men everywhere to forget their selfishness and worldliness at least for the moment. At this hour the whole continent and even nations beyond stand with bowed heads mourning with the people of the historic city by the sea in their great sorrow."

Dr. McCrae commended highly the prompt action of the authorities of London, of the county of Middlesex, and of the other sections of Canada. In his judgment there was nothing finer in human history than the prompt, practical and generous sympathy of the cities, the Government and the people of the United States. One good thing that has come out of this awful war was that it has made the people of Canada, and the people of the United States one great brotherhood.

Dr. McCrae praised President Wilson unstintedly. He had been blamed for not entering the war sooner. Everyone knew now that had he declared war on Germany two years sooner he would have rent the great republic in twain, and would have been helpless as Britain's ally. By his wise and farseeing statesmanship, he had united his country as one man, and then entered on the conflict as Britain's mightiest ally in this stupendous struggle.

Responsibility's Burden.

As to the cause of the Halifax calamity, Dr. McCrae said he must speak guardedly and charitably. It seemed to be the result of human carelessness and blundering. What impressed him was the awful responsibility resting on every man in such a position. It was said that about 92 per cent of the disasters of the world were the outcome of human carelessness or stupidity.

"How much we all need the wisdom and help and guidance that cometh from above—from God," said the preacher. "Almost every disaster that has come upon us in this war has come from lack of foresight and wisdom. To me this seems the case in regard to every blunder from the Dardanelles to the smashing of the Italian front. Our splendid men have never failed, but as Lloyd George said, we have always been too late.

"The hand of Almighty God is recognized everywhere in the wonderful victory at the Marne. But since then we have heard little of God. Yet without his constant guidance and help, his light and wisdom we cannot succeed. If any man lack wisdom—and what man does not?—let him ask of God who giveth to all men liberally. It is surely well that the whole nation is called to prayer by our King.

"With all the earnestness of my life I declare that our supreme need at this hour is God—his guidance, his help, his wisdom. When I say this I am in harmony with all spiritually-minded, God-fearing ministers and laymen in the Empire. And I humbly declare," said Dr. McCrae in closing, "as the most profound conviction of my being that we ministers of God should give ourselves wholly at this awful crisis to bring God, our heavenly father in Jesus Christ, into the hearts and lives of our people, and getting such prevailing prayer as will bring deliverance.

WAR SERVICE BADGES REQUESTS CONTINUE

Eighteen Filed at Local Armories During the Past Week.

Claims for war service badges are coming in steadily to Major H Irvine, officer in charge of this mobilization centre. Eighteen claims were forwarded during the past week. The men who likely be granted badges are Ernest Risley, Robert Locker, George W. Scott, George Elliott Arscott, Teeswater; John Paul, W. L. Pinnel, W. J. O'Brien, C. A. Shibley, J. P. Miller, G. H. Lacey, C. G. Whiting, T. A. Cornelius, W. H. Hammond, E. P. Docker, F. G. Evans, H. E. Hamlin, W. R. Snowden, J. H. Philp.

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WORLD IS BETTER, SAYS PASTOR IN OPTIMISTIC SERMON

Moving Godward and Not Devilward.

An insistent note of optimism was struck again and again by Rev. W. E. Pescott of the Dundas Centre Methodist Church in the course of his Sunday evening sermon. He appealed for hope and courage in declaring that the world is moving "Godward, not devilward," that the gospel is not a "forlorn hope," but a "glorious earnest of the redemption of the whole world," that "instead of progressing towards chaos and disaster, the nations are approaching the day of the parliament of man, the day when war drums shall throb no more."

In support of his statements, the preacher offered the following arguments:

"Note the prevalence of truth, honesty and integrity in the world.

"The reason we grow pessimistic is because we hear of the exceptional things. It is the business of the newspapers to give us news, and news is made up of the exceptional things. I do not blame the newspapers. Every offence against the proprieties is given to us every day and for this reason, the impression is sometimes created that the world is made up of these.

"Honor shines in the sky, notwithstanding the fact that a great deal of rascality among those occupying high positions of authority is being condoned at the present time. But for every rascal there are 100,000 men who have been willing to lay down their lives for the benefit of mankind.

