

PREPARATIONS FOR GREAT BATTLE ON WESTERN FRONT

Count Von Bernstorff and German Embassies Are Examined at Halifax

GERMAN LEGATION FROM U.S. EXAMINED AT HALIFAX

Credentials of Departing Hun Ambassadors Are Examined—Notorious Tauscher and Von Igel Among Those Aboard

Halifax, N.S., Feb. 17.—The task of examining the credentials of the various members of the German party on board the Scandinavian-American liner Frederick VIII. en route from New York to Copenhagen, was begun this morning by a corps of Canadian immigration and customs officers. The ship was last night taken to a secluded portion of Halifax harbor for this purpose. A small army of officials were taken out to the steamer this morning, and it will depend on whether they find everything satisfactory with the papers of the German party, which includes Count von Bernstorff, the former German ambassador to the United States and other higher consular officials leaving for the Fatherland, whether the ship is long detained in Halifax.

Thorough Search The most careful secrecy prevails about the operations of the officials, but the make-up of the examining force—it is composed of immigration officials, translators, and women examiners—indicated that the work was to be careful and thorough.

Plotters Aboard Rumors that it was possible that Hans Tauscher and Wolf von Igel, who figured in the revelations connected with attempt to destroy the Welland canal, and reported on the vessel, might be removed by the British naval authorities, were without confirmation this morning. One of the immigration officers said that no orders had been issued for the removal of anybody from the ship at present. Action would only be taken

after the party's credentials had been examined. Close Watch Last night the Frederick VIII. was under the glare of a searchlight from a patrol boat all night, while this morning the ship was held about allowing boats approach close to the liner, were carefully enforced. Members of the German party were early on deck this morning, though their views from the ship are not inspiring, consisting of a jail on one hand and a brewery on the other. The passengers on the ship will, under no circumstances, be allowed to land. They were reported well, though Countess Bernstorff is reported suffering slightly from the nervous attack due to circumstances under which she has been called upon to leave her native land.

Americans Anxious Geneva, via Paris, Feb. 17.—Many Americans who have been living in Germany, are reported to be waiting near Singen and Constance for permission to cross the frontier into Switzerland. It is reported from Schaffhausen that only a few Americans have entered Switzerland from Germany since Ambassador Gerard and his party arrived at Berne. The Swiss and Spanish ministers at Berne are said to be giving every assistance in their power to the Americans still in Germany. Considerable financial loss has been suffered by those who have already reached Switzerland. One hundred marks which, before the war, were worth 125 francs, are now valued at only 83 francs. The Germans are reported to have closed and sealed the American consulate-general at Warsaw.

COMING OF SPRING FORESHADOWS GREATEST BATTLE OF THE WORLD

With Relaxation of Zero Weather Which Has Gripped Both British and Enemy Lines on the West Front, Preparations are Rife—German Forces Are Numerically Weak, and Effort is Made by Re-Arrangement of Troops to Deceive British

British Headquarters in France, Feb. 16, via London.—(From staff correspondent of the Associated Press)—The cold, which has held the western front frost bound for nearly a month, is gradually moderating, and it is easy to sense all along the battle line an unmistakable quickening which tells of the approach of spring and foreshadows the coming of grips of the greatest armies yet assembled in the world war. Already these armies are reaching out toward each other, testing various parts of the lines and attempting to discover the most likely point of contact for the beginning of the titanic struggle that is expected to make this the decisive year of the conflict. In anticipation of eventualities, the Germans have removed the civilian populations from the cities and towns in proximity to their lines, but no such precaution has been felt necessary behind the allied front.

Artillery Active Never silent, the British guns are beginning to roar more and more steadily. To-night they are booming with particular violence in the sector of the Somme. From a distance, the bombardment might easily be mistaken for the grumbling echoes of a passing summer storm. The chorus of guns rises and falls like great peals of thunder, and there are flashes in the darkened sky like the play of lightning along the horizon.

Huns Remodel Troops New groups of divisions have been recently identified along the German lines bearing out reports of great troop movements now going on in Germany. British officers, however, say that this concentration is not as formidable as it appears at first sight. They say that many of the so-called new divisions of their opponents are merely a rearrangement of old divisions. These statements are based on information carefully collected during the continuous trench raids. In a raid undertaken this week an apparently new Bavarian division was located. It was afterwards discovered that this corps had been made up from old divisions, namely the fifth and sixth and seventh. Another manoeuvre carried out by the Germans has been a combing out of regiments and divisions by which groups of 25 of the youngest were taken from each company in the line and sent back to Germany to form new units or corps d'elite. British officers believe that it is on their corps d'elite that Field Marshal von Hindenburg is placing his greatest reliance.

Regiments Reduced According to the information obtained here, the gaps in the companies have not been filled; and the diminution in numbers has been covered, in some instances, by reducing infantry regiments from four battalions to three. One infantry company was recently encountered with a rifle strength of 72 out of a regulation complement of 175. Landsturm regiments have recently been identified on the front line. They had formerly been employed in patrolling the Dutch frontier and protecting lines of communication. According to prisoners, the picked men of the landsturm are in the trenches, while those who are unfit for the hardships of the front line, are on duty at the depots in the rear. Utilizing the landsturm battalions in this way permits the organization of the young men divisions in Germany, and it is these latter, British officers say whose movements are now reported, and who are depended upon to withstand the shock of the coming battle. Many boys of 17 and 18 have also been found in the German trenches by the British raiders.

Artillery Decisive Artillery is looked upon as the deciding factor in the coming battle and upon Artillery the British have been concentrating their energy. The constant thundering of the British guns all through the long dark winter has had a deeper meaning than a casual scattering of death and destruction. It has meant the careful training of officers and men in all the modern arts of gunnery on the delicate timing and placing of protective curtains of fire, just in front of advancing infantry, to the most skillful co-operation of airplanes and guns in the hurling of long distance shells against selected targets far behind the German lines. There is a grim realization of the fact that it will be tedious work trying to blast the Germans out of their main lines of defense, but British and French commanders alike are confident in their predictions that they will eventually force the fighting into the open.

Our Front Invulnerable The British staff is keenly interested in a report that, prior to the declaration of unrestricted submarine warfare by Germany, Field Marshal von Hindenburg stated to Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg: "Everywhere our front is invulnerable. Our supply of reserves is ample, the troops in good spirits and absolutely reliable."

ENGLAND POLICED BY A FORCE OF WOMEN

And to Such Good Effect That They Hope for a Permanent Place in the Country—How the Work is Done in War Time

London, Feb. 4.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—I think we have won a permanent place for the woman policeman in England," said A. Damer Dawson, commandant of the women's police service, in response to an inquiry as to the present status of the organization. We have at least proved our usefulness, although we have not accomplished as much as we would have done if we had been given a better chance on a wider opportunity. But we mustn't complain. We are young as an organization. We are growing steadily in power and influence. That is something.

The Beginning The women's police service was founded at the beginning of the war for the purpose of training a body of women who might be used as "substitute police" more especially as protective and preventive agents among women and children. "At that time," remarked Miss Dawson, "there seemed almost no opening for a practical demonstration of what women police could do as there were still many policemen on duty." In three years the change has been rapid. Some eight or nine cities have placed trained policemen as regular parts of their forces. The sphere and scope of their activities has steadily increased. Perhaps the biggest opening for their activity, in view of the present national emergency, has been found in the munition factories. Here many hundreds are required.

In Munition Factories The policeman in the munition factory is part detective, part chap-

iron, part welfare worker, part constable or watchman. In the main, however, her work concerns the young women workers and is covered by the expression "preventive and protective." The course of training which the policewomen undergo under Miss Dawson's supervision is a stiff one. There is attendance at police courts to learn the methods of procedure on various aspects of the law relating to women and children. There is a first aid course, with stretcher and fire drill, and there is also a laboratory course of practical patrol work on the London streets to teach the recruit how to handle the every day tasks with tact, firmness and helpfulness.

BUSY LIFE The policewomen's work in the factories means an interesting and busy life, said Miss Dawson. "They are responsible for the keeping of the gates, examining workers' passes, stopping and escorting of strangers and visitors. There are generally two gates to a big munitions plant, one controlled by men police, the other by women police. Male workers and visitors usually enter by the gate guarded by male police, while women and girls use the other. "In some factories the women police do most of the work of patrolling the factory area. They protect the younger workers from the rougher element and they travel on work trains to prevent rowdiness." At most of the factories, the police women are sworn in and have the full powers of an ordinary constable.

