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### NEWS of the WEEK

#### Items of Interest to Everybody.

Marriage licenses at Seegmillers.  
Carrick Council will meet on Monday next, March 25th.  
Oysters for sale: 30c. a pint, 50c. a qt. at Weiler Bros.  
By your Easter perfumes and toilet waters at the drug store.  
Apples for sale at \$2.25 a bushel or 65c. a peck at Weiler Bros.  
There is a complete fresh line of bulk and box chocolates at the drug store for Easter.  
Mrs. Wm. McGregor of Southampton is the guest of her sister, Mrs. R. J. Morrison.

Mr. A. P. Johnston of Walkerton has been re-appointed issuer of auto licenses for this district.

High Constable Briggs has asked the Carrick Council to recommend a man for constable at Formosa.

Hogs brought \$19.50 per cwt here this week. This is the highest price ever quoted here for live hogs.

Rev. J. W. McNamara, of Drayton, a former pastor of the Mildmay Presbyterian church, has resigned his charge at Drayton.

Indications are that there will be little building carried on in this village this year on account of the excessive prices of labor and material.

Miss Laura Renwick has gone to spend a couple of months at California. She made the trip in company with her uncle, Mr. Geo. Renwick, who has been here visiting relatives.

The action arising out of the cutting down of a shade tree on concession B, in which the Township of Carrick is interested, is slated to come up for trial at Walkerton on April 9th.

The mail couriers are experiencing considerable difficulty in making their trips at this season of the year. The roads are mostly bare, but there are still snowbanks from six to ten feet deep. The courier's job is an unenviable one at this time of the year.

On another page of this issue will be found the Government's announcement of the Dominion Income War Tax Act. If you are liable to be assessed for income under the Act, procure forms and fill them out and return them before March 31st to the Inspector of Taxation. We learn that Berkeley G. Lowe, Customs Building, Hamilton, is the proper person to whom the forms should be sent from this section.

Easter egg dyes at Seegmillers' 5c.  
Turnip and mangel seeds for sale at Weiler Bros.  
Mrs. N. Vollick is spending a couple of months with her brothers in Toronto.  
Mr. Geo. Eggert has gone to spend a couple of weeks with his parents at Rostock.  
E. Witter & Co. are running their mill full time grinding war flour for the Government.  
Mr. Thos. Jasper was at Durham this week to visit his cousin, Mrs. Greenwood who is very ill.  
Henry Weber's residence next to the public school is offered for sale or rent Apply to J. A. Johnston.

The young men of Mildmay will give a patriotic dance in the town hall on Easter Monday evening.

Mrs. Alfred Isley and family of Hesson spent a couple of days with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kupferschmidt last week.

Mrs. Philip Lobsinger returned home on Tuesday from the Guelph hospital, and is rapidly regaining strength after her recent operation.

Rev. W. G. Paterson is spending this week with his family at Shelburne. Mrs. Paterson has been in delicate health for some time.

Fire did damage to the extent of \$2000 at Harrison on Tuesday morning. It started in the McConnell building, and spread to the Bailey block by two stores.

The local Red Cross Society received a cheque for \$47 from the County Treasurer this week, as an equivalent to the amount raised by the Society since Dec. 1st.

William Reuber is going to build a new brick residence on his farm on the 11th concession this summer. He had a carload of bricks shipped here from Paisley this week.

Mr. and Mrs. David Vogan of Howick spent Monday with friends here. Mrs. Vogan's many friends here will regret to learn that she has not enjoyed good health for some time.

Joseph Schmidt, who was charged with using seditious language at Stratford recently, has been allowed out on \$5000 bail, and will appear before the fall assizes at Stratford for trial.

The appeal to the Ontario farmers to produce more maple sugar and syrup, is meeting with a hearty response here. A great many farmers are preparing this week to go into the business extensively.

Mrs. J. A. Johnston received a message last week informing her of the death of her grandfather, Mr. Wm. Innes at Glenora. Deceased, who was in his 95th year, fell on the ice and dislocated his shoulder, and succumbed to the effects of the accident.

Farmers and town people would do well not to sell their empty grain and feed bags to buyers who ship them out of the country, but sell them to those who sell them to the mills where we get our feed. The bags are so costly now. It brings the feed we buy up fifteen to twenty five cents higher per bag than it should.

Mr. G. H. Whyte delivered a fine young Poland Angus bull calf, six months old, to Mr. Alex Fischer this week. This animal is of exceptional fine quality and the price paid was \$140. The Poland Angus cattle are rapidly coming into favor with the best breeders. Crossed with the Durhams, they are an ideal beef type, and can be finished earlier than other breeds.

Mrs. John Stemmler who has been living near Solway, is going farming near Hesson and removed his household goods on Wednesday. Mrs. Stemmler and child is staying with friends on the 6th for a few days and will spend some time in Carrick before leaving for Hesson. Mr. and Mrs. Stemmler take the best wishes of their many friends to their new home.—Telescope.

The marriage of Miss Anna Langelbach of Tavistock to Mr. Addison R. Weber of Heidelberg, took place on Wednesday, March 6th, at the home of the bride's father at Tavistock. The ceremony was conducted by Revs. E. Burn and A. D. Gischler in the presence of fifty invited guests. The bride is well known here, having spent a year here as milliner at the Corner Store.

At the Carnival in the Mildmay rink last Thursday evening, Peter Lobsinger jr. won the prize for best comic act, and Miss Belle Hingsperger was awarded the prize for best dressed lady. W. A. Kramer came in first in the wheelbarrow race, and Elmo Schuur and Anna Buhlman were winners in the couple race. There was a fair attendance at the Carnival and the music by the Wachter orchestra helped to make the event very enjoyable.

Adolph Kloefer of New Germany is visiting friends in Mildmay and Formosa.

Wm. F. Wendt has been appointed to look after the census of boys between 13 and 19 year old, who are willing to do farm work this summer. Each boy working on the farm for three months will be entitled to a badge of honor.

Easter Specialties.  
Easter Lillies, ferns, palms, genistas, begonias, hydrangeas, pelargoniums, primulas, bulb stock, etc., lettuce and other vegetables,—also full line of choice cut flowers. Write for prices. H. M. Norrish, florist, phone 118, Walkerton.

Auction Sale.  
Auction sale of Farm Stock and Implements at Lot 10, Con. 18, Howick, (opposite McIntosh church) on Tuesday, March 26th. An exceptionally good list of stock and implements. Albert Haskins, proprietor, John Darroch, auctioneer.

Choice Cattle.  
Mr. Geo. Reynolds of the 13th concession brought in two heifers for shipment last Saturday that were of extra good quality. Competent judges say that there are no better cattle in Carrick. The pair weighed 2440 lbs. and Mr. Reynolds received about \$290 for them. It pays to market the finished product.

Mildmay Boys Drafted.  
We learn that Pte. N. Kaufman and Rene Culliton were in the first draft of the 160th Battalion to go to France, and are probably at the battle front by this date. Sgt. C. Wendt of Mildmay was in the third draft, and gave up his stripes in order to go. It is quite likely that all the members of the 160th Battalion will be in the trenches within the next few weeks.

Sow Spring Wheat.  
Every farmer in Carrick, whose land is fit to grow spring wheat is urged to sow a few acres this spring. The fall wheat crop looks anything but promising and the Government is urging that spring wheat be tried this spring. A supply of good seed can be obtained from E. Witter & Co., Mildmay. An effort is being made to give a number of cash prizes for the best crops.

A Sad Death.  
A very sad death took place in this township on Thursday morning of last week, when Mrs. Jacob Kreitz of the Elora road passed away at the age of 28 years. Mrs. Kreitz died after a short illness with septic peritonitis, having given birth to a baby six days previously. The funeral took place on Saturday morning at the Formosa R. C. Cemetery. The sorrowing husband and parents have the sincerest sympathy of all their friends.

Succession Duties Act Amended.  
The Succession Duties Act has been so amended by the Ontario Legislature as to make clear that succession duty would not be collected on gifts made absolutely to father, mother, child, son-in-law or daughter-in-law, up to \$20,000, provided that the gift was made as a gift three years before the decease of the testator, that the rates of succession duty payable by a beneficiary who is not a blood relative is to be 15 per cent. where it is over \$50,000 and not more than \$200,000, and to be 20 per cent. where it exceeds \$200,000.

An Odd Freak.  
While cutting wood on his farm on con. 6, Carrick, Mr. Alex Becker, came across a strange phenomenon. In a cross section of a maple tree he noticed seven letters of the alphabet in the heart of the wood just as plain as newspaper print. The letters are about two inches across and are in a lighter color as if composed of another kind of wood. They do not form any word, at least not in our language, and it is certainly a mystery how they grew there. Mr. Becker has kept the block of wood and is showing it to his friends as an odd curiosity.

Dr. C. Eckel Dies at St. Thomas.  
Dr. Christian B. Eckel passed away on Friday last at the residence of his brother-in-law, W. F. Thomas, 118 Metcalfe street, St. Thomas, following an illness of several months. Dr. Eckel was born at Mildmay, being a son of the late Christian Eckel, formerly a wagonmaker here, and was 34 years of age. He practiced his profession for several years at Adelaide, and later practiced about four years in Brantford as a specialist in diagnosing diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat. His health broke down while in the Telephone City, and he came to St. Thomas in September for a rest, but unfortunately the disease became worse, and he gradually failed. He was married to Miss Ella Thomas, youngest daughter of the late Rev. and Mrs. H. A. Thomas, formerly of this village. His widow and one daughter survive him.

Wanted.  
Immediately, good house-maid, for general work. All conveniences. Family of four with no children. Apply Mrs. W. A. Kribs, Heapele, stating salary required.

Spring Millinery  
Mrs. R. Schwalm announces that no formal millinery openings will be held this spring, but cordially invites all the ladies to call on or after March 22nd, to inspect her stock of spring millinery.

Wheat Consumption in Canada.  
Canada uses more wheat per capita than any other country in the world. Human consumption of wheat in the Dominion should not exceed 5.4 bushels per capita per annum. Canada has been using wheat at the rate of about 9 bushels per capita each year.

Train Service May Be Restored.  
There has been such a loud and prolonged protest against the reduced train service on the branch lines that it is now rumored that the Grand Trunk will restore the four passenger train service per day all over the system. Nothing definite has yet been announced, but there are good grounds to expect that the change will be made very soon.

Death of Aged Resident.  
The death of Mrs. Wm. Krohn, which took place on Sunday morning of this week, removes one of the oldest residents of Carrick. Deceased, who was 83 years of age, had been ill for several months with bronchitis which finally resulted in her death. She was born in Waterloo township, and has been a resident of this township for about forty years. The funeral took place on Tuesday at the Neustadt Lutheran cemetery.

Signs of Spring.  
Many and various signs of spring have reached us this week. The robins are here in goodly numbers, and there is a very hopeful note in their songs. The crows are becoming very noisy in the woods and are seen in great numbers in the country. On Monday morning a very large flock of wild geese passed over this vicinity. All these may be taken as unfailing harbingers of spring, but there will probably be a number of squalls before its arrival.

Married in Carrick.  
The marriage of Mr. Edwin Lindenschmidt to Miss Lena Hellwig, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christian Hellwig of Normanby, took place on Wednesday of last week at the home of the groom's parents on the 10th concession of Carrick. Rev. J. H. Grenzebach of Walkerton conducted the ceremony in the presence of a number of the immediate relatives of the contracting parties. The happy young couple have taken up residence on the groom's fine farm south of Mildmay. The Gazette joins their many friends in extending best wishes.

