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GLENCOE, ONTARIO, CANADA, THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 1919.

Whole No. 2449.

WANTED
15 cords of green hardwood, 16 inches long. Must be free from bad knots.—JOHN S. WALKER, Concession street, Glencoe.

FINAL WARNING
Information having been laid against certain young men, calling for their arrest and prosecution for molesting and abusing Clarke Blackwell, a citizen, the matter of so doing is being held in abeyance only on condition that such conduct is not repeated. Otherwise the High Constable for the County will be called upon to take action and deal with the offenders to the full extent of the law. Dated January 14, 1919.
A. J. WRIGHT,
Reeve of Glencoe.

MALPINE HOUSE
Licensed Standard Hotel
Opened for the accommodation of the travelling public.

MEAL HOURS
Per Week
Breakfast 6 to 9 a. m.
Dinner 11.45 to 2 p. m.
Supper 5.30 to 7.30 p. m.

SUNDAY SPECIAL
Breakfast 8.30 to 9.30 a. m.
Dinner 1 to 2 p. m.
Supper 5 to 6 p. m.
Rates: \$2 per day. Special rates to steady boarders.
NICHOL & SON, Props.

NOTICE
The annual meeting of the Oakland Cemetery Company will be held on Thursday, January 20th, 1919, at 3 o'clock p. m., at the Town Hall, Glencoe. All plot holders are entitled to vote. A. B. McDONALD, Sec.-Treas.

FOR SALE
The south half of lot number fifteen, 2nd range north of Longwoods Road, in township of Ekfrid, consisting of 100 acres more or less. Inquire of M. A. Young, care of Transcript.

Cream and Eggs Wanted
Get our proposition re cream; highest prices paid. Wagon always on the road. Phone us if you want us to call.

D. R. HAGERTY, Glencoe
House, 30r2, Store, 89r2.

\$5,300—90 ACRES
Ekfrid, 1 mile from station and school, on gravel road, 3 miles from good village, good frame cottage, basement barn, well fenced, best of clay loam, not heavy. \$1,000 cash, balance at 5 per cent. Great buy.—T. A. FAULDS, London, Ont. 48-3

ANNUAL MEETING
The annual meeting of the members of the Moss & Ekfrid Agricultural Society will be held on Monday, Jan. 20th, 1919, at 2 o'clock p. m. in the Town Hall, Glencoe, to receive the report of the directors and for the election of officers for the ensuing year. A good attendance is requested.—A. E. Gillies, president; R. W. McKellar, secretary. 48-2

Cream Wanted
Cream received, tested and paid for daily at the Glencoe Butter Factory. Phone 73 if you want our delivery truck to call.

LAMBTON CREAMERY CO.
ALEX. MCNEIL,
Local Manager.

FARM FOR RENT
The south half of the south half of lot number sixteen, second range north of Longwoods Road, Ekfrid; 50 acres, with dwelling-house and good barn. Apply to Miss Harriet Young, Emerson, Man.

JAMES POOLE
Fire, Life, Accident and Plate Glass Insurance Agent, representing the greatest fire insurance companies of the world, and the leading mutual fire insurance companies of Ontario. Office at residence, first door south of the Presbyterian Church, Glencoe.

A. B. McDONALD
Agent for Fire, Life, Accident, Automobile and Animal Insurance. A share of your business solicited. Office at residence, Main street, Glencoe. Phone 71.

CHANTRY FARM
Lincoln Sheep
and Shorthorn Cattle
ED. DE GEX, Kerwood, Ont.

M. A. MALPINE
LICENSED AUCTIONEER
Is prepared to conduct all kinds of sales, large or small. Terms reasonable. Satisfaction guaranteed. Write or phone him at Campbellton.

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INCORPORATED 1869

Capital Authorized.....\$25,000,000
Capital Paid-up.....14,000,000
Reserve Fund and Undivided Profits.....15,000,000
Total Assets.....39,000,000

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E. L. PEASE, Vice-President and Managing Director
C. E. NEILL, General Manager
STUART STRATHY, Supervisor of Ontario Branches

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Our stock of these will always be found choice and complete, with prices the lowest prevailing.

IN FOOTWEAR
some EXTRA BARGAINS are now being offered.
Come in and see.

W. J. STRACHAN
GLENCOE

THE MOST ENTERPRISING AND PROGRESSIVE BUSINESS MEN OF TODAY ARE ADVERTISERS

IT'S the successful business men that most communities want, for they not only benefit themselves but contribute largely towards the general prosperity of the place in which they live.

Today the mail-order houses are more on the alert than ever. They are taking advantage of every opportunity to lure the town and country trade their way, and to a large extent are meeting with success. To offset this the local merchant must be wide awake and equally active in his efforts to induce people to buy at home. With this point in view he should grasp every opportunity in his reach. Glencoe is more than fortunate in having a newspaper of its own second to none in the province and covering the local business man's field completely. **ARE YOU MAKING USE OF THIS OPPORTUNITY?**

COAL!

We have received a car of specially prepared Bituminous Coal for domestic purposes. This coal is as near smokeless as it is possible to get soft coal; will throw a good heat and last a long time. Try some to burn with wood.

McPHERSON & CLARKE
Lumber Yard and Planing Mill
Glencoe, Ont.

DISTRICT AND GENERAL
M. S. Leitch of Caradoc had the misfortune to fall and fracture his leg.
The Dominion Minister of Public Works says the cost of living will begin to decline next spring.
Coad Bros. threshed for P. D. McCallum, Dunwich, 125 bushels of silk, the yield of 20 acres.
Chatham will put up a big fight to have the Longwoods Road designated for the provincial highway.
Miss Rose McPherson of Campbellton has been appointed on the teaching staff of Keewatin Continuation school.
Alex. J. McMillan, who has been conducting a dairy farm at Ingersoll for the past year, has returned to Dunwich.
The Imperial Life Assurance Company's annual report shows that 51 per cent., or \$365,393, of the total 1918 death claims were due to the influenza epidemic.
Mrs. James Cobban of Saskatoon, who has been visiting friends in Dunwich for several weeks, has returned, accompanied by Miss Jennie Carroll of Cowal.
A farmer east of Kingsville delivered a couple of loads of kiln-dried tobacco one day last week for which he received \$6,000, or at the rate of 65¢ per lb.
Given good weather, the 1919 wheat crop of this continent will be the greatest in history, with a possible harvest of 1,200,000,000 in the United States alone.
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Holder of Dutton announce the engagement of their daughter, Marie, to Lorne Alexander of Middlemiss, the marriage to take place this month.
Mrs. Watson Young and little daughter returned to their home in Camrose, Alberta, last week after a four months' visit at the home of her father, J. W. Cameron, Stratroy.

A two-hourly motor truck service has been arranged between London and Lambeth, which places was cut from the city when the L. & L. E. ceased operation some months ago.
Mrs. Elizabeth McPhail, succumbed to heart disease in St. Joseph's Hospital, London, on Wednesday. She was 55 years of age and was a resident of Alvinston.
Mrs. George Campbell of Bothwell received word that her youngest daughter, Mrs. Bert Bristow (nee Martha Little), had died suddenly at her home in Walkerville from Spanish influenza.
It is reported that owing to the mild weather at Edmonton in comparison with former years, many of the coal miners had shut down entirely, while others had laid off a large number of the miners.
During the Christmas season, Duncan McKinley, who carries the mail for route No. 7, from Alvinston, was made the recipient of a handsome fur coat and a well-filled purse by the patrons on the route.
Mary Laws, wife of Frederick Loosenore, died at the home of her sister, Mrs. Arthur Loosenore, lot 9, con. 6, Brook, recently aged 34 years and 2 months, after a lingering illness of about seven months.
Death visited the home of Peter Johnston, Bothwell, for the second time in two weeks, claiming his eldest son, aged 15 years. Mrs. Johnston died two weeks ago, leaving seven children. Another boy is very ill.
John McClary, the veteran stove manufacturer of London, has just celebrated his diamond birthday. From a little tinshop started by himself and his brother, in London 72 years ago the business has grown until it is now the largest of its kind in the British Empire.

Robert Logan of Crinan, one of the oldest residents of Dunwich township, died suddenly on Dec. 31st from a stroke of paralysis, aged 80 years. Deceased was born in Ireland and came to Canada when a boy. Besides his aged wife, ten children survive: Mrs. Ed. Pangborn, Rodney; Mrs. Harry Ray, Detroit; Mrs. Wm. Webblann, Glencoe; George, Edward and Alfred, Crinan; David, Newbury; Wm. Detroit; Frank and Tom, who are overseas.
The town of Bothwell has hit upon a unique and very effective way of welcoming home its soldier boys. As they get off the train they look right down Main street, and on every corner are large arches covered with evergreens, and lighted at night with red, white and blue electric lights. From the centre arch a large red star shines, glowing and significant, from the middle of a green wreath. As one who has seen it says: "It is just beautiful. The decorations are durable, too, and will be left to welcome the boys as they come." A goodly number have gone overseas from Bothwell and its vicinity and Moraviantown, the Indian Reserve near Tecumseh's old battlefield.

William Hugheson of Colchester South is rejoicing over the finding of receipts for \$600, which prove that while acting as tax collector of his township in 1850 he turned over this amount of money to the county treasurer. At the time of terminating his office, 38 years ago, Hugheson was unable to account for the \$600, although he was sure he had turned it over. He made good the shortage, however, by placing a mortgage upon his little farm. A few days ago, in going through an old desk, the missing receipts, now yellow with age, were found. Hugheson will probably ask the county to return him his \$600, which, with interest compounded for the 38 years, will give him considerably more than double what he paid.

TO ERECT MEMORIAL TABLET
The council of Ekfrid township at its first meeting on Monday last appointed a committee consisting of L. J. McGartt, reeve, N. A. Galbraith, Peter McGartt and Chas. M. Macfie to proceed with the erection of a bronze memorial tablet to the memory of those who enlisted from the township and who sacrificed their lives in the late war, and also to have prepared a "Roll of Honor" containing the names of all who enlisted for service from the township or native sons of Ekfrid who served overseas. The tablet and roll of honor will be placed in the town hall, Appin. The committee will commence at once to secure the necessary names and information concerning the boys whom it is proposed to thus remember. (adv.)

WEDDED IN THE WEST
A wedding of local interest took place on Thursday, December 19th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Galbraith, Limerick, Sask., when their sister, Ethyle Minnie Squire, became the bride of Charles Hildrain Scott. Promptly at high noon the bridal party took their places beneath an arch, decorated with a white bell and streamers. The bride was becomingly gowned in white, with bridal veil and a corona of orange blossoms. After the ceremony the guests repaired to the dining-room and enjoyed the luncheon, followed by toasts very ably given by several of the guests. Mr. and Mrs. Scott will reside on the groom's farm east of Limerick, and will be at home to their friends after February 1st.

NEW TREASURER OF MOSA
At the inaugural meeting of the Mosa township council for 1919, held at Glencoe on Monday, Dugald W. Gillies resigned the position of treasurer of the township and Harry Harvey of Woodgreen was appointed his successor. The retiring treasurer was W. H. Reycraft, collector; John A. Leitch, assessor, and Wm. C. Burdick and P. A. O'Malley, auditors. At the close of the meeting Mr. Gillies, the retiring treasurer, was presented by the members of the council with a club bag, in appreciation of his satisfactory filling of the office for the past three years.

NEW FARMERS' CLUB
The farmers in the vicinity of Woodgreen met in the school room of S. S. No. 3 on Friday night for the purpose of organizing a farmers' club. The meeting was called to order by John C. Simpson, elected as chairman, and Richard Jackson as secretary. Isaac W. Woodworth and Herbert M. Weekes, the president and secretary, respectively of Battle Hill Club, were called upon as organizers. The meeting was well attended and twenty-one members joined the club, after which the election of officers took place as follows:—President, Joseph Simpson; vice-president, Frank Fry; committee, Joseph L. Winger and Howard Wattersworth; secretary-treasurer, Joseph Walker. The next meeting will be held in the school room on Friday evening, Jan. 24th.

CURLERS ARE ORGANIZED
Glencoe curlers met at the McKellar House a few evenings ago and organized for the season with the following officers:—J. C. Elliott, M.P.P. honorary president; P. E. Lumley, president; P. D. Keith, vice-president; James Poole, secretary-treasurer; rink committee—J. A. McLachlan, James Poole, C. E. Davidson. The use of the rink for skating and hockey purposes was awarded to J. Weaker at a rental of a small surplus was shown by the auditors.
Owing to the fact that nearly all the handles have been removed from the curling stones and carried away by boys, and sets of waxes destruction committed at the rink, since last season, the roarin' game is not likely to roar very much this winter.

CUSTOMS SHOW INCREASE
Customs returns for the various ports in the Chatham district for the month of December aggregate \$82,476.76, which is a substantial increase of \$16,835.35 over the corresponding period of 1917. The following is a comparative list of the returns for the months of December, 1918 and 1917, respectively:

Chatham	\$61,124.51	\$59,923.51
Ridgetown	949.95	1,474.94
Blenheim	1,788.53	2,067.05
Rondeau	16,296.09	10,412.85
Glencoe	1,919.77	276.18
Tilbury	1,306.60	480.27
Dresden	1.21	6.61
	\$82,476.76	\$65,641.41

BURNS' CHURCH RED CROSS
The following is the report of Burns' church, Mosa, Red Cross Circle for the year 1918:—
Total receipts from all sources, \$1,218.50; contribution for French relief, \$38.25; total expenditure for material, etc., \$1,097.78; balance on hand, \$32.47. The society made and sent overseas 440 grey flannel shirts, 501 pairs of socks and 2 pillows. Total value, \$1,605.50. Also 15 Christmas boxes, value \$37.50, for boys overseas, and sets of waxes for destruction. The Christmas cake and 3 flannel quilts, valued at \$15, for Halifax Relief. Mary C. Campbell, secretary.

FARMS SOLD
Dunwich, Jan. 14.—George Little of Campbellton has disposed of his farm being the north half of lot 6 in concession 3 to Arch. N. McWilliam for \$7,150.
James R. Cameron has purchased from Duncan McArthur the south half of lot 16 in concession 5 for \$5,000.

METCALFE ELECTION
The election for reeve was as follows:
D.V. 1 2 3 4 5 Total
A. D. Campbell..... 7 2 24 19 48 100
R. Denning..... 58 53 30 27 18 186
The councillors were elected by acclamation. They are Angus McCallum, W. H. Hawken, Joseph Blain and George W. Denning.

GLENCOE COUNCIL
At the first meeting of the town council for this year, held on Monday, the following members subscribed to the declaration of office:—Reeve, A. J. Wright; councillors—P. D. Keith, J. E. Roome, W. A. Hagerty and P. E. Lumley.
On motion of Messrs. Hagerty and Lumley the clerk was instructed to pay for six subscriptions to the Municipal World for 1919.
On motion of Messrs. Hagerty and Roome a grant of ten dollars was given to the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto.
A communication from the council of the city of Galt re pensions to widows with families of small children left in want through loss of husbands by the world-wide epidemic was received, and on motion of Messrs. Roome and Keith the following resolution was passed, a copy of which is to be forwarded to Right Honourable Sir Robert Borden, Premier of the Dominion of Canada:—That whereas the council of the village of Glencoe view with deep interest the question of child welfare and widows' pensions, which vital matters have been still further accentuated by the terrible ravages of the recent epidemic, and whereas the whole subject is of vital importance to the national life of our great Dominion, for after all, the greatest asset to our country is not the material wealth but the preservation of child life for a high and noble state of citizenship. We therefore respectfully petition the Dominion Government to give to this matter the careful consideration that it deserves, and we believe it to be the duty of the state to pension widows with children, thus contributing to the well-being of Canadian citizenship.
W. D. Moss, on behalf of the electric light commission, requested that on account of the shortage of funds at present, caused by having received no revenue for the month of November and December's accounts not yet being paid, also the expenses of repairing the plant recently, that the commission be allowed to borrow from the Royal Bank for a short time money not to exceed five hundred dollars on the credit of the corporation. On motion of Messrs. Roome and Hagerty the request was granted.
On motion of Messrs. Roome and Keith the treasurer was authorized to accept from C. J. Mills some \$470 arrears of taxes on part lot 4, Block C, Ekfrid survey.
On motion of Messrs. Roome and Lumley the clerk was instructed to issue an order for the amount of taxes on the adjourned sale of the McMechan lot for the purpose of buying the said lot.
On motion of Messrs. Roome and Hagerty the following accounts were ordered paid:—C. George, registration of 12 births, 6 marriages and 14 deaths for 1918, \$6.40; B. A. Gordon, refund cement walks, expired 1917, \$6.45; Mary McAlpine, refund board of health, \$1.27; A. E. Sturmand, printing nomination cards and financial statements, \$23.50; E. T. Huston, permit for picture show, \$1; A. B. McDonald, permit for picture show, \$1; James Poole, permit for picture show, \$2.
On motion of Messrs. Hagerty and Keith the clerk and the treasurer were each granted an increase of \$25 in salary as requested.
The following officers were then appointed for the year:—John Walker, M. O. H.; J. E. Hull, member board of health; Neil Graham, member high school board; Dr. Ford, member public library board; James Poole, assessor; S. Thompson, townsman, janitor town hall, trustee officer, sanitary inspector; P. Aldred, chief, Dr. McLachlan and Fred Gough, auditors; Wm. Gilbert, Robert Eddie and John Oldreive, fenceviewers; Wm. Tomlinson, poundkeeper.
Council adjourned to meet Feb. 3. CHARLES GEORGE, Clerk.