CONSCRIPTION OF MONEY MAY COME

If Subscriptions to New War Loan Fail, Compulsion May be Introduced

London, Feb. 17.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—A warning given by Bonar Law, Chancellor of the Exchequer, in his recent Glasgow speech, that compulsion may be resorted to if the present voluntary method fails to bring in sufficient subscriptions to the new war loan, has attracted widespread attention. "The Chancellor used such terms as 'the possibility of other ways of obtaining the money,' methods which he said he 'believed would be had for the country,' but that if such steps were necessary 'account would be taken of the contributions which had already been made voluntarily.' What was wanted, the Chancellor added, were small amounts from as many as possible. "Here at least," continued Mr. Law, "we may take a lesson even from our enemies. It has not been a custom in this country—I hope to see it changed—it has not been a custom for government loans to be widespread among the people. The fourth German loan had 4,700,000 subscribers of under 100 pounds (\$500) each. I want to see something of that kind in this country. I want to see every man have a spirit of emulation in enjoying for some time. Fourteen of these came through the war zone. War risk insurance to-day showed a slight reduction from the high rates prevailing since the beginning of the German blockade. Quotations had been invariably ten per cent for transatlantic voyages now range from 8 to 9 per cent. The fast Cunard liners have been insured on an eight per cent basis. Most of the underwriters quote eight per cent on armed bellicerents and American vessels and nine to nine and a half per cent for other neutrals. Rates to the Mediterranean are 11 to 12 per cent. Opinion in shipping circles is that the cut in insurance is due to the protection offered shipping by convoys and patrols within the war zone and to the heavy weather which has decreased the effectiveness of U-boats.

MEMBER OF 125TH KILLED IN ACTION Pte. Arthur Harwood, Oakland, Makes Supreme Sacrifice at the Front

The sad news of the death in action at the front, of Pte. Arthur Harwood, will bring sorrow to the hearts of his many friends. Pte. Harwood was a member of the 125th Battalion prior to being drafted to the front, having enlisted in the 32nd Battery in the autumn of 1915 and later transferred to the Brant Battalion upon its organization here. The young man's home was in Oakland, where he was employed as a tinsmith. At the time of enlistment he was 23 years of age.

GERMANS MAKE FRESH OVERTURES TO THE U. S.

In Case of War, Germany Would Have Citizens of Both Countries Allowed Freedom in the Other

Washington, Feb. 17.—The full text of the explanatory and supplemental clauses proposed by Germany as a protocol to the Prussian-American treaty were made public to-day at the state department. Liberty to All Briefly the protocol amplifies the treaty so as to place Germans in this country and Americans in Germany in case of war, on exactly the same footing as to all property rights, freedom from detention, concentration camps or sequestration of property, that are applicable to other neutrals. Those of either country might remain fully undisturbed in the other country as long as they please and not for the nine months period pro-

LONDON DOES NOT FEAR STARVATION

Returns of the Port for Past Eight Months Give Reassurance to All HUN DEPREDACTIONS And Submarine Warfare Cannot Succeed in Ruining Trade

London, Feb. 17.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—"The returns of the Port of London for the past eight months will not encourage the hopes of the Germans of starving London or ruining its trade by the depredations of submarines," says the latest report of the Port of London Authority on conditions at the great London docks. The tonnage entering and leaving the port shows a substantial decrease as compared with the preceding year, but the quantity of goods actually unloaded shows a decrease of only three per cent, the tonnage being 1,829,000 this year as compared with 1,885,000 last year. Prohibitions of the import of several classes of merchandise have been in force during this period, and have undoubtedly affected the figures appreciably. The stocks of goods, especially foodstuffs, which warehouses has actually increased 22 per cent, being 687,000 tons against 564,000. The present stocks are the largest in the history of the docks of London. As compared with pre-war times, the traffic of the port of London has increased from 1,549,000 tons in

1912 to 1,829,000 for the corresponding period this year. The detailed report indicates increases in receipts of most articles of food. Wheat, sugar, rice, cheese, and cocoa, all show an improvement. Meat and tea show a decrease. The supply of timber is of next importance to foodstuffs, says the report. Difficulty in handling has been acute in this respect, owing largely to the enlistment of one-third of the 700 timber porters, who handle and stack the timber after it has been discharged by the stevedores. The irregularity of the arrival of timber-laden ships has also been a trying factor. A few days ago thirteen timber vessels arrived at the docks on a single tide. But in spite of such difficulties, the stock of timber at the docks has increased from about 200,000 tons to more than 350,000 tons. Much of the work of the docks is being done by soldiers from some of the numerous dock laborers' battalions, specially recruited for work of this kind here and in France.

PRESUMED DEAD. Toronto, Feb. 17.—Mr. Justice Britton to-day decided that Mr. Lewis Smith, who left his parents' farm in Norfolk county in 1906 and has not been heard of since 1909, is presumed dead, and directed administration of his estate by his mother. Smith, who was twenty four when he left home wrote regularly and frequently to his old home, but disappeared from St. Jose, Idaho, in 1909 and was never heard of afterwards.

FIREMEN INJURED. Winnipeg, Feb. 17.—Four firemen were injured in a blaze, which last night completely destroyed the five story Scott-Bathgate wholesale building on Notre Dame street, causing loss to various wholesale firms, estimated at two hundred thousand dollars, with insurance unknown. Fireman N. W. Foster had his wrist broken when a floor collapsed and Captain Kelly, Bert Todd and I. Barclay were bruised and shaken up.

NO INCREASES. Washington, Feb. 17.—Proposed increased postage rates on newspapers and magazines and provision for one cent postage on drop letters finally were eliminated from the postal bill to-day on a point of order by Senator Lodge that they had no place on such a measure under the Senate rules. This action is expected to end the fight at this session for the provisions.

COOKING UTENSILS. Demonstration of "Warewaver" Cooking Utensils all this week at CROMPTON'S.

Transportation is a Problem in Germany

Second Only to Troublous Food Question is That of Railway Service in the Hun Empire

At the beginning of the war Germany had a surplus of railway carriages, freight cars and locomotives, which had been provided expressly against emergency. In consequence transportation in the first two years of the war was adequate for all the usual demands made upon it. The factories in which rolling stock ordinarily is produced and repaired, however, are needed urgently at present for other purposes. Moreover, the shortage of oils has made it impossible to keep the cars in proper condition. The German surplus, deteriorating from month to month, has gradually gone to pieces. Shortly before the correspondent left Berlin it was described by an unusually outspoken German railway official as "miserable."

RARE AND REFRESHING FRUIT—1917 CROP.



From the London Bystander

Weather Bulletin

Toronto, Feb. 17.—A disturbance which was over Saskatchewan yesterday, has moved eastward to Lake Superior, causing a fairly heavy snow fall in Northern Ontario and Manitoba. Moderate temperatures have prevailed from the great lakes eastward, while in the West it has become decidedly cold. Forecasts Strong southwest, shifting to northwest winds, partly fair, but some local falls of sleet or snow. Sunday, strong northwest winds, local snow flurries an decidedly cold.



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# What Society is doing

Miss Ennis, of Peterboro, is visiting Mrs. B. J. Wade.

Mrs. Wm. Powell, Lorne Crescent, entertained informally at the tea hour on Tuesday.

Mr. James W. Finch, of The Courier staff is a week-end visitor in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Cockshutt left early in the week for St. Augustine, Fla., where they will spend a month or so.

Miss Lillian Hyslop of Chicago, has arrived in the city and is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Herbert R. Yates, Wynarden.

Mrs. Joseph Tilley and Mrs. C. G. Hall of 204 Market street, returned to-day from Buffalo, N.Y., where they were the guests of Mrs. Charles Tilley, 117 Tenth St.

Miss Maude Cockshutt was home from Macdonald Hall, Guelph, last Sunday, saying farewell to her parents, before their departure for the South.

Mrs. Walton and little daughter of Stratroy, are the guests of Mrs. Walton's sister, Mrs. James Fotheringham, Grace Church Rectory, Albion street.

Mrs. Jennings, Mrs. George Watt and Miss Margaret Watt, left on Wednesday for Toronto, where Mrs. Watt and daughter are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Jennings.

Miss Grace Adams, Northumberland St., is spending a few weeks at home, pending the re-opening of Toronto University, which is temporarily closed owing to the shortage of coal in the Queen City.

The many friends of Mrs. O'Grady, Palmerston Ave., will be glad to hear that she is making satisfactory progress after her recent operation at the hospital on Thursday.

Mrs. George Muirhead of Toronto, was the week-end guest of Miss Bennett, Brant Ave., Miss Bennett, entertaining for her at luncheon on Monday, while Miss Bishop, Dufferin Ave., entertained informally at the tea hour for Mrs. Muirhead on Monday.

In memory of her youngest son, killed in action last autumn, Lady Wernher, widow of Sir Julius Wernher, the South African diamond magnate, has invested \$2,000,000 in the new War Loan. Lady Wernher is credited with being the richest widow in England.

Mr. and Mrs. Blake Duncan entertained informally at a little dinner party this week, the guests of honor being Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Casparz, of Bombay, India.

The employment of 400 educated women to teach babies in elementary schools having proved of great value, the London Education committee suggests that another 100 shall be trained.