More Licenses Required.  
The Canadian Food Controller has ordered that on and after the fifteenth day of May, 1918, no person, firm or corporation shall engage in any one or more of the retail trades enumerated below without having first obtained a license from the Canada Food Board, such license to be known as a Retail Butcher's License, or Retail Baker's License, or Retail Produce Merchant's License, or Retail Flour and Feed Merchant's License, or Retail Fruit and Vegetable Dealer's License, or Retail Fish Dealer's License, as may be made necessary by the trading operations of the applicant.

Dedication Week.  
A proclamation has been issued by the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, calling upon all farmers to set apart the week beginning March 24th as a week of special preparation, in which his seed may be prepared and his machinery gone over so that when the time comes for the spring seeding he will have everything ready. "The maximum production of essential foodstuffs" is our motto this spring. The outcome of the war is so dependent upon the food supply that it is not too much to say that upon the crop of 1918 the result very largely depends. This is not merely a farmer's problem, for he cannot increase production without labour. It is not wholly a problem for the city and townsmen, for while they may do their best to assist, the farmer holds the key to the situation. It is the biggest job Ontario has ever been called upon to do, and the solution of the problem must rest equally in the hands of the farmer and the townsmen. Unless our men, women and children are willing to work together, forgetting largely the distinction of rural and urban, we shall fail to do our best. Every clergyman in Ontario is urged to set forth from his pulpit next Sunday the facts of the food situation, as it affects the allied cause, emphasizing the responsibility resting on our favored land, and invoking the blessing of Almighty God on the human efforts put forth toward production.

Rules for Motorists.  
Drive carefully at street intersections, particularly when entering a main thoroughfare. The great majority of accidents happen at street intersections. At street intersections, a motor car approaching from your right hand side has the right-of-way.  
In the presence of danger, there is no right-of-way. It is your duty to prevent an accident under any circumstances. Reckless driving is always illegal, no matter what the speed.  
The majority of fast drivers have nothing to do when they get there. They are a menace to themselves, to those whom they pass, and a nuisance to people who reside along the road.  
When you meet a vehicle, pass on the right; when you overtake one, pass on the left.  
Do not change speed or direction suddenly. Indicate your intention by holding your hand up if you wish to stop and to the side if you are going to turn. There is usually a car behind you.  
Pedestrians who have started to cross a street at a reasonable distance from an approaching motor car, have the right to do so at the pace of an ordinary walk, and the motorist has no right to compel pedestrians to rush or run for safety by the insolent blowing of the horn.  
Slacken speed when approaching pedestrians, blow the horn if thought necessary to warn them, but permit them to cross the street in safety at a reasonable pace. Remember there are old people, invalids and children.  
When on a street of small houses and large families, and the family principally in the street, especially after school hours, drive slowly. A child is not responsible under the law. You are.

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# SAVE FOOD

In a time needing food economy many people are not getting all the nourishment they might from their food. It is not how much you eat, but how much you assimilate, that does you good.

The addition of a small teaspoonful of Bovril to the diet as a peptogenic before meals leads to more thorough digestion and assimilation and thus saves food, for you need less.



By Jas. NORMAN HALL.

## CHAPTER IX.—(Cont'd.)

Her children were over there, or had been at the outbreak of the war. That is all that she told me of her story, and I would have been a beast to have asked more. In some way she had become separated from them, and for nearly a year she had been watching there, not knowing whether her little family was living or dead. To many of the soldiers she was just a plain, thrifty little French woman who knew not the meaning of fear, willing to risk her life daily, that she might put by something for the long hard years which would follow the war. To me she is the Spirit of France, splendid, superb France. But more than this she is the Spirit of Mother-love which wars can never alter.

Strangely enough, I had not thought of the firing-line as a boundary, a limit, during all those weeks of trench warfare. Henceforth it had a new meaning for me. I realized how completely it cut Europe in half, separating friends and relatives all over miles of ocean, could not have done. Roads crossed from one side to the other, but they were barricaded with sandbags and barbed-wire entanglements. At night they were deluged with shrapnel and the cobble-stones were chipped and scarred with machine-gun bullets.

Tommy had a ready sympathy for the women and children who lived near the trenches. I remember many incidents which illustrate abundantly his quick understanding of the hardship and danger of their lives. Once, at Armentieres, we were marching to the baths, when the German artillery were shelling the town in the usual hit-or-miss fashion. The enemy knew, of course, that many of our troops in reserve were billeted there, and they searched for them daily. Doubtless they would have destroyed the town long ago had it not been for the fact that Lille, one of their own most important bases, is within such easy range of our batteries. As it was, they bombarded it as heavily as they dared, and on this particular morning, they were sending them over too frequently for comfort.

Some of the shells were exploding close to our line of march, but the boys tramped along with that nonchalant air which they assume in times of danger. One immense shell struck an empty house less than a block away and sent the masonry flying in every direction. The cloud of brick dust shone like gold in the sun. A moment later, a fleshy peasant woman, wearing wooden shoes, turned out of an adjoining street and ran awkwardly toward the scene of the explosion. Her movements were so clumsy and slow, in proportion to the great exertion she was making, that at any other time the sight would have been ludicrous. Now it was inevitable that such a sight should first appeal to Tommy's sense of humor, and thoughtlessly the boys started laughing and shouting at her. Within a few minutes the boys were in a grand race!

"Two to one on Liza!"  
"The other way, ma! That's the wrong direction! Yer rummin' right into 'em!"  
She gave no heed, and a moment later we saw her gather up a little girl from a doorstep, hugging and comforting her, and shielding her with her body, instinctively, at the sound of another exploding shell. The laughter in the ranks stopped as though every man had been suddenly struck dumb.

They were courageous, those women in the firing-line. Their thoughts were always for their husbands and sons and brothers who were fighting side by side with us. Meanwhile, they kept their little shops and estaminets open for the soldiers' trade and made a brave show of living in the old way. In Armentieres a few old men lent their aid in keeping up the pretense, but the feeble little trickle of civilian life made scarcely an impression in the broad current of military activity. A solitary postman, with a mere handful of letters, made his morning rounds of echoing streets, and a bent old man with newspapers hobbled slowly along the Rue Sadi-Carnot shouting, "Le Matin! Le Journal!" to boarded windows and bolted doors. Meanwhile, we marched back and forth between billets in the town and trenches just outside. And the last thing which we saw upon leaving the town, and the first upon returning, was the lengthening army wall in the garden of the ruined convent. It was a pathetic little burial plot, filled with the bodies of women and children who had been killed in German bombardments of the town.

And thus for more than three months, while we were waiting for Fritz to "come out," we adapted ourselves to the changing conditions of trench life and trench warfare, with a readiness which surprised and

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gratified us. Our very practical training in England had prepared us, in a measure, for simple and primitive living. But even with such preparation we had constantly to revise downward our standards. We lived without comforts which formerly we had regarded as absolutely essential. We lived a life so crude and rough that our army experiences in England seemed Utopian by comparison. A government, paternalistic in its solicitude for our welfare, had schooled our bodies to withstand hardships and to endure privations. In England we had been inoculated and vaccinated whether we would or no, and the result was that fevers were practically non-existent in the trenches. What little sickness there was was due to inclement weather rather than to unsanitary conditions.

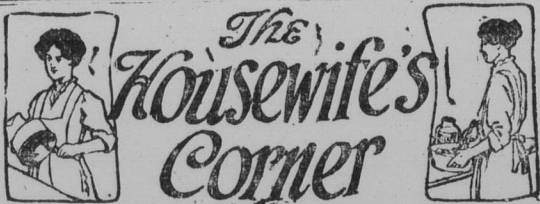
Although there were sad gaps in our ranks, the trench and camp fevers prevalent in other wars were not responsible for them. Bullets, shells, and bombs took their toll day by day, but so gradually that we had been given time to forget that we had ever known the security of civilian life. We were soon to experience the indescribable horrors of modern warfare at its worst; to be living from morning until evening and from dusk to dawn, looking upon a new day with a feeling of wonder that we had survived so long.

About the middle of September it became clear to us that the big drive was at hand. There was increased artillery activity along the entire front. The men noted with great satisfaction that the shells from our own batteries were of larger calibre. This was a welcome indication that England was at last meeting the long-felt need for high explosives. "Lloyd George ain't been asleep," some unshaven seer would say, nodding his head wisely. "E's a long while gettin' ready, but w'en 'e is ready, there's suthin' a-go'n' to drop!" There was a feeling of excitement everywhere. The men looked to their rifles with greater interest. They examined more carefully their bandoliers of ammunition and their gas helmets; and their metal pocket mirrors about keeping their cigarette cases in their left-hand breast pockets, for any Tommy can tell you of miraculous escapes from death due to such a protective armor over the heart.

The thunder of guns increased with every passing day. The fire appeared to be evenly distributed over many miles of frontage. In moments of comparative quiet along our sector, we could hear them muttering and rumbling miles away to our right and left. We awaited developments with the greatest impatience, for we knew that this general bombardment was but a preliminary one for the purpose of concealing, until the last moment, the plan of attack. The portion of the front where the great artillery concentration would be made and the infantry assault pushed home. Then came sudden orders to move. Within twenty-four hours the roads were filled with the incoming troops of a new division. We made a rapid march to a rail-head, entrained, and were soon moving southward by an indirect route; southward, toward the sound of the guns, to take an inconspicuous part in the battle at Loos.

## CHAPTER X. New Lodgings I. Moving In

We were wet and tired and cold and hungry, for we had left the train miles back of the firing-line and had



## WAR AND FOOD SERIES.—ARTICLE No. 12.—SOUPS.

Canadian housewives do not, as a general rule, use the soup pot as freely as they might. It is invaluable in the utilization of left-over scraps, and it proves itself an ever present help in time of need.

A good cook will make excellent soup from almost any materials; a bad cook will make poor soup from the best material. Although perhaps the simplest of things to prepare, soup is quite a test of a woman's culinary skill. A common mistake is to forget that it needs long and gentle cooking. Soup should be allowed to simmer rather than to boil vigorously.

As a substitute for meat or as a "meat stretcher" soup is unexcelled. It is wholesome and nourishing. The bones of all meat and most vegetables go towards making a good stock. Bones of cooked meat and meat scraps of poultry and game should always find their way into the

been marching through the rain since early morning; but, as the sergeant said, "A bloke standin' by the side o' the road, watchin' this 'ere column pass, would think we was a-go'n' to a Sunday-school picnic." The roads were filled with endless processions of singing, shouting soldiers. Seen from a distance the long columns gave the appearance of imposing strength. One thought of them as battalions, brigades, divisions, cohesive parts of a great fighting machine. But when our lines of march crossed, when we halted to make way for each other, what an absorbing pageant of personality! Each rank was a series of intimate pictures. Everywhere there was laughing, singing, a merry minstrelsy of mouth-organs. The jollity in my own part of the line was doubtless a picture in little of what was happening elsewhere. We were anticipating the exciting times just at hand. Mac, who was blown to pieces by a shell a few hours later, was dancing in and out of the ranks singing,—

"Oh! Won't it be joyful!  
Oh! Won't it be joyful!"

Preston, who was killed at the same time, threw his rifle in the air and caught it again in sheer excess of animal spirits. Three rollicking lads, all of whom we buried during the week in the same shell hole under some wooden cross, stumbled with an exaggerated show of utter weariness singing,—

"We never knew till now how muddy mud is,  
We never knew how muddy mud could be."

And little Charley Harrison, who had fibbed bravely about his age to the recruiting officers, trudged contentedly along, his rifle slung jauntily over his shoulder, and munched army biscuit with all the relish of an old campaigner. Several days later he said good-bye to us, and made the journey back the same road, this time in a motor ambulance; and as I write, he is hobbling about a London hospital ward, one trouser leg pathetically empty.

(To be continued.)

## UNCERTAIN FORTUNES OF WAR.

Canadian Officer Cites a Striking Experience of His Own.

