





Letters to the Editor

What is the Unpardonable Sin?

Editor Ontario.— In attempting to answer the above question, we must be careful to arrive not merely at an answer that appears to be feasible, but to obtain one that has as its source, the Word of God, and in not merely the creation of the human brain. And in arriving at such an answer, we must not be satisfied with an isolated verse of scripture, but must examine with care the connection in which our verse or verses are found.

never forgiveness is this blasphemy of giving the credit of the miracles to the devil. How solemn, how careful we ought to be in coming to conclusions regarding the source of any movement, which perhaps we may never have before come into contact with. Let all be tested by the light of the sacred page and not by the doubtful light of the human, with its limitations.

City's Health is the Best

No Placards in the City—No Communicable Diseases. Bills, sanitary inspector report to the city that he has made sanitary purposes in inspected the Moira as coal commissioner early in the year. The report contains a detailed account of his work.

GREATER BARGAINS Than Ever

10 pieces English Flannelette, yard wide . . . . .35c yd. Nurses' Cloth, fast colors 25c yd. Pure wool Blankets \$3.75 to \$16.50. Flannelette Blankets . . . . . \$3.50.

The Battle That Was Never Fought

New York Tribune.—It was the battle that was never fought that won the Great War. We have all of us tried to form some just appreciation of what the Allied navies did to save us in the past years. Not until our Admiral Rodman's downright sailor talk has there been any vivid, coherent account to help us.

Wims & Co.

Increase in Deaths Large

108 in Last Quarter of 1918 Against 44 in 1917 — "Flu's" Ravage. The vital statistics for Belleville for the quarter, October, November and December, show deaths the greatest in number in the city's history, being 108 as against 44 in the last quarter of 1917.

Obituary

AGNES MARY BLANCHARD. On January 16th, Agnes Mary, infant daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Blanchard, of Lowell, Mass., aged seven months, died from heart failure.

Walton Factory Sold to a New Company

The Walton Company's Sash and Door factory has been sold to a firm of four Belleville men. The new proprietors are Messrs. R. J. Graham, Harry Perry, Myron Ellis and Cannin Rutan.

Belgian Relief

The following donations have been handed in to the Quinte Chapter I. O. D. E. for the Belgian Relief for January: Miss E. Anning . . . . . \$5.00 Miss Mary E. Stapley . . . . . 2.50 Miss Sarah Richards . . . . . 2.00

The White Ribbon

A gentleman attending an evening meeting of the Y. W. C. T. U. told how a bow of white ribbon on the coat of a perfect stranger had kept him from yielding to drink offered by two friends as a social glass.

Double Honor for Belleville Boy

Lieut. C. H. Brook Receives Military Cross in Addition to Military Medal Won at Somme. Mr. Chas. H. Brook, accountant for the Smith Hardware Company, received over the cable this morning the happy announcement that his son, Lieut. C. H. Brook, had been awarded the military cross for conspicuous gallantry in action at Valenciennes in the closing days of the war.

Holsteins Sold for Good Price

Mr. Duncan Ketcheson, 4th of Sidney, has sold three milk cows from his fine herd of pure-bred holsteins to Mr. John Chisholm, of Wallbridge, for a very satisfactory price. The three were all under five years but had already established for themselves notable records as milk producers.

MARRIED

ELLIOTT-McCARGAR. On Thursday, Jan. 23, at St. Paul's Church, Toronto, by Hon. H. J. Cody, rector, Theda Grant, youngest daughter of J. K. McCargar to Edward James Elliott, Hamilton, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Elliott, Belleville.

Portsmouth Wants Government Help

As No Revenue is Derived From Government Property in the Village. In view of the government institutions located in the village and the vast amount of property owned in the village by the Dominion and provincial government, Portsmouth Council will this year, make an appeal to them for special grants.

What Canada Wants

Canada wants a government that will realize that "daughter am I in my mother's house and mistress in my own." Canada wants no government that will distribute land to disgruntled Mennonites from the United States, while soldiers are told there is no land for them.

BEECHAM'S PILLS. When your head aches, it is usually caused by your liver or stomach getting out of order. These "sick headaches" quickly disappear as soon as the stomach is relieved of its bilious contents.

READ.—Died at Smith's Falls on Sunday, Jan. 26th, 1919, Janet Fleming, beloved wife of late Edwin Read, aged 94 years.

Miller's Worm Powders are sweet and palatable to children, who show no hesitancy in taking them. They will certainly bring all worm troubles to an end.

WOMEN rule the waves of the matrimonial sea. Readers who have marvelled at the cryptic character of physicians' prescriptions will appreciate this bit of dialogue: Customer—By mistake I left my Chinese laundry check in here this morning.

SINCLAIR'S Now is the Best Time to Buy Your Winter Suit. Expert tailoring and youthfully simple lines prevail among these charming modes. Because we want to dispose of these Suits before the new models arrive, you may have your choice of a variety of styles at very sharp reductions.

Quico. Ended Life Lonely B. Miss Marjorie Hamilton Several Days. From yesterday's order and Times particulars are given tragic death of Miss Mignon, formerly of the . . . . . Today shortly after body of Miss Marjorie Hamilton, local stenographer, . . . . .















**Letters From Overseas**

R. PARMENTER WRITES FROM HUNLAND

Mr. R. Parmenter, a well-known Belleville boy, now in the Canadian army of occupation in Germany, writes to Mr. A. E. Bailey and Mrs. Bailey, Hollaway street, as follows:

Germany, Dec. 28, '18.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Bailey:— I am writing these few lines, trusting you are in the best of health. I am sorry I have not written you lately, but of course you will understand, the last few months have been very busy times for us all. Now I am just writing to let you know I have come through three years of this awful life, and am thankful to say unharmed and quite safe although I have had a good many narrow escapes, and quite a good many hardships.

You will notice I am in Germany. We are in a large town named Duren. It is a very pretty place. I will send you some post card views of it, then you may judge for yourself. My battalion had the honor of being one of the army of occupation. Now the German people are treating us pretty good—well, they have simply got to, so that is all there is to it; but under all their nice ways it is very easy to see how they hate us.

Well, I have seen both sides now and I can see what glorious work our navy has done—they have simply starved them into submission. The bread they have to eat is as black as coal, and they have forgotten what butter and margarine is like. This will tell you—what little bit of margarine there is costs 27 marks a pound, that is about \$6. Now just a word or two about our returned prisoners.

Of course, as he was retiring back to the other side of the Rhine we were following up, and of course you have read how he turned our poor fellows loose to get back the best way they could. Well, I saw hundreds of them, and us fellows have got pretty hard with this life; but I can tell you it softened us to see them. Some of them were nothing more than walking skeletons, and some of the poor fellows have died as soon as they reached us. Oh, I can never forgive a German after all I have been through and seen. I often wish they would let us fellows run loose and clean up this town the same as the Hun has done to a good many in Belgium and France. But still I must let it drop, and feel proud that I have done my little bit to smash the kaiser's dream of world power.

Now I am pleased to let you know the wife and girls are all quite well. The eldest two have left school and have started work, and every letter from home lately is asking me to hurry home, and let us all go back to Belleville. The girls are not satisfied with England at all and I might mention that I intend to come back to Belleville as soon after I am discharged as possible. I have not the least doubt I shall get on all right; but of course there does not seem much chance of me getting my discharge for a couple of months yet.

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Will you please give my kind regards to Doctor and Mrs. Duprau and all kind friends of Hollaway Street. I think I must close now, hoping to have a few lines from you, I remain,

Yours sincerely,  
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**PICOTON**

Mr. E. C. Garbutt was in Belleville on Wednesday.

Mr. Gordon Nichol made a trip to Toronto this week.

Mr. W. H. Benson is in Ottawa on a business trip this week.

Mr. Alex. Moore, of Plainfield, was in town for a few days this week.

Pte. Jas. Tully returned home last week after four years overseas.

T. C. DeMille is spending a few days with his sisters at Solmesville.

Mrs. J. P. Blakely, Ferguson St., is seriously ill, suffering from a paralytic stroke.

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**TRENTON**

Mrs. Gordon Matthews, Wellington, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Matthews, returned home today.

Mrs. Gerald Murdock was the hostess of a delightful bridge party this afternoon, of four tables, at her home on Marmora street, and at the tea hour a number of friends arrived who do not play bridge.

Mrs. Onderdonk and Mrs. Temple presided at the tea table, which was most effectively decorated with spring flowers.

Mrs. Farmcomb was the lucky winner of the prize for the highest score.

Mrs. Ross Ostrom and two little sons, of Toronto, are expected in town tomorrow for a short visit with Mrs. Ostrom's mother, Mrs. Pattee.

Mrs. Owen Fortune is in Gilmour this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. White and Mrs. Glen White were in Belleville yesterday.

Mr. Geo. Collins, of the C.N.R., has recently been appointed special representative of the first vice-president of the Canadian National Railway.

We are glad to hear that Mrs. Robt. Weddell, sr., has quite recovered from her recent illness.

**Obituary**

MRS. GEORGE O'BRIEN

On Saturday at noon, Minnie Redmond, wife of Capt. George O'Brien, expired very suddenly at her home on Bridge street. Mrs. O'Brien was the last surviving member of the family of the late Joseph Redmond, one of the pioneer merchants of Picton. Her brother, Joe, died in Winnipeg about a year ago. Mrs. O'Brien held a prominent place in society and church circles and her passing is regretted by a wide circle of friends.—Picton Times.

MRS. JOHN BANNON

The death took place here on Thursday of last week of Mrs. John Bannan, of Donald, after a month's illness. The deceased, whose maiden name was Maggie Seaney, leaves a husband and three small children to mourn her loss. The funeral took place on Saturday afternoon from the residence of her mother, Mrs. John Seaney, Concession street, to Maple Grove cemetery. Services were conducted at the house at 2 o'clock. Messrs. Ernest, William and Fred Seaney of town, James of Belleville, and George of the Canadian Expeditionary Force, are brothers of the deceased. Heartfelt sympathy is extended by a host of friends.—Havelock Standard.

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**Ex-Kaiser's / Ide Shown the Door**

A Dutch Hotelkeeper Refused to Receive General Von Estorff

Amsterdam, Jan. 24.—Gen. von Estorff, adjutant to the former kaiser, can now describe to his one-time imperial master the real esteem in which Germans are held by some Dutch hotelkeepers. For von Estorff has suffered the ignominy of being turned away at the hostelry here at which he had reserved rooms by telephone from Amerongen. When he arrived and went to the hotel the proprietor asked: "Are you German?" Receiving an affirmative reply, the hotel man said, "I'm sorry, sir, but we don't accept Germans at this hotel." The ex-kaiser's adjutant angrily withdrew.