Mrs. James Fotheringham was receiving on Thursday afternoon for the first time since her arrival in Brantford, and a great many former friends, as well as members of Grace Church congregation took advantage of the opportunity to call on Mrs. Fotheringham and her sister, Mrs. Walton of Stratroy. Mrs. Fotheringham received in the drawing room, which was redolent with Killarney rosebuds. Mrs. Walton presided over the tea table, which was prettily centred with daffodils in slender vases.

Lieut. Travers Williams-Taylor was wounded on February 4, while serving with the Imperial forces in Mesopotamia, according to a short cable received from the War Office the other day. The cable gave no details of his injuries. Lieut. Williams-Taylor was completing a military course at Kingston when war was declared. He immediately took out his commission in the Canadian Expeditionary Force and was attached

to the staff at the first camp at Valenciennes. He went over to England and France in the same capacity and was with the Canadians till June 1916 when he was able to take out a commission in the 13th Hussars of the Imperial Army and later went to Mesopotamia.

Mr. Reg. Scarfe, Lorne Crescent, is a business visitor in Cuba.

Mr. Ed. Sweet and Miss Marjorie Sweet, Dufferin Ave., are spending a week in Toronto.

Mr. Earl Smith, of Toronto, is spending the week end at his home, 29 Port street.

Miss Grantham, who has been visiting Miss Muriel Whittaker, returned to Chicago on Tuesday.

Miss Sadie Scarfe, Lorne Crescent is spending the week-end in Hamilton, the guest of Mrs. W. Phinn.

The London Times states that His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught has been appointed Inspector-General of the Overseas Forces.

Mrs. Watson of St. Paul's Ave., entertained informally a couple of tables of "Bridge" on Tuesday evening.

Mr. Anderson of Toronto Varsity, is spending a week or so in the city during the enforced closing of the University.

Miss Edna Preston has returned from a month or so spent in Montreal, the guest of her sister Mrs. Wood.

Miss Alma Kraussman of Peterboro, is a popular visitor in the city the past week or so, the guest of Mrs. Fred Popplewell, a number of informal little affairs being given in her honor.

The last of the series of Saturday Morning Markets was held this morning by the Brant Chapter I. O. O. E., Mrs. J. W. Digby and Mrs. E. L. Goodie convenors.

A number of friends of Miss Jean Peterson gave her a surprise party at her home on Charlotte St. on Friday evening, and a very jolly evening was spent in games and dancing.

Mrs. Robert Henry, of Windsor, who has been a popular and much feted guest in town the past few weeks the guest of her sisters, the Misses Phillip, Darling Street, returned home on Wednesday.

Mr. Harry Hatley, Albion St. and Mr. Frank Sanderson, Brant Ave. are week-end visitors from the Signalling Corps, Ottawa, spending their last leave with their parents, before leaving for overseas.

Mrs. Clark Johnson, (nee Miss Ethel Beamer), will receive for the first time since her marriage, at her home, 8 Palace St., on Tuesday afternoon, and afterwards every second Tuesday.

Letters received this week from Corp. Gladson Raymond state he is convalescing in the Military Hospital at St. Leonard's on Sea, where he has been for the past four months with a shattered thigh. He is now making a rapid recovery, many friends will be glad to hear.

Mr. Lewis Woodson of Birmingham, Ala., who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Harvey Watt, for the past month or so, left on Wednesday for Toronto, where he will spend a week, the guest of his cousin, Mrs. Scott. Mr. Woodson will return to Brantford for a short visit prior to leaving for his home in the South.

Mr. Frothingham the well-known Impresario of New York was in Brantford this week. He is managing a Spring tour of the famous Russian Symphony Orchestra, whose patron is the Czar. There is just a chance that this orchestra may be induced to give one of their noted Recitals in Brantford if satisfactory arrangements can be made.

The Rev. Robert W. Norwood, rector of "The Memorial Church," London, Ont. poet, writer, and playwright, was in Brantford last Friday and addressed the Menzies Mothers' Club on education, at the home of Mrs. Arthur Hollinrake, Wellington St. After the inspiring address, he was served by Mrs. Hollinrake and the members of the club and their friends had an opportunity to meet the Rev. Mr. Norwood personally.

A very enjoyable concert in aid of the Girls Friendly Society of St. Luke's Church was held on Wednesday evening in the school room of St. Luke's. Beautiful tableaux were given by members of the Girls Friendly Society and solos were sung by Miss Ruby Wye, Miss Gildendar and the Rev. Mr. Lester, rector of St. Luke's who also acted as chairman. Another enjoyable feature was a piano recital by Mrs. A. F. Briggs and Mr. Brown. A large attendance was present, the proceeds going to swell the funds of "The Friendly Society."

That the Duke of Devonshire, Canada's new Governor-General, will open the Canada National Exhibition in 1917 when the semi-centennial of Canadian Confederation will be commemorated, was the announcement made by President Wood Marshall at a meeting of the Board of Directors yesterday afternoon. His Grace will be accompanied by the Duchess of Devonshire, who, it will be recalled, assisted once before at the opening ceremonies back in 1887, when her father, the Marquis of Lansdowne, pushed the starting button. Every Governor-General since Lorne has opened the "Big Show" and the jubilee of Canadian union was discussed, and the Grand Stand spectacle was finally approved. It will be built around the heights of Quebec, a scenic setting which, owing to its picturesque and romantic association with the earlier history of Canada, should, in the opinion of the board, lend itself admirably to a pageant of Canada down to the present day.

Dr. A. S. Vogt has, owing to pressure of other professional duties, resigned the post of conductor of the Mendelssohn Choir, which for twenty years has been his leading post. Mr. Vogt, a European reputation, has been appointed by the executive as Dr. Vogt's successor. Dr. Vogt had intended resigning last year, but agreed to hold the baton until another conductor could be found. The Doctor was very well known in Brantford. Only last year he was the guest of the Schubert Choir, and has always taken a great interest in matters musical here. As the authoritative musician of Canada, his advice was always eagerly sought and acted upon by Brantford societies and choirs. He has undoubtedly done more for music in the Dominion than any other man. It is understood his duties as principal of the Conservatory of Music, Toronto, will, in future, take up all his time and energy, although it is hinted that he may find time from his multitudinous duties to help in orchestral work.

**LARGE SOCKS NEEDED**  
A recent letter from the Canadian War Contingent Association in England states that during the last three months between 130,000 and 150,000 pairs of socks had been distributed to the officers commanding the different units. This has been instrumental in preventing much suffering from "french feet." Another writer reminds Canadian women that large socks are necessary for the men's comfort—too many small sizes are being sent over.

A woman who allows herself to be drawn slowly but surely into debt is a weak-minded woman and is laying the foundation for domestic disharmony by her weak mindedness. The temper tempts, the draper or milliner is quite willing to trust her to any extent, or if they will not, the butcher and baker will, and the ready money is spent on frivolous trifles. She deceives herself by the flattering assurances that "I shall be sure to make it up somehow."  
Things go from bad to worse until at last the husband has to be informed that impatient tradespeople will wait no longer for their money. Then the dainty new millinery and dresses which formerly seemed to him so pretty only as superfluous luxuries.  
A woman who has once allowed herself to give way to debt must exercise great vigilance upon her actions so as to avoid a repetition; it is so easy to give way. There is no relief where the income is limited, such extravagance may mean serious inconvenience.  
It is not a disgrace to modern society that husbands should sometimes be compelled to insert notices in the daily newspapers asserting that they will "no longer be responsible" for their wives' debts.  
Assuredly it is as Victor Hugo says, "Debt is the beginning of slavery. A creditor is worse than a master; a master possesses only your person, a creditor possesses your dignity, and can spurn it with a blow."

**THE POPULAR GIRL**  
In every class of society there are some girls who are popular and others

**SCHUBERT CHOIR CONCERT**  
Grand Opera House, Feb. 22. All Seats 50c. Plan at Boies' Drug Store—Reserve Them Now

**PART I.**  
1 Four Part Song, O Hills, O Vales of Pleasure! (Mendelssohn)  
The Schubert Choir  
2 Violin Duo, Twilight (J. S. Bach)  
Largo from Concerto for 2 Violins (J. S. Bach)  
Miss Marjorie Jones and Miss Mildred Sanderson  
3 Unison Song, The Banks of Allan Water  
The Children's Choir  
4 Song, The Wind's in the South (Scott)  
Miss Estelle Carey  
5 Five Part Song, The Bells of Aberdovey (Venables)  
The Schubert Choir  
6 Violin Solo, (a) En Bateau (Debussy) (b) L'Abelille (The Bee) (Schubert) (c) Ave Maria (Schubert-Wilhelm)  
Miss Mildred Sanderson  
7 Three Part Song, Twilight (Abt)  
The Children's Choir  
**PART II.**  
8 Song, Angel's Serenade (Braga)  
Miss Estelle Carey  
9 Eight Part Song, How Blest Are They (Tschaiakowsky)  
The Schubert Choir  
10 Violin Solo, Fantasia Appassionata (Vieuxtemps)  
Miss Marjorie Jones  
11 Two Part Song, Annie Laurie, The Children's Choir  
12 Song, The Pipes of Gordon's Men (Hammond)  
Miss Estelle Carey  
13 Four Part Song, You Stole My Love (Macfarren)  
The Schubert Choir.  
14 Violin Duets, (a) Serenade (Godard) (b) March Triompheale (Drala)  
Miss Marjorie Jones and Miss Mildred Sanderson  
15 Patriotic Song, Raise Your Hat to Tommy (Higgin)  
The Children's Choir and The Schubert Choir  
God Save the King

ers who are not. It is also pretty certain that those who are not popular never will be.