Fatalities are freakish things. They are not always the heaviest where one would expect them to be, says Major Owen of the Canadian Forces in France. My own first experience under shell fire was a gruelling initiation. The Germans must have known in some fashion that fresh raw troops were coming in. At 5 o'clock in the morning, a few hours after we had taken our posts under cover of darkness they opened up.

My company of about 150 men were distributed over a front of 250 or 300 yards, and for an hour and ten minutes the bursting of enemy shells in our lines was so continuous that the sound was a sustained roar. Exploding shells blew up the trenches at short intervals, isolating the defenders into little groups. I lay beneath the parapet with one such handful, unable to make any kind of a tour of inspection.

Every minute I expected we should be blown to pieces. I had no doubt that every other man in the company was already dead or wounded. The air on all sides seemed a wavering blanket of smoke and flame and flying clouds. Then as abruptly as it started the enemy fire ceased. I crawled out of my section of demolished trench and started to look around. Out of 150 men we had lost only thirty.

It is hard to explain a situation like that. One of the wonders of any modern battlefield, pitted with shell holes until not a square yard of soil has its normal appearance, is that anyone should have survived at all. Verdun probably had a shell per square yard every day for weeks at a time, yet somehow the heroic French remained and lived and defeated the massed legions of the Crown Prince. On other occasions an enterprise that carries a reasonable assurance of success become a veritable holocaust, wiping out whole companies. Such occasions there have been when patrol encountered a "planted" machine gun, or an "over the top" sortie met an infernal barrier. On such occasions the casualties are very heavy.

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Mysterious Graves Used as Camouflage When Meat is Lacking.

Camouflage is being tried in the eating houses in London to assist in the conservation of food, and reports from the authors of the scheme say that it is proving successful. So well liked are some of the disguised dishes that the demand for them increase even after the real contents become known. The scarcity of certain foods has made heavy demands upon the restaurants, especially those which cater to the working class of girls who have not trained their palate to do without meat and to accept vegetarian dishes. The manager of one of these eating places—there are five in the string and they are for working girls only—said that the restaurants supplied a meal, including a choice of dishes, two vegetables (potatoes and greens) and a sweet for 14 cents. Formerly Monday was a light day because girls usually had a lunch left from the Sunday dinner, but since meat has become scarce the Monday calls are equally heavy with the other days.

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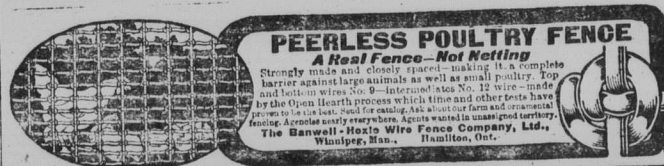
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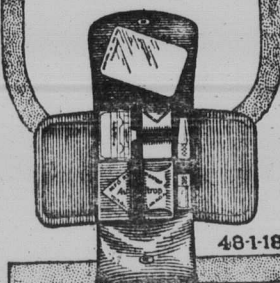
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Such Sufferers Can be Restored by Building Up the Blood.

Nervous people who have not yet developed a disease that can be recognized and treated by the medical profession have the greatest trouble in finding relief. Irritation, headaches, sleeplessness, nervous dyspepsia, all these discomforts make life miserable, but are endured rather than run a doctor's bill without definite hope of an improved condition.

Every sufferer should know the danger of such a condition to the nervous system. Nervous debility and even paralysis may result if the tone of the nerves is not restored.

The one big fact that brings hope and relief is that the nerves can be restored by building up the blood. It cannot be too often repeated that only through the blood can nourishment or medicine reach the nerves. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills make the blood rich and red and quickly restore vitality and energy to a weak, nervous system. A nervous person who gives these pills a trial is almost certain to see good results, and what is more, the benefit will be lasting because the trouble is attacked at its root; building up the blood restores the nerve force. That is why people who occasionally take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills always feel bright, active and strong. Mrs. Wm. McIntyre, Gananoque, Ont., says: "For a number of years I was always tired and listless. The least noise would so startle me that I would tremble and shake; my heart would flutter, and I would feel as though I were choking. I was almost wholly unfitted for housework, and always so nervous that life was almost a burden. I tried several medicines, but they did not help me in the least. One day I received a pamphlet describing Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and decided to give them a trial. I am glad now that I did for after using eight boxes they have so strengthened and built up my run-down, nervous system that I can work with pleasure and feel refreshed after a night's sleep. I sincerely hope some similar sufferer may benefit by my experience."

If you are weak, nervous or feeling "out of sorts," give Dr. Williams' Pink Pills a trial and you will be surprised to see how quickly the nervousness will pass away and your former energy return. You can get these pills through your medicine dealer, or by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

### How a Tank Behaves.

From the depths of the wood opposite came a crackling, crunching sound, as of some prehistoric beast forcing its way through tropical undergrowth, writes Ian Hay. And then, suddenly, out from the thinning edge there loomed a monster—a monstrosity. It did not glide, it did not walk. It wallowed. It lurched, with now and then a laborious heave of its shoulders. It fumbled its way over a low bank matted with scrub. It crossed a ditch by the simple expedient of rolling the ditch out flat, and waddled forward. In its path stood a young tree. The monster arrived at the tree and laid its chin lovingly against the stem. The tree leaped back, cracked and assumed a horizontal position. In the middle of the clearing, twenty yards further on, gaped an enormous shell crater, a present from the Kaiser. Into this the creature plunged blindly, to emerge, panting and puffing on the further side. Then it stopped. A magic opening appeared in its stomach, from which emerged, grinning, a British subaltern and his grimy associates.

As soon as the snow goes and the frost is out of the ground, and a few dry days take off the excess moisture, clear the lawns of litter or manure applied last autumn by the use of the rake. Roll, to smooth out the roughness.

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## DRY-LAND FISHES.

Inhabitants of India and South Africa That Can Live Ashore.

The phrase "like a fish-out of water" was coined as a vivid means of expressing extreme discomfort amid unusual surroundings. Doubtless the originator felt confident that no fish could leave its natural element for any length of time and live. According to Mr. W. P. Pycraft, who writes in *Marvels of the Universe*, however, there is a fresh-water fish in India and the Malay countries that not only can live without discomfort ashore but that can crawl and climb.

This strange creature is the anabas, or climbing perch. It is equipped with stout spines on its under fins and gill covers, and it thrusts these make-shifts for feet into the ground as it wriggles forward. When premonition of impending drought warns the anabas to leave the pond in which it is living, it sometimes makes overland journeys of considerable length in search of deeper water. A special breathing apparatus enables it to live out of water. This takes the form of a pair of large cavities, one on either side of the head, opening downward into the gill chamber and divided by thin, scroll-like plates of bone covered with a delicate skin, over which ramifies a network of blood vessels for the purpose of absorbing oxygen.

No less strange than the anabas is a fish that inhabits the waters of Lake Victoria Nyanza in Africa. Sir John Bland-Sutton describes it in his book, *Man and Beast in Eastern Ethiopia*. This fish is equipped with lungs as well as with gills, and is known as the mamba, or mudfish. It is long and cylindrical in shape, something like an eel, and it often attains a length of six feet. During the dry season the marshes that the mudfish frequents dry up, and to meet that change, it burrows into the mud to the depth of eighteen inches, makes a cocoon or capsule of mucus, secreted by the glands of its skin, coils up, and remains in a dormant state for half a year.

All this time it breathes entirely by its lungs, and obtains air through a small aperture in the dry mud. In this condition it is often dug up by the natives, who appreciate it highly as an article of diet.

When placed in warm water it immediately wakes from its sleep and resumes the gill method of breathing. In ordinary circumstances the fish remains dormant within the cocoon until the rainy season floods the marshes again.

### Care of Roses.

Roses should be pruned after the hard freezing weather is over. Most of the monthly roses, such as the China, Bengal and Moissettes, should be cut back severely, leaving only one to three eyes on each stem. Bourbons and hybrid Chinas should be left with six or eight eyes. Hybrid perpetual roses should have the weak and decayed wood cut out, also branches that are crowding. The remaining shoots, which are to produce flowers, should be cut back to about six or eight eyes from the base. All shoots older than those of last year should be cut out. Climbing roses only require the poor wood cut out and the shoots shortened sufficiently to keep them in bounds.

## A SPLENDID LAXATIVE FOR THE BABY

Baby's Own Tablets are a splendid laxative for the baby. They are mild but thorough in their action; do not gripe; are easy and pleasant to take and are absolutely free from injurious drugs. Concerning them Mrs. S. P. Moulton, St. Stephen, N. B., writes: "I have used Baby's Own Tablets for a long time and have found them the most effective laxative I have ever used for the baby." The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

### EARLY AMBITIONS.

Career of Two Noted Men Took Unexpected Direction.

Andrew Carnegie in his early days had an ambition to enter the newspaper business, but when he failed to obtain a position on the *Pittsburg Dispatch*, he turned his talents in other directions and finally became America's leading iron and steel manufacturer.

Robert Burns, on the other hand, spared efforts to induce him to go into journalism and thus made the way clear for his becoming the most beloved of Scottish bards. These points were brought out in an address recently given by William Will, president of the London Burns Club.

The first attempt to get Burns in the newspaper line was when Peter Stuart of the *London Morning Post* started the *Star*. Burns declined to give active assistance in turning out the paper, although he occasionally contributed articles. Later James Parry, proprietor of the *London Morning Chronicle*, offered Burns £5 a week to join the staff. Burns refused the offer on the plea that his duties as an excise officer would prevent him from attending to the work. Nothing ever resulted, either from the suggestion that Burns write a three act comic opera.

A little ground well tilled is better than a great deal that lies neglected.

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WHEN THE PLAGUE IS WORST.

Origin of Dread Disease Prevalent in Parts of China.

News dispatches speak in a horrifying way of the recent spread of "pneumonic plague" in the Shansi province of China. Dead bodies lie about in the streets of villages and are not removed for fear of infection. The local authorities defy Government orders and oppose the efforts of Chinese and foreign medical men to fight the dreaded malady.

Everybody knows about the "bubonic" plague, and that it is carried by rats. But the term "pneumonic" is little understood.

It is the same disease, but in another and much more dreadful form. When many cases of plague have developed, the lungs of some of the victims are liable to become infected. Germs distributed from their sputum get into the air. Other people breathe them, and soon the very atmosphere is poisoned. The infection then spreads like wildfire and human beings die like flies.

The populations of entire towns are literally wiped out in a few weeks' time. That is what is happening in the Shansi province just now.

The symptoms are like those of an extremely malignant type of pneumonia. The lungs fill up with water and in a day or two the victim dies. Death comes with great certainty and remarkable quickness.

There is, however, a form of plague worse even than this. It is called the "septicemic," being a poisoning of the blood. Germs find their way directly into the blood-stream and the sufferer literally rots away.

In every Chinese village there are one or more inns, where the guests commonly sleep huddled together on the floor. This gives a first-class opportunity for the rat flea (originally infected by biting a plague-stricken rat) to bite persons, and so to communicate to them the disease. Hence it is beyond a doubt that these inns are foci of plague infection.

So far as can be ascertained, the original home of plague—the disease which in the Middle Ages was known in Europe as the "black death"—is the Yunnan province of China. There it always exists, though sometimes slumbering. From there have come all the great destructive epidemics of the malady since the beginning of historic times.

### GIRLS! LEMON JUICE IS SKIN WHITENER.

How to make a creamy beauty lotion for a few cents.