SUGAR BEETS PAY WELL
David Leitch, field man for this district in the sugar beet industry, says that the acreage that will be put into this crop the coming season will be about double that of 1918. The soil here is well adapted to sugar beets, as is shown by the fact that as high as \$150 an acre profit was realized by some of the growers last season.

DUNWICH APPOINTMENTS
Dunwich township council has appointed the following officers for 1919: W. A. Galbraith and Sam McParlane, auditors; James Goodall and A. C. Turner, sanitary inspectors; D. W. Graham, assessor; Dr. W. J. Glanfield, medical officer of health; A. G. Duncan, member board of health; D. P. McCallum, caretaker township hall, Wallace town.

STRATHBURN
The Fleming mill is running at full blast. Will Simpson and Stanley McCutcheon are assisting Mr. Fleming. Will Siddall has arrived home after spending the summer at Hagersville. Our village blacksmith is very busy on account of the Glencoe men having the flu.
At the trustee meeting Dan Trestrin was elected trustee and D. H. McRae auditor.
Pleased to know James McRae is our councillor.
Miss Della McIntyre was home for the holidays.
Webster Bros. have purchased a Chevrolet car.
The Carnies men are busy boring on Robert Dymock's farm. They are down 125 feet.
Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Currie are recovering after a severe attack of flu.
The school has been closed since holidays.
Newbigging Bros. have moved into their new house in Dunwich.
Old New Year's passed very quietly this year, but was very exciting last year.
Learn to paddle your own canoe before offering to steer some other fellow's boat.

DAUGHTERS OF THE EMPIRE
First Tuesday in the month meeting at 7.30 in the evening. Every meeting following Tuesdays and Thursdays at 2.30.
There will be no meeting in McRae Hall until after the ban is lifted. Send in all finished work to ship Friday.

THE FLU SITUATION
Glencoe Board of Health met yesterday and decided not to raise the ban on public gatherings for another week at least owing to some new cases of the epidemic having developed. While there have been several severe cases in town, the disease is getting pretty well under control and all the patients are making good progress towards recovery. It is expected that an announcement will be made in next week's Transcript as to the raising of the ban.
PATTERSON-MCLEAN
On Wednesday, January 1, a pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel McLean, Ekfrid, when their eldest daughter, Catharine, was united in marriage to Donald Patterson of Appin. The ceremony was performed by Elder J. B. Slauson of St. Thomas, in the presence of only the immediate relatives.
Promptly at five o'clock, to the strains of Lohegnrin's Bridal Chorus, played by the bride's sister, Miss Margaret McLean, the bridal party entered the drawing room and took their place beneath a beautiful evergreen arch. The bride, who was given away by her father, was daintily gowned in white chiffon tulle with tunic of georgette crepe with trimmings of silk fringe and seed pearls. She also wore a tulle veil, with bandeau of orange blossoms, and carried a shower bouquet of roses and maidenhair fern. Little Miss Margaret Stevenson, cousin of the bride, prettily attired in white silk with lace trimmings, acted as ring bearer, carrying the ring on an embroidered silk pillow. During the signing of the register Miss Isabel Patterson, cousin of the groom, sang very sweetly "O Garden of Love." The groom gave suitable gifts to his bride and her attendants.
After partaking of a sumptuous wedding dinner Mr. and Mrs. Patterson left for points east, the bride travelling in a suit of navy blue gabardine, with hat to match. On their return they will reside on the groom's farm near Appin.
The many and costly gifts of which they were recipients show the esteem in which the young couple are held.
On Monday evening previous to her marriage Mrs. Patterson was presented by her neighbors with a nicely worded address and a handsome cabinet of silver.

CRINAN
Mr. and Mrs. D. C. McRae have returned from visiting their sons in London.
The W. M. S. met in the vestry on Wednesday, January 8th.
The annual congregational meeting of Argyle Presbyterian church, which was to be held on January 15th, has been postponed until the evening of Wednesday, January 22nd. The ladies of the congregation will serve refreshments.
James Archer has purchased the house on the old Stalker farm.
The Farmers' Club will meet in Markham's Hall tonight (Thursday). Orders will be taken for fence posts, flour and feed, fertilizer, etc. There will also be a discussion on the proposed provincial highway and the proposed increases in express rates. (adv.)
J. A. Matheson is attending a meeting of the executive of the West Elgin Organization of Farmers at Dutton today.

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ALLIES MUST COMPLETELY DEFEAT THE RUSSIAN BOLSHEVIKI

Danger of a World Revolution, Says Former Danish Minister Just Arrived in London From Russia.

A despatch from London says:—Mr. Scavenius, former Danish Minister, who has just arrived in London from Russia, interviewed by Reuters' correspondent, said that the situation in Russia was hopeless as long as the Allies took no steps to end Bolshevism, which was a real international danger and growing stronger every day, for the Bolshevists were marvelous propagandists and were working in all countries with the object of causing a world revolution. He was sure the Bolshevists would win in Germany unless the Allies took immediate steps to stop them by supplying the Germans with more food and sending a sufficient force to expel the Bolshevists from Petrograd and Moscow. Such a force need not be big because the whole population was opposed to Bolshevism. As soon as the Bolshevists were expelled from Petrograd and Moscow the whole movement would collapse. He was sure an arrangement could be made with Finland to send volunteers for this purpose. The great danger was that if Bolshevism won that Germany would join Russia and Europe would be without peace for a long time. That was why it was important to finish with Bolshevism immediately.

BRITAIN STILL A CREDITOR NATION

Motherland Not Weakened by More Than Two Thousand Millions.

A despatch from London says:—The Observer, which is well informed on financial subjects, publishes to-day a significant article on post-war international finance, which has direct interest for Canadians. After referring to the "recoverable assets" Britain has at command, the writer goes on to say: "Behind lie the problems of the sum that will ultimately be produced in repayment of our loan to Allies and dominions, and of the amount we shall get out of Germany against our bill for damages. All these uncertainties affect not only the question of how much the Government will have to raise every year in taxation, but also the larger problem of our position in international finance, and of our power to maintain our prestige and to control of the exchange."

Discussing the question of "How we stand now," the writer says: "We are, on paper, still very much a creditor country. The Chancellor boasted, with very just pride, in his budget speech last April, that all we had borrowed abroad during the war we had borrowed in order to lend to Allies, so that with regard to our own war cost we had been self-sufficing. The figures officially published, in so far as they can be understood, more than bear out this statement."

The article suggests that Great Britain should entirely wipe out her loans to her Allies, Russia, France, Italy, Belgium, Serbia, and others, "making a present to our late brothers in arms, much harder hit than we are, of their promises to pay."

"We do not seem to have weakened our international position to the extent of much more than 2,000 millions, by borrowing abroad and sales of securities," says the article, "and 2,000 millions is only half the sum that was usually accepted before the war as the amount of our overseas investments. So that we are still nearly half as much a creditor country as before the war, even after wiping out our loans to Allies. Relative to, of course, the weakening is greater, because America and many neutrals have increased their wealth very rapidly during the war, while we have been losing; but there seems to be no reason for the view that we are no longer a creditor country, especially as we have another foreign account in our claim on Germany."

Germany Fails to Turn Over Huge Quantities of Guns

A despatch from London says:—Germany has fallen behind in the last month in turning over material required by the terms of the armistice. A checking-to date shows a shortage of 685 heavy guns, 7,000 machine guns, 1,000 trench mortars, 600 airplanes, 4,736 engines, 5,000 motor lorries and 420,000 railroad cars.

With the death of Mr. John Henry McLachlan, who died at St. Joseph's Hospital after an attack of heart trouble, the coterie of retired Prairie farmers who reside in Victoria loses one of its best known members.

CANADIANS HOME BY END OF AUGUST

During Spring and Summer Will Come at Rate of 45,000 a Month.

A despatch from Ottawa says:—It is stated in militia circles here that the end of August next will see the return to Canada of the last units of the military forces of Canada now serving overseas in Europe.

For the present there will be no speeding up in the return of troops beyond the numbers already arranged for, 20,000 in January, increasing to 30,000 in February, but in the spring and summer months the number returning to Canada will rise to 45,000 monthly.

Several factors enter into the considerations governing the return of these troops to Canada, such as transportation, afloat and ashore, and the difficulties of securing the smooth and expeditious return to civil occupations of these men without overtaxing the limits of the organizations arranged for that latter purpose.

During the winter it is possible to land troops only at two Canadian ports, Halifax and St. John, and at the latter port it is impossible to berth ships of the largest tonnage. From each port the railroad lines have a limited capacity and must provide for the regular services, passenger and freight, in addition to the additional tax on the services by the extra troop trains.

With the opening of navigation in the St. Lawrence, there will at once be available additional ports at which transports can dock and considerably increased railroad facilities, both as to route and equipment. For instance, it will then be possible to secure day coaches for the shorter hauls. In arranging for the return of troops to Canada, each transport has carried men for every military district, so that the demands of each section may be dealt with fairly and proportionately.

SEND-OFF GIVEN 5,000 CANADIANS

London, Jan. 12.—A civil send-off was given at Southampton to five thousand Canadian troops leaving for Halifax on the liner Olympic. Thousands assembled at the quayside, and scenes of great enthusiasm and much cheering, both from the ship and ashore, occurred. The Mayor made a megaphone speech, praising the troops for their courage and rejoicing in their wonderful victories. He wished them "Godspeed."

Navigation of the Rhine May Be Internationalized

Paris, Jan. 12.—When the Peace Conference officially inaugurates its work on Jan. 20, according to the Echo de Paris, there will be brought before it for consideration a memorandum of a French demand for the Sarre Basin. The memorandum will also include a plan for the internationalization of the navigation of the Rhine, with special advantages for nations bordering on that river.

Do not add salt to the soup in cooking until it is thoroughly skimmed. The salt will prevent the scum from rising.

SUITABLE MEMORIALS FOR THE EMPIRE DEAD

A despatch from London says:—At a meeting of the Imperial Graves Commission over which Right Hon. Walter Long, Colonial Secretary, presided, and at which all British overseas representatives were present, the chairman states that all overseas Governments had unreservedly agreed to bear their share of whatever expense was involved in worthily honoring the memory of their dead. The commission, therefore, was free to discharge its task in no ungrudging or niggardly spirit. The commission adopted the recommendation that the most suitable method of honoring those whose graves could not be found or identified would be to place a tablet, appropriately inscribed, in a cemetery near the spot where it is believed the men were killed. It is estimated that there will be at least a thousand cemeteries. The commission decided to ask the Indian Government to formulate proposals for the establishment of an agency in India for the care of British graves there. The commission also warmly thanked the Union of South Africa Government for its most generous offer to meet the entire cost of cemeteries and for the provision of memorials to officers and men of the Imperial forces dying within the Union.

BRITISH PEACE DELEGATES NAMED

Dominions to Appear at Conference as Small Nations.

A despatch from London says:—Premier Lloyd George, Andrew Bonar Law, Chancellor of the Exchequer; A. J. Balfour, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and George Nicoll Barnes, Privy Councillor, have been appointed plenipotentiaries to the Peace Conference by the British Cabinet, according to the Express and the Mail.

Sir Robert L. Borden, Premier of Canada; William Morris Hughes, Premier of Australia, and General Louis Botha, Premier of the Union of South Africa, will be colonial representatives, who will have seats when the congress takes up business of interest to the dominions they represent, it is said. According to the Express, an important decision was reached by the Cabinet in providing that the dominions will appear at the Peace Congress as small nations.

The delegates will go to Paris on Saturday for the purpose of attending sittings of the inter-allied conference.

SNOWSHOED 100 MILES TO ENLIST WITH CANADIANS

A despatch from London says:—Captain John MacGregor, of the Canadian Mounted Rifles, who was recently awarded the Victoria Cross, was a native of Cawdor, Nairnshire, Scotland, where his mother lives. At the outbreak of the war he snowshoed 100 miles to enlist. For leading the charge at Vimy Ridge in 1917 he received the D.C.M. and his commission, and in January of last year won the Military Cross and a captaincy for his determination and gallantry at Hill 70.

Marshal Foch Will Consent To Prolong The Armistice

A despatch from Basel says:—The North German Gazette of Berlin says that upon the request of Marshal Foch, allied and German plenipotentiaries will meet January 14 or 15, at Trèves, to discuss a prolongation of the armistice. The Daily Chronicle urges the associated powers when renewing the armistice to stipulate for the right of occupation of any strategic position they may desire in order to preserve order and secure their own safety.

Grand Duchy of Luxembourg Proclaims Itself a Republic

Metz, Jan. 12.—Luxemburg was proclaimed a republic on Friday, when the Grand Duchess Marie retired from the capital, taking up quarters in a chateau nearby. The Chamber held an extraordinary meeting, the Clericals quitting the House in a body.

Markets of the World

Breadstuffs

Toronto, Jan. 14.—Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern, \$2.20; No. 2 Northern, \$2.21; No. 3 Northern, \$2.17; No. 4 wheat, \$2.14; No. 5 store Fort William, not including tax. Manitoba oats—No. 2 C.W., 73¢; No. 3 C.W., 74¢; extra No. 1, feed, 75¢; No. 1 feed, 74¢, in store Fort William.

American corn—No. 3 yellow, \$1.75; No. 4 yellow, \$1.70, January shipment.

Ontario oats, new crop—No. 2 white, 71 to 74¢; No. 3 white, 70 to 73¢, according to freight outside.

Ontario wheat—No. 1 Winter, per car lot, \$2.14 to \$2.22; No. 2, do., \$2.11 to \$2.19; No. 3, do., \$2.07 to \$2.15; No. 1 Spring, \$2.09 to \$2.17; No. 2 Spring, \$2.02 to \$2.14; No. 3 Spring, \$2.02 to \$2.10 f.o.b., shipping points, according to freight.

Peas—No. 2, \$2.00

Barley—Malt, new crop, 92 to 97¢, according to freight outside.

Manitoba flour—Old crop, war quality, \$11.35, Toronto.

Ontario flour—War quality, old crop, \$10.25, in bags, Montreal and Toronto, prompt shipment.

Milled—Car lots, delivered Montreal freights, bags included. Bran, \$37.25 per ton; shorts, \$42.25 per ton; middlings, \$42.25 per ton; mixed \$19 to \$20 per ton, track Toronto.

Straw—Car lots, \$9.50 to \$10.50, track Toronto.

Country Produce—Wholesale

Eggs—No. 1 storage, 55 to 56¢; selected, storage, 58 to 60¢; cartons, new laid, 75 to 78¢.

Butter—Creamery, solids, 51 to 53¢; do, prints, 53 to 55¢; choice dairy prints, 45 to 47¢; ordinary dairy prints, 38 to 40¢; bakers', 30 to 33¢; Oleomargarine (best grade), 32 to 34¢.

Cheese—New large, 27½ to 28¢; twins, 28 to 28½¢; spring made, large, 28½ to 29¢; twins, 29 to 29½¢.

Comb Honey—Choice, 16 oz., \$4.50 to \$5.00 per dozen; 12 oz., \$3.50 to \$4.00 per dozen.

Maple Syrup—In 5-gallon tins, \$3.25.

Provisions—Wholesale

Barrelled Meats—Pickled pork, \$48; mess pork, \$47.

Green Meats—Out of pickle, 1c less than smoked.

Smoked Meats—Rolls, 32c to 33c; hams, medium, 38 to 39c; heavy, 30 to 31c; cooked hams, 51 to 52c; backs, plain, 40 to 47c; bacon, boneless, 50 to 52c. Breakfast bacon, 42 to 47c. Cottage rolls, 35 to 36c.

Dry Salted Meats—Long clears, in tons, 30c; in cases, 30½c; clear bellies, 28 to 28½c; fat backs, 25c.

Lard—Pure, tierces, 29½ to 30c; tubs, 30 to 30½c; pails, 30¼ to 30¾c; prints, 31 to 31½c. Shortening, tierces, 25½ to 26½c; tubs, 25½ to 26c; pails, 26 to 26½c; 1-lb. prints, 27 to 27½c.

Live Stock Markets

Toronto, Jan. 14.—Choice heavy steers, \$13.00 to \$13.50; butchers' cattle, choice, \$11.75 to \$12.50; do, good, \$11.00 to \$11.50; do, medium, \$10.75 to \$11.25; do, common, \$8.25 to \$8.50; bulls, choice, \$10.25 to \$11.00; do, medium, \$9.00 to \$9.50; do, rough, \$7.50 to \$8.00; butchers' cows, choice, \$10.25 to \$10.75; do, good, \$9.50 to \$10.00; do, medium, \$8.50 to \$8.75; do, common, \$7.00 to \$7.75; stockers, \$8.00 to \$10.00; feeders, \$10.50 to \$11.50; canners, \$6.25 to \$6.50; milkers, good to choice, \$9.00 to \$10.00; do, common and med., \$6.50 to \$7.50; springers, \$9.00 to \$14.00; light ewes, \$9.00 to \$10.50; yearlings, \$13.00 to \$13.75; spring lambs, \$15.50 to \$16.50; calves, good to choice, \$16.00 to \$18.00; hogs, fed and watered, \$18.50 to \$18.75; do, weighed off cars, \$18.75 to \$19.00; do, f.o.b. country points, \$18.25 to \$18.50.

Montreal, Jan. 14.—Choice steers, \$12 to \$13; good, \$10.50 to \$11.50; medium, \$9.50 to \$10; choice butcher bulls, \$9 to \$10; good, \$8.50; medium, \$7.50 to \$8. Choice butcher cows, \$9.50 to \$10.50; good, \$8 to \$9; medium, \$7 to \$7.50. Canners, cattle, \$5 to \$6. Sheep, \$9 to \$11; lambs, \$11 to \$14; milk-fed

calves, \$12 to \$15; grass-fed, \$6 to \$7. Choice select hogs, off cars, \$18 to \$18.50; others, according to quality, down to \$14.