When young girls are concerned, popularity cannot be acquired at will.

Popularity can no more be guaranteed than success can.

It is a difficult matter to say what constitutes popularity—in a young girl, at any rate.

A girl may be very pretty, fairly agreeable, and even accomplished, and yet may fail to attract others, while another girl, with nothing like so many qualifications, is a favorite with everyone.

There are several little things that militate against popularity.

A girl who thinks more of herself than of others has a poor chance of popularity.

A happy, generous-minded girl, who takes an interest in others, makes those around her feel a sympathetic pleasure in her happiness, and she soon becomes popular and long remains so.

A girl who thinks too much of her self only hears half of what is said to her.

She is too self-absorbed to take an interest in others, and so never becomes popular.

**CHARM IN WOMAN.**  
The woman who keeps the simplicity of her girlhood, its generous impulses and quick sympathies, and who adds to her natural gifts the enlargement of study and the crown of experience, is always at her best and never past it.

When the exterior attractions of form and color diminish and depart, as they mostly do, the radiance of our inner illumination will more than compensate their departure. But, in order that this should be so, her moral must equal her intellectual gain.

She must be willing to learn, not only her own powers, but her own defects also, and to court the good influences which can help her to escape from the delusions of sense and the fatal tyranny of self-consciousness.

**LITTLE WORRIES IN THE HOME**  
These Bring the Wrinkles and Paled Faces that Make Women Look Prematurely Old.

Almost every woman at the head of a home meets daily many little worries in her household affairs. The care of her little ones, the work about the house all contribute to these worries. Most of them may be too small to notice an hour afterwards, but they constitute a constant strain that affects the blood and the nerves and make women look prematurely old. The effect of these little worries may be noticed in sick or nervous headaches, fickle appetite, tiredness after slight exertion, and the coming of wrinkles which every woman dreads. To those thus afflicted Dr. Williams' Pink Pills offer a speedy cure; a restoration of color to the cheeks, brightness to the eye, a hearty appetite and a sense of freedom from weariness. Among the many thousands of Canadian women who have found new health and strength through these pills is Mrs. G. Strasser, Acton, West, Ont., who says:—"I am the mother of three children and after each birth I became terribly run down, I had weak, thin blood, always felt tired, and unable to do my household work. After the birth of my third child I seemed to be worse, and was very badly run down. I found the greatest benefit from the Pills and soon gained my old time strength. Indeed after taking them I felt as well as in my girlhood, and

**MUSIC LOVERS.**  
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**FIGHTING IN CUBA.**  
By Courier Lessed Wire.  
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By LIEUT.-COL. F. A. HO...  
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NO 1—  
The Regiment will parade Armories at 8 p.m. on Monday, 19, 1917. All officers, non-commissioned officers, and privates organization of the regiment must attend.  
JAS. S. ROW  
Lieut.

**Auction Sale**  
The Farm...  
AUCTION SALE OF FARM AND IMPLEMENTS  
Welly Almas has been instructed by Mr. John A. Houlding, to public auction at his farm, at Tutela Heights about 2 1/2 miles south of the city of Brantford, on  
**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20**  
Commencing at one o'clock the following:—Horses—One mare, 5 years old and on one year, set light harness, black mare, 11 years old, a black mare, rising 6 years, well bred, good as gold, very fast; sorrel mare, 3 years old; aged mare, 8 years old; aged mare, 8 years old. Cattle—Four good cows in good flow of milk; 1 cow, fresh; and 1 cow to be soon; 1 heifer to calve in good thrifty yearlings, 2 good 2 Holstein heifers, will fresh 1 grade cow, fresh. Implements—Wood Mower, Fronto Wood horse rake, 2 Cookshutt harrows; set of harrows, 2 shutt plow, scuffer, Massey tetter, 4 Adams' wagons, new; 2 wagon boxes, new; 2 Adams' sleighs, set of truck buggies, nearly new; open stock rack, spring tooth cut Harness—Two sets of harness, one set light single harness blankets, forks, chains, whips, hoes, etc. Hay—70 tons of thirty tons of mixed and 30 Timothy and 10 tons of Lucerne hay, also quantity household furniture.  
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**Regimental Orders**  
By LIEUT.-COL. F. A. HOWARD,  
Commanding

Brantford, Feb. 16, 1917.  
The Regiment will parade at the Armories at 8 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 19, 1917. All officers, non-coms, and men will attend for purpose of re-organization of the regiment. Dress mufti.

JAS. S. ROWE,  
Lieut.-Adjutant

**Auction Sale**

At the Farm  
AUCTION SALE OF FARM STOCK  
AND IMPLEMENTS  
Webby Almas has been instructed by Mr. John A. Houlding, to sell by public auction at his farm situated at Tutela Heights about 2 miles south of the city on

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20.**  
Commencing at one o'clock sharp, the following:—Horses—One Clyde mare, 5 years old and one four years old, general purpose; one black mare, 11 years old, a dandy; black mare, rising 6 years old and well bred, good as gold, can trot very fast; sorrel mare, 8 years old, good family driver; colt, rising 2 years old; aged mare, grand worker. Cattle—Four good cows, 2 cows in good flow of milk; 1 Holstein cow, fresh; and 1 cow to freshen soon; 1 heifer to freshen soon; 4 good thrifty yearlings, 2 good cows, 2 Holstein heifers, will freshen soon, 1 grade cow, fresh. Implements—Frost and Wood Mower, Frost and Wood horse rake, 2 Cockshutt disc-harrows; set of harrows, 21 Cockshutt plow, scuffer, Massey-Harris tedder, 4 Adam's wagons, nearly new; 2 wagon boxes, new; 2 sets of Adam's sleighs, set of trucks, 4 top buggies, nearly new; open buggy, stock rack, spring tooth cultivator. Harness—Two sets of heavy harness, set light single harness, horse-blankets, forks, chains, whiffletrees, hoes, etc. Hay—70 tons of Hay, thirty tons of mixed and 20 tons of Timothy and 10 tons of Lucerne, 100 bus. of Oats, also a quantity of good household furniture.  
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**A. B. C. OF RAILWAYS**



A Scene in the C.P.R. Yards at Wainipeg.

**THE FULL CARLOAD**

A great deal of progress has been made recently in bringing about co-operation between railways and their patrons and one way in which this has been manifested is the general endeavor to reduce if not entirely eliminate the waste of freight cars. The benefits which accrue to the shipping public as well as to the car owners by refraining from using equipment unduly for storage purposes is generally understood and appreciated but the increased efficiency which can be derived by loading every car to its maximum cubic or carrying capacity seems to be frequently

overlooked. The full loading of cars has direct bearing on car supply and particularly at this time, when a serious car shortage exists in certain parts of the country it is desirable that in no case should better loading be used where one would suffice. Some of the larger shippers have issued bulletins to their customers pointing out the methods by which better loading may be obtained and were these suggestions adopted generally the benefits which would accrue to all concerned would be great and immediate. The average railway car has a carrying capacity of about forty tons but the average load per car

is only twenty-three tons. Many shippers and consignees are in the habit of ordering only sufficient freight to equal the minimum prescribed by tariff when they could as well order a full carload or if convenient to do so could arrange to have their consignments consolidated with others of a similar nature travelling to the same destination, thereby saving at least or, perhaps, more cars. Consignees would find by adopting methods such as this their freight would be shipped more promptly as the shippers would have more equipment at their disposal and the annoying delays attributed to "waiting cars" would be largely a thing of the past.