I believe he is visiting Amsterdam to buy birthday gifts for the former war lord. Many other hotels here refused to accept Germans as guests or to employ German waiters.

**Women Thieves**

Women motor car thieves and women burglars have been a source of considerable trouble to the police. Many thousands of women learned to drive motor cars during the war, and among them were wives and sweethearts of professional thieves, who saw an opportunity of increasing their facilities for carrying out daring robberies. Motor cars stolen while left unattended in the street have been used extensively to carry large quantities of cloth, costumes, furs, cigars and cigarettes taken from warehouses and private homes. It is now known that in some instances the motor cars have been stolen by women drivers. In one case three hairpins were found in a roadway in the West End on the spot whence a car had been stolen, and the evidence showed that a woman had been seen to turn the starting handle. In doing this the hairpins had dropped from her hair.—London Chronicle.

**More Rain This Winter**

If It Had Been Colder There Would Have Been Plenty of Snow

Toronto, Jan. 25.—"This winter is not anywhere near creating a precedent for mildness," states the Weather Man.

"The mean temperature for this month is 27 degrees. The mean temperature for January, 1918, was 13.2. Last January's maximum temperature was 33 degrees and its minimum 8 below zero, as compared with 47 degrees and 5 above, respectively, for this month."

The mildest winter recorded was in 1830, when the mean temperature for January was 33 degrees, but other mild Januaries, with their mean temperatures, were as follows: 1916, 30 degrees; 1913, 31 degrees; 1906, 31 degrees; 1890, 30 degrees; 1880, 33 degrees; 1853, 30 degrees.

"The average January snowfall is 16.3 inches and the average rainfall for the month, 1.72 inches. The average snowfall for December is 3.3 inches. Last January there was only

a trace of rain in the entire month but this year the rainfall has, to date, been 1.99 inches, and the snowfall has been 1.86 inches, a total precipitation of 3.85 inches. If the winter's rain had been snow, Toronto would have 23.75 inches, or practically two feet."

**Belleville Men From Empress**

LINER BROUGHT MANY DISTRICT MEN FROM OVERSEAS

Kingston, Jan. 25.—The first three trains of returned men who arrived from Halifax on the Empress of Britain, have left for the West, where the men are consigned. There are seven trains altogether, the sixth carrying men for the Kingston district.

Lieut. Robert Leslie Meek, son of Mrs. R. Meek, University avenue, arrived at Halifax on the Empress of Britain and is in charge of the party of total men. Lt. F. L. Brinkman, also of this city, was the other Kingston officer to return. Lieut. A. B. Rogers and Lieut. C. W. Richardson, of Gananoque, and Lieut. W. O. Towers and Lieut. B. A. McCudden, of Belleville, were other district officers to return.

Ten Kingston soldiers are in the party returning. Most of them are men who went overseas two and three years ago, and are sure of a hearty welcome home. The Kingston men to return are E. Wilson, L. M. Burns, W. W. Baird, G. Willis, A. Leaden, T. Corrigan, J. A. Harrison, W. J. Harvey, A. Smith, H. A. Campbell.

Other men for the district are: P. Woodcock, Tweed; A. C. W. Thompson, T. G. Jennett, J. Jowett, D. E. Patterson, H. Palmer, R. O. Stewart, S. E. Rowsell, J. R. Spooner, Belleville; C. A. Beaubien, Deseronto; R. Bertram, Verona; A. Courtlandt, A. H. Girard, J. T. Tyr, T. Scarbee, Cornwall; W. S. Cole, J. Halldé, P. McGuire, O. Philip, Brockville; K. J. Cunningham, Brighton; W. H. Campbell, A. A. McGrory, J. J. Markey, Prescott; N. E. Donaldson, Trenton; J. Frasier, W. E. Walsh, Napanee; J. Jeroy, J. W. Pelow, Gananoque; W. Hamer, Shannonville; J. Huff, Cloyne; W. E. Wicks, Tamworth; A. A. Johnston, H. Massop, Smith's Falls; A. P. McCabe, Merrierville.

**Scotch Tea Held at John St. Church**

A Delightful Afternoon Given by Ladies in Lecture Room of Presbyterian Church When Tea Was Served—Dainty Arrangements and Sociability Marked the Pleasant Event.

Yesterday afternoon a Scotch tea in honor of Burn's anniversary was held in John St. Presbyterian church. A delightful social time was spent. Tea was served from four to six at small daintily arranged, white clothed tables with vases of purple heather, while from the large table, that was graciously arranged with heather and purple ribbon, ladies were busily engaged pouring tea. A bevy of ladies took excellent care of the throngs that came and went constantly.

During the afternoon, Mrs. Allan Singer, who is soprano soloist of the church, graciously consented to render a pleasing song that was very much appreciated.

A large table, loaded down with beautiful, home-made cooking—cakes, cookies and some delicious Scotch delicacies—tempted the visitors until not a crumb remained before the hour of departure arrived. To Miss Davis and her able assistant of the Church Help Society, credit is due as any event with arrangements in their hands is invariably successful and appreciation of their generosity and attention was evident in the large attendance.

**The Son Conveys Father's Greetings**

An Interesting Occasion

Mr. W. P. S. Johnson, treasurer and one of the directors of the Federal Milling Company, Lockport, N. Y., eldest son of Mr. J. W. Johnson, M.P.P., is on a brief visit to his father. On Thursday afternoon he addressed the students of Ontario Business College, 189 of whom were present from all parts of Canada, the West Indies and South America.

Mr. L. L. Moore, the assistant principal, introduced the visitor as "our Mr. Johnson's son," who graduated at O.E.C. 25 years ago. Although Principal Johnson is, through illness, unable at present to be with them in person, he is present each day in the text books in use by the students. Into these books he has

**Played Tunes on Wire**

Boys in Custody Amused Themselves in This Manner.

Boys will be boys. The two runaway lads from Welland who spent a week in the police station secured a piece of copper wire which was in the "lock-up," and stringing it along the wire cage invented a musical instrument at present unknown to music lovers. The boys tightened the wire with a small stick of wood, and for hours the youngsters amused themselves in playing some of the popular airs of the day.

Mr. Arthur Vermilyea has so far recovered from his recent attack of pneumonia as to be able to be out again. He was calling on friends in Belleville yesterday.



**\$5.00 for \$4.00**

And every dollar worth more!

**Government Security in Small Denominations**

If War-Savings Stamps were offered in denominations of \$40 and \$80 only, redeemable in 1924 at \$50 and \$100 respectively, only a limited number of people could profit by the high interest return.

But nearly everyone in Canada can and should invest \$4.00 periodically in these Government securities earning over 4½ per cent. compound interest. W.S.S. are sold at Money-Order Post Offices, Banks, and wherever the sign is displayed.

**THRIFT STAMPS**

Patriotic storekeepers will sell you Thrift Stamps, at 25 cents each. Affix sixteen of them to a Thrift Card and you can exchange for a W-S.S. this month.



**THE ATLANTIC FLIGHT**

Written for The Ontario by Chas. M. Bice, Lawyer, Denver, Colorado.

Will aviators fly across the Atlantic in 1919? Mr. Bice discusses the problem in the following article, written exclusively for The Ontario. He also discusses the amazing progress made in the field of aeronautics.

It is less than twenty years since the Atlantic was "bridged" by wireless. It was a momentous occasion when Marconi was able to announce that he had transmitted messages from the Cornish coast to this side of the Atlantic without the use of wires. Today a great deal of the world news is transmitted from European and Asiatic cities to American stations by the wireless systems. The elements have been chained. Static electricity, the bugbear of the wireless, has been brought under control, and seldom are other waves interrupted.

The next feat to be recorded is the bridging of the Atlantic by airplane, and this is almost certain in 1919. If the nation that gave to science the heavier-than-air machine does not exert itself much more than it has been doing it will lose the honor. Three nations are in the lists—Italy, France and Britain. Private and governmental enterprise are working hand-in-hand to gain the distinction.

With America, as usual, it is an individual affair, and so we are at some disadvantage. The federal authorities are experimenting in a leisurely way regarding mail flights with indifferent success. In other countries not only the government but private purses are at the disposal of the science.

Experts are divided regarding the kind of machine that will make the flight across the great pond. One school from the battle zones is in favor of the combat machine type, light and fast, making from 175 to 200 miles an hour. It is contended by aviators, who have seen service in the war, that the crossing can be made in a day. The commercial division of aeronautics maintains that the successful flight is to be made

by a giant machine, not so fast but able to stay in the air many hours, carry relays of pilots and mechanics.

Remarkable progress has been made in both types, due to the necessities of war. Miracles were performed under the stress of war. Thousands of men were willing to take any chance and make all sacrifice to overcome the enemy. Feats were performed hourly that were not dreamed of in peace times. A severe strain was placed upon man and machine and out of it all came a notable achievement for civilization.

The other day the American navy exhibited a sea-plane in air with fifty people and several tons of cargo in its great spread.

About the same time a flight was recorded by an American soldier-aviator for several hours which if maintained for ten hours would have meant a mileage record equal to the Atlantic flight from land tip to land tip.

In England and on the continent government authorities are at work on mail and commercial routes that a few years ago would have read like a new Arabian Nights' tale, to be prepared to take advantage of the rules of the air which will be contained in one of the most important of the treaties to be signed at Versailles.

Great Britain and France, we are told, have inaugurated a regular aerial passenger service between London and Paris in connection with the peace conference. A number of airplanes have been fitted up for this service. They have a comfortable cabin for two passengers, including cushion seats and a table enclosed with glass.

They expect to make the trip in two hours. This is the first beginning of air-plane service, and much will depend upon its success. If proven feasible there is no reason why it cannot be used for long distances, and the Atlantic trip is among the possibilities. The tremendous human energies developed by the war are some compensation for the terrible sacrifices it has occasioned.

that through the practice of it they will reach the highest business standard and exercise a powerful influence upon their associates.

His father had been for 40 years the principal of Ontario Business College and Mr. Moore the assistant principal for 15 years. His father rejoiced that such a worthy, well equipped and able man was his successor. His confidence and admiration for Mr. Moore increased as the years went by.