IN A FRENCH HOSPITAL

500 Little Patients Victims of War and Hunnish Cruelty.

Through villages swarming with troops and packed with ordnance we arrived at an old casern, which had been converted into the children's hospital of the district, says an American writer. It is in charge of one of the first of America's children specialists.

Here are 500 little patients. This barracks converted into a hospital is full of babies, the youngest being only six days old when I was there. Many of the children have no parents. Others have lost their mothers; their fathers are serving in the trenches. It is not always easy to find out how they came to be orphans; there are such plentiful chances of losing parents who live continually under shell fire. One little boy, on being asked where his mother was, replied gravely: "My mamma, she is dead. Les boches, they put a gun to her head. She is finished. I have no mamma."

The unchildlike stoicism of these children is appalling. I spent two days among them and heard no crying. Those who are sick lie motionless as waxen images in their cots. Those who are supposedly well sit all day brooding and saying nothing. When first they arrive their faces are earth colored. The first thing they have to be taught is how to be children. They have to be coaxed and induced to play; even then they soon grow weary. They seem to regard mere playing as frivolous and indecorous; and so it is in the light of the tragedies they have witnessed. Children of seven have seen more of horror in three years than most old men have reached about in a lifetime. Many of them have been captured by and recaptured from the Huns. They have been in villages where the dead lay in piles and not even the women were spared. They have been present while indecencies were worked upon their mothers. They have seen men hanged, shot, bayoneted, and hung to roasts in burning houses. The pictures of all these things hang in their eyes. When they play it is out of politeness to the kind Americans, not because they derive any pleasure from it.

Night is the troublesome time. The children hide under their beds with terror. The nurses have to go the rounds continually. If the children would only cry, they would give warning. But instead they creep silently out from between the sheets and crouch against the floor like dumb animals! That is what they are when first they are brought in. Their most primitive instincts for the beginnings of cleanliness seem to have vanished. They have been fished out of caves, ruined dugouts, broken houses. They are full of skin diseases. Dives are taken about in their eyes. When they play it is out of politeness to the kind Americans, not because they derive any pleasure from it.

Another flotta of German submarines, numbering 16, is to leave Germany to-morrow for surrender to the allies.

There are still seven submarines in neutral waters which are about to be surrendered, and 44 U-boats in German ports which must be given up. One hundred and seventy are in various stages of building, but the majority of them are mere skeletons and further construction work on these vessels has been suspended.

Three Canadian Delegates At Inter-Allied Conference

A despatch from Paris says:—La Liberty says it understands that Great Britain will have three special delegates for each of its Dominions, including Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa. The newspaper asks why the French protectorates of Morocco, Tunis and possibly Algeria, has no special representation.

People of Luxemburg Duchy Want Republic Proclaimed

A despatch from Metz says:—A large crowd paraded before the Grand Ducal Palace in Luxemburg on Friday, requesting the abdication of the Grand Duchess and the proclamation of a republic. A committee on public safety has been appointed and quiet is being maintained everywhere in Luxemburg.

ARCHANGEL FORCE ATTAINED OBJECT

Prevented the Establishment of U-Boat Base in Arctic Ports.

London, Jan. 14.—British and American troops in and south of Archangel are now frozen in for the winter, but there is no anxiety about this force because they are well equipped with Arctic clothes and have plenty of food. Troops in Murmansk, however, are still accessible. Food shipped to Archangel during the period of occupation is sufficient for the troops as well as the population of 170,000 Russians in an area of 40,000 square miles which the British and American troops occupy in Northern Russia.

The food for the civil population was provided by the British, but the expense was defrayed by America. Great Britain, like America, is not sending any more troops to Northern Russia and in military quarters here it was said to-day that only a few operators or a few doctors, if required, would go.

Small as the force is, it is contended that their occupation of this territory prevented the Germans establishing a submarine base in the ice-free Arctic ports, from which they expected to attack American transports.

Operating with the Anglo-American forces in the Archangel and Murmansk district are 6,000 Russians, Karelians and Finns. To abandon them, it is asserted, would be to leave them at the mercy of the Bolshevik forces. The present military strength of the Bolsheviks is as yet unknown, but great quantities of allied artillery ammunition, as well as guns and materials, left by the retreating Germans, fell into their hands. Many Russian officers have been driven to enlist because of hunger.

A force of 6,000 pro-ally Russians, operating with the Anglo-American forces, have been responsible, it is said, for preventing the Bolsheviks entering the high Siberian areas.

GREATEST WAR-SHIP HANDED OVER

Superdreadnought and Flotilla of U-Boats Surrendered to Allies.

London, Jan. 12.—The German superdreadnought Baden has arrived in Scapa Flow and has been interred there with the other vessels of the German fleet. The surrender of this warship was demanded in place of the battle-cruiser Mackensen, which was not sufficiently completed to leave Germany.

The Baden is a vessel of about 27,000 tons, similar to the Queen Elizabeth class, mounting eight 15-inch guns and steaming nominally 23 knots.

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Third Division Not to be Sent Home Direct From France

London, Jan. 12.—The third division of the Canadian Corps, the first to be demobilized, will be brought to England before being returned to Canada, as at first intended. Arrangements have been made for a camp for this division here and the first of its units will leave for home early in February.

Copenhagen Says Fighting Has Been Resumed in Berlin

London, Jan. 12.—Fighting has been resumed in Berlin, according to advices received here to-night from Copenhagen. The Spartans are said to be still holding a portion of the Tagelblatt building. The Spartans can losses since the outbreak of the revolution are said to be about 1,300 persons killed.

FROM SUNSET COAST

WHAT THE WESTERN PEOPLE ARE DOING.

Progress of the Great West Told in a Few Pointed Paragraphs.

Victoria's ice skating arena, which has been closed for the past three years, is opened again. Potatoes were dug from the Fraser Valley gardens in December, so mild was the weather.

Great damage is being done by bark beetles to the timber of British Columbia.

In the seven days between December 5th and 11th, five persons succumbed to automobile accidents at Vancouver.

Victoria schools, owing to the influenza epidemic, have again been closed, not to be re-opened until after the holidays.

A reconstruction league has been organized at Vancouver to consider housing problems, immigration, industries, and natural resources.

Lieut. James H. Hampton, of Port Hammond, who was last seen spinning down in flames from a height of 2,000 feet, is reported missing.

Lieut. W. J. Kane, of Port Moody, while in Mesopotamia, met Howe, a Turkish prisoner there, whom he recognized as the proprietor of a fruit store in Vancouver.

Lance-Corporal W. J. Murdoch, a compositor on the Vancouver Daily World, has been awarded the Military Medal for bravery overseas.

Twice wounded and awarded the Military Medal, R. F. Perkins, of Port Kells, has now won his commission in the field, although not yet twenty years of age.

Development work on the Pitt Meadows Oil Wells, Ltd., is proceeding favorably. The official drill depth is 1,987.6 and the sand contained in the last samples looks promising.

That the death rate in Vancouver has been unusually high during the past two months is shown by the large number of applications for probate being filed.

Members of the Burnaby Council, the police commissioners and representatives of the municipal staff attended the funeral of the late chief constable, William Parkinson, at Edmonds, B.C.

Nursing Sister Gladys Carveth, a former Victoria nurse, has recently returned from overseas and is now attached to the staff at Shaughnessy Heights Military Hospital, Vancouver.

Chief Battiste George, of the Inkamp Reserve, is probably the largest subscriber among the Indians of Canada to the Victory Loan, having invested \$21,000 of his own savings.

Mr. D. Hardy, postmaster at Campbell River, succumbed to Spanish influenza.

Word has been received at New Westminster that Lieutenant J. W. H. Crispin, of that city, has lost both legs and the right eye when wounded in France.

Everett W. Hogan has been appointed chief inspector of the soil and crop division of the Department of Agriculture, B.C.

The production of spruce in British Columbia for airplanes will be curtailed owing to the signing of the armistice.

The Arrow Lakes District having doubled its number of subscribers and trebled its Victory Loan over last year, has won nine crowns.

Lieut. Roland Thompson and Lieut. Hugh Thompson (brothers) of Vernon, B.C., have both been awarded the Military Cross overseas.

Flight Lieutenant Darrell Tepperton, Vancouver, is the latest of the R.A.F. aces, and has won distinction as a patrol leader on the Italian front.

The Mine-Straw Sea.

The sinking of the British warship Cassandra by a mine is another illustration of the danger from this source to which vessels will be exposed for some time to come. After the Russo-Japanese war disasters of the kind occurred now and then for a number of years. Conditions may easily be worse now, for the Germans, in planting the mines, disregarded all the rules. It was determined at The Hague that no belligerent should "lay unanchored automatic contact mines except when they are so constructed as to become harmless one hour at most after those who laid them have lost control of them," or should "lay anchored automatic contact mines which do not become harmless as soon as they have broken loose from their moorings." Germany charged Great Britain with sowing the waters of the North Sea with mines. But Great Britain took every precaution to see that merchant ships kept to the safe lanes. The operations of the German minelayers were absolutely indiscriminate, as the losses in merchant tonnage showed. The Allied navies will have their work cut out for them for some time in hunting down and destroying these menaces to navigation.

BRITAIN ACQUIRES ORDNANCE STORES

A despatch from London says:—Canadian ordnance stores on this side have been sold to the Imperial authorities under an arrangement insuring that the Canadian Government should receive 100 per cent. on all new equipment.



CANADIAN RECORD AUG. 8 TO NOV. 11

BRIEF SUMMARY OF EFFORT IN LAST 3 MONTHS OF WAR

**Captured More Than 150 Small Towns
and Freed Over 300,000 French
and Belgian Civilians.**

The following despatch is forwarded from the office of Sir E. Kemp, Canadian Overseas Minister of Militia, by Fred James, official correspondent with the Canadian Overseas Ministry Forces:

Canadian troops have furnished a curious coincidence in British military history. The first troops to enter Mons the day the armistice was signed were those of the 42nd Royal Highlanders of Canada, which battalion, through the parent regiment, the 5th Royal Highlanders of Canada, is affiliated with the famous Black Watch. On August 23, 1914, the last British battalion to leave Mons was the 42nd Highlanders, the Scottish Black Watch.

Captured 34,000 Germans.
From August 8 to November 11, the date the armistice was declared, the Canadian Corps captured over 34,000 prisoners, 750 artillery guns of all calibres, 3,500 machine guns, hundreds of trench mortars, and huge quantities of all kinds of material.

In the last three months of the war the corps advanced in depth to a distance of 95 miles, covering an area of approximately 450 square miles. The principal towns captured by the Canadians in that time were Cambrai and Le Cateau on Oct. 9; Denain, Oct. 20; Valenciennes, Nov. 2; Mons, Nov. 2. At least 150 smaller towns and villages were captured in addition to those larger centres, which were released from German domination over 300,000 French and Belgian civilians.

The three outstanding battles fought by the Canadian Corps since August, 1918, were: Amiens, which began Aug. 8; Arras, on Aug. 26; and Cambrai, Sept. 27. In these three battles, and in the advance from Cambrai to Mons through Valenciennes, the Canadian Corps engaged and identified a total of fifty-seven German divisions, several of whom were so badly defeated as to render them useless as fighting organizations.

At Amiens we advanced in less than two weeks a depth of 15 miles. At Arras and Cambrai the depth of penetration into the enemy lines was 25 miles, and from Cambrai to Mons 55 miles. At Amiens we captured 12,000 prisoners; Arras, 10,000; Cambrai, 7,174; and from Cambrai to Mons, 2,836.

On the Last Day of War.

On the morning of the 11th, at four o'clock, the 42nd Battalion (the Montreal Kitties), the P.P.C.L.I., B.C.R.'s and the 4th Battalion of the Seventh Brigade, attacked at Mons. The city was actually captured by the 42nd Battalion and the Princess Pat's, and the B.C.R.'s also had some troops enter the city. By eleven o'clock, the time the armistice came into effect, we had established a line five kilometres east of the city, so that in nine days the Canadians advanced thirty miles.

On the afternoon of the 11th, Lieut. General Sir Arthur Currie and his staff made a triumphant entry into Mons, and were welcomed by thousands of civilians in a most demonstrative way. General Currie presented to the city a Canadian flag tied to a lance, which now has a prominent place in the council chamber of the city hall. The bodyguard of the Corps Commander was a section of the 5th Imperial Lancers, all of whom wore the Mons Ribbon and were among the last to leave the city on August 23, 1914.

It was at Mons that the British began fighting in the war and it was there the war ended. Throughout all the advance invaluable assistance was given by the Canadian Railway Troops and the Canadian Forestry Corps, whose work was extremely difficult owing to the devastation and destruction caused to railway tracks, bridges and roads.

The Power of Speed.

The destruction wrought by the bursting of a flywheel in an electric light plant in New Rockford, N.D., U.S.A., recently, indicates vividly the disastrous results which may follow failure to control the speed of an engine. The engine in question was of the Corliss type, and for some undiscovered reason the governor failed to work. The speed of the flywheel which normally was 100 revolutions per minute, was increased to many times that number. Eventually the big casting burst, and fragments were hurled many hundred feet in all directions. The engine room and the machinery it contained were completely wrecked, except a small generator which, almost miraculously, was unharmed. A great hole was torn in one of the brick walls, and a piece of the wheel, weighing about 450 pounds, was thrown high in the air. It landed in front of a furniture store 500 feet from the power plant, burying itself deep in the concrete sidewalk. The enterprising furniture merchant hastened to paint an advertisement on the side of the fragment.

A PRISONERS PIL-GRIM'S PROGRESS

NO ONE WILL READ UNMOVED THIS STORY

The Long, Ragged, Starved, But Undaunted Procession of Prisoners Returning From Germany.

A long, limping procession of tattered and denuded figures clothed in the oddest collection of old rags and bits of uniform, supporting one another, leaning on clumsy sticks cut from the hedgerows—such is the sight that meets the British Army in every road but their faces do not reveal the signs of a systematized course of brutality as do the faces of our men, whilst for the most part they have preserved their uniforms intact.

Of all the Allied prisoners of war, I think the French—to judge by their appearance—were the least ill-treated. They, like the rest, are thin—for thinness seems to be universal amongst the dwellers in Germany of to-day—but their faces do not reveal the signs of a systematized course of brutality as do the faces of our men, whilst for the most part they have preserved their uniforms intact.

The picture of the bands of returning prisoners will, I believe, remain indelibly fixed on the minds of all who have taken part in the victorious march into Germany. The setting is the broad, tree-lined chaussées. The line of marching battalions, spruce and clean and fit, with transport in road shape, and strong, well-groomed horses, fills the right hand of the highway; on the left, coming from the opposite direction, defiles an endless procession of civilians pushing little hand-carts piled high with their belongings, and surmounted by the Belgian flag, intermingled by these little groups of prisoners of war.

The hunched look in the eyes of many of these men tells the whole story of the system which the Allied armies set out to smash, and have smashed. I will not horrify you with the repetition of the stories you have read in such ghastly detail in the British official report on the treatment of our prisoners of war in Germany, the brutality of the guards and their superior officers, the lack of food, even of the disgusting quality provided, the long hours of forced labor, often under shell fire. But what we must insist on—and it appears in the statements of almost all the prisoners—is the sheer inhumanity of the German attitude towards their British victims.

If it were inconvenient to start rations a party of prisoners on a certain day, the party would simply be confined without food or water until such time as the rationing of the prisoners became convenient. There was apparently no recognition even of such an elementary principle as that you must feed the animal which is to work for you. "Necessity knows no law," says the German, and if there is no food for prisoners—if the transport, for instance, is required more urgently for ammunition—then the prisoners may starve. And starve they did, and die of exposure and neglect and under-nourishment, so that it seems probable that the fortunate ones who are making their way back to happiness and liberty have



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The Weekly Fashions

PRINTERS' PIE.

Some Interesting War-time Samples of Typographical Errors.

The grim and often sorrowful details that war news brings home to most of us are now and again unwittingly lit up by the mistakes of the compositor. These typographical errors are termed "printers' pie."

Sometimes the omission of a single letter makes quite a startling change from what is really meant, as, for example, in this new view of the Hun's humanity: "The newest Gothas carry bombs of a ton weight, but the German machines that aid hospitals in France continue to use smallish bombs." This one from a Sheffield paper seems much nearer the truth: "Three bombs were dropped upon an ammunition train and a direct hit obtained. The train contained 15,000 bells." To which our airman appears to have obliged by adding an extra one.

The unintentional alteration of a letter also works wonders, as in the case where "Mr. —" wept through the Gallipoli campaign and was awarded the Military Cross, or where more German frightfulness is suggested by the statement that "Hindenburg sent a large number of bug guns to General Broevics," or, again, in the somewhat startling notice from a "Death" column in another newspaper—"In loving memory of our dear son. He nobly answered his country's call, he gave his wife for one and all."

The origin of many such items may not always be laid at the door of the compositor, but often are the product of one who wrote them. In many of them our trials and tribulations arising from the war make their appearance. When the milk difficulty cropped up in Dublin the Lord Mayor delivered himself in these terms: "It would be a crying evil to leave the poor people without milk. It would be a wise thing if the Corporation would take the bull by the horns and deal with the matter."

It was a Glasgow paper that wrote on the coal question thus:—"One wise virgin, the father of a large family, has laid in several piles of wood against the coming of coal-rationing time," whilst a University journal threw cold water on the musical abilities of our fighting men by announcing that "a capital military band will discourage music throughout the afternoon."