The juice of two fresh lemons strained into a bottle containing three ounces of orchard white makes a whole quart of the most remarkable lemon skin beautifier at about the cost one must pay for a small jar of the ordinary cold creams. Care should be taken to strain the lemon juice through a fine cloth so no lemon pulp gets in, then this lotion will keep fresh for months. Every woman knows that lemon juice is used to bleach and remove such blemishes as freckles, sallowness and tan and is the ideal skin softener, whitener and beautifier.

Just try it! Get three ounces of orchard white at any drug store and two lemons from the grocer and make up a quart of this sweetly fragrant lemon lotion and massage it daily into the face, neck, arms and hands.

### Relieving Congestion at Terminals.

Serious congestion in Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific terminals at Toronto and other points, has been obviated by the co-operation of the Canadian Northern Railway in handling over its trunk line between Toronto, Ottawa and Montreal, a large number of cars which the other roads were unable to forward, according to figures issued here yesterday.

Up to Feb. 18th a total of 1256 loaded Grand Trunk cars destined for eastern points, had been accepted by the Canadian Northern at Toronto and moved east over its lines. Relief was extended to the C.P.R. to the extent of 300 cars, making a grand total of 1646 cars.

It is officially announced by the Canadian Northern that the road will further co-operate with the other lines to the extent of 90 cars daily from the Grand Trunk at Toronto; and 40 cars each day from the C.P.R. at Sudbury to be handled over the transcontinental line of the C.N.R. as far as Ottawa.

The old Phillips-tines were angels of light compared with the modern Hun.—Sir A. G. Boscowen.

A little girl wrote the following composition on men: "Men are what women marry. They drink and smoke and swear, but they go to church. Perhaps if they wore bonnets they would. They are more logical than women, also more zoological. Both men and women sprang from monkeys, but the women sprang farther than the men."

## Gunns Shur-Gain Fertilizer

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### Sacrifice.

The train staccato panting in expectant haste,  
Car doors and windows bulging forms  
all khaki-clad—  
A laugh upon his lips, his arm about her waist,  
She, small with bent and drooping shoulders sad;  
A hurried kiss just at the parting of her hair,  
And he was gone.  
She shrank and withered as from heat of hungry flame,  
Then gasped—and stood erect—and softly breathed his name;  
I saw leap to her eyes a light that put to shame  
The glory that she knew when he was born.

—Evelyn King Gilmore.

## He Knows Just Why He Admires Them

Dodd's Kidney Pills Cured Mrs. Mercredi.

She Had Been Ill Two Years and Could Find No Cure. That's Why Her Husband Is Enthusiastic Over Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Fort Smith, Alberta, March 11th (Special).—Among all the thousands of Canadians who praise Dodd's Kidney Pills for the good they have done, there is no more fervent admirer of the great kidney remedy than Isidore Mercredi, of this place.

"Yes, it always gives me pleasure to say a good word for Dodd's Kidney Pills," Mr. Mercredi says. "My wife was sick for two years. We could not find anything to restore her to health. Then we found a pamphlet telling of several persons who had been cured by Dodd's Kidney Pills."

"My wife used just two boxes of them and she is perfectly well, to the great surprise of all our neighbors. They can tell you the same thing. I cannot recommend Dodd's Kidney Pills enough."

Dodd's Kidney Pills are the greatest of all remedies for weak, suffering women. They cure the kidneys. The kidneys are the root of nine-tenths of women's ills. Moreover, cured kidneys mean pure clear blood all over the body. That means good health everywhere.

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First Colored Recruit: "Yes, I've registered all right, and I've already concreted; what you gonna join, de infamy or de calvary?"

Second Colored Recruit: "No, calvary for me. I've goin' in dat infamy. When de Genrul sound de word 'Retreat,' dis nigger don't want to be bothered with no hoss."

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Stick to It.

Plan for more than you can do, Then do it.  
Bite off more than you can chew, Then chew it.  
Hitch your wagon to a star, Keep your seat, and there you are.

THE BELGIAN NEED.

A letter has just been received from the wife of the French Ambassador to the Belgian Government at Havre, saying: "Can you not raise funds for our poor Belgian prisoners? or even if you could go to the hotels and restaurants and ask for their waste bread; when first dried in the oven it keeps well, and is far better than anything they get from the Germans."

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Science and the Arts.  
If I had to live my life over again, I would make it a rule to read some good poetry and listen to some good music at least once a week.—Charles Darwin.

Minard's Liniment Cures Dandruff.  
A golden dream was sent to dreamers two;  
One scorned the dream, the other made it True.

How much happier most of us would be if we had the moral courage to say more often, "No, I can't afford it!"

WITH THE FINGERS!  
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Sore corns, hard corns, soft corns or any kind of a corn can shortly be lifted right out with the fingers if you will apply on the corn a few drops of freezone, says a Cincinnati authority.

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A headache is frequently caused by badly digested food, the gases and acids resulting therefrom are absorbed by the blood which in turn irritates the nerves and causes painful symptoms called headache, neuralgia, rheumatism, etc. 15 to 30 drops of Mother Seigel's Syrup will correct faulty digestion and afford relief.

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If you held a teaspoonful of hydrochloric acid in your mouth for only a second you would not be surprised at its burning and inflaming all the tissues. An eminent specialist states that 96 out of 100 dyspeptics go about with a glassful or more of this powerful acid in their stomachs, and then wonder what causes the burning and aching and why

they suffer the discomfort after meals. To put wholesome food into an acid stomach only increases the discomfort, because the acid mixes with the fresh food and turns it sour, making a lot more acid. The acid condition causes food fermentation, which irritates, distends and inflames the tender stomach lining, and it is not surprising that specialists say acid stomachs are dangerous. This decidedly dangerous and uncomfortable condition can be overcome either by following a strict diet or, and this is far easier and more quickly effective, by taking a teaspoonful of bisulphate of soda in a quarter glassful of water after meals to neutralize the acidity. The latter course is much more satisfactory because it corrects the acidity and banishes discomfort without any need for diet.

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## GERMANS CONTINUE TO EMPLOY GAS SHELLS IN BOMBARDMENT

French Dig Up Buried Money in Ruined Area Recovered From the Enemy, Which Had Been Concealed by Fleeing Civilians.

A despatch from Canadian Army Headquarters says: Outside of airplane activity there is little to report from the advanced areas. Our heavies, 18-pounders, trench mortars, stokes and machine guns have been active in a normal harassing fire against enemy positions, as well as engaging particular targets. Our patrols have been out frequently, but have had only one conflict with the enemy. In this the Boches were easily overcome. In another instance, it is reported, where a hostile party was seen by our patrols, the Huns preferred to run rather than fight.

The Germans continue to employ gas. For half an hour on Thursday morning Loos was treated to gas shells. The enemy is also using fish-tails containing gas against some of our positions. As a result of his poisonous activities there is an appreciable amount of gas in "pockets" in various low-lying parts of our line, but careful training of our men in the use of their excellent gas-masks has done much to reduce casualties from this source.

Our snipers have been having an active time, not only getting numerous Germans, but also exploding fifteen stick bombs on the enemy's trenches, smashing the parapet and doing other extensive damage.

Searching among the debris of what had formerly been his home, a returned French soldier found 30,000 francs (\$8,000) on Wednesday. Another villager found 21,000 francs (\$4,200). The men were assisted in their digging operations by four Canadian soldiers. At least another three-quarters of a million is said to be buried in the neighborhood which the French civilians evacuated in August, 1914, six hours before the arrival of the Germans, expecting to return in about a fortnight. Now they are coming back after three and a half years, to find the whole area in ruins, but with their hoards still untouched.

With the advent of fine weather baseball materials are appearing by magic all over the Canadian front. Cries of "over the pan" and "at a bat" are heard once again in the battle area.



The Double Decker Above.

On the left: A small boy feeding a pig on a bottle. Right: Shows a type of wooden yoke used in Oklahoma to prevent pigs from routing their way under rail fences and into pastures not intended for them.

## BRITISH AIRMEN SHOW MARVELOUS RESULTS; OVER 100 PLANES DOWNED

Superiority of Air Forces Every Day More Manifest Showing Themselves Masters of the Situation.

A despatch from London says: The superiority of the British airmen over the enemy is becoming more manifest day by day. Their work during the past fortnight has been almost marvelous. Since March 1, on all fronts, 120 machines have been destroyed or driven down out of control. The London Times correspondent reports that

of commission on the front, of which 57 were completely destroyed. In addition, the Naval Squadron bagged 17, two of these being brought down by seaplanes over the North Sea, during a fight in which two Britishers vanquished five opponents. Less than a score of British machines were lost during the same period.

## AMBASSADORIAL "DR. FELL'S"

MISFITS IN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE.

Men Who Have Been Obnoxious to Nations to Which They Have Been Accredited.

I do not like thee, Dr. Fell, The reason why I cannot tell; But this alone I know full well, I do not like thee, Dr. Fell.

The International Diplomatic Service has come in for a good deal of criticism during this war, and its representatives from the enemy countries have met with well-deserved rebuffs everywhere.

But it is not generally known that no ambassadorial appointment is ever made without first having received the absolute approval of the Government to whose country the envoy is nominated.

There have been several famous instances of breaches of this unwritten law of diplomatic etiquette, and the offending individuals have been very summarily pronounced "persona non grata."

### Banned by Queen Victoria.

The most unfortunate affair that England had to contend with when we notified the French Government, after it proposed sending the late Marquis of Montebello as Ambassador to the Court of St. James, that that gentleman was undesirable.

It is said that Queen Victoria's righteous antipathy against this diplomat dated from the time of the death of Empress Eugenie's son and heir, the Prince Imperial of France, when the Marquis was Charge d'Affaires in London. He had declined, for fear of being suspected by his Government of Bonapartist sympathies, to postpone a large dinner at the French Embassy on the night following the arrival of the news in England that the ill-fated Prince had been killed in South Africa by the Zulus.

Queen Victoria was very wroth, and gave expression to her anger in unmeasured terms, exclaiming that "M. de Montebello should have remembered that it was the great-uncle of the Prince Imperial who raised his stableman of a grandfather to be a duke and a field-marshal. These favors were surely worth the few saucers that would have been wasted if M. de Montebello had postponed his dinner."

### Things Better Left Unsaid.

America has in past years often been very unfortunate in some of her diplomatic citizens. It would be impolite to mention names; but it is well known that one of her envoys to a northern Continental country behaved in a most extraordinary and uncalculated manner when he was first presented at the Court. This gentleman, who

was a multi-millionaire and hailed from Chicago, was highly amused at the red Court dress of the gentleman present, and, going up to one dignitary who was rather fat and pompous, slapped him on the back, exclaiming, in full hearing of the company present:

"Hallo, my fine, fat flamingo!"

Needless to say, he was not retained in diplomatics for any great while.

President Cleveland had the mortification, in 1885, of having an envoy chosen by him rejected by two European countries. It was Anthony M. Keily. This gentleman was first appointed Minister to Italy without taking the precaution of sounding the Italian Court beforehand. Someone dug up an old speech of his, in which he had denounced the Italian Government for depriving the Papacy of its temporal possessions. Consequently, President Cleveland then nominated Mr. Keily as Ambassador to Austria.

He was not, it turned out, even acceptable by the Austrian Government, on the ground that Mrs. Keily was a Jewess, and, consequently, barred from the Viennese Court.

### The Evil Eye.

Japan also pronounced as persona non grata Senator Blain, who was nominated by President Harrison, in 1891, as Minister to Peking. He, too, had to thank an unfortunate speech of his own for his rejection. In it he had referred to the yellow race in San Francisco as "The seeds of death, unless the plant can be uprooted and exterminated."

The Italians and Spaniards are credited with being very superstitious, and they both fought shy of a very distinguished Dutch diplomat, and refused him welcome, claiming he had the "evil eye." And even Constantine would have none of him. So Holland was compelled to put the gentleman on the retired list.