Mr. Johnson had come to them at his father's request; to bear his personal greetings and the pleasure it afforded him to do so would never be forgotten.

**Mission Band Held Delightful Concert**

The mission band of St. Andrew's Church held a most enjoyable entertainment on Thursday night in the lecture room of the church. Mr. Ronald Fielhouse was chairman. Mr. John Beaumont was presented with a life membership, he being one of the oldest members of the bands. Addresses of a felicitous nature were delivered by Rev. A. S. Kerr, Mrs. Morrice and Mr. Wm. McIntosh.

The following program was rendered in addition:

Plano duet—Grace Horie and Elsie Kerr.

Dialogue—Why we work for Missions

Solo—Miss Sevilla Jonhstons

Recitation—John Beaumont

Piano solo—Blanche Fletcher

Dialogue—The New Bible

Duet—Elizabeth Cooper and Mary McIntosh

Recitation—Hazel Beaumont

Solo—Miss Lobb

Piano solo—Dorothy Horie

Reading—Amy Beaumont

Recitation—Eva Vrooman

Piano Solo—Hazel Beaumont

Recitation—Jean Galloway

Recitation—Blanche Fletcher

Reading—Christie Turney

**HOCKEY NOTES**

An exciting game of hockey was played at the arena yesterday afternoon between Q.M.S. team and Albert College. Owing to the inexperience of the players of Albert, the score was 7-0 in favor of Q.M.S.

St. Michael's school team challenged Q.M.S. to play at the arena on Monday afternoon. Let all the children attend and cheer their favorites to victory.

**Grateful Sailors Acknowledge Gifts**

Mrs. W. J. Brown, Octavia St., has received the following grateful letter of acknowledgment from E. R. Draper, C.V.P.O., of H.M.S. "Stadacona." Mrs. Brown is a member of the C.W.C.A. of this city, an organization that has done and is still doing notable work for the boys on active service.

H.M.S. Stadacona

Halifax, N.S., Jan. 22, '19.

Dear Mrs. Brown,—

I wish to thank you very much for the Christmas parcel with socks which arrived today. We have just come in from sea and everybody was more than delighted with the unexpected gifts which came aboard today. With every good wish and sincere thanks, I am

Yours truly,  
E. R. Draper, C.V.P.O.





SEVERAL HUNDRED GAME FORWARD LAST NIGHT

"The Best Yet", Service Most Successful—Excellent Address and Musical Service.

Last night was students' night at Bridge St. Church, Albert College attended in a body; the B.F.S. came in large numbers and small children were also welcome to join in the service.

SAMSON

Text—"And she said, the Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And he awoke out of his sleep and said, I will go out as at other times before, and shake myself. And he wist not that the Lord was departed from him. But the Philistines took him out and put out his eyes, and brought him down to Gaza, and bound him with fetters of brass; and he did grind in the prison house."

been betrayed, but he scorned to complain. Having bitterly remarked: "If you have not plowed with my halter, ye had not found out my riddle," he proceeded to find the means of paying the forfeit at the expense of the Philistines.

Modern Drama of Naturalism. Prof. McNeil Points Out Faults of Representative Plays. It may be that dramatic art and literature will never meet on the stage again, or some day an artist may arise to give dramatic and literary expression to all the myriad voices of nature, declared Prof. W. E. McNeil, of Queen's University, speaking at the Women's Canadian Club at the Belleville High School last evening.

OTHER EDITORS' OPINIONS. The death of Karl Liebknecht, leader of the Spartacists, while trying to escape the fury of a Berlin mob, probably ends the terror for the German capital. Liebknecht had been leading his band of extremists to ruthless killing as he endeavored to replace the Ebert government with a Bolshevik administration.

SPECIAL JANUARY BARGAINS. We are showing some Special Shoe Bargains in the following lines: Women's Patent Button Queen Quality.—Reg. \$4 to \$6 for \$2.98.

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MOBILIZE THE HENS. F. S. Elford, superintendent of the poultry division of the Experimental Farm at Ottawa, argues that if Canada were to mobilize her hens and press them into service she could make them provide all the wealth necessary to pay off the national debt.

A RACE TO THE POLE. The British are to give Capt. Bartlett a race on his aerial expedition to the north pole, the job to be given to Capt. Wedd of the Shackleton south pole party.

EASY ROUTES UP THE PARNASUS SLOPES. There is no royal road to the heights of Parnassus. Those who would ascend must follow a narrow, stony trail beside which lie here and there the whitened bones of many artists, players and writers who, lacking the stamina necessary for the climb, have perished by the way.

IN HIS MAJESTY'S SURROGATE COURT OF THE COUNTY OF HASTINGS. In the matter of the Estate of Peter Daley Aikins, late of the Township of Sidney in the County of Hastings, Farmer Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all persons having any claims or demands against the late Peter Daley Aikins, who died on or about the Twenty-second day of November, A. D. 1918 at the City of Belleville in the province of Ontario, and who at the time of his death had a fixed place of abode at the Township of Sidney in the said County of Hastings, are required to send by post prepaid or deliver to the undersigned, Solicitor, herein for Frank Percy Aikins, Charles Murray Aikins and Fred Daley Aikins, the executors under the will of the said Peter Daley Aikins, their names and addresses and full particulars in writing of their claims and statements of their accounts and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

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—Dr. J. J. Robertson, Physician and Surgeon. Office of late Dr. Vather, 217 Pinnacle St. Phone 211.

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—Belleville Assay Office — Ores and Minerals of all kinds tested and assayed. Samples sent by mail or express will receive prompt attention. All results guaranteed. Bleecker and Victoria Avenue, East Belleville. Phone 398.

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—Porter, Butler & Payne, Barristers, Solicitors, Notaries, Etc., Solicitors for Union Bank. E. G. Porter, K.C., M.P., E. J. Butler, Chas. A. Payne. Money to Loan on Mortgages, and Investments made. Office: 219 Front St., Belleville, Ont.

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The BLUE PENNANT

And a Little Wisp of Stained and Tattered Silk.

By PHILIP KEAN

Helen Marshall was always dressed with a demureness that made an effective foil for the bronze brightness of her hair, the warm ivory of her skin, the red of her lips. Today she wore blue—a trim tailored gown of deep colored cloth, a little cocky felt hat and a great bunch of violets that outshone all the other blues except that of the pennant which she carried at the end of a slender cane. "You beauty" Holden said under his breath as he took his seat beside her on the grand stand. She turned quickly. "Oh, Irwin," her face was brilliant with color, it's worth everything to see you again! Aunt Sue," she said to the lady beside her, "this is Irwin Holden, the famous halfback of two years ago." "The king is dead! Long live the king!" Irwin quoted solemnly. "There have been so many famous halfbacks, Helen, that it isn't any wonder that Mrs. McDonald doesn't remember me." "But I do remember," Mrs. McDonald assured him. "Helen has talked of you so much—and," she hesitated, "of your accident." "I haven't been able to walk well on two feet since," Holden said grimly, "and this is the first game I have dared let myself see. I makes me wild." "To think that you can't play!" Helen's tone was sympathetic. "To know that I can't ever do things that make a man worth while! bitterly. "But you have done so many things that are worth while, and they tell me that you are writing a book." "Oh, a book!" His tone was scornful. "You might have let me know what you were doing," she complained. "I think our old friendship deserved that." He glanced down at her. "Ah, our friendship," he said. "I had two good feet when we cemented that, Helen. I wasn't a dummy on crutches." "Irwin," she flashed out reproachfully, "as if that made any difference." "But it does make a difference," he said as he bent over her. "You know you worship strength in a man, don't you?" "Yes," she agreed quietly, "but not always mere physical strength." "The one isn't much without the other. Look at those fellows now." Down the field came the teams. The bands of the opposing sides crashed out the good old tunes, college yell succeeded college yell, and the banks of spectators stretching up and up on the seats in solid masses of blue and crimson were agitated to uproariousness. "Isn't it fine? Isn't it fine?" Helen said breathlessly, having cheered the blue team to the echo. "They are bound to win," he said. "They are made of the right stuff." "I know only one of them person ally," Helen told him—"Van Dorn." "He's the strongest man in the lot. He's an ideal halfback." "He's an ideal in more ways than one," she agreed. He flashed a quick glance at her. "I have heard you thought so." "Who told you?" "Some of the fellows." She turned her back on him squarely. "I didn't suppose you talked me over with the fellows," she said over her shoulder. "I don't," uncomfortably, "but one couldn't help hearing that Van Dorn is awfully daffy over you." "So were you—two years ago." She said it derisively, riving him a glimpse of flaming cheeks and indignant eyes and then once more he was forced to contemplate the knot of bronze hair under the cocky hat. His face went white, but he said quietly, "We are missing the best of the game," and turned his attention to the field. All about them people were absorbed by the play. Aunt Sue, unlearned and unlettered in football lore, was obvious to everything else. These two alone thought of other things. It was Van Dorn's touchdown that the place went wild. "Oh, he's great, great, great!" Helen enthused as she waved her pennant frantically. "I haven't seen anything like it since the last game you played. Oh, do you remember the little blue pennant that I made you pin to your sweater for luck—

"How does any man ask?" blushing. "But other men are not cripples." "Oh, what difference does it make?" she flung out. "Haven't you the same mind and heart and soul as before?" The light that illumined his face transfigured it. "Marry me," he cried, "and mind and heart and soul shall go to the making of your happiness." Van Dorn came back presently, making triumphant progress with Aunt Sue in tow. On his arm was the blue pennant for all the world to gaze, but Holden's eyes rested on it serenely, for above his head, hidden from the profane glances of the multitude, was the little stained wisp of sapphire silk, the token of his dear lady's favor.

A Canine Tragedy

Trouble Came in Bunches With the Purchase of a Watchdog. ONE NIGHT OF WILD RUCTION

It Taught the Battered Master of the Wrecked Home That Under Some Circumstances a Burglar May Be Better Company Than a Mastiff.

"If a man is afraid of burglars," said Quackenbush, "he can't have a better safeguard than a good watchdog." "But where is he going to get the good watchdog?" inquired Clitkenbeard. "Such animals don't grow on trees, and they are not advertised by departmental stores." "Of course, if you go around telling that you are in the market for a watchdog, every man who has a chicken killing pup he wants to get rid of will tell you that his critter is just what you are hunting for. But you'll try out a million dogs before you find one that will get right down to brass headed nails and do police duty." "Two or three years ago there was a burglar scare out in our suburb. Several houses had been entered and some false hair and things carried away. So my wife got so nervous she couldn't sleep at night. She was sure some masked bandit would break in and steal the 'What Is Home Without a Mother's Chromo' from over the mantel, and just to give her a sense of security I bought a big mastiff and took him home and chained him to a tree in front of the house.