Complaints about the inadequate grants to soldiers' dependants caused a Yorkshire correspondent to remark, "I hope that if the Government grant an increase to soldiers' wives, they will increase the wives of soldiers all round." Even the Times adds its quota with this:—"The Canadian force is wearing the smile that won't come off. The nature of the ground is entirely favorable to such an operation."

The opinion has often been expressed that the best German is a dead one, but I think it has been left for a Birmingham paper to tell us of those who have been "permanently" killed, which one would think should satisfy the most anti-German amongst us. The food question is hardly a subject for mirth at present, but one can secretly resist a smile when we are told that "the markets are empty, and the prices of such things as remain are impossibly high."

An old Latin saying got a new turn in an advertisement which lately appeared in a leading London paper as follows:—"Buy a £5 War Bond. He gives quickly who gives twice." The most up-to-date one deals with recent war successes, and describes our moderation in the display of national feeling in this little sentence, "if this were Germany, the bells would be rung throughout the country over today's splendid news."

STUFF FOR MAKING PAPER.

Can be Manufactured of Almost Any Vegetable Substance.
Clippings from the collar factories contribute importantly to the supply of raw material for making high-grade paper. It is just an instance of waste-elimination.

Asbestos makes an excellent paper, which, being fireproof, is much recommended for use for deeds and other valuable documents. But, unfortunately, no process has been discovered by which paper of this material can be made that has a smooth, hard surface to take ink from a pen without blurring. The inventor who solves this puzzle has a fortune awaiting him.

There will never be a real paper famine, because paper can be made out of almost anything vegetable. It has been manufactured from banana leaves, pineapple leaves, beanstalks, cabbage-stalks, cat-tails, hay, thistle-down and even mummy wrappings. Sugar-cane refuse makes good paper; cotton stalks likewise. Of these materials incalculable quantities are thrown away annually. Rice straw and flax stalks are available for the same purpose; also the wild hemp that grows over vast areas in the South-west.

Wheat straw, rye straw, oat straw and barley straw make first-class newspaper and printing paper. There are always plenty of rags for making high-grade papers. Why, then, all the recent fuss and rising prices? No reason at all except that we have not yet learned to utilize the available raw-materials, which, once turned to proper account, will render it unnecessary to draw upon the forests for pulp.

One of the most interesting uses of peat is for packing and preserving perishable foods, such as fruits, vegetables, butter and eggs. Even meats and fish have been shipped for great distances in peat fibre, arriving in perfect condition, thanks to the peculiar preservative qualities of the material.

A marble boiled in milk, porridge, custards, etc., will automatically do the stirring as the liquid cooks and so prevent burning.

The Weekly Fashions

MINARD'S LINIMENT

Keep Your Health TO-NIGHT TRY



A very practical little apron indeed is this one which slips on over the head and fastens under the arm. McCall Pattern No. 8682, Girl's Apron. In 6 sizes, 2 to 12 years. Price, 15 cents. Transfer Design No. 591. Price, 10 cents.



This new design has the effect which it has on the shoulder and at the underarm. McCall Pattern No. 8712 Ladies' Dress. In 6 sizes, 34 to 44 bust. Price, 25 cents.

It Works! Try It

Tells how to loosen a sore, tender corn so it lifts out without pain.
Good news spreads rapidly and druggists here are kept busy dispensing freezone, the other discovery of a Cincinnati man, which is said to loosen any corn so it lifts out with the fingers. Ask at any pharmacy for a quarter ounce of freezone, which will cost very little, but is said to be sufficient to rid one's feet of every hard or soft corn or callus.

You apply just a few drops on the tender, aching corn and instantly the soreness is relieved, and soon the corn is so shriveled that it lifts out without pain. It is a sticky substance which dries when applied and never inflames or even irritates the adjoining tissue.

This discovery will prevent thousands of deaths annually from lockjaw and infection heretofore resulting from the suicidal habit of cutting corns.

PEAT AS FUEL

It Also Has Many Other Interesting and Useful Qualities.
Peat is coal in the making. It furnishes a perfectly good fuel. During the eighteenth century, when the forests of northern Europe had been to a great extent cleared away (coal being not yet in general use), peat was the main dependence of the rural population.

It is said that a ton of paper can be manufactured from peat at a cost of \$20, leaving a satisfactory margin of profit.

In France some very beautiful textile fabrics, resembling Scotch tweeds and camel's hair cloth, are woven from peat fibre. They can be bleached to snowy whiteness and will take any dye.

One of the most interesting uses of peat is for packing and preserving perishable foods, such as fruits, vegetables, butter and eggs. Even meats and fish have been shipped for great distances in peat fibre, arriving in perfect condition, thanks to the peculiar preservative qualities of the material.

CHARACTER OF THE LATE CZAR

Psychological Makeup of the Last Emperor of the Russias.

As a result of an interview with the Czar, as well as from various other sources, Charles Greene Cumston, M. D., privat-docent at the University of Geneva and Fellow of the Royal Society of Medicine of London, etc., has given us the following sketch which will no doubt prove of interest: "The most marked trait of the Czar was his absolute lack of will power. Personally insufficient to govern so great a country, Nicholas II was also an egoist and suspicious of all things and persons. Weak of character, the Czar was both a fatalist and a mystic, and when affairs of court or state did not go well he believed he was abandoned by God. This always increasing conviction since the Manchurian War paralyzed all his initiative and annihilated the little will power which he still possessed. All foreigners who approached him in 1916 gathered this impression. It explains the ease with which Nicholas II abandoned his power and the absolute absence of any effort on his part to recover possession of it. When the revolution of the people arose the Czar regarded it as the judgment of God upon him and his people and he accepted it as a divine decision and as an expiation and an atonement for his earthly errors, and it is undoubtedly true that he died in this spirit of internal sanctity."

"I believe that when history shall be written Nicholas II will be looked upon with pity and with sympathy rather than otherwise. Only time will tell."

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The ham will not dry out and get hard if you fry out some of the fat and let it become hard. Then spread it over the cut end of the ham about a half-inch thick. This will exclude the air. Scrape off the fat before slicing the ham and afterward spread it on again as before.

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British employers who are paying less than the minimum wages have been warned that they will be proceeded against by the Government. According to government figures, the number of hens in Holland has decreased from 8,000,000 to 3,000,000 in two years.

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"You don't need mercury, potash or any other strong mineral to cure pimples caused by poor blood. Take Extract of Roots—druggist calls it "Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup—and your skin will clear up as fresh as a baby's. It will sweeten your stomach and regulate your bowels. Get it at drug stores. 50c. and \$1.00 Bottles. At drug stores."

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We Buy No Job Lots of Inferior Goods Just to Make a Sale.

Every article on sale is from our regular stock. Lines we are discounting to buy on account of style changes or lines broken in sales.

Many Lines Are One-third to One-half Off Today's Values

Handkerchiefs from our Christmas display, some very slightly soiled—50c quality for 35c; 35c quality for 25c; 25c quality for 18c; 20c quality for 15c.

Fancy Dresden Ribbon, reg. 65c and 75c, sale price 39c.

Boudoir Caps from Christmas sale, reg. 85c, clearing at 55c.

Men's Linen Collars, discontinued lines, reg. 25c and 35c, for 5c each.

Men's Hook-on Silk Ties, reg. 35c to 50c, for 25c.

Men's Jersey Gloves and Mitts, wool lined, warm and dressy, reg. \$1 and \$1.25, sale price 85c.

Men's Shirts, in best selling lines, size 14, reg. value today \$2, sale price \$1.

Ladies' Kid Gloves, Perrin make, broken lines, reg. \$2.25 and \$2.50, sale price \$1.50.

Men's All Wool Sox, reg. 60c and 75c, sale price 50c.

Women's Full-fashioned Saxony Wool Cashmere Hose, city prices today \$1.25 and \$1.50, our price \$1.

Misses' and Children's All Wool Cashmere Hosiery, all sizes 4 1/2 to 8 1/2, prices 45c to 90c, all at about present mill prices.

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Clearing out Winter Caps for Men and Boys, just when required.

A few Fur Ruffs at less than half price.

Men's Fur Felt English Hats, reg. \$2.50 and \$3, clearing at \$1.50.

A pile of very slightly soiled Wool Underwear, one-third off to clear.

Boys' Scotch Knit Union Underwear clearing at 39c each garment.

Men's Work Gloves, one finger, reg. 75c, clearing at 45c.

Those wishing to do their spring sewing during the winter months can find very special values in Sheetings, Shirtings, Denims, Galateas, Nainsooks, Pillow Cotton, Towelling, Linen, etc., all at about today's mill price.

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 1919

"The summer of 1919 will see the return of food prices to natural levels, even if the pendulum does not begin a swing that will carry it to the other extreme. At any rate food prices are as high now as they are going to be and there is almost a certainty of sharp declines as soon as the 1919 crops become available." This statement was made to a New York Journal of Commerce representative the other day by one who has been very high in the councils of the United States Food Administration, and who speaks not only with authority, but with a knowledge of facts, gained by a peculiarly intimate association with the food problem as the Government has tried to solve it. Incidentally considerable light was thrown on the alleged necessity for the 1919 wheat guaranty, and it was frankly admitted that it is likely to cost the government a billion dollars. The loss will represent about a dollar a bushel as wheat is bringing only about \$1.25 per bushel in Europe and with next year's crop on the market the price may go to \$1 or lower. The same authority expressed the opinion that hogs will take a turn downward probably before summer, and that there will be a decline in the price of labor.

Among the organizations operating among the troops, both at home and abroad, to improve their social condition and ameliorate the hardships of war, the Salvation Army was the first in the field, and it is the last to make an appeal for public donations. This organization, which operates in sixty-three countries and speaks forty languages, is launching a campaign to raise throughout the Dominion one million dollars to carry on the work among the troops and to help to get them back into civil employment. It has adopted the slogan "First to Aid—Last to Appeal," referring to the fact that the Salvation Army had its officers and soldiers in Belgium on the heels of Lord French's army, that is, on the 15th day of August, 1914, just

fourteen days after the declaration of war, and has stayed with the game till the last without asking the public to make a special donation for the expenses of the campaign.

The Canadian public, which is to be asked to give a million dollars for the Salvation Army's war and reconstruction work, is entitled to know what claim the Salvation Army has for monetary assistance. In the first place the Army has spent \$2,000,000 in war activities. Here is a summary of the operations of the Army directly connected with the war—

Forty rest rooms, equipped with papers, magazines, writing materials, etc. These are for the use of soldiers.

Forty-five motor ambulances in France, manned by Salvationists.

Ninety-six hotels for use of soldiers and sailors. These are located in France, England and Canada. The Army plans a wide extension of hotels in Canada.

One hundred and ninety-seven huts at soldiers' camps. These are used for religious and social gatherings, and at these huts the fighting men are able to buy what extras they require in the nature of cats at the very lowest rates.

Two hundred and ninety-eight war orphans cared for.

W.S.S. pay 4 1/2 per cent. compounded half-yearly.

It is reported in Ottawa that some at least of high tariff interests are willing to compromise with the farmers and the other low tariff advocates to the extent of consenting to the removal of the 7 1/2 per cent. war-time increase and continuing the duty free farm tractors together with the lowering of the duty on agricultural implements to 12 1/2 per cent.

MAIL CONTRACT
SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the Postmaster General, will be received at Ottawa until noon, on Friday, the 7th day of February, 1919, for the conveyance of His Majesty's Mails, on a proposed Contract for four years, six times per week, over Wardville No. 2 Rural Route, from the Postmaster General's pleasure.

Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed Contract may be seen and blank forms of tender may be obtained at the Post Offices of Wardville and Newbury, and at the office of the Post Office Inspector, London.

CHAS. E. H. FISHER,
Post Office Inspector,
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THE PROPOSED HIGHWAY

Editor "The Farmer's Advocate."

The questions asked by A. E. Aldred in your issue of December 26th concerning the proposed provincial highway are very timely, and if answered by a number of people who are not directly interested in such a highway they would likely be very acceptable to the different governments that finally have to assume the responsibility if such a highway is constructed. We in the Western part of the province of Ontario have heard considerable about this proposed highway, owing to the two factions at London and St. Thomas putting forth their arguments for their choice of routes, etc. Personally, I don't know whether the government at Toronto has pledged itself to construct such a highway through the province or whether this agitation is just a feeler, so I take this opportunity to write a few lines, assuming that suggestions or friendly advice are always acceptable to those who are the custodians of the revenues of the province and responsible for the provincial indebtedness accrued during their term in office. I am an advocate of better roads, but if I was asked to record my vote for or against a provincial highway I would have to vote against it at the present time, for the reason that I cannot see how it is going to benefit, to any material extent, the productiveness of this province, and it seems that we must look to our soils' production to meet the war and other indebtedness. To bring the matter nearer home, or making a more local application of it, I would rather have the chief roads leading to our village, town or city markets macadamized, even if it cost several thousand per mile, than to build a concrete highway from one city to another at a cost of \$25,000 to \$35,000 per mile. While my system of roads would cover more miles perhaps than the (direct route) concrete road, I would feel that my system of roads was being used for both business and pleasure, while the provincial highway would be used largely for pleasure. It may be argued that automobile licenses will largely cover the cost of this highway, but the automobile licenses are needed today to pay for damage the automobiles are doing upon the side lines and concessions everywhere. If the proposed highway is built in competition with the railways, the railway companies will again demand another increase in freight, express and passenger rates, and they cannot be compelled to operate at a loss. In conclusion let me say that I think the government will serve the country's interests best if they postpone the building of a concrete highway until more of our local highways are put into condition fit for general traffic, (which can be paid for largely by auto licenses) and until after the war reconstruction has been got off to a good start and business becomes normal. By that time the country may be prospering to such an extent that it wouldn't feel a few-million-dollar highway. We have four good railway lines from East to West—what we need are highways connecting the farms with these railways.

R. H. HARDING,
Middlesex Co., Ont.

MACHINES SAVE LABOR

Work of Efficient Gas Engine in House and Barn.

How Early Winter Pruning May Be Done Without Injury — Winter Rhubarb Is Delicious and May Be Grown by All.

(Contributed by Ontario Department of Agriculture, Toronto.)

SAVING labor in stable and home, by the use of machinery, is one of the great economic problems engaging the attention of farmers to-day. Through the use of machinery they can produce even more, at less cost, than in years past, when labor was plentiful, and tolerably cheap.

Probably never before in the history of the farming world have so many farm problems been solved by a single piece of machinery as has now been accomplished by the gasoline engine. In the stable it can be employed to advantage in grinding feed for the stock. It can cut food and ensilage. It can pump water for the house and stable whenever one pleases; a hydrant on the lawn, and in the stock yards to which a hose may be attached for washing the buggy, sprinkling the lawn, flushing pens and stable and for other purposes, is a source of much satisfaction, pleasure and comfort. By means of a line shaft a gas engine may operate many labor-saving machines at the same time. It can run the grindstone, root pulper, fanning mill, cream separator, churn, sheep shearer, horse clipper, rotary curry-comb and the milking machine, with which it is possible to milk two cows in about six minutes, including the time required for changing and setting. Further assistance may be had by attaching the power for refrigeration and for circulating milk over a cooling surface—a practical necessity.

No longer need the preparation of whitewash and its application with a brush be assigned to warmer regions, for the engine can pump the mixture from a tank or barrel through a hose attached to a spraying outfit. It is possible to pump it two hundred feet. When the job is done the hose should be cleared out by having fresh water pumped through it.

The gasoline engine solves for the farmer the problems of comfort in the house, safety in the stables, and a great deal of drudgery generally.—Prof. John Evans, O. A. College, Guelph.

Light Fall Pruning Is Safe.

Light pruning in fall is permissible, but heavy pruning is dangerous and likely to result in serious damage from winter killing, especially if the succeeding winter is severe. The injury is caused by drying out of the cut area and may be prevented by covering all wounds of any size with a good covering of paint made from pure lead and oil. Do not use prepared paints as these contain injurious benzine or turpentine driers. To make an effective covering it will be necessary to give not less than two coats, because one coat will not prevent checking and drying of green wood. Coal tar makes an excellent wound covering and is easily applied.

This matter of covering wounds made in fall or early winter is frequently slighted by orchard men, but the writer has seen such serious damage result from neglect of this precaution that he feels justified in warning fruit growers with regard to the practice. In experimental trials in the college apple orchard, varieties so hardy as Duchess of Oldenburg, Wolf River, Snow and Scott's Winter have suffered very serious injury from the cuts left unprotected. The wounds dry out around the edges and by spring the dead area is greatly enlarged, frequently extending down the trunk or branch for a foot or more. The dead bark comes away later, leaving a large dead area, detrimental to the parts above and certain to decay. —Prof. J. W. Crow, O. A. College, Guelph.

How Winter Rhubarb Is Produced.

The production of rhubarb in winter has become of considerable value among gardeners. It is easy to do if certain methods are followed. If one is making a permanent business of rhubarb forcing, it is necessary, each year to set out a new bed, as plants once forced are of no further value. In the spring large roots should be dug, split in one bud sections and replaced in rich moist ground. During the growing season they are kept cultivated and free from weeds. In the fall they are covered with manure. Next spring a second bed is planted as before. That fall a large part of the first bed is taken up, leaving sufficient to replant another bed the next spring. The roots are taken up the last thing in the fall before the hard freezing weather comes and are placed in piles in a shed where they can easily be got at during the winter but will remain frozen. Early in December take in a sufficient number of roots, place these bud side up on the floor of a warm cellar—about 68 degrees or 70 degrees — and cover with an inch of sand. Be sure to fill in all interspace. Keep this sand moist. About a week later the buds will begin to swell and in from four to six weeks, depending upon the heat of the room—the cooler and slower growth starts—you should have rhubarb ready. After these roots are exhausted throw them away and put in more. If a constant supply is required make a new bed every two or three weeks during the winter. Be sure to keep all the front dimmed. Put burlaps of brown paper over the windows in give the bright pink color so much desired.—A. H. MacLennan, B.S.A., Ontario Vegetable Specialist.