### 54 CONCRETE SHIPS TO BE BUILT BY FIRM.

A despatch from a Pacific Port says: So successful was the launching here on Thursday of the world's largest reinforced concrete ship that her builders announced they immediately would begin construction of 54 similar ships of larger size, and expected that all would be completed within 18 months.

### Free Men For Farm Work.

The Canada Food Board is preparing plans for the mobilization of labor for spring seeding operations. Men familiar with handling horses will be specially needed and it is essential that they be secured to work on the land. For this reason employers of such labor, in urban centers, will be well advised to consider the adoption of co-operative methods of delivery in order to free the men capable of driving horses and especially those with farm experience.

### Keep Provisions Which Rats and Mice Will Attack in Rat Proof and Mouse Proof Containers.

Provisions which rats and mice will attack in rat proof and mouse proof containers.

## GREAT BRITAIN AND UNITED STATES TAKE OVER DUTCH SHIPS

Allies Seize Million Tons of Holland's Shipping Under International Law.

A despatch from Washington says: A million tons of Dutch ships now held in ports the world over through Holland's fear of Germany's threat to sink them if they venture out will be brought into the service of the United States and Great Britain at once. The United States and Great Britain will take them over under international law, availing themselves of a sovereign right which Germany herself has hitherto exercised under the same authority.

## TURKISH FORCES IN ERZERUM

Strong Resistance Being Offered by the Armenians.

A despatch from London says: Armenians are offering resistance to Turkish troops, according to an official Turkish announcement received here on Thursday.

In Palestine attempts of the British to advance on March 9 and 10 are said to have been repulsed. An effort to break through the line of the Jerusalem-Nablus road failed, the statement says.

The statement, issued by the Turkish War Office on Tuesday, says that Turkish troops have entered Erzerum and are extinguishing fires caused by the Armenians.

Erzerum, the principal city of Turkish Armenia, 120 miles southeast of Trebizond, was held by the Russians until their evacuation of Turkish Armenia.

## GREATER ACREAGE IN 1918 CROP

Western Soil Has Also Been Better Prepared This Season.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: The amount of land in the three Prairie Provinces prepared for the coming crop is 20 per cent. greater than last year. Not only is there this increase in the land that will be under cultivation, but it has all been prepared in a much better way than in preceding years, said J. Bruce Walker, Commissioner of Immigration, who returned on Thursday morning from an extensive tour of the West.

Mr. Walker's tour was for the purpose of ascertaining the acreage likely to be under cultivation this year and to look into the labor problem.

There is literally no time like the present, for there is no time but the present.

## ALLIED GOVERNMENTS WILL PLACE GERMAN PRISONERS IN DANGER ZONE

Will Locate Them in Areas Which Enemy Bomb in Reprisal For Like Action on Part of the Enemy.

A despatch from London says: German prisoners of war are to be distributed over areas which the enemy's aircraft are subjecting to attack in their air raids, according to the Evening News on Thursday.

## Markets of the World

**Breadstuffs**  
Toronto, Mar. 19—Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern, \$2.24; No. 2 do, \$2.20; No. 3 do, \$2.17; No. 4 wheat, \$2.04; in store Fort William, including 25c tax.  
Manitoba oats—No. 2 C.W., 97c; No. 3 C.W., 95c; extra No. 1 feed, 92c; No. 1 feed, 90c; in store Fort William.  
American corn—No. 3 yellow, kiln dried, \$2.10, track, Toronto.  
Ontario oats—No. 2 white, 95 to 96c; No. 3 white, 94 to 95c, according to freights outside.  
Ontario wheat—No. 2 Winter, per car lot, \$2.22; basis in store Montreal.  
Peas—No. 2, \$3.70 to \$3.80, according to freights outside.  
Rye—Malting, \$1.83 to \$1.85, according to freights outside.  
Buckwheat—\$1.83 to \$1.85, according to freights outside.  
Rye—No. 2, \$2.50, according to freights outside.  
Manitoba flour—War quality, \$11.10, new bars, Toronto.  
Ontario flour—War quality, \$10.70, new bars, Toronto and Montreal freights, prompt shipment.  
Millfeed—Car lots—Delivered Montreal freights, bags included: Bran, per ton, \$25; shorts, per ton, \$19; mixed, \$14 to \$16, track Toronto.  
Straw—Car lots, per ton, \$8.50 to \$9, track Toronto.

**Country Produce—Wholesale**  
Butter—Creamery, solids, per lb., 48 to 49c; prints, per lb., 49 to 50c; dairy, per lb., 39 to 40c.  
Eggs—New laid, 40 to 41c.  
Poultry—Dressed, chickens, 26 to 28c; fowl, 25 to 27c; ducks, 23 to 24c; geese, 21 to 22c; turkeys, 39 to 35c.  
Wholesalers are selling at the retail trade at the following prices:  
Cheese—New, large, 23 to 23c; twins, 23 to 23c; early cheese, 25 to 26c; large twin, 25 to 24c.  
Butter—Fresh dairy, choice, 41 to 42c; creamery prints, 41 to 42c; solids, 40 to 40c.  
Margarine—32 to 33c lb.  
Eggs—New laid, 46 to 47c; new laid, in cartons, 46 to 47c.  
Poultry—Milk-fed chickens, 26 to 27c; dressed, 25 to 26c; turkeys, 40 to 45c.  
Live poultry—Turkeys, 30c; chickens, lb., 26 to 28c; hens, 30 to 32c.  
Beans—Canadian, hand-picked, bush, \$8.25 to \$8.50; Imp. hand-picked, Burma or Indian, \$7; Japan, \$8 to \$8.25; Lima, 19 to 20c.

**Provisions—Wholesale**  
Smoked meats—Hams, medium, 34 to 35c; do, heavy, 28 to 30c; cooked, 45 to 47c; roasts, 28 to 30c; breakfast bacon, 40 to 42c; backs, plain, 42 to 43c; boneless, 45 to 46c.  
Cured meats—Long clear bacon, 25 to 26c; clear bellies, 27 to 28c.  
Lard—Pure lard, tins, 24 to 30c; tubs, 24 to 30c; pails, 30 to 30c; compound tins, 25 to 26c; tubs, 25 to 26c; pails, 26 to 26c.

**Montreal Markets**  
Montreal, Mar. 19—Oats—Canadian western, No. 3, \$1.08; extra No. 1 feed, \$1.08; No. 2 local white, \$1.08; No. 3

## SUB ATTACKS A MERCY SHIP

Unsuccessful Attempt to Sink Hospital Vessel in British Channel.

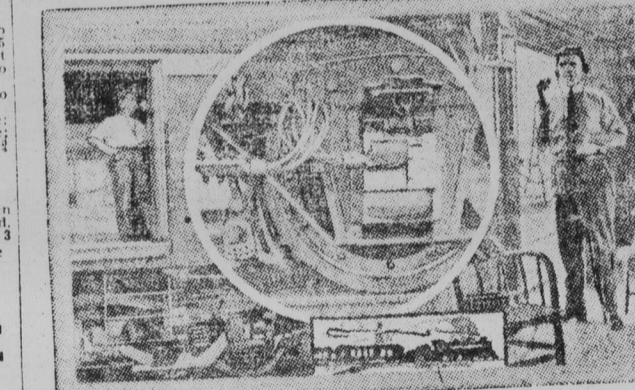
A despatch from London says: The hospital ship Guilford Castle was attacked unsuccessfully by a submarine in the Bristol Channel on March 10, it was announced officially on Thursday.

The statement follows: "The British hospital ship Guilford Castle, Capt. Thos. M. Lang, R.N.R., homeward bound, was unsuccessfully attacked by an enemy submarine at the entrance to the Bristol Channel at 3.35 p.m. on March 10. She was flying Red Cross flags and had all the hospital lights on."

Two torpedoes were fired at the Guilford Castle, the first missing and the second hitting the vessel's bow. Although badly damaged, she was able to reach port. There were many sick and wounded on board, who were transferred to a hospital.

This is the second submarine attack on British hospital ships recently. A fortnight ago the Glenart Castle was sunk in the Bristol Channel, about 150 lives being lost. The sinking, an official announcement said, was a violation of the German pledge as to the immunity of hospital ships in that area.

The Guilford Castle is a steamship of 8,036 tons gross. The Bristol Channel, in which the attack was made, is an arm of the Atlantic extending into the southwestern part of Great Britain between Wales and England.



Telephone From Train Travelling 60 Miles Per Hour.

Experiments are being conducted on the Canadian Government railways with a telephone apparatus that permits verbal messages to be transmitted to and from moving trains, and have met with highly gratifying results. Connection between the instrument and railway is made through the rails. It will be possible for connection to be made between the train car wheels. It is of particular interest that of any regular telephone subscriber. Train speed is of no consequence, as satisfactory results have been attained with the train travelling at the speed of 60 miles an hour.

## The Doings of the Duffs.



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### Where is the Fuel For Next Winter.

Foresight is always more effective  
than hindsight, but in handling the coal  
situation a combination of both is better  
than either alone. The growing scarcity  
of fuel during the past few years cul-  
minated in a near catastrophe during  
the present winter. It has surely been  
demonstrated beyond peradventure that  
it is very dangerous to try "to muddle  
through" any longer. The experience of  
the past, has not been lost if that lesson  
has been thoroughly learned. Indica-  
tions are not lacking, by any means,  
that the shortage of coal next winter  
will be more acute than ever. The out-  
put of the Nova Scotia coal mines has  
declined from 7,263,485 tons in 1913 to  
\$,667,000 tons in 1917, or 22 7/8 per cent.  
Owing to the steadily growing scarcity  
of mine labour and to recent serious  
mine accidents it is evident that there  
must be a further marked reduction in  
1918. At the same time, there has been  
a large increase in the consumption of  
coal in the Maritime provinces during  
those years. In fact, it appears as if the  
Nova Scotia mines will not be able to do  
better than to supply their own require-  
ments and those of the Maritime prov-  
inces. If this is done, little or no coal  
will be available for Montreal and it is  
assumed that no Nova Scotia coal will  
be available for Ontario. Foresight in-  
dicates that in the woodpile lies one of  
the means of preventing panic and  
disaster next winter.

### To Subscribers Not Paid Up.

Newspapers have been hard hit in the  
paper market. While the price of paper  
has steadily advanced since the begin-  
ning of the war—a jump of forty per  
cent was made a year ago and now, in  
the face of an existing contract we have  
been notified that another advance will  
be made, making it retroactive from Feb.  
1st. The increase to weekly papers who  
use flat paper instead of roll paper is  
about double the price that dailies have  
to pay. Apart from that, almost every-  
thing else that enters into the pro-  
duction of a paper has increased enor-  
mously in price, and we therefore take  
the liberty of urging that all arrearages  
be paid forthwith, as a good paper can-  
not be produced without expense, and  
the money is needed by us now more  
than at any previous time in our busi-  
ness. To each one still owing the  
amount may seem small, but in the  
aggregate it means a large sum to us.  
Accounts take time and postage, and we  
ask subscribers to save us that trouble  
by prompt response to this notice. We  
have no doubt that in many cases the  
failure to remit has merely been an over-  
sight.

### Death of George Lambertus.

There passed away on Sunday, March  
10th, after an illness extending over five  
years, George Albert Lambertus, in the  
sixtieth year of his age. Mr. Lambertus  
was born in Wellesley Tp., Waterloo  
County in 1859. He moved with his  
parents to Ambleside when quite young,  
and resided there until about 35 years  
ago when he came to Teeswater, and has  
been a respected resident of the village  
ever since. A few years after coming to  
the village he was married to Miss Caro-  
line Riebel, of North Bruce, who sur-  
vives him. Three of their four children  
are living, Mrs. Dan O'Mara, Miss Edna  
and Bert, all in town. Their eldest son,  
Willie, having been killed most tragically  
about five years ago. The funeral on  
Wednesday morning from their family  
residence on Marsay street to the R. C.  
cemetery was largely attended. Rev.  
Father Capps conducted the services.  
Interment took place in the R. C. ce-  
metery.—Teeswater News.