"Another hopeful sign is the spirit of consecration apparent to the great things of humanity. We have had a demonstration of this during the past few days in the Halifax trouble. The news had only to be flashed over the wires for people to go down into their pockets to send help.

"The term 'tainted money' is a new note. Never was there a time in the world's history when integrity, ability and intellect have been so much appreciated, independent of material possessions. Two of our great prime ministers have died poor and never soiled their fingers with the spoils accessible to them.

"Although in this war, the angel's song, 'Peace on earth,' seems to be contradicted, war used to be chronic in the time of Christ when there were 400 years of war. Kings and warriors used to go about with a chip on their shoulders looking for a chance to start war. Today, not one of the nations is willing to accept the responsibility for precipitating this war. In this war, we are fighting to end war."

MAINTAINING GOD'S WORD DESPITE WAR, IS SOCIETY'S AIM

Bible Society Has Distributed 350,000 Bibles, Says Speaker.

"The work of the Bible Society and England and War Conditions" was the subject of an address delivered before a meeting of men at the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium Sunday afternoon by Rev. R. J. Bowen, formerly of Alaska.

Mr. Bowen recently returned from England, where he was doing work in connection with the Bible Society. "It is hard," he said, "for anyone to realize the fortitude and optimism with which the difficulties besetting the people of England are met. The condition of England and her people cannot be better described than by the word "grim." Everything connected with war is grim, and the determination with which the English and British people are coping with war difficulties is a grim determination. It is only by visiting the Old Land that one can get a fair idea of the strain and the drain the war is making on the Empire. Every effort of men, women and children in the United Kingdom is being directed toward the prosecution of the war. The organization of resources, the work of women and the utilization of every available person in the work of winning the war is marvelous.

"The efforts of the Bible Society of Canada has been devoted to the imbuement of the word of God in the Canadian soldiers battling in France," Mr. Bowen said. "It has given gratuitously over three hundred and fifty thousand Bibles to the boys at the front.

"One of the paramount objects of the society is to create an international use of the word of God on the battlefronts," the speaker continued. "A soldier entering a battle with the word of God is doubly armed. When the tentacles of war seize a country, religion is generally forced to the background, but it has been the aim of religious bodies throughout the Empire to see that in this war the word of God is maintained, even to a greater degree than it is in time of peace."

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EDGAR GUEST GAVE SPLENDID PATRIOTIC TALK AT MAJESTIC

Detroit Poet Also Recited Many of His Works.

Not since the Sunday night patriotic meetings were inaugurated nearly two years ago has an audience been entertained so excellently as that which packed the Majestic Theatre last night and listened to Edward Guest, the noted poet and humorist of the Detroit Free Press.

Senator Coffey Chapter, I. O. D. E., under whose auspices the concert was provided, deserve great credit in securing Mr. Guest. His recitation of a number of his poems was received with greatest applause.

His famous poem on the "Princess Pats" brought forth rounds of applause. Solos were given by Mrs. Thomas Coleman and Dr. McLean, and a violin selection by Miss Cora Brennan.

Music was furnished by the Tony Cortese Orchestra. The colection taken up will be turned into the soldiers' comfort fund.

PRECEPTORY ELECTS OFFICERS FOR 1918

Royal Black Knights of Ireland Hold Annual Meeting.

Covenant Preceptory No. 346, the Royal Black Knights of Ireland, at its last regular meeting elected the following oficers for the coming year:

Worshipful preceptor, George Shoebottom; dept. preceptor, Anthony Niven; register, Chester Langford; treasurer, Joseph Murray; 1st lecturer, E. Langford; 2nd lecturer, E. Shoebottom; 1st censor, John Marrison; 2nd censor, Edgar Past; 1st standard-bearer, Wm. Bradshaw; 2nd standard-bearer, Wm. Paxman; pursuivant, Robert Aitken; 1st committee man, Wm. Aitken; 2nd committeeman, James Lawrence; 3rd committeeman, John Harding; 4th committeeman, Thomas Fox; 5th committeeman, George Blackwell; 6th committeeman, Edwin Montieth; 7th committeeman, Wm. Boler.

A hearty vote of thanks was tendered to the three knights who acted as scrutineers. The newly-installed officers gave short addresses, after which Worshipful County Preceptor George Gough gave an address. Sir Knight Hall of Toronto was present and gave a brief address.