**To The Editor**

IN MEMORY OF SIR ISAAC BROOK  
Dear Sir—Will you kindly allow me space for the following verses. They are taken from an old Montreal paper, and I think they are very appropriate for the occasion. I do not know the author's name, but it is an old Canadian ballad, and is called "The Battle of Queenston Heights."  
Upon the heights of Queenston,  
One dark, October day,  
Invading foes were marshalled  
In battles' dread array,  
Brave Brock looked up the rugged steep,  
And planned a bold attack;

"No foreign flag shall float," said he,  
"Above the Union-Jack."  
His loyal hearted soldiers were ready every one,  
Their foes were thrice their number.  
But duty must be done,  
They started up the fire-swept hill,  
With loud resounding cheers,  
While Brock's inspiring voice rang out,  
"Push on, York Volunteers!"  
But soon a fatal bullet  
Pierced through his manly breast,  
And loving friends to help him,  
Around their hero, pressed;  
"Push on," he said, "do not mind me!"  
And ere the set of sun,  
Canadians held the rugged steep,  
The Victory was won.  
Each true Canadian soldier  
Laments the death of Brock;  
His country told its sorrow  
In monumental rock;  
And if a foe should e'er invade  
Our land in future years,  
His dying words will guide us still:  
"Push on, Brave Volunteers!"  
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**WOMEN AND THEIR INFLUENCE IN THE BUSINESS WORLD**  
Her Activity Has Created a New Standard, Says Noted Businesswoman  
**POWER OF INTUITION**  
Mrs. Almy Discusses Special Need and Ability of Women in the Retail Trade  
"The woman in business has created a new standard," said Mrs. Almy in the course of an interesting address before the Montreal Publicity Association last week. Mrs. Almy, the head of the great departmental store in Montreal and a chain of similar stores throughout the States, is well qualified, as a successful business woman, to express her opinion of the future of women in salesmanship, publicity and window decoration as well as executive positions in a large departmental store.  
With reference to the enormous activity of women since the war, Mrs. Almy pointed out that women had shown a tremendous aptitude for business as well as usefulness in factories. Society women had organized bazaars, and in one case in her mind they had at one stroke sold at half price enough admission tickets in one or two days to pay all the expenses of a great bazaar which was to bring in hundreds of thousands of dollars, and perhaps a million. Any merchant who could meet his expenses for the year in two days would be exceedingly well satisfied with himself.  
"A woman," said Mrs. Almy, "has a very peculiar aptitude for business and the most useful thing in her power of intuition. She understands how dress appeals to women, for instance, and if she can succeed in making a customer look well she is always going to have that customer on her list."  
"The wise merchant has grasped this fact. His road to success is plain. He needs women trained to understand woman's nature, woman's needs, her love for beauty, her necessity for stylish dress suitable for all occasions, her comforts, her necessities and those of every

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### THE SITUATION

As the result of stiff fighting in the Champagne region, Berlin makes the claim that German troops have advanced half a mile on a front of a mile, and to have taken over eight hundred French prisoners. Paris admits a reverse, but states that the losses of the foe were tremendous. The Huns are now heavily shelling the British at the point of advance recently made by them at Sally Salles.

Eight British ships was the total of the submarine warfare yesterday one of them a trawler. The tonnage was about 10,000.

The British "Victory" loan has undoubtedly reached colossal figures, although the total will not be known for some time. Five billion dollars is one estimate, but that is not in any sense authoritative. Without any doubt the response has been far and away ahead of anything else of the kind in the history of the world.

The United States is still waiting for Wilson to take definite action, and the people are commencing to become restless in the matter. Here is a sample comment from the Buffalo News:—

"The effect of Mr. Wilson's firm American attitude, which resulted in the shipping of Bernstein and the threat to Germany, is being neutralized daily by continued inaction. It appears that we are about to return to the note writing stage which is precisely the thing we had hoped to avoid.

We anticipate the time when Germany, emboldened by what she thinks is a pride that will not permit us to fight, will tweak our nose again.

Meanwhile American shipping is discontinued and Americans are figuring sitting on the wharves begging a foreign ruler to let them go to sea and pursue their peaceful errands."

Our neighbors are commencing to realize more and more what the British navy has meant to them.

**LAURIER'S HESITANCY.**  
Sir Sam Hughes has exploded one lie, used and re-used by Conservative politicians and press in their wild endeavors, for party purposes, to show Sir Wilfrid Laurier in the light of a leader unwilling to render aid to Britain when required, by sending troops to South Africa. It is now made clear that Sir Wilfrid only hesitated because he feared the Conservative party would raise objections.—London Advertiser.

The above is the rankest kind of piffle. Laurier in all his life has never been considerate of the Conservative party and for years, by means of his majority in the Senate, sought to thwart it in every possible way.

At the time of the Boer War when Sir Wilfrid was premier, Canada was the last of the overseas dominions to offer help, and it was finally offered because of the insistence of Sir Charles Tupper and public opinion. Laurier deliberately hung back. There can be no doubt whatever about that. He even went so far as to justify his course in an interview with the Toronto Globe as follows:

"As I understand the Militia Act—and I may say that I have given it some study of late—our volunteers are enrolled to be used in the defence of the Dominion. They are Canadian troops to be used to fight for Canada's defence. There is no menace to Canada, and although we may be willing to contribute troops, I do not see how we can do so. Then again how could we do so without Canada granting us the money. We simply could not do anything, in other words we should have to summon parliament. The government of Canada is restricted in its powers. It is responsible to parliament and it can do very little without permission of parliament."

Did the Conservatives put that attitude in his mind or was it Quebec? At Vancouver, twenty-five dollars and costs of 30 days was the sentence imposed by Magistrate Smith on Fred Atwood, who pleaded guilty to obstructing a police officer while on duty.

The revenue of the Vancouver post-office for the month just ended shows an increase of \$8,278.02 over January of 1916. The total for last month was \$53,249.63.

**COOKING UTENSILS.**  
Demonstration of "Wearever" Cooking Utensils all this week at CROMPTON'S.

**THE ROYAL LOAN.**  
The forty first annual report of the Royal Loan and Savings Company contained elsewhere in this issue, tells as usual of the continued success which is bound to ensue in connection with the alert and splendid management of that institution.

It was in 1876 that the company was launched in this city with the late Thomas S. Shenston as President, and the late William Watt as Vice-President. The beginning was small, but from the very first, operations were placed on a sound basis, and the growth in the succeeding years has naturally been of a very steady nature. Each annual report has recorded notable progress until at the present time the record shows assets of \$2,502,000 and a reserve fund which represents sixty-five per cent of the capital. It is worthy of note that said fund has been increased by \$200,000 during the last ten years. The company, during the year, did its bit towards the war by adding \$180,000 of Canadian and British Government war loans, in addition to previous subscriptions, and contributing \$1,700 to the Brant Patriotic and British Red Cross funds.

Judged from every angle, the Royal Loan is in a thoroughly sound position and so also is its offspring, the "Brantford Trust Company." In both the public can place absolute confidence, and that they do so, is abundantly demonstrated by the figures.

Mr. W. G. Helliker is the efficient manager, and he has a splendid Board of Directors in the persons of Messrs. C. Cook (President), C. E. Heyd (Vice President), A. J. Wilkes, K. C. F. Grobb, A. K. Bunnell, F. C. A. and John Mann.

Citizens generally have reason to feel proud of this excellently run local institution.

**DANDIES OF THE INDIAN ARMY**  
Are the Khattaks, a Tribe Which Puzzles the Psychologists

British Headquarters in Mesopotamia, Feb. 17. (British eye-witness.) Correspondence of The Associated Press.—The Khattaks are the dandies of the Indian army. They are like the Celts of the British Army, reckless, generous, imprudent, mercenary, altogether a friendly responsive sort of people, but with the queer kink that one finds in all Pathans, that primitive sensitive point of honor or shame which puzzles the psychologist.

The Khattaks kept their spirits up all through the hot weather. They are too lively sometimes. As soon as the drum and oboe sound they start cat-calling and make their work fly. The Khattaks are as responsive to the oboe as the Highlanders to the bagpipe, but they are more demonstrative. It is a good thing to be near when the Khattak Rifles leave camp. At the first sound of the drum and oboe they break into a wild treble shriek, tailing off, perhaps, with the balbala, the pathan imitation of the gurgling of the camel.

These tribesmen are easily excited, seldom dispirited, and if so, only for a short time. Their eagerness is sometimes a positive danger during an attack. At Sheik Saad it was difficult to hold the Khattak company back while the regiment on their left was coming up; they were all for going ahead and breaking the line; and in the end it was a premature sortie of the Khattaks that precipitated the assault. Old Shere Khan, a typical Khattak, the other day killed right inside the regimental lines a rival for his wife's affections, and he could not have done anything else. The man's name was anything else.

"Zan, Zan and Zan"—land, women and gold—according to the Persian proverb, are at the bottom of all outrage, and with nine Khattaks out of ten, it is Zan. The Khattak thinks no end of his personal appearance. He dresses to kill, and loves to go and parade in the bazaar in his gala kit. He will spend hours over his toilet, peering at himself in the glass all the while without a trace of self-consciousness, though his neighbors may be almost as interested in the performance as he. Then, with his hair neatly oiled and trim to the level of the lobe of his ear, he will stride forth in his flowery waistcoat of plumed braid, spotless white baggy trousers, a flower behind his ear, a red hand-

## News of the Churches

**Anglican**  
**GLORIOUS ST. JUDES.**  
Dalhousie and Peel. Rev. C. E. Jenkins, rector.  
Feb 18th, Quinquagesima Sunday, 8.30 a.m.—Holy Communion.  
11 a.m.—Morning school and sermon, "Lent—its practical purpose."  
3 p.m.—Sunday school and Bible classes.  
7 p.m.—Evening prayer and sermon, "Prayers for the Dead?" continuing the sermon on "Spiritualism." The rector will preach at all services. Strangers heartily welcome.