Trenton, Jan. 24.—The High School Cadet Corps Ball which is being held this evening will be well attended, judging by the number of townspeople as well as out-of-town guests, the latter coming from Toronto, Cobourg, Belleville, Brighton and Picton. The following officers have charge of the dance: E. A. Blakely, A. G. Whittier, and W. C. Saylor. The lady patronesses are Mrs. Robt. Whyte, Mrs. Pattee, Mrs. F. J. Farley, Mrs. J. Fitzpatrick, Mrs. H. F. Whittier, Mrs. C. W. Saylor and Mrs. A. Shurie.

Mr. Darren Coud and Master "Larry" Coud left yesterday to visit Mrs. I. B. Mowat in Kingston. Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Barclay and Miss Green left for Toronto today. Mr. Owen Fortune is in Gilmore this week. Mr. C. N. Barclay had rather an exciting time with a burglar last night. It seems that about one o'clock Mr. Barclay's sister-in-law, Miss Green, awoke and hearing a noise downstairs, went and woke Mr. Barclay who immediately went down and investigated. In the living room Mr. Barclay found a man, grappled with him and succeeded in holding him down until the police arrived and took him off to the lock-up, where he gave his name as Lynch. At the annual meeting of the Local Council of Women held on Tuesday evening last, splendid reports were read from each of the affiliated societies, and Nursing Sister Smith's report, which showed a grand total of 1,069 visits during the seven months of her work here. Mrs. Fortune, treasurer of the Local Council reported handling money to the amount of \$1,374.80. Mrs. Temple, treasurer of the Red Cross Committee of Local Council, read a report of money amounting to \$1,374.32; making a total of \$2,753.12 raised this year. The following officers were elected for the coming year: Mrs. Farncomb, President; Mrs. C. J. Temple, Vice-Pres.; Mrs. Parley, 2nd Vice-Pres.; Miss Driscoll, Treas.; Miss Alford, Cor. Sec.; Mrs. T. F. Rixon, Rec. Sec.; Miss A. Evans, Con. Sec.; Mrs. A. Evans, Con. Sec.; Mrs. Graham, Con. Sec.; Mrs. Farncomb, Con. Sec.; Mrs. Farncomb, Con. Sec.; Mrs. Farncomb, Con. Sec.

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gas fixture and took a hand and clawed most of my scalp off, and my wife came to the rescue with the poker. She said afterward that she was trying to hit the dog. I reckon I'd have been on ice next day if the neighbors hadn't come in with shot-guns and pruning hooks and such things and pried us apart. "That experience was enough for me. I'd rather have forty burglars on the premises than one watchdog."—Walt Mason in Chicago News.

TRENTON

There is a well sustained plot by a master-craftman, C. Gardner Sullivan, involving a labor mix-up in coal mining district and a Hun scheme to foment trouble. The vamp wins her husband and also exerts her talents in this gentle art to win the secrets of the vile schemer employed by the Germans. Eld Bennett has a wonderful role. It is said, to which she does full justice. She is splendidly supported. The added attraction will be Charles Chaplin in "His Million Dollar Job" and the Screen Telegram.

Decorate Her in After 48 Years

Romantic Recognition of Brave Woman's Act in War of 1870

Paris, Jan. 25.—The Official Journal publishes a nomination to the Knighthood of the Legion of Honor which was won forty-eight years ago. The nomination says: "Mrs. Gustave Erhardt, of exceptional services in the siege of Strasbourg. She conducted at the peril of her life on September 17th, 1870, through the German lines, Prefect Baslin from Bischwiller to Schiltigheim, whence he was able to reach Strasbourg, which was invested."

CURLING

In Central Ontario Curling League matches here last night, Belleville seniors defeated Kingston by 53 to 28. The local juniors were defeated by 35 to 27.

Table with Curling results for Seniors and Juniors, listing teams and scores.

PALACE

If you wish to laugh, be entertained royally, and incidentally learn something of the methods familiarly ascribed to those members of the feminine sex who deliberately set out to fascinate the opposite sex, you should not fail to see "The Vamp"; Enid Bennett's new photoplay which will be shown at the Palace Theatre tonight, Tuesday and Wednesday. It is a Grimm feature and was produced by Thomas H. Ince.

BANCROFT

Miss Vera McCaw and Miss Edna French are visiting the former's sister, Mrs. F. Smith, of Madoc, this week. Before returning they intend seeing the sights in Toronto. Farmers are taking advantage of the good roads and fair prices for farm produce and are bringing in large quantities of grain, beef and pork. May's Moving Picture Show will continue all this week and next week up to Feb. 1st. Mr. Roy Sarles, former principal of the public school here, is expected to arrive in Frankford this week from overseas. His many friends here will be pleased to know he has returned safely. Mr. W. Carawell, of Maynooth, was in town on Tuesday and reports business thriving in the northern hamlet. There are several lumber camps in operation still further north and those no doubt have a tendency to make business good. After a short illness from that dreaded disease, the "flu", Miss Sarah Jane Fulton, of Egan Creek aged sixteen years, died suddenly on Saturday last. The young girl had been working in Trenton and returned home for medical attention with the result that she died a couple of days later.—Times.

"The Molding of Character"

Address of Evangelist Honeywell at Sunday Morning Service.

On Sunday morning at Bridge St. Methodist church, Evangelist Honeywell delivered an address which was of very great interest. His subject was "The Molding of Human Character."

"God has a distinct design for the life of every man," said the speaker in his sermon. He intends for every life to be replete with goodness, grandeur and beauty. He intends for the design of human life to produce a character that is useful, beautiful and clean. For this reason He has an intense interest in human affairs.

How Potter Works.

The potter places a piece of clay onto his wheel and with his hands begins the formation of some pottery. He wants to make it the best piece possible. If the potter has clay that refuses to make a first class vessel, he tries to make it a second class and then a third class and does not throw it away until he finds the clay is unresponsive to his touch.

"You have it in your power to prevent God carrying out his design for your life, because he created man with that power. He wants everybody to be a first class vessel, but if you are obstinate and will not let Him he cannot make you first class. You can make the invitations of the evangelist and the promptings of the Holy Spirit in these meetings and ten years later perhaps accept Christ and finally be saved. But for all eternity you will be an inferior vessel.

Case of Paul.

"We can see in the case of the Apostle Paul an example of a vessel in the hands of the potter. He was prepared to be the carrier of the messages of salvation to the Gentile by being raised and educated in a Greek city. He was prepared to carry it to the Jews by being Jewish born. His education made him one of the foremost thinkers of his day and of all ages. When God wants to convey a message to the world he always chooses a human vessel. When he wanted to teach justification by faith rather than by good works he sent Martin Luther. The testimony of the Holy Spirit as to a man's conversion and acceptance by God was emphasized by John and Charles Wesley after their conversion in the little Moravian church in London.

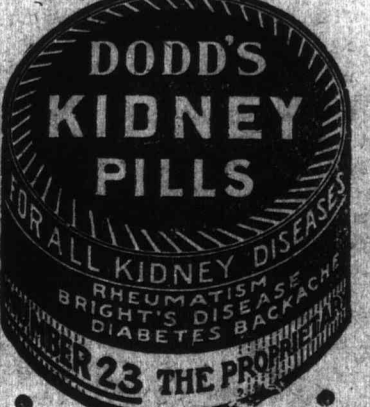
"God has some message, some truth, some design he wants to put into your life to convey to Belleville, to the church, to the world. God's Desire. "God wants to make beautiful vessels of us. He never made a strictly utilitarian thing. He always crosses the line of utility into the realm of beauty. He tries in his workings to take out of you the malformations and make of your design of character a beautiful thing. A Christian's character must be beautiful as well as good and honest. Religion is to be made an ornament of grace in the lives of men and God uses sorrows, hardships, cares and disappointments to beautify people's characters. "In the church today we have the golden vessels, the men with plenty of money and with ten talents. We have also the silver vessels the persons not so rich, not so talented, but still useful. Then there is the large mass of clay vessels, but in the eye of God it makes no difference of what material the vessels is made so long as it has been consecrated to His service and is clean. If a vessel of any kind is clean He can use it to His glory. The great question is 'Am I a clean vessel?' The great question is 'Is your heart given to God?'

An Oil That Is Famous.—Though Canada was not the birthplace of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, it is the home of that famous compound. From here its good name was spread to Central and South America, the West Indies, Australia and New Zealand. That is far as I am able to attest its excellence, for in all these countries it is on sale and in demand.

A Frenchman learning English said once to his tutor: "English is a queer language. What does this sentence mean? 'Should Mr. Noble, who sits for the constituency, consent to stand again and be run, he, in all probability, will have a walk-over.'"

Some men have no objection—in fact they are quite delighted to permit their wives to be the bright and morning stars of their homes; but they do object to having them think they're the whole solar system.

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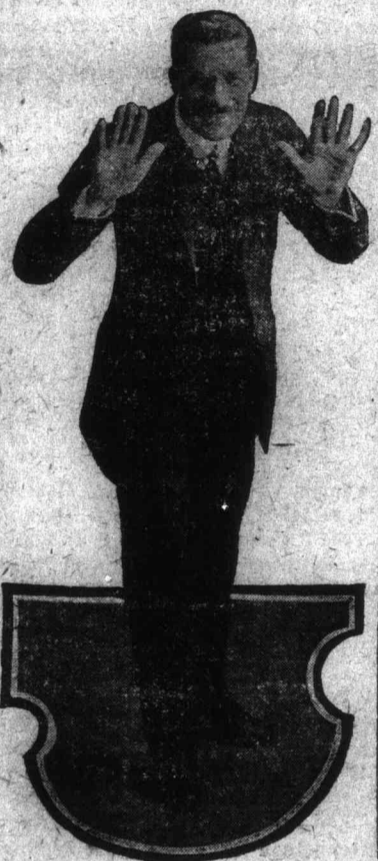


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He is in absolute control of his
voice and makes it ring in beauti-
fully rounded-out tones that lose
nothing from his perfect enunciation.
Every word, every syllable is
distinctly heard, and in this most
unusual quality he isn't forced to
resort to the obnoxious declamatory
style of half speaking the words.