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ROSS FAVORS LABOR UNION WITH FARMERS

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EQUAL PENSIONS FOR ALL

Moved Resolution in Council at Lucan in 1916.

A Lucan subscriber has drawn the attention of The Advertiser to the fact that Reeve J. M. Ross of that village, who is Independent Liberal candidate in East Middlesex, was responsible for an equal pensions resolution passed in January, 1916.

Mr. Ross has been asked as to this question, which is of vital importance to soldiers and their relatives, and he confirms the information. He was a councillor at that time, and he believed that it was only a matter of justice that there should be no discrimination between officers and men in the matter of pensions. His resolution was adopted unanimously, but the Government took no notice of it.

This stand is in line with his life-long stand in favor of those aims for which organized labor is working. It was not surprising, therefore, that he was among the first to respond to the request of Mr. George S. Gibbons, the Labor candidate in London, for a pledge to Labor similar to that given by Mr. Gibbons himself.

As a matter of fact, Mr. Ross is a strong advocate of the union of Labor and farming interests. "This is an absolute necessity," Mr. Ross stated to The Advertiser, "if the masses are to secure justice in Canada. I also see the necessity of Government-owned railways, telegraph and telephone lines, of merchant marine and naval vessels, of cold storage and all similar institutions that are now in the hands of combines and corporations, whose efforts to serve the people are allied with a system to fleece the consumers of millions of dollars which should belong to the common exchequer of the country. I will lend my support, in or out of Parliament, regardless of which party is in power, to any proper effort that may be proposed to obtain such ends."

MINISTERS REFUSE TO TELL PEOPLE HOW THEY SHOULD VOTE

Local Pastors Decline To Be Tools of Borden.

Notwithstanding the action of the executive committee of the Board of Social Service and Evangelism of the Methodist Church in indorsing Union Government and requesting that the statement be read in the pulpits, and further urging every Methodist having the right to vote to support Union Government, several Methodist ministers of the city yesterday neglected to pass the word along.

Rev. Dr. F. L. Barber, president of the London Methodist Ministerial Association, stated that no official notice had come from the Board of Social Service and Evangelism, either to the Ministerial Association or to the individual ministers of the denomination.

"All I know," he said, "is what I have seen in the press, and until I receive communication from the board I am not in a position to pass judgment. I do not know whether the report is an exact statement or an exaggeration. In any case I am not saying anything on the subject in my services today."

Most Unusual.

One minister drew attention to the fact that it is not usual for an individual department of the church, such as the Board of Social Service and Evangelism to make an appeal of such a nature, unless authorized by the special committee of the general conference.

Rev. H. Byron Snell, pastor of Hale Street Methodist Church, stated to The Advertiser, "I am not going to tell any voter in my congregation how to vote This is a matter which must be left to the individual conscience, and I do not recognize the authority of any one to tell me how to vote. The very thing we are fighting against on the battlefields of Europe is autocracy."

Up to People.

Preaching on the subject of "Our Duty to the Ballot Box in the Present Crisis," a subject he had chosen before seeing the pronouncement of the Board of Social Service and Evangelism, Rev. H. D. Moyer, pastor of Hyatt Avenue Methodist Church, urged upon his congregation the support of the Government that will get reinforcements most quickly to the front. He expressed his personal view that Union Government seems the most likely government to do this, at the same time, recognizing the fact that the past Government has been open to grave criticism. His message was, "Consider the boys at the front when voting and the course of action that will best support them."

HAVE NO HIERARCHY.

Rev. W. E. Prescott, of Dundas Centre Church, made no reference to the request of the Social Service and Evangelistic Board of the Methodist Church in regard to Union Government in his services last evening. Concerning this, however, he stated to The Advertiser, "I do not think a report of this kind should be taken too seriously. We have no hierarchy in the Methodist Church. We are a purely democratic body. No body of men has a right to speak for the whole of Methodism. Everybody in the Methodist Church has a right to speak for himself. I think probably the people will do as they please in regard to voting in this election."

NEW WINNIPEG TRAINS.