The Salvation Army Million Dollar Fund

MAIL YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO ONE OF THE TREASURERS BELOW, OR TO COMMISSIONER RICHARDS, 20 ALBERT ST., TORONTO

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It is absolutely necessary to ensure certain safeguards and comforts to our boys over there and over here, so that they may be re-established in Canada, strong in body and soul, contented that we at home have stood by them to the finish. What sacrifice can we make for the boys who were prepared to sacrifice everything for us?

What the Salvation Army Has Done

It has provided comforts for fighting men since the twelfth day of the War. Hundreds of thousands of parcels of food and clothing for the boys. Tens of thousands of beds in Hostels in daily use in France, England and Canada. 197 Huts for Soldiers. 1,200 uniformed workers. 45 ambulances. Thousands of War widows cared for. Looked after soldiers' families. Helped to preserve the home ties. Given the MOTHER touch to lonely men.

What Remains to be Done

Keep the Hostels open and open more, so that every returning soldier can get a clean bed and wholesome meals at a price he can afford to pay.

Provide comforts and safeguards for our boys, advancing into Germany, as well as those coming home and needing a place to eat and sleep, in Halifax, St. John, Quebec, Montreal, Kingston, Toronto, London, Chatham, Winnipeg or Vancouver.

Guide and assist soldiers' families, especially the widows and orphans.

Soldiers Home

January



Coming Campaign

19th to 25th

The Salvation Army is equipped and organized to take care of the soldiers' URGENT AND PERSONAL needs—needs that are imperative. It has never made a general appeal for funds to carry on this work until now. Give and give liberally. If you are not certain that your contribution will be taken up by a canvasser, send it direct to the Hon. Treasurer, Sir Edmund Walker, Toronto—subscriptions will be acknowledged.

"God loveth a cheerful giver"

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Wabash and Air Line.
Eastbound—No. 302, mixed, local points to St. Thomas, 8:55 a. m.; No. 2, Wabash, 12:40 p. m.; way freight, 4:30 p. m.

Westbound—No. 1, express, 12:30 p. m.; No. 303, mixed, local points, St. Thomas to Glencoe, 2:30 p. m.; way freight, 4:25 a. m.

Nov. 2 and 3, Sundays included.

Kingston Branch.
Leave Glencoe for Alvinston, Petrolia, etc., connecting for Sagra Tunnel and points west—No. 363, mixed, 7:35 a. m.; No. 364, passenger, 8:40 p. m.

Arrive at Glencoe—No. 272, passenger, 7:05 a. m.; No. 364, mixed, 4:15 p. m.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.
Eastbound—No. 634, 12:42 p. m.; No. 672, Windsor mixed, 1:17 p. m.; No. 22, daily, stops for Toronto passengers, 3:59 p. m.

Westbound—No. 635, for Windsor, 4:48 a. m.; No. 671, Windsor mixed, 6:20 a. m.; No. 632, 8:12 p. m.

Trains 631, 633 and 634, Sundays included.

GLENCOE POST-OFFICE.
Mails closed—G.T.R. East, 9:00 a. m.; G.T.R. West, 6:00 p. m.; London and East, 7 p. m.

Mails received—London and East, 8 a. m.; G.T.R. East, 7 p. m.; G.T.R. West, 9:45 a. m.

Street letter box collections made at 8:30 a. m. and 8:30 p. m.

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Had His Doubts
Teacher—Do you know that George Washington never told a lie?
Boy—No, sir; I only heard it.
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Sam Burchell of Watford broke his arm while cranking his car.

There will be three eclipses in 1919, two of the sun and one of the moon, but this part of the world won't see much of them. Good Friday comes on April 18th. Dominion Day falls on Tuesday and Christmas on Thursday. There will be five Sundays in March, June, August and November. February has 28 days.

The annual meeting of the Ontario Motor League will be held in Toronto on January 20, when it is expected an announcement will be made by the Hon. Finlay McDiarmid, Minister of Public Works and Highways, on the highways construction work to be undertaken by the Ontario Government during the coming year.

Martha Collier died from pleuropneumonia at Victoria Hospital, London, on January 5th, and the remains were interred at Mount Pleasant cemetery, London, on Tuesday, January 7th. Miss Collier lived for eleven years with Miss Gordon at Glencoe and had many friends here. After Miss Gordon's death in last week's London, where she lived up to the time of her death.

By the courtesy of the author, we are in possession of "The Cow Puncher," an interesting novel by Robert J. Stead, portraying western life and ideals. The story is wholesome to a degree and is sprinkled with gems of philosophy and moralizing which are not tedious to the most superficial reader and which are a refreshing draught to the more serious minded. We recommend "The Cow Puncher" as an addition to any library.

Francis Chambers writing from Bitlers Lake, Alberta, to renew his subscription to The Transcript says: "We are having a very mild winter. The last few days have been like spring. The coldest day was New Year's when it was 12 below zero. There has been but little snow and that is going fast—a good thing, as feed is scarce. No flu in this immediate vicinity, but B. M. Johnston, who was formerly in the hardware business at Newbury and now of Edmonton, lost his daughter, Mrs. Smith, from the flu on January 5th.

Glencoe hockey team had their first game of the O. H. A. series on Monday night at Tillsonburg with the team of that town. This was the first time the Glencoe boys had their skates on this season, yet they succeeded in holding their opponents down to a tie with a score of 5 to 5. A return game will likely be played in St. Thomas on Friday night. Glencoe was lined up as follows: Goal, Purdon; I. defence, Dobie; R. defence, Hamilton; centre, G. wing, Wall; I. wing, Payne; sub, Luckham. Referee, J. Stevenson, Glencoe.

Trumpeter George M. Grant, writing from England to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Grant, Glencoe, encloses a copy of the program of the Canadian troops in England on Christmas Day. The boys evidently fared well, having for breakfast—rolled oats, scrambled eggs and bacon, bread, butter and turkey, pea-pera soup, roast turkey and dressing, apple sauce, cabbage, potatoes, English plum pudding with vanilla sauce, cheese, bread, for supper—roast beef, ham and turkey, potato salad, blanc mange and jam, mince pie, bread, butter, tea.

Dr. James Hurley has been appointed house physician of the City and County Hospital at Denver, Colorado, and is in charge of the medical administration of the hospital. Dr. Hurley was graduated from the Denver University last spring. In a letter to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Hurley of Cass City, Mo., the newly arrived of Glencoe, he says he is extremely happy in his work and is looking forward with pleasure upon his life's work.

John Earskin, a well-known farmer of Danwich, died at the home of his sister, Mrs. W. Thompson, Dutton, on Saturday evening.

On Sunday afternoon George Martel shot a full grown timber wolf in the bush in Bosanquet, a few miles north of Thorford.

Arthur Davenport, Glencoe's star hockey player, is with the London intermediates this season and is giving a good account of himself.

Mrs. James Riddell, who formerly resided near Glencoe in Ekfrid township, died about two months ago in San Francisco, California.

There was a short session of the division court at Glencoe on Tuesday of last week. Only one case was on the docket, and that of little interest.

The marriage took place in the Baptist church, Wallaceburg, on Jan. 4, of Miss Florence Nightingale and Clarence Norsworthy, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Norsworthy of Alvinston.

A machine has been invented by a Scotchman that prepares fax for manufacture within a few hours after it has been pulled from the ground, instead of taking days or even weeks as usual.

Sarnia hockey team, which was grouped with Glencoe and Thameville in the Northern League schedule, has withdrawn on account of not being able to secure proper material for hockey to play against the fast Glencoe six.

The Misses Grant gave a skating party to a number of their friends on Wednesday evening. After enjoying the ice at the mill pond in the early part of the evening other amusements occupied the time at the house, where lunch was served.

H. I. Johnston received word on Sunday of the serious illness of his brother, Lloyd Johnston of Gobles. Mr. and Mrs. Johnston left on Sunday for Gobles, arriving shortly after Mr. Johnston's brother had passed away. The funeral was held on Wednesday afternoon.

Very few Kent county farmers have sold their beans this season as the buyers have, it is reported, over \$20,000 worth of last year's beans in their storerooms. Farmers are becoming anxious over the bean question, as nearly every one has from 100 to 250 bushels on hand.

J. E. Evans, photographer, of Port Rowan, is in town for a few days only for the purpose of taking pictures of family groups, etc. If you want any work done in his line, drop a post card to him, addressed Glencoe post office, and he will be pleased to call with samples and prices. Fifteen years' experience; all work guaranteed.

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When Holloway's Corn Cure is applied to a corn or wart it kills the roots and the callous comes out without injury to the flesh.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL

J. A. McLachlan was in St. Thomas for a few days this week.

Lieut. Croden of London was the guest of J. A. McLachlan on Saturday.

Miss Christina Sutherland is taking a course at Chatham Business College.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Sutherland are spending a couple of weeks in Indianapolis.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Singleton and Francis spent the weekend in Bradford.

Hugh McCall of Forest spent a few days at the home of his cousin, Dan. A. McCall.

Charles Strachan has returned home after visiting relatives in Port Elgin and Guelph.

Mrs. C. E. Davidson and two children are visiting her mother, Mrs. McDougall, Chatham, who is ill.

Mrs. John Hick attended the funeral of the late Miss Martha Collier at London on Tuesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Allen and daughter Kathleen of Toronto spent last week at Andrew Gardiner's, visiting Mr. Allen's sister.

Miss Jean McLachlan and Miss Florence Keith of the Normal school, London, spent the week-end with the Misses Vair of St. Thomas.

Rev. Dr. Ford spent the Christmas and New Year holidays with his brother, Rev. Mr. Ford of Goderich, and returned home last week.

Miss J. Hussen and daughter and Mrs. Dorling and daughter of Guelph and Miss Corne of Port Elgin are the guests of their sister, Mrs. W. J. Strachan.

Oscar Howard of Edmonton spent a few days here this week visiting old friends. Mr. Howard is now a traveller for P. Burns & Co., provisioners of Calgary, and covers a wide stretch of territory in the Western provinces. This brings him into touch quite frequently with former Glencoe people now residing in the West, of whom he has nothing but good things to report.

AUCTION SALES

On north half lot 1, range 1 north Longwoods Road, Ekfrid, on Saturday, Jan. 18th, 1919, at 1:30 sharp—1 bay Clyde gelding, weight 1,600 lbs.; 1 black mare 5 years old, sired by Royal George; 1 bay mare rising 3 years, sired by Lord Harry; 1 bay Clyde gelding rising 3 years old; 1 foal sired by Lacedemone; 1 cow freshened lately; 1 cow due to calve in April; 1 cow giving milk; 1 fat cow; 1 choice two-year-old steer; 1 choice one-year-old steer; 1 choice one-year-old heifer; 4 spring calves; 1 young calf; 3 shoats; 1 Chatham wagon, nearly new; 1 set 24-inch sloop sleighs, new; 1 set knee sleighs; 1 hay rack, new; 1 stock rack; 1 Bradford top buggy, new; 1 open buggy; 1 Ford motor binder; 1 Frost & Wood mower; 1 Frost & Wood horse rake; 1 Massey-Harris mower; 1 Massey-Harris horse rake; 1 Massey-Harris disc harrow; 1 Massey-Harris corn cutter; 1 cut-walking plow; 1 seed drill; 1 cultivator; 1 scuffer; 1 cutting box; 1 fanning mill; 1 set scales; 1 corn planter; 2 oat boxes; work bench; canthook; forks, shovels, etc.; chicken coops; quantity of 2-inch plank; 1 set double heavy harness; 1 set single light harness; 1 team breeching, new; quantity of mixed hay; 100 shes corn; large stack of straw to be fed on farm; 250 bus. mixed oats and barley; 500 bus. O.A.C. No. 72 oats; 5 bus. red clover seed; 5 bags seed potatoes; 1 Massey-Harris cream separator; 1 baseburner; 1 cook stove; kitchen sideboard; table and 6 chairs; John M. Borthwick, proprietor; McTaggart & McIntyre, auctioneers.

People should get into the habit of investing some of their change in Thrift stamps. If this is done, a lot of loose money will thus be saved.

MEMORIAL TO FALLEN HEROES

A meeting was held in S. S. No. 9, Mosa, on the afternoon of Dec. 20th, to unveil the pictures of Lieut. Duncan A. McGregor and Willie McIntyre, who gave their lives for freedom's cause. Lieut. McGregor was a son of Gregor McGregor, formerly of this place, now of the Canadian West. John C. Butler of London, during his lifetime, and at his death to his children, Kathleen, Norine, Julia and Richard E. Butler and Muriel J. Pope, until the youngest of these reaches the age of 50 years, when the principal is to be divided among them equally.

SPECIAL NOTICES

New milk cow for sale.—Hugh McCutcheon.

Chopping Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.—W. R. Stephenson, Appin.

Granulated sugar for sale without restrictions. Good butter and fresh eggs taken, at W. A. Currie's.

Flour and feed for sale at store corner of Main and McKellar streets.—J. D. McKellar.

For sale—White Cap Dent seed corn, \$3 per bushel. Offer good until February.—B. Glasgow.

Received this week a fresh shipment of naval oranges, cakes and fancy groceries.—W. A. Currie.

A second-hand violin and a case in good condition, also a second-hand organ with good tone, for sale, reasonably and on easy terms. Enquire of Daniel H. McRae, agent, Glencoe.

Records suitable for different makes of talking machines for sale, also needles, at Colin Leitch's tailor shop. Scotch song books containing words and music of about 75 old Scotch songs.

Given free with three dollars' worth of mixed groceries—one quart sealer of preserved pitted cherries, at W. A. Currie's, central grocery.

January Clearance Sale

January is the readjustment or clearance period for the Winter season, so all clearance lines at special reduced prices, low enough to bring about a quick clearance. But do not get the idea that this sale is the forerunner of lower price levels in the near future. It is certain that prices will be even higher next Fall than prices have been this present season.



Men's and Boys' Overcoats and Suits.
Some heavy Ulsters for driving, worth \$20.00, for \$14.95. French Belters for young men, \$15.00, \$18.95 and \$25.00. Men's nifty Suits, sale price \$15.00 to \$22.00. Boys' Overcoats at great reductions; prices from \$4.50.

Hats and Caps all at sale prices.
Men, save money by getting your Mackinaw Rubbers and Sox here.

Underwear at reduced prices.
January clearances offer big savings on needed apparel.

Boys' Mackinaw Rubbers and Sox.
Boys' and Girls' all wool Worsted Hosiery, 69c.

Ladies, save money by securing your Furs now. All reduced 25 per cent.

Men's Sweater Coats, heavy, sale price from \$2.98. Men's and Women's Shoes, Rubbers and Overcoats at big reductions.

The balance of Ladies' Coats to be cleared out at exactly half price; \$10.00 coats for \$5.00, \$12.00 coats for \$6.00; \$15.00 coats for \$7.50.

For this week only
there will be a sale of Fancy Dishes, Toys, Candies, etc.

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oped nearly every civilized nation with its ravages, heartaches, wholesale murders and deplorable conditions that follow in its wake, while rivers of blood flowed from the thousands, yea, millions of human beings, slaughtered to satisfy the jealousy and ambition of obnoxious autocrats.

enveloped in this whirlwind of agony, our mind's eye centralizes upon our own dearly beloved friends who have fallen in this worthy strife to establish the principles of democracy, destroy every vestige of autocracy, and permeate the nations of the earth with such principles of peace, amity and good-will towards one another that war shall cease forever and the millennium shall be ushered in as a stern reality. Those of us who have resided in the West and received his education for a few years in this very building, participating in our joys and lightening our sorrows. After a few years of association with the subject of our sketch, and when we had all grown to love the boy, he returned to his native province, where he pursued his civil occupation with the same zest and spirit displayed at school. As time rolled on and Duncan budded into youth and then to manhood, the tie between us still remained unbroken and we followed his career along the path of life until we saw him stop and listen, and then answer the call of king and country with the same cheerful, happy and undaunted demeanor which he had exhibited all through life, and at the first opportunity he donned the uniform and went bravely forward to fight for liberty and freedom, and pressing on and on was soon standing in the ranks upon the battlefields of France, with that same undaunted spirit exhibited by the McGregors in the ancient Scottish wars. Anxious days passed by and we closely scanned every available list of killed and wounded to ascertain if any of our loved ones were no more, when, alas! the fatal day arrived, and in reading over the names of the brave men who had made the supreme sacrifice, we saw, through tears of deep affection, the name "Lieut. Duncan A. McGregor"—our own Duncan, who had lived among us and endeared himself to us by his kindly manner, undaunted courage, cheerful spirit and sincere affection. The shock of losing one we loved so dearly was hard to bear, but we console ourselves with the knowledge that he fell fighting for our freedom, our homes and our loved ones, and the Book of Books says: "Greater love hath no man than this, that he lay down his life for his friends." We have met here for the purpose of showing in our own humble way our admiration of the character and our appreciation of the services rendered to his country and his friends by the subject of our sketch. In conclusion we desire to express to his aged father and the other members of his family in the West, as well as his relatives in this community, our deep sympathy with them in their sad bereavement, and to assure them that we will ever keep his memory green in our minds and hearts, and of the duties following to us at the close of so great a war and after such sacrifices as had been made by these two young men, representing two great Scotch clans, the McGregor and McIntyre.