**— THE —**  
**First Baptist Church**  
West Street  
11 A. M.  
"Our Objective for 1917"  
The Choir will sing "Incline Thine Ear" and "Send Out Thy Light."  
7 P. M.  
"Get There"  
A special sermon to the young. Older people will profit by it, too.

**The Music is Always Good**  
1. Anthem, "Peace I Leave with you."  
Solo—Mr. Pickering, Roberts  
2. Solo—"Abide With Me"—Metcalfe.  
3. Male Quartette—"Watch and Pray"—Schofield  
The Pastor will preach at both Services

A glad-hand welcome to strangers. YOU are invited to worship with us. COME.

"When I say unto the wicked, O wicked man, thou shalt surely die; if thou dost not speak to warn the wicked from his ways that wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand." Ezekiel 33.

**Park Baptist Church**  
invites you to share its blessings. Rev. Wm. H. Wrighton will preach  
11 A. M.  
"Floods of Blessings"  
All who desire to see a time of refreshing in Brantford are invited to this service.  
7 P. M.  
"Shall We Pray For The Dead" or "A Lie in The Soul"  
On Sunday night we shall hold a People's Service, and old favorite hymns will be sung from hymn sheets. Park Church has secured the help of Rev. Joseph W. Kemp, formerly of Edinburgh, Scotland, now of Calgary Baptist church, New York City. Watch for further announcement.

**BETHAL HALL**  
192 Darling Street.  
Sunday, 11 a.m., Breaking of Bread.  
3 p.m., Sunday school and Bible class conducted by Mr. W. J. Craig.  
7 p.m., Gospel service, Mr. Geo. Crook of Hamilton, will speak. Subject, "Three Hours of Darkness." Come.

kerchief in his pocket, a cane in his hand, and for headgear a high Korb hat lappacek with yellow and crimson ends, and a kula covered with gold.  
Every Khattak is a bit of a blood. In his country a showy exterior betokens the gallant in both senses of the word. A woman of parts will not look at a man unless he has served in the army or is at least something of a buccaner.

realized, which will be devoted to church expenses.  
Last evening the young ladies of the church of the Sacred Heart, held a Patriotic Valentine euchre, in the Separate School assembly hall. There was a good attendance and a very enjoyable time was spent by all. The large hall was looking very attractive in its decorations of patriotic flags, hearts and valentines. The first part of the evening was spent in progressive euchre, and the successful prize winners were: 1st, ladies, Mrs. F. Smoke; 1st, gents, Mr. Jack Granton; booby prize, Mrs. Thomas Flahiff. Later an excellent programme was given by the following: Solos, Miss Etta Taylor; quartette, Misses Skelly and Keen; Messrs. Lingeman and Crowley of Brantford; solo, Mr. John P. McCammon; solo, Miss Keen of Brantford; violin solo, Mr. Lineman, of Brantford. A good sum was realized and will be given for patriotic purposes.

The death took place yesterday afternoon of Jessie Finlayson, beloved wife of Mr. H. Pickering, Upper Town. The deceased had been ill for the past two weeks with heart trouble, and passed peacefully away yesterday, in spite of all the careful attention that loving hands could do. The late Mrs. Pickering was a daughter of the late Hush and Mrs. Finlayson. She was born and educated here, and has lived in town all her life. She was married to Mr. Pickering about 25 years ago, who with a family of three children, survives, as also her aged mother and sisters, namely: Mrs. Loyd of Delaware, Man., a son, Hugh Arnold, of Manitoba, and Miss Lillian, at home. Her sisters are Mrs. T. S. Churchill of Milwaukee, Mrs. W.

**TOWEL SOCIAL HELD IN PARIS**  
Patriotic Valentine Euchre Given by Young Ladies of Church of Sacred Heart  
**OTHER NEWS ITEMS**  
**Mrs. Hugh Pickering Passes Away After Brief Illness**  
Paris, Feb. 16.—(From our own correspondent.)—On Wednesday afternoon and evening, a very successful "Towel Social" was held in the Congregational school room, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid. The room was prettily decorated with Valentine greetings. Tea was served from four to six o'clock, and in the evening a capital musical programme was given. A neat sum was

ing the Bar", music by Woodward. Mrs. Frank Leeming will sing.  
2.45 p.m.—Sunday school for old and young. Mr. Ranton, Supt.  
7 p.m.—Public service. Be sure to hear Miss Ada Ward, the celebrated English lecturer, on the subject, "The Boys at the Front; the Moral and Religious Side of their Life." Come early. Anthems, "The Heavens are Telling" (Haydn's Creation) and "O God our Help in Ages Past" (Martin). Mrs. Leeming will sing. Thomas Darwin, A. T. C. M., organist and choirmaster. Welcome!

**MARLBORO STREET METHODIST**  
Rev. John E. Peters, M.A., minister.  
11 a.m.—Cain and Andrew.  
2.45 p.m.—Sunday school.  
7 p.m.—God's Purpose. Not to Condemn, but to Save.  
You are cordially invited to our services and our school. We need your help and we hope to be able to help you.

**Baptist**  
**CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH.**  
Dalhousie Street.  
Rev. W. E. Bowyer, minister.  
11 a.m.—"The Heavenly Bestowment."  
7 p.m.—"The Master's Rebuke of Presumption." Music by the choir. All welcome. Sunday school at 2.45 p.m.

**Congregational**  
**CONGREGATIONAL.**  
Helpful message for you! Tomorrow at the Congregational Church, corner of George and Wellington streets. Rev. W. J. Thompson, minister.  
Church services 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Morning sermon: "The Wisdom of Life." Evening sermon: "The folly of Life." Efficient choir. Excellent music. Special solos. Sunday school 3 p.m.; Mr. J. L. Dixon, Supt. Large adult Bible Class; Mr. H. P. Hoag, teacher. You are cordially invited. Come!

**Methodist**  
**BRANT AVENUE METHODIST**  
10 a.m.—Brotherhoods.  
11 a.m.—Rev. A. A. Bowers.  
2.45 p.m.—Sunday School.  
7 p.m.—Rev. A. A. Bowers.  
Morning music—Solo—"Nearer My God to Thee." (Carey). Anthem: "God so Loved the World" (Moore). Evening music—Solo—"Softly and tenderly." Anthem, "Saviour, when night involves" (Shelley). Solists, Miss Marjorie Sweet.  
Come and worship with us. Old hymns and tunes at evening service. Organist and choirmaster, Mr. C. H. Higgin.

**COLBORNE ST. METHODIST.**  
Rev. W. E. Baker, Pastor  
10 a.m., class meeting, Mr. John Mann, leader. Senior Brotherhood, Mr. T. L. Wood, speaker. Jr. Brotherhood, Mr. Alex. Lockington, Supt. Pollyann Class for young ladies.  
11 a.m., morning worship. Rev. A. H. Pyley, of Cainsville, will preach.  
2.45 p.m., Sabbath School.  
7 p.m., E. M. worship, Rev. W. E. Baker will preach.  
The choir will render suitable anthems both morning and evening and Mr. Aylife and Miss Garvin will sing a duet at the evening service. Mr. Geo. C. White, organist and choir-master.

**WELLINGTON ST. METHODIST.**  
Rev. Dr. Geo. W. Henderson, pastor.  
10 a.m.—Brotherhood, class and Junior League Meetings.  
11 a.m.—Public service. Anniversary of the passing of Frances E. Willard, the queen of "White Ribbons." Special sermon by the pastor. Anthem, Tennyson's "Cross-

**Non-Denominational**  
**CHRISTADELPHIAN.**  
Sunday School and Bible Class at 3 p.m. Lecture, 7 p.m., subject, "Ought Christians to be surprised at a world's present state of Affairs?" Mr. Geo. Denton, in C. O. F. Hall, 136 Dalhousie St. opposite market. All welcome. Seats free. No collection.

**SPRITUAL MEETING.**  
Sunday, Feb. 18th, 7 p.m.  
Subject: "Spiritualism as a Religion."  
Speaker: Mrs. H. E. Litt.  
Collection to defray expenses. Society Hall, Temple Building, Dalhousie street.

Renton, Manitoba, Mrs. Gill Pickering and Miss Kate Finlayson, of Paris, to whom the sympathy of the community will be extended. The funeral will take place from her late residence, Dumfries street, on Sunday afternoon, and will be conducted by Rev. Mr. Langton, of the Baptist church, of which church the deceased had been a member for over 30 years.