Travel between Eastern and Western Canada is always heavy in the winter months, particularly during December, with its holiday season. To meet the requirements of the public, therefore, a special daily service between Toronto and Winnipeg is announced by the Canadian Northern Railway; westbound, December 3 to January 2, 1918, only; eastbound, December 1 to January 5, 1918, only. Thereafter, regular tri-weekly service will be resumed. A through tourist sleeping car will be operated between Toronto and Calgary as part of the above special service, and connection will be made with regular daily trains between Winnipeg and Edmonton. Service between Toronto and Vancouver remains tri-weekly, leaving Toronto Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, as at present. For further particulars apply to F. B. Clarke, 418 Richmond street, agent, or write to General Passenger Department, Canadian Northern Railway, Toronto. Dec14zxw



At the Majestic Today and Tuesday.

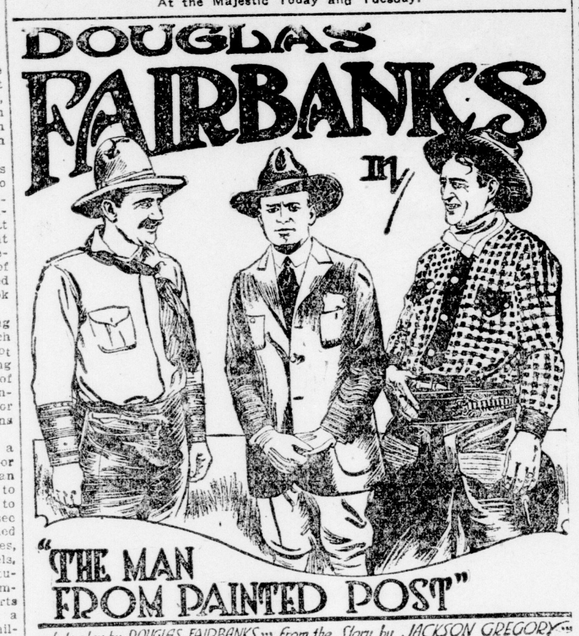


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By Mae Tinee.

When it's a Douglas Fairbanks picture, my goodness, how the people roll in! I myself was at the theatre fifteen minutes early, but when I arrived the little Ziegfeld was almost full—and with individuals who looked as if they had made it a business to get there on time. Well, they all seemed to think they were getting their money's worth.

The tale with which the white-toothed Douglas is concerned this time was adapted from a recent magazine story, "Silver Slippers," by Jackson Gregory, and has to do with the successful routing of cattle rustlers by one "Fancy Jim" Sherwood, a demon with a gun, and the fastest thing on foot or horseback you ever saw in your life.

In the guise of a tenderfoot he does a great little job of cleaning up. In the last reel—as should be—he rescues the pretty schoolma'am alone and single-handed, and is properly rewarded.

One begins to see why Mr. Fairbanks clings to Miss Percy. She now shows signs of animation and her smile is only second to the hero's own. The icy negativeness that characterized her for a time is dissolving and it looks as if this leading lady might show up to be a real person.

The supporting cast is, you will see, a most capable one. Frank Campeau, as the villain and chief of the "rustlers," is a bad, bad man, and as such is remarkably good.

The picture, staged at the Riverside ranch, near Laramie, Wyo., is photographically a success. It has been well directed. There are plenty of little human touches and a lot of humor in the sub-titles.

At the Patricia, today, Tuesday and Wednesday.

LIEUT.-COL. WELCH AND AYLESWORTH TO SPEAK TOGETHER

Will Be At Strathroy Wednesday Afternoon.

AT BELMONT THURSDAY

Dual Liberal Rally of East Middlesex and East Elgin Then.

Sir Alan Aylesworth, formerly minister of justice in the Laurier cabinet, and Lieut.-Col. T. B. Welch, Windsor, will address a public meeting in the Lyceum, Strathroy, on Wednesday afternoon next in the interests of Duncan C. Ross, the Liberal candidate for West Middlesex. This will be one of the best meetings of the campaign, and it will be largely attended.

The residents of that district have a rare privilege in hearing such speakers.

Lieut.-Col. T. B. Welch of Windsor, who resigned his army commission in order to have freedom of speech and say what he thought of Union Government, is going to address meetings in both West and East Middlesex. He is to speak for Duncan Ross on Wednesday and for J. M. Ross at Belmont the following evening.