The meeting closed by singing the national anthem.

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Not the Meanest Man

By C. Courtenay Savage

PART II.

The following morning Mrs. Thompson remained in bed until she had finished breakfast. Nettie refused to allow her near the kitchen.

"You heard what the doctor said about resting?" Nettie asked.

"I don't want to rest but somehow I feel that he is right. I'm getting old, Nettie. I think I realized it for the first time this morning."

That afternoon Nettie harnessed one of the horses and took Mrs. Thompson to call on the Lumbards. They stayed more than two hours.

Mrs. Lumbard showing John's mother the house with all its modern equipment. When they started home, Mrs. Thompson's eyes were brighter as if what she had seen had given her a broader outlook on life.

"That's a very comfortable porch," was the only comment she made. "I think I could take more rest if I had a place as nice as that."

"That evening after the supper dishes were washed, Nettie went to the barn in search of John. She was determined to speak to him on this matter even if she had to leave his home as a consequence."

"Mr. Thompson," she began her narrative with no introduction. "I want you to give me fifty dollars."

"Fifty dollars?" he said quickly.

"Yes. Your mother has to spend several hours a day resting and she needs clean, bright surroundings to take her mind from herself. I shall take the money over to Mrs. Lumbard and ask her as a favor to go to Rockland and buy three wicker chairs, some cushions and a rug like those she has. They're for the porch. Then I want you to let one of the hired men paint the porch to glisten and clean up the front yard, path and all."

John looked at her with wide, staring eyes.

"But my mother—" he commenced.

Nettie cut his words short. "The doctor told us both what rest and pleasant surroundings would do for her and it must be done. If you haven't the money in the house, can't I have a cheque? If you won't give me the money, I—I think I'll have to use my own."

She turned and looked out the big doorway, idly watching the passing automobile. For several minutes there was silence. When she looked again at the man she imagined she despised, knowledge that overwhelmed her. She was old and a hubby Two tears had coursed their way down John Thompson's sun-tanned cheeks.

"Nettie—Nettie! You believed it too!" He placed his hand on her shoulder and looked into her eyes.

"I'm not the meanest man, Nettie, even if they say so. Here in my barn I have every modern equipment while my horse is old and a hubby. It isn't my wish to have it so. I don't want my mother in the kitchen doing a hired girl's work."

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A PARADISE FOR BIRDS

Palestine Abounds in Features of Scientific and Religious Interest.

Swarms of European birds visit Palestine in winter and many breed there. The cranes, as in Dante's fine line, still pass in winter, "trailing their long drawn line across the sky," and in the spring the voice of the turtle is heard in the land.

The Holy Land is appropriately a stronghold of the pigeon family; turtle doves are found, the wood pigeon comes in myriads in winter, and the common pigeon, the true dove of Scripture, is still abundant, wild and tame, throughout the country.

As a contrast to these, "every raven after his kind," the crow tribe and several species is in abundance, and birds of prey, from the great griffin vulture, the "eagle" of Scripture, to the sparrowhawk, are a feature of the country.

In the deep tropical Jordan valley we find a sort of aviary of real tropical birds, which found there a refuge from the last glacial epoch—the lovely little sunbird, or "Jevicho humming bird," the land-feeding white-breasted kingfisher and a species of gregarious thrush.

On the coast is found the great Indian fishing owl, and among the rocks of Marsaba the monks have laid famed the orange-winged blackbird, which is really a starling of African type, as much out of its latitude as the hyrax. One of the birds peculiar to Palestine, the pretty little pygmy Motie sparrow, which lives in reed beds, is one of the rarest birds in the world.

Reptiles abound, and even the Nile crocodile, the leviathan of the Bible, lingered long enough to give Trieste the chance of obtaining a specimen nearly 12 feet long, while in addition to the African cobra, we find the grass snake among the harmless species, and the wicked little horned viper lies in wait, as in olden times, to bite the heels of the horses.

As for the fish, they are as abundant and varied as ever, and it is interesting to note that the Sea of Galilee is still packed with them, and that the commonest kinds are of an African family, an interesting illustration of the scientific interest which unites with the religious to make Palestine among the most interesting of all countries.

SIGNED IN GOLD BOOK

Two Canadian Officers Had Signal Honor on Entry Into Mons.

Writing to his mother, who resides in Toronto, on Nov. 16th, Signaller R. T. Sears, 42nd Battalion (Montreal Highlanders), says: "No doubt you will have read about the taking of Mons. I am pleased to say our battalion was the captor, and naturally I was in the little stut. We came into the outskirts of the town at 2:30 in the morning. Not a move going on except old Fritz firing a few starting shots. Daylight brought with it a wonderful reception. Our officer with another and four other fellows and myself started out at daybreak to the city square. The people ran out of their houses, and at times I had four or five hanging round my neck, kissing me, and bringing out tea and coffee. When we reached the square they flung open the doors of the town hall and in we went, just with our trench clothes on, and right into the council chamber, where we were received by the mayor and all the city authorities. The two officers signed their names in the big gold book of the town, the first for four years. Then I went back and ran a telephone line into the town hall, on which was received the first news of the finish of the war."

"I looked all over for a suitable Christmas present for you, but there is absolutely nothing. Whatever stock they did get, the Boche took."

Tattooed Eagle on Face.

Pte. Wm. J. Green, who was wounded at Cambrai, writing to his home in Toronto, from Orplington Hospital, tells of the excellent progress he is making in recovering from machine gun wounds. He says: "There are few Imperials in the ward. One poor fellow here was a prisoner in Germany. They tattooed a big eagle on his face. It looks awful, and under his skin they printed 'Gott Strafe die Engländer!' They are going to take it off and graft new skin in its place."

More U. S. Settlers.

As shown by the report of the Department of the Interior on Immigration for the fiscal year 1917, the number of settlers from the United States who entered Canada at western points of entry during the year shows an increase of about 100 per cent. compared with the previous year.

BUILT "TRAIN SHEDS" IN WATER

GERMANS TRIED TO ROOF THE OCEAN.

Hit Submarines in Concrete Sheds. But Had to Abandon Them Because of British Bombardment.

The Germans built great "train sheds" in the water to shelter their submarines at Bruges, Belgium, from bombs dropped from the air.

The sheds have concrete roofs 11 feet thick, and are of massive proportions. From early in 1917 until the Huns were forced to abandon Bruges altogether, 4,000 workmen were employed in building the great sheds for the undersea boats.

Hundreds of concrete pillars, each two feet thick and 25 feet high, supported the heavy roof. Eight of the shelters had been completed and the ninth was being built when the Germans decided to run along home.

In the very early days of the war the Germans clearly planned the harbors of Zebrugge and Ostend as permanent bases and repair stations for their submarines, the original boats being built at Hoboken works, near Antwerp. The first large repair works appear to have been situated at the Atelier de la Marine at Ostend, but it is probable that the docks at Bruges, which are connected with Zebrugge by a ship canal, were being developed at an early period of the war.

British Bombing Campaign. Largely owing to offensive naval operations off the Belgian coast, assisted by aircraft, the two harbors became exceedingly unhealthy shelters for such comparatively fragile craft as submarines, and after the bombardment of May, 1916, the large floating docks at Ostend were towed around to Zebrugge, and so up to Bruges.

Following up this initial victory, with great vigor, British airmen commenced, in January, 1917, an intensive bombing campaign, directed chiefly against the docks at Bruges, the lock-gates and harbor at Zebrugge, and the ship canal itself, which was, of course, the only outlet by which the submarines could gain access to the sea.

Some idea of the severity of these attacks may be gained from the fact that no fewer than 6,123 bombs were dropped upon Bruges docks alone, while a similarly large number were dropped upon Zebrugge and Ostend.

Apart from the immense and continuing damage caused to the Mole, sidings, quays, railways and shipping at Zebrugge, the lock-gates themselves—a singularly difficult target to hit, even from a low height—were kept practically always under repair. Indeed, on several occasions, as the result of direct hits by British airmen, one of the gates had to be removed by immense floating cranes, and a spare gate fitted, the damaged gate being towed laboriously to Bruges for repair in drydock.

Germans Had to Move.

Owing to the great damage which was caused by the Germans on their evacuation of the docks, it is difficult to differentiate between their deliberate work and the destruction resulting from the terrific bombing from the air during the last few months of the war. Information from various sources, however, makes it abundantly clear that the enemy's decision to give up the port of Bruges, as a repair base for submarines, was in the main due to his inability to defend it against the increasingly powerful attacks from the air.

The biggest explosion ever experienced in Bruges was caused by British airmen at La Brugeoise works, May 31, 1918. The concussion was felt all over the city, and the flames lit up the sky for many miles around. It is said that the explosion wrought so much destruction of valuable machinery that work was never properly resumed in these extensive factories.

The Raven's Warning.

Tradition has it that all the calamities which dog the footsteps of the ill-fated Austrian Royal family are foreboded by the appearance of a raven.

When the Archduke Maximilian departed for Mexico and execution—a raven followed him on the path; and when the Archduchess Christina left for her unhappy life in Spain a raven hovered over the carriage.

A whole flight of ravens is said to have hovered over the crowning of the late Francis Joseph, and one of the ill-omened birds dashed a peach from the hand of the Empress Elizabeth the day before she was murdered at Geneva.



THE HOUSEWIFE'S CORNER

Forty Ways to Save Food

Here are forty ways in which housewives may save food:— Eliminate the fourth meal. Practice the gospel of the clean plate.

Add to this gospel the gospel of the watched garbage pail. No matter how saving you have been you must be more vigilant. By careful buying.

1—Look over the food in your pantry and ice box before you go marketing. Plan to use foods on hand before buying more.

2—Do not buy more fruits, vegetables and perishable foods than you can use within a short time.

3—Buy reasonable foods because your family needs them, and because their use means the saving of staples which can be shipped.

4—Take home everything you buy. Do not leave meat bones or trimmings for the butcher. Bones can be used in soups. Fat can be rendered out. Fish trimmings can be used for chowder.

5—Sort fruits and vegetables, and use the imperfect ones first, so that they will not spoil, and then have to be thrown out.

6—Do not allow vegetables to wilt. 7—Keep milk in a cool place so it will not sour.

8—Remove meat from paper and keep in a cool place. 9—Keep butter or fat in a covered container to prevent absorption of odors and flavors.

10—Keep tea, coffee and spices in covered tins so they will not lose their strength. 11—Keep your bread box clean and aired so that bread will not become mouldy.

12—Do not burn food. 13—Make everything you cook taste good so that it will be eaten and relished.

14—Scraps out mixing bowls and cooking utensils, so that good food is not left to go into the dish water. 15—Empty entirely such things as milk bottles, tin cans and paper bags. Do not leave bits of food to be thrown away.

16—Save water in which rice and vegetables have been cooked and use for soups. 17—Use outside leaves of cabbage and lettuce for "shredded" salads, soups, or "stuffed" leaves.

18—Use apple parings and cores for apple jelly or for vinegar. 19—Dry celery leaves and parsley and save for seasonings.

20—Use sour milk in baking and for cottage cheese or salad dressing. 21—Make peaches of fruit and vegetables thin.

22—Try out chicken fat and other fat trimmings for use in cooking. 23—Strain and save all drippings. 24—Try to cook only the amount of food needed for a meal, unless you wish more for a special purpose.

25—Cut the bread at the table so there will be no extra slices to be "used" somehow. 26—Serve small portions and allow second helpings.

27—Give a person opportunity to say whether food shall be served to him or not. Do not serve any one food which he does not like and will not eat.

28—In serving meat, do not serve fat which will not be eaten. Cut it off and leave it on serving plate, to be tried out later for cooking. Save steak bones or serving plate. 29—Serve smaller amounts of salad dressing.

30—Save small amounts of meat for sandwiches or to season vegetables or casserole dishes. 31—Save left over vegetables for salads, soups or seasonings. 32—Save fruit juices for ices, gelatine desserts or puddings. 33—Save liquids from vegetables for soups. 34—Save crumbs from bread board. 35—Save left over biscuits, muffins or bits of bread. Dry and make crumbs for baking or for scalloped dishes. 36—Save cake crumbs for puddings or dark cake. 37—Cook soft eggs until hard and use in salads, sandwiches or with potatoes. 38—Save cold cereals for thickening soups, for puddings, muffins, bread, or to be sliced when cold and sauted. 39—Save bits of fruit for fruit salad or mixed fruit desserts. 40—Put away all left overs carefully so as to prevent spoilage.

Your Storeroom. Have your store room as far from the furnace as possible, and see that it has at least one window. The window should be easy to open and shut, and for proper ventilation it should be closed during the day in warm weather and opened at night. In cold weather it should be opened during the day and closed at night. Collect your boxes, barrels, crates and baskets and clean them well. They should not be put on the floor, but raised on slats so that air can

BRAVE TARS FIGHT AS SHIP EXPLODES

CREW OF DUNRAVEN BATTLES U-BOAT TILL AID COMES

Submarine Quits on Approach of British and American Destroyers, Who Rescue the Wounded.

The loss of the British decoy ship Dunraven in a desperate battle with a German submarine, the story of which has now been made public by the British Admiralty, constitutes one of the most daring and heroic episodes of the anti-submarine war. With their vessel ablaze, the boxes of cordite and shells exploding every few minutes, the after-gun crew stuck to their gun until the magazine exploded and blew them and their gun into the air. Meanwhile the battle with the submarine was fiercely waged.

This action took place in August, 1917. The vessel was one of the decoys which was commanded by Capt. Gordon Campbell, who had previously won the Victoria Cross by heroic and successful work in decoying submarines to their destruction. In her role of an armed British merchant ship, the Dunraven was zigzagging her course in the lanes hunted by the submarines when a U-boat opened fire upon her at 5,000 yards. The Dunraven returned the fire with her merchant ship gun and reduced her speed to enable the Hun to overtake her. To coax him on wireless signals were sent out reading, "Help! Come quickly! Submarine chasing and shelling me."

U-Boat Steams Up Closely. Finally, when the submarine's shells began falling, the Dunraven stopped and the usual "panic party" abandoned. The Dunraven was then on fire and the submarine closed in to a distance of 400 yards, but was partly obscured from view by dense clouds of smoke issuing from the Dunraven's stern.

Although he knew that the magazine must explode if he waited, and that a gun and a gun's crew lay concealed on the magazine, Captain Campbell reserved his fire until the submarine had passed clear of the smoke. A moment later there was a heavy explosion and the Dunraven's gun and its crew were blown into the air. The concussion started the fire going at the remaining gun positions. The screens hiding the guns were dropped and the only gun that could be brought to bear opened fire. The submarine commenced to submerge. Knowing that a torpedo would surely follow, Capt. Campbell had all the wounded brought up and concealed in the cabin. The after part of the Dunraven was a mass of flame, but the crew fought the fire with hose, while wireless signals were sent out warning all other vessels to keep below the horizon so as not to interrupt the final phase of the fight.

Twenty minutes later another torpedo struck the ship aft the engine room. Another "panic party" was sent away in the boat, leaving the ship apparently abandoned with the British flag flying and her guns unmasked, but Captain Campbell and a handful of officers and men had remained on board and lay hidden for nearly an hour while the submarine commander held off watching the burning ship through his periscope.

Shelled for Twenty Minutes. During all that time boxes of cordite and shells were exploding every few minutes and the fire was blazing furiously. Eventually the submarine merged with the sea where no guns could be brought to bear upon her, and she fled the Dunraven for twenty minutes. The U-boat then steamed past the ship 150 yards off and Campbell fired one of his torpedoes at her but missed by a few inches. A second torpedo also missed. The submarine saw it and submerged. A third "panic party" was planning to jump overboard and leave one gun crew for a final attempt to sink the U-boat when British and American destroyers arrived on the scene. The Dunraven's wounded were transferred, her gunners recalled and the fire extinguished. The Dunraven, in a sinking condition was taken in tow, but the weather grew worse and on the following morning she sank with her decks flying.

The Czechs and Slovaks. The Czechs and Slovaks are in effect the same race, with only slight difference in language, and political division between them was created only in 1867, when to divide the energies of the people, the Slovaks were put under Hungarian rule. The Czechs and Slovaks have for many years chafed under and resisted Austrian and Hungarian rule. The Czechs inhabit Bohemia, Moravia and Austrian Silesia, crown lands of the Austrian empire lying between Austria proper and the south of the German empire. The Slovaks live in the upper region of Hungary, adjoining the Czechs to the east and southeast. The Czechs are one of the most highly civilized people in the world and economically the most prosperous of the Austrian empire.

Our mistakes contribute much to the wisdom of others.

LIFE IN MESOPOTAMIA

Soil and Climate Ideal and No One Has to Work Hard.

Seekers of "soft snaps" are turning their wistful optics on Mesopotamia, which seems to have maintained Utopian conditions in spite of Turkish oppression. Prince Raphael Emmanuel, son of a Chaldean high priest, who has been lecturing in this country, is largely responsible for their wistful attitude. According to the prince's fascinating account of his native land, the soil is so rich that it is only necessary to work four months in the year. Then there are the additional lures of beautiful climate and comfortable habits and customs which add a potent charm to inherent laziness. The Kansas City Star reports him as saying:

There is no money in Mesopotamia. There is need for none. We pay no taxes, neither do we pay tribute. Wheat, fruit and skins are the only medium of exchange. We have no policemen, no courts, no judges. The people do not know their rights. They would not understand the meaning of fighting for liberty, as they always have been free.

There is no record of time in Mesopotamia. We never know what day of the week it is and do not care. Clocks or watches are unknown; my people would not know what to do with them. Time is told by the height of the sun and servants arise by the cock-crow as they did in the days of Jesus.