Much sympathy will be extended to Pte. and Mrs. Humphrey, in the death of their infant child, who passed away yesterday, at the residence of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Eley, Dumfries street. The little one was buried this afternoon by Rev. J. Seton Adamson, rector of St. James church. Pte. Humphrey went overseas with the 125th battalion.

Death came as a happy relief to Mrs. George Johnson this morning, after suffering intense agony for the past two days, from burns received on Wednesday. The funeral will take place from her late residence, Walnut street, on Sunday afternoon. The death took place this morning of Mrs. James Wilson, Dumfries St., Mrs. Wilson has been an invalid for the past few years, but was only seriously ill since Wednesday. Funeral arrangements have not yet been completed.

**"WEAREVER."**  
Be sure to visit the Demonstration of "Wearever Aluminium Cooking Utensils—all this week—Down Stairs Store, Crompton's.

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**For 1916**  
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YOU won't feel it a hardship now, but think how this will help you in say ten years. You have really no better friend than the man under your own hat. Why not be good to him and give him a little Bank Account.  
Then think, those of you who are married, how pleasant a surprise you might have in store for friend, wife or husband.  
The interest is not large, but it works for you morning, noon and night, drawing no pay for its services.  
Times may change and work become less plentiful for you with advancing years and you will have no such help anywhere as your nice little few hundred dollars saved in some sound Canadian Bank.  
Begin now with only one dollar. Make a sport of it. See how far behind you can leave old sore-head Trouble and Hard Times. Above all things do not look backward in your run to the harbor of comfort. THE MERCHANTS BANK OF CANADA.  
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**The Royal Cafe**  
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**Home Service**  
**Dufferin Rifles of Canada**  
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Volunteers for the above will be accepted at the Armouries each evening from 8 to 10, commencing—  
**Monday, February 19th**

**Homes Wanted**  
Employees of Dominion Steel Products Co., need  
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If You have any of these address:  
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### LOCAL

**ESTIMATES**  
Secretary Frank V. Separate School Board clerk H. F. Leonard estimates for the coming amount to \$6,200, an clerk to arrange the the supporters of the Schools.

**COAL TROUBLES.**  
The attention of the the high cost of living turned once more to the tion, and at the meet charges of alleged ex- charged by local de- quantities of coal will gated.

**THE MARKET.**  
The local market was proved this morning, greater variety of veses so a comparatively less apples. Potatoes took vance and were sold basket. Meats were beef had a tendency to increase in price. Turnips and carrots to bring a high figure also ducts remained station-

**KITCHENER CLUB**  
At a special meeting of the club held on Feb. 14th at the home of the winning tickets for a chief and the tray dor W. G. Raymond in aid of the fund were drawn Norman Pearce. The bers were 20 for the and 230 for the tray. These numbers may ely at the residence of Mrs. ble, 375 Colborne St.

**KING GEORGE SCHOOL**  
The parents and the the pupils in attendance George school spent a pling in the assembly halling last night when a tertainment consisting duets, solos, recitationhibition of dancing, "step," delighted the la Mr. Lane of the Board made an admirable chairman, and address nature were given by chairman of the board Shepperson, and Mr. strong, an ex-member who continues to display interest in the public sity. At the conclusion gramme, light refresh served, and the evening to a close by the singlntional anthem.

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LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

ESTIMATES Secretary Frank Waller of the Separate School Board has notified city clerk H. F. Leonard that the estimates for the coming year will amount to \$6,200, and asks the clerk to arrange the tax rate for the supporters of the Separate Schools.

COAL TROUBLES. The attention of the committee on the high cost of living has been turned once more to the coal question, and at the meeting next week charges of alleged extortionate prices charged by local dealers for small quantities of coal will be investigated.

THE MARKET. The local market was slightly improved this morning, there being a greater variety of vegetables, and also a comparatively fair showing of apples. Potatoes took a sharp advance and were sold mostly by the basket. Meats were plentiful, but beef had a tendency toward an increase in price. Turnips, cabbages, parsnips and carrots continued to bring a high figure also. Dairy products remained stationary.

KITCHENER CLUB. At a special meeting of the Kitchener Club held on Friday afternoon at the home of the President, the winning tickets for a lace handkerchief and the tray donated by Mrs. W. C. Raymond in aid of the Sailors' Fund were drawn by Master Norman Pearce. The lucky numbers were 20 for the handkerchief and 230 for the tray. Holders of these numbers may claim articles at the residence of Mrs. J. B. Gamble, 375 Colborne St.

KING GEORGE SCHOOL. The parents and the friends of the pupils in attendance at the King George school spent a pleasant evening in the assembly hall of the building last night when a splendid entertainment consisting of choruses, duets, solos, recitations and an exhibition of dancing, "the Strathcona step," delighted the large audience. Mr. Lane of the Board of Education, made an admirable and efficient chairman, and addresses of a brief nature were given by Dr. Gamble, chairman of the board, Mr. J. W. Shepperson, and Mr. I. S. Armstrong, an ex-member of the board, who continues to display an active interest in the public schools of the city. At the conclusion of the programme, light refreshments were served, and the evening was brought to a close by the singing of the national anthem.

TEA HEID. A ten cent tea was given yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. B. Willits, 136 Chestnut Ave. under the auspices of the St. Andrew's Ladies' Aid Society. The attendance was very large and a most enjoyable time was spent in knitting and social intercourse. Miss Annie Howarth sang to the delight of everyone and Miss Nettie Ramsay gave a fine recitation. The afternoon was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

VALENTINE SOCIAL. The members of Brantford Royal Templars and their friends spent a most enjoyable evening on Thursday, Feb. 15th, in the form of a Valentine social. Several amusing games were indulged in among which was a carpet ball league game with the members of the 215th Batt. No. 2 team which resulted in a win for the Royal Templars. The score being 88-82. The game was very interesting and exciting and much enjoyed by all. The members of the social and entertainment committee served refreshments. The thanks of all present were extended to these committees for their untiring efforts to make the evening so successful and enjoyable.

SURPRISE PARTY. The hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Houlding, on Tutela Heights, was last night taken possession of by a large number of their friends residing in that vicinity, who took the occasion to express their appreciation of Mr. Houlding and his family, who have resided in that section for a great many years and are now leaving to make their home in the city. A pleasing feature of the evening was the presentation of a handsome electric lamp accompanied by brief addresses made by several of those present. Dancing, music and cards, served to while away the hours and the gathering broke up at a late hour after wishing Mr. and Mrs. Houlding continued prosperity in their new environment.

Laid at Rest

The funeral of the late Clifford G. Carley took place yesterday afternoon, attended by a very large number of sorrowing friends and relatives, from 17 Port street, to Greenwood cemetery. The services were conducted by the Rev. D. E. Martin of Wesley church. The pall bearers were Messrs. Clarence Drury, Harry Wilson, Alf. Adams, Frank Hartley, Wilfred White, Percy White. The floral tributes received included the following:—

Pillow, father, mother and brother; wreath, Grandma, Grandpa, Uncles and Aunts; wreath, Foremen and Stockroom, Verity Plow works; wreath, R.B.P., 364; cross, J. Newham and family; sprays, Nephews, Gordon and Walter Craddock, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Craddock, Mr. and Mrs. T. Heamen and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wilson, teachers and officers of Wesley S.S., Mrs. White and sons, Miss Williams and brother, Lizzie and Emma Ham, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Fennell, Charles and Harold Foulds, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Baker, Mrs. L. Durham and Vera, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Maddock, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ward and Muriel, Mr. and Mrs. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. E. Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. A. Horsnell, Mr. and Mrs. Tucker and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Stopps, Wesley No. 3 W. Bible Class, Wesley morning class, Mrs. W. Carley's Sunday school class, Mrs. Dick, Mr. Albert Adams, Mr. C. H. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wedlake, Miss J. Wedlake, Mr. and Mrs. R. Brown, R. T. of T., Mr. and Mrs. W. Hodge, Wesley Ladies' Aid, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. McIntyre, Mr. and Mrs. Joe. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. C. Drury, Mrs. and Beatrice Stevenson, Mr. Gordon Cummings, Mr. and Mrs. E. Sherry, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hartley, Officers and members of L.O.L. No. 742, Officers and members of Royal Scarlet Chapter.

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Cretonne 20c

36 in. wide, showing floral and verdure designs, in pretty combination colors of green, blue, mauve and heliotrope, regular 35c., Green Tag Price... 20c

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English Linen Cretonne, 36 in. wide, in heavy quality, showing effective bird and floral designs, guaranteed colorings, regular \$1.50, Green Tag Sale... \$1.12 1/2

Cretonne, 36 in. wide, in serviceable heavy material, suitable for coverings or light upholstery, showing floral, verdure and bird designs, reg. price 50c., Green Tag price... 35c

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**CHRISTADELPHIAN LECTURES.**  
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**"LONDON IN WAR TIME."** Return engagement of Ada Ward, Proceeds in aid of Sailors Fund, Victoria Hall, Friday, Feb. 23rd.