Organized Chorus and Choirs
Prof. Tovey succeeded in organizing
a good chorus choir who have
faithfully rendered service every
night of the campaign. Many pledged
themselves to personal work and
thereby doubly served.

What a vision this earnest
evangelist-singer must have. He
left all the coveted and dear things
of life to help in saving a sinful
world from the yawning abyss to-
ward which many are stumbling
head-long. If he desired to com-
mercialize his glorious voice he
could have little difficulty now to
gain much of this world's goods as
well as an enviable position as a
musician. He is also an ordained
minister, and could station himself
in a permanent charge where his
beloved wife and dear wee babe
could join him in happy home life.
His vision is certainly great, his
sacrifices in accordance, and in
Belleville he has won a warm place
in the hearts of all who have come
under his kind leadership. Tactful
and full of vim, his spiritual in-
fluence is boundless. May success
and joy in service well rendered
crown his efforts in the worthy
ambition that is his!

Obituary

MRS. W. N. PONTON

Mrs. (Lieut.-Col.) W. N. Ponton,
whose sudden demise was briefly re-
corded in yesterday's Ontario, was
born at Brookboro, County Fern-
managh, Ireland; her maiden name
being May Elizabeth Sankey.
In addition to her sorrowing hus-
band, she is survived by three sons
and two daughters.—Capt. Harry
Hutton Ponton, with the Canadian
Artillery, Lieut. Gerald M. Ponton,
Canadian Engineers, Major Richard
Douglas, formerly with the famous
fighting Second Battalion, but now
of this city, Mrs. (Rev. Dr.) R. C.
Biagrace, Toronto and Miss Anna at
home. She is also survived by four
brothers and two sisters in the West
and by many relatives in Ireland and
England. Her death was the first
break in her immediate family.
Mrs. Ponton's manifold interests
identified her with the work of the
Red Cross and Patriotic Associations,
the Daughters of the Empire and St.
Andrew's and Christ Churches in this
city, in all of which she was an
indefatigable worker.
She will be remembered especially
in connection with the old Fifteenth
battalion in which for eight years, as
wife of the C. O., she organized
Messrs. Wm. Alyea and Jno. Van-
and presided over the Soldiers'
Wives' league and social interests of
the regiment.
Though frequently incapacitated by
work and heroically enduring

great pain the past three years, she
as the daughter, wife and mother of
a long line of soldiers, worked to the
last and only on the day before her
death completed some handker-
chiefs for some maimed men whose
plight had been brought to her
attention.
Mrs. Ponton had a great motherly
heart and a rare genius for friend-
ship. Her genial Irish humor and
natural vivacity of spirit made her
the most agreeable and lovable of
companions. Her universal sym-
pathy and kindness of disposition
gave her a deep interest in the
community and made her patron of
all good works. Her death will be
deeply lamented by all her widely
wide circle of acquaintanceship but
particularly by those whom her
life has closely touched and bened-
icted.
WESTERN AMELIASBURG
On Wednesday last the Red Cross
met at Mrs. Wm. Alyea's and did a
nice lot of sewing. Next meeting
will be at Mrs. Jno. Vandervoort's,
to quilt.
Mr. Henry Ayhart spent the
week-end at Wellington.
Mr. Smith Brown and son have
been sick with "flu" and pneumonia
with Mrs. Taylor of Brighton at-
tending.
Messrs. Wm. Alyea and Jno. Van-
dervoort spent Thursday evening of
Geo. Alyea's.
Mr. Wm. Alyea, Mr. Henry Rath-
bur and Earl attended church at
Carrying Place on Sunday.

Earl and Edna Rathbur spent
Saturday evening at Morris Alyea's.
Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Brown spent
Saturday evening at Wilson Stone-
burg's.
Mr. Wilson Stoneburg spent the
week-end at W. Loveless'.
Mr. Henry Ayhart left on Mon-
day to visit his uncle at Crofton.

HIG ISLAND

Miss Grace Moran has gone to
Tweed where she will teach for the
present term.
Mr. and Mrs. Nelson, Demoreest-
ville, spent Saturday evening with
Mr. and Mrs. W. Cole.
Mr. and Mrs. Morden, of Brighton,
visited their daughter, Mrs. S. Fox,
recently.
Mr. S. Cole spent a few days with
friends at Point Traverse last week.
Mrs. Chas. Peck spent Thursday
with her sister, Mrs. H. Barker,
Northport.
Capt. and Mrs. Palmateer, of
Cherry Valley, visited friends on the
Island last week.
Mrs. A. Dunning is visiting friends
on the north side.
Mrs. Wm. Peck is spending a few
days with friends at Brighton.

NAPANEE

Mr. H. W. Kelly was in Kingston
a couple of days this week.
Mrs. Robt. Brown is visiting
friends in Kingston.
Miss Eleanor West spent a few
days last week in Toronto.
Mrs. Costigan has gone to St.
Johns, N.B., to spend the balance of
the winter.
Mrs. R. W. Aylesworth, of Odessa,
spent the past week with friends in
Ottawa.
Miss Maria Hough, Greta, is vis-
iting her brother in St. Catharines.
Mr. and Mrs. O. Martin, Govan,
Sask., are guests of his mother, Mrs.
Sidney Martin, Palace Road.
Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Deroche re-
turned on Monday from their wed-
ding trip to New York and Washing-
ton.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Sharp, Hay Bay
have gone to Munton, Sask., to vis-
it their son, who with his family
are all sick with the "flu".
Mr. Ortor Robinson returned on
Wednesday from visiting Dr. and
Mrs. Harold Ward in New York.
Mr. J. Cuthill has returned from
New York, bringing home with him
a fine German greyhound.
Mr. Edward Philpen has purchas-
ed the residence he occupies from
the Waller Estate.
Mr. Robert Milling is here from
California visiting relatives.—Ex-
press.
Mr. R. A. Portt, of Shannonville,
spent the week-end at the home of
Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Gallagher.
Mr. Harry Pybus, of Toronto, is
spending a couple of weeks in town
with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J.
Pybus, Bridge street.
Spr. Arthur O'Hara, 10th Wind-
peg Battalion, arrived from overseas
last Tuesday, and is spending a lim-
ited time with his sister, Mrs. Acton
M. Robinson, Camden East.
Mrs. W. E. Gillespie is visiting
her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Dav-
is, en route to Minneapolis to join
her husband, who has been discharg-
ed from the U.S. Army, service Mrs.
Gillespie has been doing war work
in Washington for the past year.
Miss Anita E. Gallagher, of Dor-
land, was the guest of Mrs. Dayton
Milligan, Shannonville, a few days
last week.
Miss Bella Henry, who has been
seriously ill for the past two weeks,
is improving rapidly. Her many
friends will be pleased to learn of
her recovery.
Miss Lizzie Wilson, of Toronto,
spent Monday in town, the guest of
the Misses West, of Centre street.—
Beaver.
15,000 CORDS ARE READY
According to a letter sent to all
the municipalities of Ontario from
the Department of Forests and
Mines, the Government has now cut
and ready for shipment 15,000 cords
of wood in Algonquin Park. The
wood consists of beech and maple
and will be delivered for the cost on
the cars.
Remember the Salvation Army—
It gave the troops food.

Uncle Sam and
is Mother

Rev. A. M. Hubly Hears Address by
Ex-President Taft and Gives
His Impressions

Editor Ontario.—
Sitting in the King Edward Hotel,
one of six or eight hundred men,
listening to the Hon. William How-
ard Taft, ex-president of the United
States, addressing the Empire Club,
I was impressed by the humorous
way great men with great minds
can discuss great questions. Mr.
Taft's wit and humor as he ex-
patriated upon the benefit which
would come to the world by having
a league of nations an accomplished
fact, and the laughter he excited, and
the applause he called forth from
the large audience, by his happy re-
ferences to the relations existing
between Britain and America, and
Canada and the United States, re-
minded me of an incident over
twenty years ago which took place
on board of the "Old Catonia" on
her way to England, Canadians and
citizens of the United States were
celebrating the two natal days,
July 1st and 4th.

An original poem was read by one
of our number, which in the light of
present events, can be seen prophetic
as it is poetic. I herewith submit
the poem:

Uncle Sam and His Mother

Some hundred and twenty years ago,
When "Uncle Sam" was a boy you
know,
He and his mother got into a muss,
That resulted in serious family fuss.
His mother had tried to make him
pay
For her support in a liberal way;
And when he declared that it was
not right
She concluded to spank him with all
her might.
So she drew him across her spacious
knee
And applied her slipper so hard that
he
Saw such stars and felt such stripes
As gave him a serious spell of the
gripes.
But little Sam was a sturdy chap,
So he managed to slip from his moth-
er's lap.
And though black and blue from his
mother's shoe
He made up his mind just what he'd
do—
He would sever his mother's apron
string,
And show the old lady this one thing
That Independence was in his veins
And similar stuff was in his brains.
His stern old mother was very sad,
And as a matter of fact she was very
mad,
It almost broke her dear old heart
For her wayward son to act so
smart.
She mourned the day he gave her
the slip,
And showed that he'd grown too big
to whip;
But such seemed the case; and to
tell the rest of it
Would show she decided to make
the best of it.
So she gave him a great big farm
of his own,
(Because she couldn't keep it) and
let him alone;
Which was just what he wanted,
and betwixt you and me.
It turned out that it suited him just
to a T.
Well time moved on, and on, and on
And kept on moving just right along.
Then moved some more, and kept on
still.
And moving along, as time always
will.
Meantime Uncle Sam was doing his
best.
On his great big farm far off to the
West;
His fields were so fruitful, his crops
were so great
That 'twould take a smart man to
exaggerate the quantity, quality,
value and last
Of the produce he raised on that
farm in the West.
While his flocks and his herds, well
permit me to state,
Are entirely too numerous to enu-
merate;
And to this truthful statement let us
whisper another—
He's been shipping his surplus back
to his mother!