We raise the finest tobacco in Mesopotamia, but we do not chew it or smoke cigars. The men smoke cigarettes or pipes. Our women do not smoke. There are no saloons in Mesopotamia. My people make wine, but it is not the fermented kind that you have here. It is only used on occasions, however, and then it is not considered proper for women to drink it.

SIAM'S NEW FLAG

Changed Into a Tri-Color to Commemorate Joining Allies.

Siam has a new flag. To commemorate the entry of his country into the war against Germany, King Maha Vajiravudh decided to modify the flag by adding blue to it, in order that it might be a tricolor like the flags of the other allies.

"This addition," says the royal decree, "will serve as a token of equality and honesty between Siam and her allies, for it is a sign of the alliance of the world against barbarism. Besides the color blue recalls the birthday of his Majesty and is used especially for him. It seems good to him to make it figure in the national flag."

By the terms of this decree the new flag has five horizontal stripes—red, white, blue, white, red. The width of the blue stripe is three-sevenths of the total breadth, and that of each of the red and white stripes is one-seventh.

This flag is called the "Thong Trai Rong," and is flown upon all merchant vessels and ashore in Siamese territory. Vessels in the Government service fly the same flag, but with an anchor, a wheel and a crown, in yellow, in the middle. Those of the royal Siamese navy carry in the middle a red disc on which is a white elephant.

Soils and Crops

This Department is for the use of our farm readers who want the advice of an expert on any question regarding soil, seed, crops, etc. If your question is of sufficient general interest, it will be answered through this column. Stamped and addressed envelopes enclosed with your letter, complete answer will be mailed to you. Address: Agronomist, care of Wilson Publishing Co., Ltd., 73 Adelaide St. W., Toronto.

FITTING COWS FOR LACTATION.

All mammals, when in proper environment and under normal conditions, naturally take on flesh during pregnancy, the reserve being used in milk production when the young is born. As we expect a dairy cow to give much more milk than her calf requires it is only reasonable that she should be in extra good condition of flesh at calving time. A further consideration is the procuring of strong, well-nourished calves which cannot be expected from poorly-nourished cows. Grain fed during the dry period has been found to give greater returns than the same amount of grain fed after calving, these returns being in the form of a more vigorous calf and increased milk production. To have the cows in proper condition of flesh, one of the first requisites is to give them sufficient rest between lactation periods. The cow that is milked up to within two or three weeks of calving may pile up quite a record for that year but she will surely fall off in the next lactation period. Each cow should have from six to eight weeks of a rest period.

The feeding of the cow during this period will depend upon her condition when dried off. If she is in good condition of flesh then very little more than a maintenance ration is necessary, but the feeder should watch that she does not lose her thrifty condition. If she has become thin and run down then a liberal ration should be allowed. The character of the ration need not differ materially from that fed to the milch cows. Pasture, supplemented by silage or soiling crops in summer and roots or silage and legume hay in winter should be sufficient for the cow in good condition. Those in poorer condition should receive grain in addition up to six or seven pounds per day if necessary. It is important at all times that dairy cows receive a laxative ration but particularly so just at calving time. To this end, the grain ration should consist of such laxative feeds as wheat bran and oil cake together with either ground oats, barley, or corn, preferably the former, in equal parts. For every 100 pounds of the above grain mixture there should be added 1 pound each of ground rock phosphate, charcoal and common salt. The salt is a necessity in the ration when the other ingredients act as a tonic. Cows not receiving the grain should be fed some of this tonic mixture separately, or the last day or two before calving the regular ration should be replaced by bran alone which should be fed up to calving time and for a few days afterwards.

To ensure the best results from the above method of fitting the cow for her lactation period she should be allowed plenty of exercise. Running with the milch cows in summer and being turned out in the barnyard for an hour or two daily in winter will meet requirements in this regard. This exercise will be found to do away with many of the calving and udder troubles experienced with cows

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Horse Sense

There used to be a signboard set up behind the British lines at the front, which read:

"Kindness to animals; 500 horses are lamed weekly by nails dropped on roads and horse lines by cooks carrying firewood with nails left in. Please remove the nails." A comment on this notice draws attention to "Tommy's" love of animals, which is in direct contrast to the spirit shown by the Germans, who have during the war given many instances of their nature by torturing the animals in their hands.

A man who will intentionally keep any animal in misery, more especially a horse, may well be called nothing more or less than a German, which is the worst that can be said of anything.

Instances of unreasoned cruelty to animals are, however, too common and one of these is the neglect of the horse's feet.

In the case of the work horse, and that includes any horse that has to travel on the road or do heavy work on a farm, particular attention should be given to the matter of shoeing, which should be repeated at such short intervals as to obviate the possibility of the foot overlapping the sole, breaking away from the cinches or pressing upon the bars so as to give an excuse for the formation of corns.

A good healthy foot will grow so rapidly in many cases as to necessitate re-shoeing at the end of three weeks, though on soft ground the horse may stand to go a week longer. Soft-going, however, does not remove the danger of corns.

Loose stones should never be neglected, and if the rule of picking out the horse's feet every morning is followed the animal will at least start the day right, then, if on his making his first false step the feet are examined again it may be found that he has picked up a stone, or possibly a nail, while traveling. If the trouble is due to a stone this should be removed at once, and no bad effect may result, but in case of a nail in the hoof an examination of the extent of the injury should be made, and if it is a great precaution against further trouble must be taken even if it means taking the horse out of work at once.

The horse is a good deal of a Spartan, and too often the opinion is held by his driver that he is out of pain because he goes evenly after traveling a few yards, when he has shown lameness on first leaving the stable. It is true that many minor troubles of the horse succumb to exercise, but it is better to make sure that early morning lameness is not due to fever of the feet, which often occurs in the case of a well-fed, under-worked horse, and should be treated by poulticing and the giving of a dose of physic.

Other foot troubles that are sometimes overlooked for too long are Thrush, which is brought on by standing in wet or dirt and by bad shoeing; contracted feet, which can be improved by shoeing and attention to the coronet, and sand crack, which should be guarded against by seeing that the shoeing-smith does not do any rasping on the outside walls of the foot after the shoe is laid on.

Finally, all sharp-pointed metal, hoop iron, etc., should be removed from all places where the horse is likely to go. In following this instruction the horse's master may also save himself an uncomfortable experience.

By N. F. Milburn
Much is said and written about making farm life attractive to young people, but there are few persons who realize that the training of our future farmers and farmers' wives must begin in early childhood.

One of the principal reasons for dissatisfaction and unrest among country young folks is that older persons have the habit of talking much about the hardships of a farmer's life, inveighing against the weather, fretting over loss of animals, failure of crops, etc. This constant complaining creates a very harmful atmosphere. In consulting several city dwellers, who are working in different occupations, as to why they left homes in the country, they have almost universally declared it was because their fathers constantly complained about the hard work, etc. Nothing was ever said about the absolute security the farming people have against want, the independence of being one's own boss, the joys of country life, the beauty of the woods and hills in changing seasons, and the interest of the growing animals and crops!

The value of fresh air, pure, wholesome food, plenty of room outdoors for play or exercise, tranquility of mind and communion with Nature, in raising a family of children, far outweighs any advantages of education, chance to make money, or amusement facilities which are found in the crowded, busy city.

Why not impress these things upon the plastic, attentive minds of children? It pays to cultivate the habit of cheerfulness, hopefulness and patience in any situation of life. In dealing with the uncontrollable forces of Nature, the farmer should hold fast to reason, and philosophy and never murmur.

Answer Questions Carefully
The country child is born into a world of love, wonder and delight. As soon as he can express himself in speech, he finds a thousand questions to ask. Of course, children should not be allowed to chatter unnecessarily, and must be taught not to interrupt persons when they are busy, but, considering the importance of a right start, and education, the dawning powers of the child.

Food Control Corner

An enormous deficiency in the stock of food animals in the principal European countries has occurred in the past four years of war, not counting which period production was necessarily hampered, while consumption by the armies probably more than made up for the decreased consumption of the civilian population. The fighting men had to have plenty of meat.

The estimated decrease in European live stock since the war, not counting Russia, Austria-Hungary and the Balkans, is made up as follows:

Cattle	28,080,000
Sheep	45,500,000
Hogs	32,425,000
Total	116,005,000

Last census Canada's total live stock numbered as follows:

Cattle	6,526,113
Sheep	2,174,900
Hogs	3,634,778
Total	12,335,191

In other words the decrease in Europe is nearly ten times the total live stock population of Canada, counting only those leading countries from which figures are available.

Britain's imports as based on normal figures, are:

Beef	1,077,154,000 lbs.
Pork	1,361,082,032 lbs.
Butter	452,795,264 lbs.
Eggs	190,850,520 doz.

Canada, in the year ending in the fall of 1918, exported:

Beef	104,710,813 lbs.
Pork	149,934,593 lbs.
Butter	6,785,466 lbs.
Eggs	3,861,389 doz.

Prevents Eggs from Cracking.
When boiling eggs wet the shells thoroughly in cold water before dropping in the boiling water and they will not crack.

During the past four years of warfare 1,645,000 actual pounds net weight of high grade fruit products, including jams, jellies and canned fruits have been prepared at Vineland Horticultural Experiment Station and donated by the Ontario Government to the Canadian Military hospitals overseas.

Healthy children are full of unused energy and vim. They enjoy either household or outdoor work if it is made easy and interesting.

Parents never ask a child to do a bit of work until they actually need the child's help. Then the untrained, inexperienced little one is awkward and unwilling.

LITTLE CHILDREN ON THE FARM

Dangerous pitfalls should never be permitted on a farm, and the fences should be secure against roving cattle. This ensures peace of mind for the mother without constant recourse to "Don'ts," which are very difficult for an active, enterprising child to remember.

It is very easy to keep a young child quietly entertained. A pile of clean corn-cobs will afford occupation and amusement. It can learn to make walls, log houses, fortresses, fences, etc. Corn-cobs can be dressed in scraps of calico to make dolls for little girls. Odd-shaped gourds will serve as different kinds of animals. Acorn cups can be doll dishes, and hickory-nuts serve as heads for dolls made of corn-busks. There is an infinite store of treasures to be found in the woods and fields. Moss and wild flowers can be transplanted and made into fairy gardens. Bright pebbles or queerly shaped stones can make tiny rockeries.

Parents should purchase books telling about plants and animals and thus be able to answer a child's pertinent questions about Nature's wonders.

Co-operate With Teacher
Of course, all ambitious parents take an interest in the progress of their children's school. Father and mother should consider it a duty to lay aside their own reading or sewing in the evening to help the little ones with their studies. It is worth while to revive one's knowledge of arithmetic and grammar and keep in touch with new school methods.

All sorts of home occupations and innocent amusements should be encouraged by parents.

If the mother and father can join in candy-making, popping corn, cracking nuts, playing checkers, singing choruses around the piano, reading aloud and telling stories, they will be laying up stores of happy memories and rivet the chains that bind the children to country life and the old home farm.

On account of their isolated situation, many country lads and lassies are oppressed with a sense of bashfulness and awkwardness, when meeting strangers.

There is no need of this peculiarity, however. Careful, kindly, home training will eradicate such tendencies and give ease of manner and proper speech.

I have known of two families of agricultural people who were deservedly popular and much admired because of their cordial, courtly behavior.

Both of these families were descended from several generations of country dwellers. In each home, from the days of infancy, the little ones were shown the correct way to express themselves in speech, proper table habits, polite forms of greeting, etc.

There is nothing more pleasing than to hear a little child say "Thank you" or "Excuse me" readily and naturally. A timid little tot should be led by the hand to visitors and told to say, "Good morning."

Cheerful morning greetings should be exchanged in the home. In a household where hospitality abounds, the children have ample opportunity to become accustomed to well-bred social conduct.

There is no better preparation for success in life than a foundation of self-respect and good manners.

Physical culture tends to eliminate muscular awkwardness. Simple gymnastics can be practiced at home as well as at school. Turning poles, dumb bells, Indian clubs, trapezes, swings, etc., can be made and boys will greatly enjoy cultivating their strength and muscular control in the big barn on rainy days.

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They may resemble a string of beads or they may become distinct masses or tumors.

There may be no very great degree of swelling at the surface but the enlargement of individuals or groups of glands may extend deeply into the tissues of the neck.

The enlargement may begin in childhood and progress slowly until adult life and then it is possible that it may gradually subside.

This is particularly the case when the person affected has good care and treatment and leads a normal life.

In other cases there occur acute attacks of inflammation, the inflamed glands or glands suppurate and undergo the history which is common to abscesses in other portions of the body.

When the inflammation subsides the swollen gland may remain inactive and perhaps do little harm unless inflammation is re-excited by some disturbing cause.

In many cases the abscess breaks through the skin and discharges its contents, but instead of healing promptly as other abscesses often do, it may continue to discharge and remain an open sore for an indefinite period.

LEAVING THINGS FOR CICELY

At the door of Ellen's room Cicely stopped for one fleeting moment. It was as if a lovely little violet but-terfly lighted upon the doornail and then flashed on its way.

"I'm going over to Madge's," Cicely announced. "We're going to make candies for the lawn party. Don't do my room; I'll do it tomorrow," and without waiting for an answer she was down the stairs and running across the lawn.

Cousin Jane, who had come for a visit a few days before, glanced quickly at Ellen; but Ellen did not notice. She was watching the little violet butterfly.

"Are you?" Cousin Jane asked casually, "going to leave Cicely's room for her?"

Ellen's head came round at that. "Of course not!" she said indignantly.

"Didn't Cicely mean 'what she said'?" Cousin Jane asked.

"Of course she means it! What in the world do you mean, Cousin Jane?"

"I was just thinking, I've been here five days, and in those five days I've heard Cicely tell you seven times to leave something for her to do, and each time you had done it before she came home. So I wondered."

"But she has so many outside interests, and I love to do the work—truly, I do. Surely it's efficiency for me to do the thing I can do best and leave Cicely free to do the things I couldn't possibly do."

Ellen's soft voice sounded triumphant; certainly Cousin Jane could not refute that argument.

"I wasn't thinking of efficiency—that's quite another question; though there's nothing so splendidly efficient as being a thoroughly good character. But I was speaking about Cicely's truthfulness."

"Cicely's truthfulness!" In Ellen's voice there was a note of alarm, almost indeed of horror.

"Is it truthful to say a thing when you don't mean it? What would Cicely say if you should leave the things for her to do after all?"

"She wouldn't say anything. She'd do them." Ellen tried to put confidence into her voice, but even to herself it betrayed weakness.

POULTRY

The pelvic arch at the rear of a chicken's skeleton is composed of four bones—two above and two below the abdominal cavity. These are so arranged that when felt in the living bird they appear to be two bones instead of four. These bones are properly called the pelvic bones. They change their position and become wider apart when the hen is laying or is about ready to lay, and shrink together when the hen stops laying, when she becomes broody or is going through the molting period. These changes in the position of the pelvic bones may be easily determined by handling the hen and gently pressing her body a little above the vent where the ends of the pelvic bones will be felt, varying from an inch or less to two inches, and even more, apart. Generally speaking, the hens having the widest spread of pelvic bones when laying are considered the best layers, but this is only one favorable indication among several.

On the other hand, a young vigorous, loathing hen that appears to be in good laying condition and still her pelvic bones continue to remain the width of only one or two fingers apart can be considered a failure as a layer.

It is a good plan to make something of a study of the conformation of your hens when they can be conveniently handled when on the roost. By feeling the hen's bodies carefully all over and finding the difference in the conformation of the best and poorest layers, you can get to be a very good judge of what a first-class layer should be, even if you examine the hens in the dark.

In some parts of Jamaica it is not unusual to see green roses. You can curl an ostrich feather satisfactorily if you sprinkle it with salt and shake it in front of a hot fire or over the radiator.

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NEWBURY

Miss Ida Haggitt left on Friday for London where she will remain indefinitely.

Mrs. James Anderson and daughters, Isabel and Gertrude, of Detroit are visiting Mrs. John T. Armstrong and Mrs. Dan Livingston.

A meeting in the interests of the school fair was held on Wednesday last. We had a splendid fair last year and after all accounts were settled a surplus of \$32 remains, which is most gratifying to the committees and the public in general who all helped to bring about this splendid success.

The winners of the grand total prizes were—Miss Albert Armstrong; boys, Will McCready. The following officers were elected for 1919:—President, A. Holman; 1st vice, Miss Chasely; 2nd vice, Miss Be Fenell; treasurer, G. L. Murdock; secretary, J. G. Bayne; executive committee, members of school board; auditors, D. Stalker and C. T. Dobbyn.

We are getting a good start this year and if each and all lend a hand the fair of 1919 should beat even the splendid records of the past.

John Brennan, James Coleman and Vincent Curran were in London on Saturday receiving their discharge from the army.

D. J. Batsner spent last week in Des Moines, Iowa, and Detroit.

The first meeting of the 1919 council was held Monday night, with all present. Officers for the year appointed were C. Tucker, clerk; D. Stalker, treasurer; C. A. Blain, assessor; G. Clemens and E. Connelly, auditors; Dr. A. P. Owens, medical health officer; J. P. McVicar, V. S. board of health, with reeve and clerk; B. F. Jeffery, caretaker town hall, nuisance inspector, black knot inspector and truant officer; F. McEae, C. Fenell, E. Connelly, fenceviewers; Wm. H. Jeffery, pound-keeper; C. Fenell, sheep valuator. A resolution was passed that, when the reeve receives word of the home-coming of a returned soldier the village bells are to be rung, such to be a notice for each and everyone to bring their flag and go to the train to meet the soldier, then march to the town hall where an address of welcome will be read. It is intended when all the boys get home to have a public banquet. We might add, now that we know what to do, let us do it.