### Beat Board Bill

On February 11, Mr. C. Bachler, of  
Lustowel, registered at the Commercial  
hotel, stayed over night and walked away  
without paying his board bill. On March  
7, the occurrence was repeated, but this  
time Mr. J. J. Hagarty was a little too  
wise for him, so when Bachler walked  
out at 6 o'clock on Friday evening with  
his suit case, Mr. Hagarty called up the  
police and at 6:20 o'clock Mr. Bachler  
was in the lock-up. Mr. Hagarty went  
over and the prisoner offered to pay up  
saying "I forgot all about it." This was  
accepted. Mr. Hagarty told the report-  
er that he might get it put over him  
once, but nothing doing the second time.  
The police are to be recommended on  
the quick action they took in apprehend-  
ing the man.—Milverton Sun.

For the information of those who have  
not received expected mail from over-  
seas, it may be said that the London  
Times announces on the authority of the  
Postmaster-general that among the mail  
matter lost on the sinking of the Andania  
was the letter mail for Canada "contain-  
ing correspondence posted approximate-  
ly between January 23 and 25." No  
doubt included in it would be letters  
posted at the front in France a few days  
earlier than that.

## Knechtel's Advance Showing Of Spring Coats, Suits, Silks, Dress Goods, Etc.

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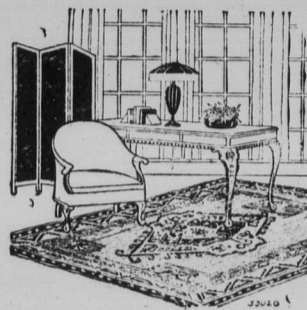
Ginger snaps ..... 15c lb  
War Biscuits ..... 20c and 25c lb  
Clarkes soups, reg 15c at .... 2 for 25c  
Easter cakes ..... 30c  
Bleached seedless raisins, reg 20c for  
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will be the great test of a life and death  
struggle on the Western front. In the  
everyday walks of life, it is the spring  
time that brings ill health. One of the  
chief reasons why the run-down man  
finds himself in a bad state of health in  
March or April, is because he has spent  
nearly all his hours for the past four or  
five months penned up within the walls  
of house, factory or office. It is the re-  
ason for our diminished resistance—that  
is, lack of out-door life, coupled with  
perhaps over-eating, lack of good exer-  
cise, insufficient sleep, and constipation.  
In other words, we keep feeding the  
furnace with food but do not take out  
the "chinkers," and our fire does not burn  
brightly. Always keep the liver active.

There is nothing better for health than  
taking an occasional mild laxative, per-  
haps once a week; such a one as you  
can get at any drug store, made up of  
May-apple, jalap, aloes, (sugar-coated,  
tiny, easily taken), which has stood the  
test of fifty years of approval—namely,  
Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. But for  
the "Spring Fever," the general run-down  
condition, the lack of ambition, the  
"blues," one should take a course of  
treatment every spring; such a standard  
tonic as Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Dis-  
covery, now to be had in tablet form in  
fifty-cent vials. Watch the people go  
plodding along the street. There's no  
spring, no vitality. A vitalizing tonic such  
as this vegetable extract of Dr. Pierce's  
gives you the power to force yourself  
into action. The brain responds to the  
new blood in circulation, and thus you're  
ready to make a fight against stagna-  
tion which holds you in bondage. Try  
it now! Don't wait! To-day is the  
day to begin. Gain a little "pop," and  
laugh and live. Vim and vitality are the  
natural out-pouring of a healthy body.  
It does not spring up in a night. Try  
this spring tonic, and you gain the cour-  
age that comes with good health.

### The Hired Man's Dream.

A Caledon farmer nearly cremated his  
trusty hired man one night last week.  
A little house cleaning had been done  
and the battery of the farmer's car was  
placed under the hired man's bed. The  
hired, tired tiller of the soil had eaten  
some hot rabbit pie before retiring and  
when he hit the hay fell asleep to dream  
that he was in hades. When he was  
about to be poked by a fork he awoke  
and for a moment it was sure Hell, for  
the bed clothing was afire. Fortunately  
he escaped after being severely burned,  
but after this no more batteries will be  
placed under beds in that homestead.  
The cause of the blaze is said to have  
started from the wire springs coming in  
contact with the battery and the fire  
started.

Every possible acre of tillable land  
should be put under crop this year.  
Last year the response to the call for  
greater production was very gratifying  
indeed. This year the call is equally as  
urgent, if not more so. Everything de-  
pends upon this year's crop.

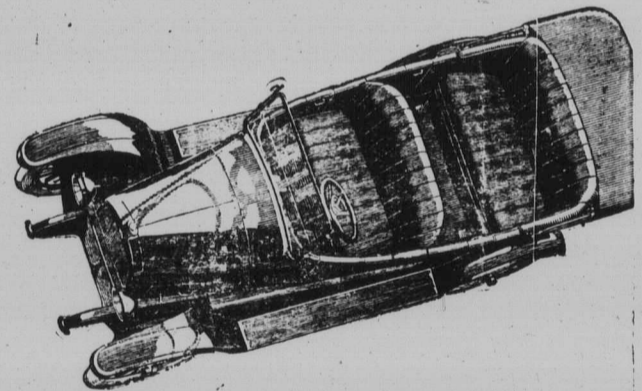
The city papers are full of advice these  
days to the tillers of the soil, and many  
hints are thrown out by the arm chair  
farmers that no practical farmer could  
adopt, but it remained for the agricul-  
tural expert on the Toronto Telegram to  
rise to the supreme occasion and suggest  
that owing to the increased price of  
honey every farmer should keep a bee

Benson Wheeler, a farmer, of Grey  
township, was fatally injured Tuesday of  
last week, by being struck by a limb from  
a falling tree while he was engaged in  
cutting wood in the bush late in the af-  
ternoon. Mr. Wheeler lingered until  
Wednesday morning, but never regained  
consciousness. He leaves a wife and  
two small children.

William Norton, aged 23, shot himself  
above the heart, at his home in Durham,  
and is in such a critical condition that  
little hope is held out for his recovery.  
He had been drafted for military service  
and was to leave last week. He had  
been despondent. A brother, Wesley,  
who was wounded, was invalided home  
three weeks ago.

An interesting story of heartless greed  
and its punishment, albeit the punish-  
ment was not strictly in accordance  
with law, comes from Barrie. A farmer  
brought to the market a load of wood.  
Citizens flocked around eager to buy,  
and one anxious person offered \$16 for  
the load. The farmer politely told them  
he would not sell the load for less than  
twenty dollars. He left the load on the  
market while he took his horses to one  
of the hotel stables and when he return-  
ed there was not a single piece of the  
wood to be found.

Ethel and locality are astir over an out-  
break of hog cholera. A. L. McDonald  
a well known drover, bought hogs on  
Toronto market and brought them home  
for sale to the farmers. Noticing some-  
thing wrong shortly after, the veterinary  
was called. He pronounced it symptoms  
of cholera. The provincial au hori-  
ties were notified. Two inspectors came  
and after thorough test agreed with Mr.  
Wardlaw, the veterinary. The hogs  
were ordered killed and the command  
was carried out. It means a heavy loss  
to Mr. McDonald, and also the farmers  
who bought from him.



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THE Dominion Income War Tax Act requires you to fill in one or more of the five special Forms provided before 31st March, 1918. In order to assist the public to understand just what is required of them, information on each Form is given below. Read carefully, then get three copies of the form that fits your case and fill them in. Answer all questions fully and accurately. For making false statements, a penalty of \$10,000 or six months' imprisonment, or both, is provided.

**Individuals.**—All persons unmarried, and all widows or widowers without dependent children, whose income is \$1500 a year or more, must fill in Form T1. All other persons whose income is \$3000 or more, use the same Form. Where any income is derived from dividends, list amounts received from Canadian and Foreign securities separately. Fill in pages 1, 2 and 3 only. Do not mark on page 4. Partnerships, as such need not file returns, but the individuals forming the partnerships must.

**Corporations and Joint Stock Companies,** no matter how created or organized, shall pay the normal tax on income exceeding \$3000. Use Form T2—giving particulars of income. Also attach a financial statement. Under Deductions, show in detail amounts paid to Patriotic Fund and Canadian Red Cross or other approved War Funds.

**Trustees, Executors, Administrators of Estates and Assignees** use Form T3. Full particulars of the distribution of income from all estates handled must be shown as well as details of amounts distributed. A separate Form must be filed in for each estate.

**Employers** must use Form T4 to give names and amounts of salaries, bonuses, commissions and other remuneration paid to all employees during 1917 where such remuneration amounted in the aggregate to \$1000 or over.

**Corporations and Shareholders.**—On Form T5 corporations shall give a statement of all bonuses and dividends paid to Shareholders residing in Canada during 1917 stating to whom paid, and the amounts.

Figures in every case are to cover 1917 income—all Forms must be filed by 31st March. For neglect, a fine of \$100 for each day of default may be imposed.

In the case of Forms T1 and T2, keep one copy of the filled in Form and file the other two with the Inspector of Taxation for your District. In the case of T3, T4 and T5, keep one copy and file the other two, with the Commissioner of Taxation, Dept. of Finance, Ottawa.

Forms may be obtained from the District Inspectors of Taxation and from the Postmasters at all leading centres.

Postage must be paid on all letters and documents forwarded by mail to Inspector of Taxation.

Department of Finance,  
Ottawa, Canada

## Notice to Creditors

In the matter of the estate of Andrew Kohl, late of the Township of Carrick in the County of Bruce, Farmer, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to the revised Statutes of Ontario (1914) chap. 121, Sec. 88, that creditors and others having claims against the estate of the said Andrew Kohl, who died on or about the 17th day of August A. D. 1912, are required on or before the first day of April A. D. 1918 to send by post prepaid or deliver to George Weiler, Mildmay, P. O., one of the executors of the last will and testament of the said deceased, their christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims and a statement of their accounts and the nature of their securities (if any) held by them. And further take notice that after such last mentioned date the said executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased amongst the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice, and that the said executor will not be liable for the assets or any part thereof to any person whose claims notice shall not have been received by him at the time of such distribution.

Dated the 1st day of March A. D. 1918.  
George Weiler } Executors  
Agnes Weiss }

## ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

A Bobcaygeon farmer had 175 cords of hardwood, and was offered \$10 per cord for it at the station. He refused, stating that the people of Bobcaygeon needed it, and sold it to them at \$8 per cord. Is there no one to recommend for this man some sort of distinguished service medal? He deserves it.

Twenty-two applications for divorce to be considered by the Senate divorce committee. Of these 12 are from Ontario, four from Quebec, three from Manitoba, two from Alberta and one from Saskatchewan. Four of the Ontario applications are from Toronto.

It costs Uncle Sam approximately \$5,000 to put a soldier in England, as against \$3,700 to place a Canadian soldier in the same place, according to the recent figures given by the War Department. So it is expensive to train and equip a man and send him overseas, unless he is physically fit and stays so.

Not many years ago cane sugar soared to a price of fifteen cents a pound and relief was obtained by the manufacture of maple sugar. Your grandmother used it to sweeten her tea and to make her pies and cookies. Try it now, when cane sugar is so scarce and is needed so badly by France and Italy and Great Britain.