Of course she pays for it well, as
she should
But she doesn't object, for she owns
it tastes good;
And if pressed for an answer, I
think she'd admit
That it tastes all the better cause
Sammy raised it.
And its beginning to seem, if we
draw it quite mild,
That old mother is feeling quite
proud of her child.
And Sammy, well, Sammy is full
to the brim,
And as proud of his mammy, as she
is of him.
And I have a notion as big as the
ocean,
That the first thing you know, this
mutual devotion
Will lead Uncle Sam and his honor-
able mother
To right out in public embrace one
another.
For when in the course of events
ordeal Spain
Permitted some villain to bow up the
Maine,
And trouble grew out of it, everyone
knows
The attitude Mammy took towards
Sammy's foes.
And the very same slipper which
once felt so bad
Is the identical slipper that now
makes him glad
For mother won't use it on Sammy
again.
But, if occasion requires, she'll use
it on Spain.
And so it all happens that you and
that I
Are invited to celebrate Fourth of
July.
Aboard British vessel, amid British
crew
And the captain will furnish the fire-
works too!
And we have a flag raising the two
flags combined
"Union Jack" and "Old Glory" to-
gether entwined
O long may they wave in the breezes
together,
In sunshine and shadow, in fair
and foul weather
And whenever on land and on sea,
they're unfurled,
May they preach the good gospel of
peace to the world
And good will to men!

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Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:—
After the announcement of the
engagement of Her Royal Highness,
Princess Patricia of Connaught, the
wives of the Lieutenant Governors
of the various provinces of the
Dominion were asked to hold a silver
shower of five cents and upwards
in order that the people of Canada
might have the opportunity, should
they desire to contribute, of sending
a national gift to show their
appreciation and regard for one who
has become endeared to so many during
Her Royal Highness's stay in Canada,
and in remembrance of the
war work accomplished by the Duke
of Connaught and the great interest
which he evinced in our soldiers
from coast to coast, as well as the
famous Princess Patricia Light In-
fantry so dear to the heart of many
Canadian.

The collection will be purely
voluntary and the nature of the gift
will be decided upon as soon as it is
known what amount has been
collected. I am therefore asking the
people throughout the Province of
Ontario, through the press, to co-
operate with me in this voluntary
collection towards the wedding gift
for the Princess, either individually
or through any organized society or
association to which they may be-
long, and this letter will be the only
intimation either to individuals or
societies.
Sir Edmund Walker has kindly
consented to be the Hon. Treasurer
of the fund, and all monies should
be sent to him on or before February
20th, 1919, to the Canadian Bank of
Commerce, 23 King St. West, To-
ronto.
Lena M. Hendrie

Make Belleville a
Seat of Learning

Editor Ontario.—
Cities have, individually. They
progress as they develop that indi-
viduality.
Belleville wants to be better. The
best way to be better is to develop
in the right kind of knowledge, that
is the reason Canadians have won
laurels in France and Belgium. Then
why not make this city the seat of
instruction?
There are in prospect two colleges,
costing a million dollars each, and a
collegiate institute of satisfactory
proportions, and in existence five
ward schools as well as the Ontario
School for the Deaf, Commercial
College and Palatial homes of learn-
ing.
Each institution helps the other
and all are a direct and powerful in-
fluence on the character and prog-
ress of a city.
If we make Belleville better, then
it will grow bigger.
Help Albert College now, then
you may do your bit.
J. E. Walmesley.
Have your subscription ready for
the Salvation Army drive.

The Silent Irishman

Written for The Ontario by
Chas. M. Bice, Lawyer, Denver, Colorado.

In this very interesting arti-
cle Mr. Bice deals with a type
of Hibernian that most of us
thought to be non-existent—the
"silent Irishman." Every-
body should read what follows.

Is there on this habitable globe
a silent Irishman? Sir Horace Plun-
kett says there are thousands of
him.
He divides his fellow-countrymen
into three groups—"The extremists
of the north, who are fostered; the
extremists of the south, who are
coored; and the moderate men, ev-
erywhere, who are ignored."
The extremists we have heard un-
til we are weary and sick of them
and are ready to exclaim with Mer-
cutio, "A plague o' both your hous-
es." But the "moderate men"—
would to heaven they might have
a chance to speak!
Perhaps they may. It is their
voice and influence that Sir Horace
invokes. He himself is a moderate
man, and for long has been a silent
man, devoting himself to building
up the agricultural industry of his
country and doing a vastly greater
service for Ireland than all the Sinn
Feinners and Carsonites put together.
Now he feels constrained to break
his silence; not to join in the polit-
ical cacophony, but to warn earnest-
ly and with expert knowledge
against the economic perils that his
misguided compatriots are ignorantly
inviting.

If Ireland—and Sir Horace means
the South—isolate herself from
Great Britain, she may have to pay
a heavy price for her act. Nine-
tenths of her products find their
market in the United Kingdom, and
most of the raw materials required
in her industries come from that
source. The British Parliament will
determine the allocation of mater-
ials during the reconstruction pe-
riod. How can Ireland expect to get
her share if she flaunts the flag of
rebellion in Britain's face?
Sir Edward Carson has already
proposed a scheme of economic par-
tition whereby the north of Ireland
would get all the benefit from the
reconstruction plans of the British
Government, and the south only
"such crumbs as fall from the Ulster
placemat."

Honeywell "Uppercuts"

A good woman is the best thing
this side of heaven; a bad woman
is the worst thing this side of the
pit.
A town never sinks lower than its
worst woman or rises higher than
its best woman.
Women are decidedly more im-
modest than men.
It is high time the press and the
pulpit should hurl hot shots at the
present form of fashionable indecen-
cy.
If there is anything that is dis-
gusting to me it is the woman who
goes about the house all morning
with her hair down, kimono on and
shoes unbuttoned. I'd rather cross
the Atlantic in a canoe than be tied
to a wife like that.
These are two of the most solemn
deathbeds to me—when man dies
of delirium tremens and when woman
dies after sacrificing her life for fas-
hion.
There are three ways to spread
news—telegraph, telephone, and tell
a woman.
The most contemptible woman on
the face of the earth is the gossip.
It is better never to have had the
gift of speech than to tear down the
character and lives of the neighbors.
Far better be dumb than bring
sorrow or misery in the lives of oth-
ers.
In most homes today it is the card
table against the child, the carriage
against the cradle, social popularity
against domestic felicity.
The women of our land are going
to save or damn the men.
The girls of our land are not half
as choice in their company as men.
Give Belleville Christian mothers,
wives, daughters and sweethearts

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## County and District

Major Sharpe Faces Charge of "Absent Without Leave"

KINGSTON'S VITAL STATISTICS FOR 1918

Peterboro Officially Welcomes Soldiers Upon Arrival

Peterboro to Welcome Soldiers

At a mass meeting in the interests of the Red Shield drive Mayor Duncan announced that Pte. Preston and Nursing Sister Douglas, of Peterboro had left Halifax, according to word received in the city. They were bound for Toronto and would probably arrive in Peterboro this week. His Worship stated that the city officials had been advised that in the future all returning Peterboro men would be sent through Kingston and that they would be notified of their coming by those in authority in that place.—Peterboro Review.

613 Deaths in 1918  
Kingston, Jan. 24.—The vital statistics for the year of 1918 as issued by Dr. Sands, city clerk, show Kingston's death-rate to have been the most harrowing in the city's history. The figures show 613 men, women and children to have passed away. Many of these deaths are attributed to the influenza epidemic. This is an increase of 142 over 1917, when the deaths numbered 471. The number of births reported for the year is 658 which will offset the death list. There were 307 marriages.

Brother and Sister Met in War Zone  
To meet his sister in the war zone of Europe, after an absence of seven years, is the experience of Lieut. Roy R. Webber and Nursing Sister Bertha M. Webber, children of Mr. and Mrs. A. Webber, Lindsay. Neither knew the other was in France and the meeting took place within the sound of the big guns in the front line trenches. Nursing Sister Webber served with No. 7 hospital unit at Cairo, Egypt, for eleven months, and later at Malta when the Dardanelles were being contested. She was later ordered back to France and during the air raid on the hospital at Etaples on May 18th last she was shell shocked and had to be invalided back to England, after completing three years and eight months service. Needless to say the meeting between the brother and sister was filled with joy for both of them. Lieut. Webber's home is now in Ottawa, and in a recent letter he tells of meeting his sister. He is still in France and expects to remain there for some time.

Major Sharpe to Face Charge  
Major W. J. Sharpe, former casualty officer, who was reported to have been located in New York recently, will arrive in Kingston in a few days to face a charge of absence without leave. Extradition proceedings have been taken and the authorities here are waiting for the deportation order. When this is received Major Sharpe will be brought back to the city for disposal of the military authorities.

Salaries are Increased  
An increase in the salaries of the ministers seems to be the usual thing these days. At the congregational meetings of St. Andrew's Church, Campbellford, and Burnbrae, Reeve, McIntosh and Black were given substantial increases. The Campbellford Methodist Church some time ago increased the salary of Mr. Sanderson, and the Seymour circuit that of Mr. Hinton. Church boards are beginning to realize that the laborer is worthy of his hire and that the high cost of living affects the minister as well as other people. Despite this fact, ministers are still poorly paid.—Campbellford Herald.

Would Turn Men Out  
Kingston, Jan. 24.—Declaring that there are many returned officers and men who have served at the front and who cannot secure positions, Kingston Great War Veterans' Association has decided to protest to the minister of Militia over the continued employment in Military District No. 3 of officers and non-commissioned officers and men who have had no overseas service. The Association has prepared a list of persons whom they claim should be relieved of their positions and their places filled by returned soldiers.

Fish Hatchery for Lindsay  
On motion of Dep. Reeve O'Reilly and Ald. Wilkinson, a resolution was carried at last night's council meet-

ing to the advisability of building a fishery in Lindsay for the purpose of restocking the Kawartha Lakes. The waters are being depleted and in view of the great food value of fish and their part played in relieving the food shortage, it was essential that they should not be allowed to become extinct.—Lindsay Post.

M.C. for Capt. F. Ludlow  
Kingston, Jan. 24.—Mrs. Richard Ludlow, 61 Arch street, has just received the happy tidings that her son, Capt. Ludlow, of the 21st Battalion, has been awarded the Military Cross. No particulars have been given except that Capt. Ludlow is now in Germany. Capt. Ludlow was well known here and was employed at the Laidlaw store. His numerous friends will be pleased to hear of his success and the good news his mother received must also breathe with appreciation.

Former Editor Promoted  
Rev. James R. Black, formerly of Kingston, and for some years editor of the Kingston News, has been appointed to the staff of the University of Saskatchewan. Mr. Black's son-in-law, Prof. Tisdale, has been a member of the same faculty for many years.

Neglected to Affix War Stamps  
Two merchants of Campbellford were recently fined \$50 and costs each for neglecting to affix war stamps to articles which they sold and which required the tax.