Just as we were writing our notes for this column we received the news of the death in Edmonton of Lila, daughter of B. M. Johnston—a victim of influenza. Deceased was married about three years ago and leaves two children, one about a month old. Much sympathy for the bereaved family will be felt by hosts of friends in this locality.

NORTH NEWBURY

Rev. R. G. McKay of Alvinston has returned home after attending the funeral of his brother.

Will Plaine and sister Jean visited their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Armstrong, on Tuesday.

Mrs. James Anderson and children have returned to their home in Detroit after spending their New Year's holidays with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Morrison of Brooke called on Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Munroe and Mr. and Mrs. Robert McFennell on Sunday.

Misses Lizzie and Mary McDougald of Euphemia are very ill with the flu. Mr. and Mrs. John Leitch are improving after the flu.

Charlie Joyce and Joseph Lafferty were Alvinston visitors on Saturday. James Moran, Jr., has returned after spending some weeks in Wallaceburg.

KILMARTIN

Mrs. Robertson is in London attending her daughter Jean, who is seriously ill.

Mrs. Mary McLarty of Walkerville is visiting Mrs. John Secord.

Burns' church, Moss, will be closed for the next two Sundays owing to the prevalence of influenza in the district.

Mr. and Mrs. Colin Walker of Brooke spent last week with their daughter, Mrs. D. Secord.

Born—on December 20th, 1918, to Mr. and Mrs. Dan Dewar, Milly, Sask., twins—a boy and a girl.

On sale everywhere—There may be country merchants who do not keep Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, though they are few and far between, and these may suggest that some other oil is just as good. There is nothing so good as a liniment or as an internal medicine in certain cases. Take no other. The demand for it shows that it is the only popular oil.

MELBOURNE

The friends of Mrs. W. G. Robinson were sorry to learn of the sudden death of her brother, John Watson of Mount Ararat, on Friday evening, 3rd inst. Mr. Watson was 38 years of age and in good health. He ran his car over to Mount Bridges and after returning from his trip he ran the water out of the radiator of the car and was starting the engine to warm the car when he dropped dead. He is survived by his widow and two children, his father and mother, one brother and one sister.

Rev. Mr. Vance preached in Mid-Emiss on Sunday evening, 5th inst., to a good congregation.

Mr. Hattie Haggerty of the Canadian West is the guest of her sister, Mrs. T. Carruthers.

We are pleased to see Miss Eva Parr in the store again after her illness.

Mrs. Parr is visiting her daughter at Kimball.

Max Parr has returned to Toronto to continue his studies at the University.

We are sorry to learn that Mrs. Peter McNabb is ill.

Miss B. C. Buchanan, who has been quite ill, is improving slowly.

Mr. Hatts has returned from a business trip to Detroit.

Miss Jean McNeill is clerking in Mr. Parr's store for a short time.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Parr were sorry to hear of the loss of their daughter, Mrs. Arthur Staples of Kimball, who died a few days ago. Mr. and Mrs. Parr and family have the sympathy of the community in their sad bereavement.

Mrs. Staples leaves to mourn her loss a loving husband, father, mother, three sisters, Misses Eva and Anna at home and Mrs. Muckle of Blehheim, and four brothers, one at Inwood, Harold who has been and is still overseas, Floyd who is also in the army, and Maxwell who received his discharge from military service recently and is now attending the university in Toronto.

We are pleased to welcome Isaac Stevenson and son Ernest back to our village again after a few months' visit with the former's son, Oswald, in Vancouver.

Memorial services will be held in the Methodist church on Sunday evening next for Willie Newman, who gave his life for his country in France.

We understand that Mrs. Charlie Prentice, who has been ill from the effects of a stroke, is improving slowly.

Mrs. Earl Beattie, who underwent an operation a few days ago at her home, is improving.

William Beattie of the Canadian West is visiting his sons here for the winter.

Mrs. Annett, who has been in ill health for some weeks, is improving. Mr. and Mrs. Robinson have returned home after a visit with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Watson of Mount Carmel.

Services were held in both the Methodist and Presbyterian churches here on Sunday. Rev. Mr. Vance, pastor of the Methodist church, in his own pulpit. Robert Campbell preached in the Presbyterian church in the absence of the minister. Rev. P. Jamieson.

U. Griffiths of Stratford is the guest of his aunt, Mrs. George Richards.

WARDSVILLE

The schools and churches have reopened here. Just two families have the flu in this village.

Miss Dessie Purdy has resigned her school at Tupperville, and Miss Minnie Randles has taken her place.

A union missionary meeting was held in the Presbyterian church, when addresses were given by Mrs. Malcolm of the Presbyterian church, Mrs. Murphy of the Anglican, Mrs. Brimston of the Methodist, and Mrs. Mahan. The latter is from the West, and has been doing missionary work there for the last seven years.

The addresses were good, touching on the vital questions of the day. The attendance was good.

A quiet wedding took place at the home of John Bilton on New Year's night when Miss Dorothy Gertrude Miller was united in marriage to Stanley Turk of Aldborough.

A pleasing event took place on New Year's Day when Miss Ella Sheppard held the bride of J. V. Farnsworth. H. Brimston, mail courier of R. R. No. 1, Wardsville, wishes to thank his many friends on the route for their kindness and gifts during the holidays.

At the last meeting of the quarterly official board of the Wardsville and Cashmere circuit of the Methodist church, the salary of Rev. Selby Jefferson was advanced another hundred dollars. Last year it was raised two hundred dollars. This shows that the Methodist farming folk have some sense of proportion and cannot bear to have all the increase on their own side without sharing some of it with their pastor. The circuit met with a great and almost irreparable loss in the death of Mr. Purdy, long time treasurer of the church.

Miss Quigley, Miss Lillian Sheppard, Miss Oread Sheppard, Miss N. Jackson and Miss Elva Brimston have returned to their schools.

Mrs. Roberts, who is visiting her son at Toledo, still continues very ill.

The W. M. S. of the Methodist church met at Mrs. Jackson's and surprised Mrs. Jackson by making her a life member of the society.

Mrs. C. B. Sheppard and son will have returned to their home here. Will is looking fine after his overseas experience.

Miss Hilda Blott has returned to Chatham.

Miss Mabel Milner has returned to Detroit.

A sure corrective of flatulency—When the undigested food lies in the stomach it throws off gases, causing pains and oppression in the stomach region. The belching or eructation of these gases is offensive and the only way to prevent them is to restore the stomach to proper action. Parmelee's Vegetable Pills will do this. Simple directions go with each packet and a course of them taken systematically is certain to effect a cure.

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APPIN

Harry Gammel of Brimley, Mich. is visiting his brother-in-law, Duncan Campbell.

Ewart Munro has returned home after spending two weeks with his grandparents at Kilmartin.

The flu is being checked. Only two new cases were reported last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dannie Galbraith attended the funeral of her father, Mr. Glanfield, at Jarvis last week.

R. E. C. McDonald intends building an elevator in the early spring.

Mrs. Catherine Lindsay of Inwood is with her niece, Mrs. D. A. Patterson, who has been ill with the flu but is able to be around again.

STRATHBURN

No. 1 school is open again, the teacher, Miss Jackson, having recovered from her illness.

A great number of teams are hauling logs from the Dykes farm to Glen-coe.

The flu has again broken out at Major Grover's. Two of his children are quite sick. Every man Major had engaged this fall had the flu.

A large number of Mr. Fleming's neighbors gathered at the mill last week and raised the smokestack for him.

George Weekes and family are recovering from their illness.

A great many cars are going over the Longwoods Road.

George Cotter entertained Mr. and Mrs. D. H. McKee and family and Mr. and Mrs. Duncan R. McKee to an oyster supper at the home of Squire McKenzie on Thursday. A very enjoyable time was spent.

Asthma brings misery, but Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Asthma Remedy will replace the misery with welcome relief. Inhaled as smoke or vapor it reaches the very inmost recesses of the bronchial passages and soothes them. Restriction passes and easy breathing returns. If you know as well how this remedy would help you as do thousands of grateful users, there would be package in your home tonight. Try it.

MIDDLEMISS

At present our town is rid of the flu. Mrs. A. Wilson, who has been in Victoria Hospital undergoing an operation, is home again, feeling much improved.

J. A. McDonald has leased a portion of his storehouse to Wm. Patrick, who has put in a chopping outfit.

The G. T. R. have put some of the material on the ground for a new station here and it is expected that the work will be commenced shortly.

C. H. Lucas delivered a fine team of horses in London on Saturday, for which he received a fancy sum.

Douglas Campbell shipped a carload of old rails to London last week, the first of this class of fuel to be shipped from this district.

One of the sons of Angus Murray had a narrow escape from death when a horse which he was leading turned and kicked him in the forehead, crushing the forehead in and cutting a long skin wound. Dr. Turner was called and put in several stitches, and says it is a miracle that the boy is living.

Fuel continues to be very scarce. A few loads of green soft wood, 16 inches long, were offered at \$3 per cord.

E. W. McDonald loaded hogs here last Thursday at \$17.75. He intends loading this week also.

The Middlemiss branch of the Women's Institute held its last meeting for the year at the home of Mrs. Davison. Instead of the usual Red Cross work the members are busy making garments for the refugees in France and Belgium. The society shipped to Hyman Hall during the year 280 pairs of socks, 19 hospital shirts, 1 scarf, 1 sweater, 15 sheets, 15 towels, and also sent \$17 for Christmas boxes, and kept a prisoner in Germany. The January meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Mullins.

QUININE AS A PREVENTIVE.

Has Cut Down Malaria Cases to a Small Fraction.

Quinine, though so long recognized as a cure for malaria, has been extensively used as a preventive only with the last very few years.

In Italy the employment in this way has been developed on a large scale by the Government, quinine pills being sold at cost to communes and towns, which are required to distribute them gratis among all the people who are too poor to pay for them.

By this means—the pills being recommended to be taken regularly as soon as warm weather arrives—malaria for epidemics in Italy have been vastly improved, relatively few cases occurring, while the death rate from the malady has been reduced to one-fourth or one-fifth of what it used to be.

This, too, although many of the people do not take the quinine before the disease strikes them. In the Italian army, where men are under discipline and obliged to take the pills, a deadly poison to malaria germs. The supposition is that, when used in advance, it interferes with their multiplication in the blood, keeping them below the number necessary to produce an attack.

The public health service advises that this method be widely adopted in the United States. A farmer may not be able to drain and clear his land so as to get rid of mosquitoes. He may find it difficult to make his house mosquito proof with screens. But he can always buy enough quinine to protect his family from an onset of "chills and fever."

Capt. Gilbert Nobbs Tells.

I first heard of St. Dunstan's when crossing the North Sea in a hospital ship after my release from captivity in Germany. I had been given a champagne supper on board to celebrate my release—the first time that I ever remember having drunk champagne in my life.

A R.A.M.C. sergeant came to my bedside with the inevitable form to fill up, and I am afraid I did not answer his interrogations with that solemn dignity which his official tone seemed to expect.

"Your name, sir?"
"So and so."
"Regiment, sir?"
"So and so."
"Rank, sir?"
"So and so."
"Nature of wound, sir?"
"Bullet through my head."
"Gunshot wound through head," he corrected me.

"Same thing."
"Any operations performed, sir?"
"I have had my right eye taken out."
"Right eye excised. Any disability, sir?"
"Blind in one eye."
"Then you can see with the other, sir?"
"No."
"Then you must be blind in both eyes, sir."
"No, I'm blind in one eye."
"How can that be, sir?"
"Sergeant," I replied quietly, "I have only got one eye."
And then he dropped his air of dignified officialism, and became human.

"You fairly caught me there, sir. I'm very sorry you've lost your sight, sir. You ought to try and get sent to St. Dunstan's."
"Why, what kind of a place is St. Dunstan's, sergeant?"
"Don't know, sir, but I've heard they do wonderful things there. I've even heard them say they make the blind see!"—Scribner's.

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BETHEL

Mrs. George Galbraith is under the doctor's care.

Miss Hiscott, lady evangelist, is spending a few days the guest of Mrs. C. Towers.

Mrs. E. Ash is suffering from a serious illness. We hope for her speedy recovery.

Miss Anna McGill has returned to London after spending the holidays at her home here.

Those suffering from the flu in this burg are all able to be about again.

Miss Susie Boyd has resumed her teaching at Iderton after spending her holidays under the parents' roof.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Towers of Redcliff, Alberta, have arrived to spend the winter with their many friends here.

A runaway horse caused some excitement in this burg last week, but thanks to the phone it was caught before any damage was done.

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THE FIGHT FOR BAKU

CHANGES IN TRANS-CAUCASIAN DISTRICT ARE NUMEROUS.

British Appeared Upon the Scene When the Turks and the Germans Were Quarrelling Over the Lost After: Retrying the Inhabitant—A Little Known Phase of the War.

THE recent evacuation of Baku by the British on account of the unreliability of the Armenian army calls attention to a phase of the war about which very little is known in Canada. We heard little about the proclamation of the Georgian independence in the spring of the present year and the arrival of the British contingent at Baku. The facts are accordingly of interest.

On May 26 of this year Georgia declared herself independent as a consequence of the dissolution of the Trans-Caucasian Republic, from which the Tartars separated themselves, while the southern provinces, including Batum and Kars, were occupied by Turkey.

The influence which led to the dissolution of the Trans-Caucasian Republic had been at work since the beginning of the revolution of March, 1917, when Turkey, through her agents, penetrated into Eastern Trans-Caucasia and the Northern Caucasus, using Mohammedan priests as propagandists. Turkey was afraid that the formation of the Trans-Caucasian Republic, including the Georgian, Tartars and Armenians, would separate from her the Mohammedan Tartars, and close the doors to her penetration into Turkestan, and that in years to come the Trans-Caucasian Republic, with its resources and population, would become a formidable unit, which could not be treated as a subservient vassal.

After capturing the fortresses of Batum and Kars—a task which was not so difficult, as the population of Trans-Caucasia was demoralized by revolutionary propaganda, just as were the inhabitants of other parts of the former Russian Empire, and therefore could offer substantial resistance, especially as there was no hint of forthcoming help from outside. Turkey occupied the strategic positions of Trans-Caucasia, from which she was to dictate terms to proceed to complete her occupation of Trans-Caucasia. At this stage, however, Germany interfered as she also wanted some booty in Trans-Caucasia, principally with an eye to her railway routes to Turkestan and Persia.

Georgia, after having been deprived of her fairest provinces in the south of the Batum district and her chief port of Batum, was recognized by Germany as "independent" in the area concerned comprising the provinces of Tiflis, Koutais and Soukhumi. Meanwhile, the Armenians, who have been deprived of all their territory in Turkey, hold a small strip of territory in the province of Erivan as an "independent" republic, while the Tartars have been allotted the provinces of Baku, Alizavetopol and part of the Erivan province, the whole being styled the Azerbejan republic.

These three republics were then invited to go to Constantinople and after two months of blackmailing, threats and requisitions, have been forced to sign a "peace treaty" with Turkey, by which Georgia becomes a German protectorate and the Armenians are placed under Turkish "protection." Prior to the signing of these "peace treaties," however, on June 24, the day on which Dr. von Kuhlmann made his declaration in the Reichstag concerning Georgia, 3,000 German troops were landed at the Georgian port of Poti on the Black Sea, and advanced along the railway to Tiflis, the capital of Georgia. By this means Germany succeeded in obtaining control of Tiflis, which is the centre of railway lines, the chief of which radiate toward Persia and Turkestan.

From that moment competition set in between Germany and Turkey concerning the rearrangement of the territories in Trans-Caucasia. Turkey claimed special protection over the eastern part of Trans-Caucasia, which is populated by Mohammedan Tartars and including the classic oil fields of Baku. This gave rise to great dissension between Turkey and Germany, the more so as the oil wealth of the Caucasus represents several thousand million pounds.

The strategic importance of Baku is enormous, both for the control of the Caspian Sea and for that of the routes leading toward Turkestan, Afghanistan and Northern Persia, and had this action taken place in January last, both the German and the Turkish penetration of the Caucasus would have been entirely prevented with the help of the Georgians and Armenians, or its dimensions very substantially curtailed.

A message from Constantinople now announces that, as a result of a plebiscite held in the districts of Kars, Batum and Ardahan, a decision was recorded by 85,124 votes out of 87,948 in favor of the union of these three districts with Turkey. What bitter irony it is that Turkey, which cannot possess herself a civilized power, is talking about a plebiscite having been carried out after she has conscripted the able-bodied male population of these districts and has obtained the plebiscite under pressure of Turkish bayonets. The vast majority of the inhabitants of these three districts are Georgian Mohammedans, who have always wished for union with their Christian brothers. Every inch of this territory is bound up with the history of the Georgian race, and it is a cruel fate that, on this sacred soil, the young Turks should be organizing an operative referendum in order to give to their criminal activities an appearance of formal decency.

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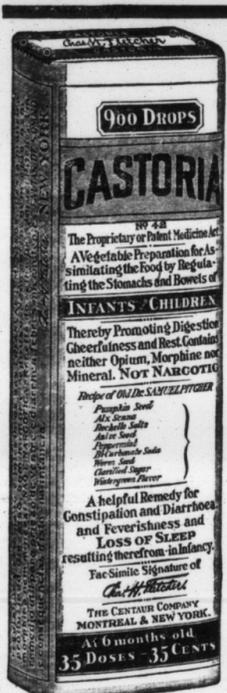


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