The Belmont meeting on Thursday night, December 13, is a joint gathering for East Middlesex and East Elgin, and both Liberal candidates will address it. W. G. Charlton of East Elgin made arrangements with Mr. Ross for the meeting, as Belmont is on the dividing line between the two ridings.

Other meetings arranged for this week in East Middlesex include one at Dorchester Tuesday, December 11; one at Lucan Friday, December 14, and another at Thorndale, Saturday, December 15.

FRANCHISE ACT LOOKING WORSE OUT IN COUNTRY

Scores in East Middlesex Will Not Be Able to Vote.

JAIL TERM THREATENED

Anybody Who Tries To "Fix" the Lists Liable to Sentence.

A large number of Liberal conveners visited the committee-rooms of Mr. J. M. Ross on Saturday, many seeking interpretations of the very complicated election law, under which the present contest is being conducted.

It has been found that scores of men who have resided in East Middlesex for a number of years and longer will not be able to vote. The law clearly states that a man's name has to appear on the 1916 voters' list to qualify him for securing a ballot on December 17. As many have just come of age within the past year, and as many others have moved into East Middlesex within the last year, it will be seen that disfranchisement is widespread.

Some enumerators have added the names of men who are on the 1917 list, but not on the 1916 list. This they have no right to do, according to the act.

Many Left Off.

Some enumerators have left off their lists names of qualified electors on the 1916 list, which is also contrary to law, the only names they have the right to strike off being those disqualified by the act, namely, aliens not naturalized before 1902, Quakers and Mennonites, and those who have applied for exemption on conscientious grounds.

The franchise act has been credited to Hon. Robert Rogers, whose certificate of character, it will be remembered, was signed by the member for East Middlesex. Whoever drafted the act was certainly a pastmaster in the art of election trickery. Machinery has been created which, if the party in power dared to operate, could defeat the will of the people.

For instance, each enumerator has the right to revise his published lists. A person, qualified to vote but whose name is omitted may apply to the enumerator up to December 12 to have his or her name placed on the list. There is no objection to this, so long as additions are confined to qualified electors.

Enumerators' Rights.

The enumerator has until the same date the right to strike off names that should not be on. If names of qualified electors were erased, one can imagine what results might be effected. It is believed that the enumerators in East Middlesex will do their duty, but that there has been design in the creation of this war-time elections act is emphasized by the provision that the enumerators will not send revisions of their lists to the candidate until two days before polling day. In other words, notice of the changes will be mailed to Mr. Ross on Saturday, and received by him on election day, too late to be checked.

Speaking of this unfair advantage taken by the party in power, one of the officers of the East Middlesex Reform Association stated to The Advertiser that though this was iniquitous in itself, the possibilities were even more so. "However," he said, "we have reason to believe that most of the enumerators will live up, not to the letter of the law, but to the spirit of justice. If there should be any who may take advantage of the opportunity to "monkey" with the list, we have legal advice that any act to disfranchise a qualified voter or to enfranchise a non-elector, will be followed by criminal proceedings."

CORP H. WHITEMAN HAS BLOOD-POISONING

ST. THOMAS, Dec. 9.—Word has been received that Corporal Herbert Whiteman, 45 Curtis street, has been wounded in the hand, and that blood poisoning has set in.

Corp. Whiteman went overseas with the 91st Battalion, and prior to joining the army was employed at the Nursery Shoe Company.

MEDICAL BOARDS HAVE COMPLETED WORK FOR PRESENT

Only Three Will Remain in Military District.

The medical boards throughout Western Ontario have completed their work in connection with the military service act, and on Saturday evening closed their doors for the present at least. Saturday was devoted to the examination of those men who had filled out reports for service at the postoffice, and had not claimed exemption. Owing to the rush of men who sought medical examinations under the act, no time was available up until Saturday to give the men who had reported themselves willing to don the khaki the "once over." Directed to the boards by Deputy Registrar Wismer, these men have now been examined, and some of them who were willing to serve will probably be exempted in spite of themselves, owing to the fact that the medical officers must cull out the unfit men, even among those willing to serve.

An exception is made in the case of the board at Harriston, which will sit on Monday and Tuesday, when it is expected its work will also be through for a while at least.