Another "Flu" Victim  
The death occurred at the General Hospital, Rochester, N.Y., on Monday, of Letta May Coulter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Coulter, of Campbellford. Deceased went to Rochester about four months ago and was an employee of the Eastman Kodak Co. Death resulted from pneumonia, following an attack of influenza. The remains were brought here and the funeral took place on Wednesday afternoon at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery. Deep sympathy is felt for the family in their sorrow.—Campbellford Herald.

Woman For Queen's Board  
Kingston, Jan. 24.—Miss E. O. Rayside, matron-in-chief of the Canadian Nursing Service and a Queen's graduate, is the women's candidate for trustee of that university.

Received the M.C.  
The many friends of Lieut. Pete Trowse will be pleased to hear that he has been awarded the Military Cross for bravery. Lt. Trowse enlisted here with the 48th Queen's Battery and proceeded overseas in 1915. He has seen service with that unit up to the present. Lieut. Trowse graduated from Queen's at the outbreak of the war and was well known in the city. At the time of his last letter he was in Germany.

Four Years Under Hun Terrorism  
Mr. R. J. Graham Receives Letter From Head of Antwerp Firm, Telling Tragic Story of Prussian Diabolism  
Mr. R. J. Graham, president of Grahams Limited, has received a most interesting letter from the head of an Antwerp firm which gives a few of the gruesome facts associated with the Hun occupation of that once prosperous and important city.

Immediately prior to the war Mr. Graham, with some members of his family, was touring Belgium. Ten days before war was declared they were entertained at the home of Mr. Vrydag, who writes the letter. He was a man of wealth and his residence and surroundings were among the best in the city. This letter gives further convincing proof, even though none was needed, of the effects of Hun terrorism and of their brutal spoliation of a once beautiful, prosperous and unoffending city.

Anvers, 27th Dec., 1918: The Graham Co., Belleville, Ontario, Canada. Gentlemen:—We have at last been delivered and you can imagine gentlemen, how we feel, when I tell that these four years that we lived under the terror of the Huns, terror is the word for it; because one never knew whether the next day he should still be free; this was particularly the case for me; since I refused to sign the guarantee the Germans demanded from all those that had done service in the civic guard in Belgium. I did not sign, consequently I was always exposed either by denunciation or treachery to be taken up and sent to Germany. Well they did not find out and I must consider myself happy. Otherwise if I had not suffered

physically, I must state that morally and financially I have suffered very much indeed. Since I was not going to work with the Germans, I have been these years without doing a stroke of business and the result is what you think, we, I and the little family have eaten up all that was disposable and I must now see that I can soon get to work and keep the mill going.

I have been an ass not to go over to England, leave the whole blessed property here to take care of itself and attain your country or California to go to work there and it may be that I should have done well, since I was too old to do any good for my country in the army and there was no one to take care of the children. But then it is no use crying over spilt milk, besides we never thought that the war would last so long as it did.

We naturally thought that being on the place, we should not have been molested by the Germans. Well you will already have heard by the papers, how it went on for us. Every day they found some new way to bother us and to extort every thing out of us, that meant something to them, copper, India-rubber, wool, linen, gold and silver, it was all one to them. We had to suffer ourselves to be robbed of everything. But what was worse, was the food that they stole from us; under pretence of distributing it more righteously among the people. Of everything you good people in America sent us, they took officially 40 per cent. But then with this and that condition, they generally came to steal at least 30 per cent of the lot, so they did again with the products of our own country; so it came that at last we paid one dollar and a half for a two pound loaf of bread (black of course); that we paid up to seventy cents for a kilo (3 lbs) of potatoes, four dollars for a pound of butter; half a dollar for an egg and so on. If I was to speak about shoes and frocks, your hair would stand on end—a pair of boots—\$60!

Can you believe then, that we bless the Germans? I trust that you will soon find it possible to come into touch with me and that you will push some business this way, so that we may begin as soon as possible. It is high time that you let me have some news of yours, which you can imagine I await impatiently.

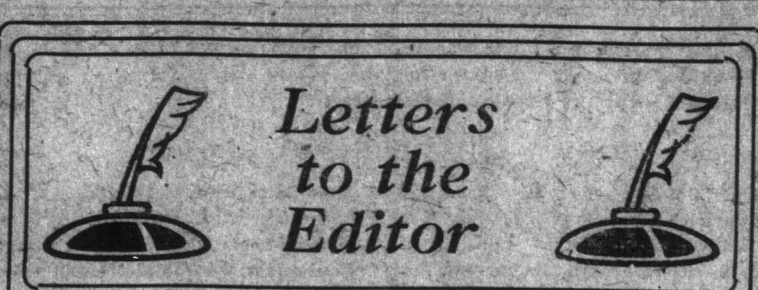
Meanwhile allow me to send you and your family my very best wishes of the season, with a Happy New Year.  
Yours very truly,  
T. F. Vrydag

Installation of Encampments  
Interesting Function at I. O. O. F Temple  
The officers of the two local encampments Quince No. 19 and Moira No. 59 were installed in office for the year 1919 at the I.O.O.F. Temple on Wednesday evening by Past Treasurer E. C. Garbutt, of Picton assisted by T. E. Wottom, G. S. Kerr, Past Grand Patriarch L. B. Cooper, A. E. Cole, G. S. Way and F. H. Chesher. The officers are as follows:  
Quince No. 19  
Past Chief Patriarch—E. C. Fairman  
Chief Patriarch—G. R. Brower  
High Priest—F. Naylor  
Senior Warden—W. Hallis  
Scribe—R. H. Ketcheson  
Treasurer—F. Fairman  
Junior Warden—J. Duckworth  
1st Watch—W. H. Bowen  
2nd Watch—H. A. Phillips  
3rd Watch—Jesse Harris  
4th Watch—L. B. Cooper  
1st Guard of the Tent—P. G. Denke  
2nd Guard of Tent—Geo. Brown

Moira No. 59  
Past Chief Patriarch—G. S. Kerr  
Chief Patriarch—C. F. Frost  
High Priest—I. Sills  
Senior Warden—J. W. Kerr  
Rec. Scribe—S. A. Barclay  
Fin. Scribe—H. D. Ramsom  
Treas.—W. H. Ashley  
Junior Warden—A. Sword  
1st Watch—G. Youker  
2nd Watch—G. Cornish  
3rd Watch—G. G. Way  
4th Watch—G. S. Kerr

1st Guard of Tent—H. W. Lindstrom  
2nd Guard of Tent—W. B. Horie  
Rev. C. G. Smith is spending his short interval here at the home of Mr. W. B. Riggs, East Bridge St.  
Rev. W. Harris Wallace is in Toronto attending the Baptist convention. Mr. Wallace gave one of the addresses—preaching the Memorial sermon.  
Mr. Max Herity, Holloway St., who underwent a serious operation at the city hospital two weeks ago, was taken home yesterday. He is making rapid progress towards recovery.

Vote on New Year's Day  
Editor Ontario:—In your paper of Jan. 23 you state that experience shows that a less number of people vote in Hamilton at the elections held on New Year's Day than would otherwise vote, and you give as a reason that a large number of people leave the city on that day. What you say may or may not be so. I cannot say. But this much I am certain of, that for each voter that leaves Belleville on New Year's Day there are at least one hundred working men voters who cannot afford to leave their work on the polling day when it is held on a working day. Neither are the working men voters likely to leave the city on New Year's Day to go visiting as the average wage earner finds it hard enough to make both ends meet without spending his or her money joy-riding.



### Letters to the Editor

#### Vote on New Year's Day

Our own impression is that holiday voting will work little if any improvement. We must look deeper than that if we would ascertain the causes of the present lamentable apathy in regard to affairs municipal. We want an electorate who will take an active and intelligent interest in their civic government the year round. If they do that the voting will look after itself. Taking interest in municipal matters for only one day in the year, or for a few minutes to one day in the year, will never bring us the boon of efficient councils and city services.

There are only about half a dozen public holidays in the year. We fancy that workmen would like to have those few holidays preserved to them as days of recreation, when they may visit their friends, or seek other pleasures without being tied at home by the business of election. We believe, as the experience of Hamilton seems to show, that they will take their pleasure and let the elections take care of themselves as an unwarranted interference with a day of recreation. This recreation may take the form of "joy-riding" as Mr. Donahue terms it, or little excursions here and there, or it may mean the spending of the day quietly at home with family or friends. In any event, we say the people are entitled to the full enjoyment of every holiday, untrammelled by nominations, elections, or any other public business that can just as well be done at another time.

If it is advantageous to hold municipal elections on a holiday, why should we not also save the workmen's "time" by having our provincial and dominion elections on public holidays and thus forcing the electors to stay at home and forego pleasure for business?

While we do not agree with Mr. Donahue's argument, in the features commented upon, we wish to thank him for his contribution to the discussion as well as for other letters on timely topics as occasion has arisen. Mr. Donahue has opinions of his own, and the courage to express them. Could we have a considerable body of electors, who like Mr. Donahue, did their own thinking, we would have no complaints to make in regard to the smallness of the vote cast on election day, no matter when the election was held.

Battle of Armageddon  
Editor Ontario:—In your issue of Dec. 18th there appeared an article copied from the Canadian Freeman, reading as follows: "The great war, foretold in the Apocalyptic under the name of Armageddon, has been fought to a finish."

The writer is sadly astray in his conclusion. The great battle of Armageddon will not be fought till after the Lord's coming for His saints (1 Thess. 4:16-17), and at the close of the seven years' tribulation which follows, during which time the awful condition of things, as recorded in Revelation, will be visited upon this Christ-rejecting world. The battles of the late war are a small affair compared to what is to come.

Wedding Bells  
LAIN—LONGMUIR  
A quiet wedding was solemnized on Jan. 1st at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Longmuir, Seymour West, when their only daughter, Edna Mae, was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Mr. John Roger Laine, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. John Laine, of Rylstone, Ont.

The bride, who was given away by her father, was gowned in white silk crepe de chine with pearl trimmings and carried white carnations. Miss Jean Barrie, of Birdsalls, Ont., cousin of the bride, assisted as bridesmaid and carried pink carnations. The groom was supported by Mr. Percy Wood, of Belleville, Ont. Mendelssohn's wedding march was beautifully rendered by Miss Mina Laine, sister of the groom. The Rev. W. B. Tucker, of Madoc, ably performed the ceremony. After the marriage ceremony a sumptuous luncheon was served to the wedding party and guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Laine left on the afternoon train for Toronto. The bride's travelling costume was a navy blue suit with dark grey hat and black fox furs.  
Mr. and Mrs. Laine will reside at Rylstone, Ont.—Campbellford Herald.