Last Monday morning three youths of our town, Murdoch Gray, Ronald Burgess and Walter Mahon were summoned to appear before Andrew McIntosh, J. P. for appropriating the property of other people, which is contrary to the ethics of good society and for which penalties are inflicted. Two of these boys, Gray and Burgess decided before the time that the court met that the air of this town did not agree with them and departed for parts unknown. The other lad, Walter Mahon, appeared and took his medicine, which the Justice of the Peace meted out at \$5 and costs, or 20 days in goal. The fine, with costs, amounting to \$10.45, was paid. In the absence of the other two youths the case against them did not come to trial. The charge against Gray and Burgess was of stealing a bar of lead, weighing about 100 lbs. and worth some \$10 from the Dominion Fish Co. "Tis said they sold it to Mr. M. Freeman, second-hand dealer for \$1.50. Mahon took breechin straps from the rig of Chas. Kugler and sold same to Earl Youmans who later returned them to Mr. Kugler.—Southampton Beacon.

## The Hen To The Rescue.

There was quite a sensational drop in the price of eggs within the past two weeks, and local dealers are this week quoting only 40c. They have been up to 50c. With the advent of milder weather the hens got to work and the tumble in price resulted. Perhaps too the storage men have become uneasy over the threatening attitude of the Food Board. However with meat, fish, cheese and chicken feed at present prices eggs are not likely to touch very low prices this season.

## National Service Girls.

A large cow-breakfast hat, grey flannel smock, neatly belted in at the waist, grey riding breeches, canvas leggings and stout boots will be the serviceable and smart costume which Ontario National Service girls will wear on the farms this summer, so it was decided at a meeting held in Toronto. The uniform is not compulsory but it is one which the majority of girls have chosen to adopt. Each girl will also wear on her arm the honoured National Service badge and after two months service will be the proud possessor of the N. S. button. It was agreed that they were to work ten hours per day, two of which might be at housework if the farmer so desires. They are not to do any washing, scrubbing or pitching.

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The new motor headlight law of Ontario says: "It shall be unlawful to carry on any motor vehicle a lighting device of over four candle-power equipped with a reflector, unless the same shall be so designed, deflected or arranged that no portion of the reflected beam of light, when measured seventy-five feet or more ahead of the lamp, shall rise above forty two inches from the level surface on which the vehicle stands."

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Chas. E. H. Fisher, P. O. Inspector, Post Office Department, Canada, Mail Service Branch, Ottawa, 15th March, 1918.

## Hanover Standpipe Collapses.

The town standpipe, having a capacity of 100,000 gallons, and towering 185 feet above the ground, collapsed at 9.30 last night with a crash that could be heard all over the place. During the recent severe weather the water in the big tank froze solid, and huge icicles formed all about the tank. Following the mild weather yesterday huge pieces of ice, some of them weighing many hundreds of pounds, crashed downward. Steel girders supporting the standpipe were smashed off like matchwood. About 9.30 in the evening there was a terrific crash, and when citizens investigated they found the remains of the standpipe scattered over an area larger than an acre. Huge blocks of ice, some of them five feet in thickness shot in all directions, and the houses of Mrs. Wright and Mr. Beaman had a close call from being smashed. The loss to the town will be fully \$10,000 and in the meantime the local water supply and fire protection system suffers

severely. The standpipe was so badly wrecked that an entire new one will have to be built, the material in the old one being useless now.

## Learn to Save.

The average young man and young woman take no stock in saving. With them it is eat, drink and be merry, and no provision for a rainy day. Compound interest soon tells, and in the course of many years amounts to a large sum. In thirty years the daily saving of a dime amounts to more than a thousand dollars. In 1858 the sum of \$200 was placed in a savings bank and withdrawn in 1912 with enough interest to make it total \$2000. Let young people save the dime they spend every day which does them no good and at the end of the year they will have a nice little sum of money.—Ex.

## Fill Out Tax Forms.

It was inevitable that an income war tax law should have been placed on the statute books. The growing demands made upon Canada, as one of the free nations of the world, engaged in the life and death battle with the forces of barbarism, and the necessity of distributing the burden as equitably as possible, made the imposition of a tax, based on ability to pay, merely a matter of time.

All the great nations engaged in the conflict have found it necessary to make the income tax one of their principal sources of revenue. Among the more striking evidences of the will to win in these times of sacrifice, is the spirit with which the people of great Britain, upon whose shoulders rests the major portion of the war's financial burden, are going about the work of supplying the sinews of war. The people of France and the United States are as cheerfully doing

their part and it is a foregone conclusion that the people of Canada, already injured to sacrifice, will make of the income war tax an opportunity to serve the holiest cause which has ever engaged the attention of mankind.

Like the fathers of the American Revolution, the free peoples of the earth have dedicated "their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honour," to the cause which they espouse. The call upon the fortunes of the people of Canada is to take the form of a graduated tax on all incomes of \$1,000 and over enjoyed by all unmarried persons, or widows and widowers without dependent children, and of \$3,000 and over, enjoyed by all other persons, as well as by all corporations and joint stock companies.

The Department of Finance is now calling for the filing of the necessary forms, filed out as required, before the 31st of March. While penalties for failure to carry out the requirements of the act are provided, it is confidently expected that the people of Canada, jealous of their right to play a major role in the conflict, will respond to this latest call in a spirit of quiet patriotism.

## Maple Sugaring.

Ha! Ha! to live where maple trees,  
Sway in a brightening sugar breeze!  
Ravens cawing,  
Snow is thawing;  
Winter's going,  
Sap is flowing.  
The maple sweet  
Is now the treat.  
So come in haste  
And with us taste  
Maple honey.  
Cheap for money.  
At lowest price  
So very nice.  
Friends are meeting,  
Kindly greeting,  
Stir down the pot,  
Now dip out, hot.  
A little pool  
On snow to cool.  
And there to taste,  
Be quick! make haste!  
You of city, how we pity!  
For our very air is sweetened;  
And each heart forgets its troubles.  
As we gather round the cauldron,  
Where the maple nectar bubbles.

The west still demands horses from Ontario. On Tuesday a carload was shipped from here by Mr. Geo. Craig, and two carloads by Irwin Bros., of Walkerton. We hear that some of the farmers who disposed of all their horses to the buyers are having difficulty in obtaining teams for their spring work. With the attractive prices for wheat the western farmers are apparently determined to produce as much as they can this year, and require extra horse power to carry on the work.

Approximately 5,016,000 dozen eggs spoil needlessly every year in cold storage simply because some one has let clean eggs get wet or has washed dirty eggs before sending them to market, according to the specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture. Careful investigations of large quantities of stored eggs show that from 17 to 22 per cent. of washed eggs become worthless in storage, whereas only 4 to 8 per cent. of dirty eggs spoil when stored unwashed.

# Soils and Crops

By Agronomist.

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. If stamped and addressed envelope is enclosed with your letter, a complete answer will be mailed to you. Address Agronomist, care of Wilson Publishing Co., Ltd., 73 Adelaide St. W., Toronto.

## CULTIVATING THE GARDEN.

Nothing will take the place of cultivation for growing crops. If you cannot give what is needed to your garden, better not expect good results, as you will not get them.

There are three particular things we aim to accomplish when we give cultivation to growing crops, and by "cultivation" is meant both that given by hand and by tools or machinery. The effect is the same; the difference is merely the means used to accomplish it.

First. The keeping down of weeds, which, if not kept in check, will crowd out and smother the growing crops, and deprive them of needed moisture and plant food. This is a serious reason for cultivation. Your garden cannot support, at one and the same time, crops of vegetables and weeds. Of course, you prefer the vegetables; hence the necessity of keeping out the weeds.

### When To Begin Hoeing.

Hoeing should begin as soon as the crops are planted, if the rows or drills have been outlined. Or, if the rows have been marked by quick-growing plants, such as the radish or lettuce, as soon as they appear. This is a great advantage in a dry spring season, as the soil moisture can be conserved from the beginning.

Deep hoeing is a mistake, except in a very few rare cases, which need not be considered here.

Hoeing is not as easily done as would seem. Beginners as a rule take too large a "slice" or bite with the blade at one time. This merely chops the soil into large clods, especially when deep hoeing is done. The proper way is to give the hoe a good slant, and when hoeing for weeds, just skim off the surface. Any perennial weeds, such as the docks, plantains, dandelion, etc., should be dug out, root and all, and destroyed.

However, there are exceptions to the above, in the cases of those plants which are hilled-up. When working with these we draw the soil up around the plants, a little each time, rather than all at once, as this enables one to work the soil close to the plants as well as around them, while at the same time raising the soil around them in time to the desired height.

Much of the discomfort of hoeing is due to dull blades. A hoe should be kept sharp as regularly as an axe—for the same reason—to make it cut well. When filing make the bevel on the outer side of the blade. A clean blade also adds much to its effectiveness and lessens the labor of hoeing. The hoe should be kept polished so that it will come out of the soil free from adhering particles. Any tendency to rust can be prevented, or cured by the application of a

piece of soft brick and a little machine oil to the effected places.

### Value of Dust-Mulch

The second reason for cultivation, so far as the garden is concerned, is to keep on the soil about and between the plants what is known as a "dust-mulch." A mulch is a covering put on the soil for a particular purpose. We mulch about shrubs and herbaceous plants in the fall to protect them over winter by keeping the frost from the soil. In the same way we prevent evaporation by covering the ground with a mulch of dust during the hot, dry days of midsummer.

It does not require a heavy dust mulch to do the work perfectly. Hoeing for this purpose should not be done deeper than two inches—less, if you are skilled with the hoe, as it does not require a deep mulch to cut off the movement of the moisture from the bottom up.

Keep in mind the fact that the dust mulch, once made, does not last forever—or for the season, for that matter. Every time it rains it is spoiled, and the capillary action of the soil from top to bottom renewed, and for this reason the soil should be worked after all rains to break up the crust which forms on all but very light sandy ones after every rain.

This soil-crust is one of the worst things for a garden, and many otherwise good ones are spoiled for the best results by ignorance of this fact. Keep it broken up all season.

For the larger garden there are the hand-wheel tools, both for planting and cultivating purposes. These will take away a very large percentage of the drudgery of the garden if used where the area is sufficient to warrant it. These combination tools can be had for a number of purposes.

### Cultivating After Rain

When using the wheel-hoe, set the teeth so that the cultivating will be shallow—not over two inches deep, and teach yourself to run close to the plants without touching them. This will obviate much back-breaking work in the following up with the hand-weeder always needed after the wheel-hoe has gone over the garden, to finish off the few weeds which cannot be caught by the wheel-hoe.

It should be understood that while cultivation is required after every hard rain, yet one must use judgment not to do this before the soil is dry enough to have it done without making it harsh. A good test is to take a handful of soil and squeeze it tightly. If, when the hand is opened, the mass of soil breaks apart or retracts, it is all right to be worked; but if it stays in a tight mass, like putty, let it alone until it gets in proper condition.

## The Dairy

One morning recently, I was over to the next township on some business. I went in to see a friend of mine, who has a large farm. I walked out to the barn where he was just finishing his "chores." I was surprised to see the change that had taken place in his tie-up.

"Good morning," I said to him, "this is certainly a surprise! The last time that I heard from you, I understood that you were going out of the dairy business. Now here you have your tie-up all made over; what does it mean?"

"Well, I've found out a thing or two, since I saw you," he replied. "Yes, I was pretty well discouraged then. You remember I had been having more or less trouble with the creamery. They were 'kicking' about my cream all the time; they said it had 'off' tastes and would not keep. I could not seem to tell what the matter was; I thought perhaps that they were prejudiced. I was ready to sell my cows."