With the word "finis" written on their last medical history sheet, a small army of combatant officers, stenographers and clerks will begin the trek to London town, where they will go back to work with their own units. A number of civilian doctors will also welcome the relief from their military duties which they have been trying to carry on in addition to their regular practice.

Three medical boards in No. 1 Military District, those at London, Guelph and Windsor mobilization centres, and to the tender mercies of these three boards will be consigned all men who seek admission to the Canadian army, either as volunteers or as draftees. Those also who go to the appeal tribunals, claiming that they have not had their physical status properly determined in previous examinations will also likely be referred to the three remaining boards for further inspection.

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The program to be played in London will be made up of the finest examples of Russian music, including Tschaikowsky's 6th Symphony. The Grand Opera House will doubtless be taxed to its capacity to accommodate those who will want to hear this orchestra again. The directors are busy issuing course tickets for the remainder of the series, which may be obtained through the president of the society, Mr. John Pringle. Single tickets are on sale now at Heintzman's and McPhillips' music stores.

PTE. GUY CLARKE KILLED IN ACTION

ST. THOMAS, Dec. 9.—Mrs. William Clarke, Talbotville, was officially notified that her son, Pte. Guy Clarke, had been killed in action on October 30.

Mrs. Clarke received unofficial word of her son's death at the front early last week.

Pte. Clarke went overseas with the 91st Battalion.

TAG-DAY COLLECTORS FOR SAILORS' FUND MADE FINE SHOWING

Despite Blizzard, Over $1,600 Was Secured for Cause.

One of the most successful tag days of the year under the auspices of the I. O. D. E. took place on Saturday, with the result that the treasurer now has $2,601.81 to forward to the Navy League, and in the neighborhood of $1,200 for the Halifax relief fund, a total of more than $3,800.

Considering the storm that prevailed all day Saturday, keeping many people indoors, the members of the Imperial Order of Daughters of the city consider they have reason for rejoicing in the success of their tag day on behalf of sailors and widows and orphans of sailors, the sum taken in by the taggers and canvassers in the residential sections amounting to $1,466.81. In addition, $500 has been contributed by the different chapters of the order, $500 granted by the city, a check for $100 received from Major Huma Cronyn, a check for $25 from the East End Red Cross and a check for $10 from the Centralia Patriotic League.

At 5 o'clock in the afternoon, all boxes were called in to the headquarters at Cronyn Hall, and at 5:30 o'clock an army of taggers started out again, this time on behalf of the explosion suffers in Halifax. In spite of the increasing fury of the storm and the lowering temperature, the workers kept heroically to their task, taking in more than $400 in the down town section alone.

This was augmented by subscriptions amounting to $575 from a number of the chapters of the I. O. D. E., some still to report, and a check of $100 from the Sydenham Chapter, I. O. D. E., of Dresden, of which Mrs. McVean is regent. The Overseas Chapter rooms in the Bank of Commerce chambers were used as headquarters in the evening, and it was largely due to the energy and enthusiasm of the regent, Mrs. A. H. Galbraith, and the other workers of this chapter, that such success crowned the efforts on behalf of the Halifax sufferers.

PTE. BERT SMITH, WHO WENT OVER WITH 135TH. IS REPORTED WOUNDED



PTE. B. SMITH.

Word was received last evening that Pte. Bert Smith, son of R. I. Smith of Delaware, had been wounded. He went overseas with the 135th Middlesex Battalion, and has been serving in France for some time. A brother, Pte. Robert Irvin Smith, who enlisted in the west, was killed on November 6. Besides his father and mother, he is survived by two brothers, William Henry of London, and John Walker of Delaware, and Pte. Bert overseas.

OVER 1,000 ATTEND CLOSING SERVICES

Over a thousand people were at St. Peter's Cathedral Sunday evening to witness the closing of the 40-hours' devotion which has been conducted for the past three days.

An excellent sermon was preached by Rev. Father O'Reilly of St. Patrick's Church, East London, and benediction was given by Bishop Fallon. Preceding the benediction the blessed sacrament was carried in procession throughout the church, the members of the Girls' Sodality leading the procession, followed by the sanctuary boys, students from St. Peter's Seminary and priests.

APPEAL BOARD HAS 205 CASES TO PASS ON

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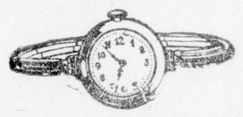
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