Urnies Sticking to Business  
Physician Asserts That Too Early Retirement of Successful Business Men is Mistaken Policy  
To old men who are thinking of retiring from active business Dr. William J. Robinson, editor of the Medical Critic and Guide, gives the celebrated advice once tendered by Punch "to young people about to marry," namely, "Don't!" The counsel often given to those of advancing years, even by physicians, to take things "easier," to give up this and to give up that—in short to lead a dull, empty, vegetable existence, is unqualifiedly bad, Doctor Robinson thinks, although, of course, there are exceptional and special cases. He writes:

"An old man with a very high blood pressure—i. e. high for his age—should not engage in business which is likely to cause him great excitement and throw him in fits of anger; and a man who is showing symptoms of senile dementia should not be entrusted with important affairs; but, generally speaking, there is no reason why a man should give up his work or narrow the circle of his interests merely because he has celebrated the seventieth or eightieth anniversary of his birthday. The general condition of the man, his fitness, should be the criterion, and not his age in years. We all know that some people at sixty are actually older than some are at seventy or eighty."

"The advice to old men to retire has sometimes, if followed, very disastrous consequences. A man of seventy or eighty is attending to his profession or business in a satisfactory manner, and he feels well. Suddenly he decides or is advised to retire and take things 'easy' for the rest of his days. He does—and in a few weeks or months that man is a physical or mental wreck and ruin. As long as he kept up his mental interests he was all right. A sudden change, a sudden vacuum, I might say, perhaps the pernicious subconscious feeling that now it is all over for him—all that contributed to the disaster. And it is not the physical change so much as the mental that is the important factor. I, for one, am sure that mental activity mental interest, has a life-prolonging influence, because mental activity stimulates many, if not all, of our vital processes. It is not mental work that ever kills; it is worry that does it, and even its baneful influence has been greatly exaggerated. We know of octogenarians whose lives have been one round of trouble."

Killed in a Runaway  
Was Thrown Violently Against the Ironwork on a Bridge—His Wife and Daughter also Injured.  
Napanea, Jan. 24.—A distressing accident occurred on Saturday afternoon about four o'clock, in which Andrew Herrington, Hamburg Road North Fredericksburg, lost his life when he was struck by a runaway horse and cart. The cart was carrying Mr. Herrington with his wife and daughter, Miss Eva, were returning to their house when the team became frightened and started to run away. When they got through the stone bridge the quick turn on the iron

bridge threw the sleigh violently against the iron bridge. All three were thrown out with great force, striking the side of the bridge as the sleigh slewed, with the result that Mr. Herrington was picked up unconscious and died in a few minutes. Mrs. Herrington had her arm and collar bone broken and also her jaw. Miss Herrington was quite severely bruised. The team was quite a splintered one and in some way Mr. Herrington lost control of them. Deceased was seventy-three years of age.  
FULLER  
The recent thaw has taken most of our sleighing.  
Mr. Jas. Hollinger had a bee last Friday cutting wood.  
Mrs. Hallett spent one day last week with her daughter, Mrs. Gay.  
Mr. Albert Mitts has purchased a new driving horse.  
Prayer meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Jno. Mitts on Thursday evening last.  
Don't forget the sock social to be held at the home of Mrs. Ben Brough on Wednesday evening, Jan. 29th.  
Mrs. Cosmos Tuft is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. B. T. McCumb.  
Mrs. Pat. McCaffrey is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Sly, of Kingston.  
Mr. and Mrs. Sam. McMullen spent a few days at the latter's home in Fuller.  
Mr. Harry Redcliffe spent Saturday in Belleville.  
Miss Irene Douglas spent Sunday at home, accompanied by her friend, Miss Hallstone, of Madoc.  
Mr. Russell Wanamaker, of Moira, attended church at Fuller Sunday evening.  
Mrs. Jno. Mitts is able to be around again after an attack of bronchitis.  
Mr. and Mrs. Murney Morland spent the tea hour at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Rollins.

CAMPBELLFORD  
Mrs. Percy Denyes is in Ottawa this week.  
Mrs. Payne is visiting in Toronto this week.  
Mrs. Alex. Donald is visiting her brother, Mr. Norman Masson, Hoard's Station.  
Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Clark, of Wooler, were in town on Tuesday.  
Mr. and Mrs. A. Nelson, of Brandon, visited Mrs. Stephens last Saturday.  
Mr. Wm. Sloggett, of Toronto, was home for a few days to see his sister, Mae, who has been ill.  
Mr. Peter Scott returned from Winnipeg, where he attended the funeral of Mr. McCredie, who died of the "flu".  
Miss Emma Kingston, of Stirling, is the guest of Mrs. L. F. Gould.  
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Massie and sons, Alex. and Ray, arrived here from Tate, Sask., last week, having spent a year in the West.  
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wickert, of Foxboro, are visiting at Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Bakser's.  
Mrs. Shuek, of Toronto, and daughter Marjorie, are visiting Dr. and Mrs. Loucks.  
Pte. Ralph Locke, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Locke, was home from Kingston for the week-end.—Herald.

FRONT OF THURLOW  
We extend our heartfelt sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bradshaw and family in the loss of their daughter in Oshawa a week ago.  
Our school opened on Monday after the Xmas holidays. Miss Morrow, our teacher, has been ill with influenza and unable to resume her duties before.  
Mr. Jack Easterbrook left on Monday for the United States where he is going for his health.  
On Friday night about eighty neighbors and friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Williams and presented their son, Willard and his bride with a miscellaneous shower. The evening was spent in dancing and broke up in the small wee hours of morning, wishing Mr. and Mrs. Williams a long and happy married life.  
Mr. and Mrs. Williams' son overseas has claimed an English bride, and is expected to arrive in Canada any day.

LAI TO REST  
LILLIAN BLANCHE LESLIE  
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Honeywell "Uppercuts"

A judgment is going on daily. God is continually holding court and considering the doings of the sons of men. That judgment is reflected in a measure in the consciences of men...

The Centrum Ballast

Germany is not Russia; Berlin is not Moscow nor Petrograd. Germanic temperament and training are beginning to tell in the great upheaval following defeat...

County and District

Cobourg Ladies Meet Troop Trains With Cigarettes Etc. ILLICIT STILL DISCOVERED Hon. Wm. H. Taft Visits Peterboro Kingston Wants Boat Terminal

This consignment, no doubt was intended to be unloaded at Oshawa and reshipped to Toronto by auto route.

Met the Troop Trains The ladies from the Soldiers' Comfort League met two train loads of returned men who passed through Cobourg last week...

As Miss Grace Clarke, North Elmley, was driving from her home, she saw a long green snake on the road. The snake was about two and a half feet long...

Peterboro, Jan. 27.—A most eloquent and forcible plea for the formation of a league of nations as the only effective way of clinching the purpose for which the Allies fought in the Great War...

The latest thing in Kingston is the introduction of Victorias in some of the barber shops. Have you not heard music as you passed some of the tonsorial shops?

The grain shipments via Grand Trunk through Lindsay keep up many double-headers passing to and from the Great Lakes daily.

Manchester and Belmore two youths who were charged at Lindsay with stealing a Chevrolet automobile and also with stealing goods from summer cottages...

As a memorial of the 100th anniversary of St. Peter's Church, it is proposed to join the church and parish hall. Plans have been drawn up for this and a large amount of money promised for the work.

Throughout the war it stood by the emperor; and the latter in turn went out of his way to reward the party by choosing an imperial chancellor from it in time of stress.

Mr. E. N. Baker... Miss Ella Gardner... Miss M. Young... Miss Jessie B. Tuite... Miss May L. Copeland... Miss Lane... Prof. A. J. F. Staples... Mr. G. D. McMillan... Mr. W. Davies... Mr. Roy MacDonald... Mr. Scott... Mr. Braden... Mr. Mitchell... Mr. Ritchieson... Mr. Osborne... Mr. Gardner... Mr. Morrison... Mr. Hamilton... Mr. J. Wright... Mr. H. Hollinrake... Mr. G. Beach... Mr. S. P. Beach... Mr. G. Finnie... Mr. Mann... Mr. H. Oon... Mr. A. L. Hanna... Mr. F. Anderson... Mr. Smith

Omeme, Jan. 25.—The "flu" epidemic is rapidly passing from our midst and we hope our town will be as lively as ever before long.

Three freight cars loaded with pulp wood left the tracks just west of the Smith street crossing on the G.T.R. this morning about 6 o'clock.

Nurses Moving Kingston, Jan. 27.—The court house room in the 2 storey which was taken over two years ago by the Military Hospitals Commission for the purpose of quarters for the nursing sisters stationed at Queen's Military Hospital, will be vacated about the end of the month.

Liquor Seized at Oshawa Oshawa, Jan. 27.—A large haul of whiskey was made here by L. D. Duke, the catch consisting of a carload of bags consigned from Montreal to Oshawa to Mr. Silver, care H. Brown, Toronto, and billed as empties.

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The Standard Bank of Canada

Head Office Toronto Quarterly Dividend Notice No. 118. Notice is hereby given that a Dividend at the rate of Thirteen Per Cent. Per Annum upon the Capital Stock of this Bank has this day been declared...

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Beef is on the Decline Subscriptions in S. A. Campaign From Albert College

STABLE Inter So Dec tar Re -N Wo NO INTERVENT PAIS, Feb. 5 scale, is not to b British Foreign s were doing every said, in dealing w wing situation." A the foreign secret ing all possible NORW CHRISTIAN Gunnar Knudsen, trol of parliament King. The Norw formed on Jan. 2 Copenhagen desp crisis was immine LEAGUE OF NA PARIS, Feb. not be affected by process of format ening. The Britis rect question as t would involve the YOUNG W TORONTO, F County, Ont., was tion Camp, where tiary against him sertion. Sentence duced by order in Neustadt, Ont., wa Sound this mornin made until the 11 monia, said to hav being drummed o TOASTE R A event unique in history took place i the Temple. Front st pations of Moira O Arch Masons entral of returned soldiers, Masons or the son Among the guests w of some of those who price and the father who have served. Tw Moira Chapter fell in Comp. Capt. Willia an Comp. Lieut. W Fdoro. Excellent Comp. C. let principal of the e presiding officer and The program was arrangement. The toast to "The Grand Chapter" was company. Rev. Dr. Baker, of proposed the pledge Brethren" in a touch