"One morning as I was milking my cows, a neighbor, who is a successful dairyman, came in. We got to talking about things and he advised me not to give up. 'I think you can make things all right,' he said. 'He called my attention to the condition of my cows. They were all covered behind, on their flanks and tails, with dirt and manure. Even their udders were none too clean. But I did brush those off when I milked. But with the cows that way I was unable to keep the milk clean when I milked, pieces of dirt and dust would get into the pail. You see, I got careless and did not clean them off regularly. Nor did I give them much bedding and they would lie down in the droppings and get all dirty.'

"You notice that I now have swing stanchions hung on chains? If you remember, I used to have them tied with chains around their necks attached to a pole. With that arrange-

ment they had too much freedom so that gave them a chance to get dirty. But these stanchions give them enough liberty and at the same time keep them from getting too dirty.

"I began to keep them cleaned off and I was very careful not to allow any dirt to get into the milk. You see, I always supposed that the separator took out all the impurities! I know now after he explained to me, that it might do so with the large particles but by letting the large pieces get in, there was more or less of the dirt that got dissolved and went through the separator into the cream. I know of farmers that have that same idea; they think that the separator can purify the milk. That is not so.

"Well, since I made these changes in the tie-up, and also have been careful to keep everything clean when milking and separating, I have had no more complaints from the creamery."

### A Careful Maid.

Her grandfather gave to Elizabeth Ella a perfectly beautiful silk umbrella. It was rosy red, with a tassel so gay; And I thought, "I will wait till the next rainy day And see our dear little Elizabeth Ella Walk proudly forth with her new umbrella."

But what do you think? On the very next day, When it rained "cats and dogs" (as we hear people say), All drenched and dripping, I met my daughter, Looking much like a naiad just out of the water. "Where, where," I cried, "O Elizabeth Ella, Is your perfectly beautiful new umbrella?"

She gazed at me in the greatest surprise And a look of reproach in her big blue eyes. "Now do you once think," said she, "that I'd let That lovely umbrella of mine get wet?"

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## The Sunday School

INTERNATIONAL LESSON  
MARCH 21.

Lesson XII.—Jesus Ministers to the Multitude—Mark 6. 32-44.  
Golden text, Matt. 20. 28.

Verse 32. A desert place—The boat is their refuge when the pressure of the crowd becomes too great, and now, on some distant part of the shore, they seek quiet and relief. They have opportunity for conference concerning the results of their missionary tour and also to plan for their future work. Luke says they went to Bethsaida, the city on the east side of the lake, but he calls it a "desert place" (Luke 9. 10-12).

33. Saw them going—ran together—seeing which way the boat was heading, they ran around the shore at the head of the lake, crossing the Jordan flows into the lake not far from Bethsaida.

34. Came forth—When he disembarked from the boat. Saw a great multitude—They would not be avoided or put off. They determined to be where he was. Two or three miles in the dust and heat around the lake shore were nothing if they could only be with him. The purpose of Jesus to secure quiet and rest was defeated, and now at hand was the ever-pressing thought to see and hear and to be helped by him. Had compassion. The word used indicates a yearning toward them. Sheep not having a shepherd—"The people who do not know the law is accursed," said the Jewish leaders. The masses found no place in the thought of the scribes, who called them Am haarets,

people of the earth. The formal and freezing Pharisees repelled the multitude and labeled them "publicans and sinners." He began to teach them many things—He spoke from his heart to their hearts. Patience and tenderness must have combined these compassionate messages.

35, 36. The day is now far spent; send them away—In their eagerness to be with him all question of supplies had been forgotten. The situation was a perplexing one—the late hour, the hungry crowd, and means of procuring food, for the place was "desert," that is, uninhabited. That they may go into the country and villages and buy—This seemed the only thing to do. There was food somewhere in that region of the country, and if the people scattered about they could find it.

37. Give ye them to eat—Certainly a strange request in the face of the obvious fact that no food was on hand though they must have thought. They inferred that it could only mean they were to buy it. Shall we buy two hundred shillings' worth of bread?—Only Mark and John specify the sum—two hundred denarii. The denarius was a Roman coin worth about seven-tenths of a penny. It represents the wages for one day's work. The implication here is that as it would take two hundred denarii, a large sum, the whole thing was out of the question. It was greatly beyond their means. John tells that Jesus himself had his plan all thought out—"He himself knew what he would do" (John 6. 6)—and that his purpose was to test Philip.

38. How many loaves have ye?—Five and two fishes—It is John only who says: "There's a lad here, who hath five barley loaves, and two fishes," and he alone shows the absurdity of attempting to feed the people on this ridiculously small supply: "What are these among so many?"

40. Sat down in ranks, by hundreds, and by fifties—Literally, they reclined, "garden beds, garden beds," that

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### Boils.

A boil or furuncle is a painful inflammation of the skin forming around a hair follicle.

One or several may develop in the same area at about the same time, or there may be successive crops of them.

While it is the rule that one hair follicle be involved, it is possible for the inflammation to include as many follicles as there are openings in the skin when it gets ripe and discharges.

This kind of eruption seems to have a particular predilection for young adults, though the exclusive privilege belongs to no age or sex.

Boils often come at the end of winter or in the early spring, when so many people feel run-down and seem to think they require medicine for spring cleaning.

Boils are caused by germs which produce suppuration and which may generally be found on the skin of most people, unless they have formed the habit of scrubbing and cleaning it with powerful antiseptics.

They may be perfectly harmless, but if the individual, and particularly his skin, offers slight resistance, and the individual is debilitated and run down, the germs will improve the opportunity to develop and cause boils.

Their development is encouraged when the diet of the individual is a faulty one and when he indulges freely in greasy food, half baked bread, pies, pastries and gravies.

Nervous irritation, overwork, constipation, and local irritation or friction of the skin, also favor their development.

Almost everybody has had them and knows how they act, look, and feel.

The tendency to these unpleasant visitors may be overcome by a careful attention to diet, abundance of sleep, out-door exercise and perhaps a good vegetable or mineral tonic.

The development of a boil should be arrested if possible, and I am sure it is often possible.

Sometimes this can be done by the careful application of pure carbolic acid, or some other mineral acid or caustic.

The injection of suitable vaccines is fashionable at the present time.

Heat applied to the boil will hasten its development, and a free incision will lessen tension, relieve pain, favor drainage and facilitate the removal of the core or slough.

The cleaner the wound is kept with antiseptic applications and dressings, the less the possibility that the infection will extend, and the sooner the patient will get well.

### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

L. H.—1. What causes mitral insufficiency?  
2. Is it curable?  
3. What causes high blood pressure? Could it be due to the heart trouble?

Answer: 1. It is due to a lack of proportion between the mitral valve and its opening; in other words, the valve does not fit tightly into its opening—thus, causing the blood to back up when the heart contracts.

2. It is curable, though it may undergo compensations.

3. Changes in the walls of the arteries, due to increased tissue formation, which comes naturally with advanced years, or as a result of certain diseases. It is possible that the condition of the heart might have a bearing upon this condition of the arteries.

44. Five thousand men—Matthew adds, "besides women and children" (Matt. 14. 21).

### Revelation.

Into the heart of a rose I gazed,  
Nor found there a trace of guile;  
The beautiful flower disclosed to me  
Its counterpart—God's smile.

Into the face of a babe I looked,  
Saw no cravings for power or pelf;  
The innocent child revealed to me  
God's goodness, His glory, Himself!

The war is now costing the United States one million dollars per hour.

## PLANNING THE FARM ORCHARD

By L. H. Cobb.

This is the question that comes to everyone who intends to set an orchard, or even replace dying trees in the orchard they now have. It is not an easy matter to select the varieties for an orchard, and too often it is practically left to the fruit tree agent who takes the order. This is a serious mistake in most cases, for the best sorts are often the cheaper trees, and the agent is directly interested in selling the most expensive. He wants to sell the specialties his house is introducing if he can, and he will extol them at the expense of the standard varieties that you should buy instead.

### Use Recommended Varieties

Very often it will be a good plan to get in touch with the Provincial Experimental Farm and find out which varieties they will recommend, for they will know which sorts will do the best in the district, and can give advice as to the selection for the special kind of soil and location you have. Another good plan is to find out the names of the most popular varieties growing in your neighborhood, and see how you like them by sampling the fruit and examining the trees. Your soil may be such that a variety that is a general favorite will not be thrifty with you; the condition of the trees of this variety in your vicinity will tell the story. It wouldn't be wise to plant a variety that is doing out right along for your neighbors, provided another variety can be had with similar qualities.

### For the Season's Supply

The orchard should be carefully planned to meet the needs of the family during as long a season as possible. There is no need for a dearth of fruit at any season if this is done. From the time the Early Richmond cherry starts you off in the spring until the last Northern Spy apple is consumed there should be no let up in the supply of fruit in a condition to use. In spite of the fact that this is not only possible but easily managed, there are seasons when it is almost impossible to buy any kind of fresh fruit locally produced and scarcely a farm will have a regular supply.

Cherries, plums, apples, and peaches have good varieties ripening in order from the time the first is ready until the latest variety ripens, while apples alone can be so planted as to ripen as wanted.

Varieties for the Home Orchard  
Fruit for storing and putting up in

various ways for future use must receive due consideration, but too often the whole orchard is run to varieties best suited to this purpose. The Morello cherries, Elberta peaches, wild goose plums, and winter apples get most of the orchard. There is plenty of fruit for winter but a shortage during the summer season except when these special sorts are in condition. Many like the Early Richmond cherries better than the Morello, and the Montmorency comes between these and is superior to either for any purpose, to my mind. The Wild Goose is the poorest plum grown when it comes to quality, and it is a mystery to me why it is so generally planted when there are so many really good sorts. The Japanese are the best plums by all odds. The Elberta is a splendid peach, but there are others. There is no need to be without peaches, the big white late clings are gone with the coming of frost.

The pear season is shorter, but there are some of the early fall pears that can be used quite well before the main varieties ripen. Keiffer is planted exclusively and is a good general crop sort and very reliable, yet I would not want to do without a few trees of Tyson, Seckel, Duchess, and others that are newer and as good or better. The Bartlett is the pear par excellence, but the tree is not a good grower.

### The Size of the Orchard

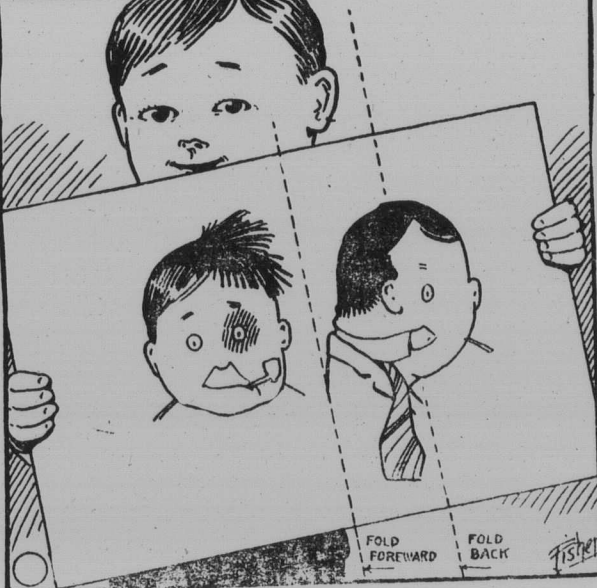
The size of the orchard must govern the selection to an extent, as will the purpose for which it is planted. If it is intended to sell some fruit on the local market the home orchard can be relatively increased all along the line and give the best chance for a steady profitable market. If a larger acreage is contemplated with a view to selling on the general market then some standard variety will be selected for the larger portion of the orchard so the packing and grading can be done at the least expense, for it is just as easy to sell the whole crop of one kind as it would be to have it divided up among several. For the ordinary farmer, though, the local market with the smaller supply of the many varieties coming in regularly would give the best chance to get good prices.

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