**BRANT CHAPTER, Daughters of the Empire,** annual meeting, Monday, Feb. 19, at 3 p.m. at home of Mrs. Harry Cockshutt, Dufferin Avenue. Election of officers. Fees payable for the coming year. All members requested to be present.

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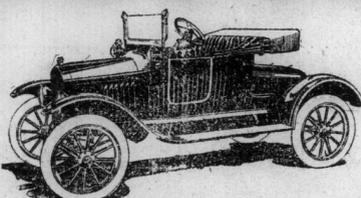
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**FLOUR QUESTION AND THE H. C. OF L.**

**Committee on High Cost of Living Last Night Investigated Milling Business**

**NO FIXING OF PRICES Cultivation of Waste Land For Vegetable Growing Urged**

Three important matters were brought up at the meeting of the committee dealing with the high cost of living, last night at the City Hall. Mr. T. L. Wood representing the millers appeared before the committee and after answering considerable questioning by Mr. George Keen, volunteered some information that proved to be a revelation to the members present. Ald. Mellen suggested that an effort be made to induce the people of the city to cultivate the vacant spaces in the municipality in order to increase the production of vegetables. A draft of the letter written to city clerk H. P. Leonard was submitted for the approval of the committee, and was forwarded to him this morning.

The questions asked Mr. Wood were made by Mr. Keen who inquired as to the relative prices now being paid for flour as compared with those existing immediately after the outbreak of the war, and it was brought to light that while wheat then could be purchased for the sum of eighty-five cents a bushel, \$1.65 was the prevailing price to-day. However, it was explained that war was declared shortly after the crops had been harvested, when the commodity was selling at its lowest figure. On the other hand flour could be purchased wholesale for \$2.40 then, while \$4.40 was now demanded. This was almost entirely due to the increase in the price of wheat the overhead charges involved in the manufacture of the finished product not having increased, while labor was the only important factor influencing the increase in the cost of manufacture. Mr. Wood, however, did not think that increase in the cost of conversion of wheat into flour would amount to more than

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**EXPLOSION VICTIMS HONORED IN DEATH.**



The photograph shows sub-officer Vickers and fireman Sell's bodies being carried to the cemetery on a motor fire carriage. Both firemen perished in fighting the fires caused by the big explosion recently in an East London munitions plant. Representatives of the Army and Navy and high officers of the Metropolitan Police were present at the funeral.

five cents per barrel, which, he declared was a small item in the high price for which flour now sells. Feed, a product of the manufacture of flour enters largely into the determination of the selling price of the flour, and finally, it is the scarcity of the abundance of feed, that governs the price at which the flour is sold. The different standards of wheat purchased by the millers prevented them from estimating exactly what the actual cost of producing flour from a mixed quantity of grain.

Mr. Wood made the statement that there were no other manufacturers in the City of Brantford who had to contend with the many difficulties experienced by the millers, and then proceeded to enumerate some of the obstacles to be overcome. Although compelled to set in stock of grain sufficient to work on for thirty days, the fluctuating prices reduced the situation to practically a gamble, and purchases could only be made on shrewd guessing and were based solely on the interpretation and anticipation of the buyer, of conditions. While other manufacturers are able to figure out exactly what it will cost them to produce the finished product, and know at what price they will sell it to secure a fair profit, the miller is unable to estimate what he will have to pay for his flour in the near future, and is always at the mercy of a sudden raise or drop in the markets at Winnipeg and Chicago, any radical changes there are reflected here by a corresponding sympathetic movement. Transportation difficulties also, largely problematical, delays, etc., greatly affecting the situation.

When questioned as regards the alleged control of prices by the Dominion Millers Association, Mr. Wood replied that there was absolutely no truth in such allegations, and in explanation declared that the organization was composed chiefly of Ontario millers with head offices at Toronto. The association was formed for the purpose of enjoying the benefits of co-operative buying of Manitoba wheat, which could be done far more advantageously by a representative on the market who was familiar with the conditions prevailing there by the individual millers. This representative also looked after the general interests of the millers. While he admitted that there might be tacit understanding in a certain district among the millers as to the price of flour, there was absolutely no fixing of prices, or any attempt to force the retailers to sell the article at a fixed price. In conclusion, Mr. Wood stated most emphatically that it was the most absurd and foolish of ideas, that the Dominion Millers' Association made any attempt to regulate prices.

The suggestion was offered by Ald. Mellen that an appeal be made to the city council to impress on the citizens of Brantford the necessity of cultivating the vacant spaces throughout the municipality for the production of vegetables. There would be, he said, a never increasing demand, both at home and abroad for vegetables, and the situation would be eased considerably if lots now going to waste were utilized for this purpose. Conditions have been rendered more acute this year, owing to the poor weather of the summer, and that while even such another season could not be anticipated in the near future, it was quite possible that it might recur. The other members present concurred with the sentiments expressed by Ald. Mellen, but it was thought that the subject should only require definite action after mature deliberation and a thorough discussion. Mr. Schuyler, district representative of the department of agriculture, will be interviewed in regard to the matter, and will be requested to attend the next meeting of the committee to discuss the question.

A draft of the letter to be sent to City Clerk H. P. Leonard in relating to his reply to City Clerk Baker of London, was submitted to the committee by the members present, secretary for their approval, and he was authorized to forward it to the city clerk. The letter requests the clerk to bring the matter before the consideration of the city council. Mayor Bowby, who was present at the meeting, stated that the alleged reply, a copy of which appeared in a London paper, and in one of the local papers, was written without the consent of either himself or of the council, and wished this to be clearly understood.

This concluded the business transacted, and the meeting adjourned. Those present were George Ward, chairman; George Keen, A. G. Brown, Ald. W. J. Mellen, Ald. W. J. Bragg and Mayor Bowby.

**U. S. CONSULS DETAINED IN GERMANY**

**Number of American Envoys There Unable to Leave for Several Weeks**

**HUNS BROKE PROMISE Of a Special Train for Use of Departing Consuls**

By Courier Leased Wire.  
London, Feb. 17.—The United States consuls, who are still in Germany may be unable to leave the empire for some weeks, according to an Amsterdam despatch to The Times quoting an American who has arrived there from Germany. This informant said that at the time he left Berlin the government had not arranged for the special train which it had promised for the use of the consuls and that it was thought some weeks would elapse before the arrangements could be made.

Why make any change? To increase the number of pool rooms is to decrease the average revenue and to make it increasingly difficult for the keeper of the pool room to make an honest living. Furthermore any increase in the number of pool rooms would mean an increase in the duties of our police force, possibly also in the number of the police force. The law limiting pool room licenses in this city to six, was not obtained without strenuous efforts on the part of the citizens and we feel satisfied that the public generally disapprove of the action you have taken.

3. We are pleading for recruits and charging that young men would rather play pool than enlist. Surely then, it is rather strange on the part of the City Fathers that they should make it a little easier for these men to hide and a little harder for them to enlist.

4. We look to our City Fathers for leadership in the campaign for thrift and economy when every resource of manhood and money must be conserved for winning the war. Why, therefore, we ask, increase the opportunity for wasting of time and money?

We believe that we should, one and all, set our faces resolutely against all forms of waste. We feel satisfied the Council of this city has the highest interest of the city and Empire deeply at heart, we therefore appeal to you on the grounds of loyalty and morals, economy and thrift, to reconsider your recent action.

Signed on behalf of  
**THE BRANTFORD MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION.**

W. Smyth, Secretary.  
Certain of the Aldermen have already expressed their views on the above, and there is likely to be some very plain talk from them at the gathering.

**MINISTERS' ALLIANCE**

**Sends Letter to the City Council**

**Some of the Aldermen Likely to Come Back**

The following letter will be presented to the City Council on Monday night:

To the Mayor and Council of the City of Brantford: Gentlemen,—

The Brantford Ministerial Association do hereby express their sincere and deep regret at the action taken by your honorable body at its last meeting, in amending the license by-law regarding the number of pool rooms that may be opened in our city. We feel obliged to protest against such action and for the following reasons.

1. We have not been made aware of any demand from public opinion, for this serious change in the by-law. No warning of this step was even whispered to the public. For whom did the members in this matter act with such precipitous haste? It is well known that legislative bodies seldom if ever abrogate a satisfactory and well established law without a strong demand from the general public. We are at a loss to understand the action of the Council in this matter.

2. We believe there is neither need nor place for more pool rooms in our city. The six we now have more than meet the demand. The best proof of this is that several of the present license holders, because of sickness in business, are willing to dispose of their entire plant and goodwill. The annual report of the Chief of Police has for several years given our pool rooms a clean sheet.

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**215th Band in Attendance. W. F. COCKSHUTT, M.P., Chairman**  
A meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 20th, at 8 p.m., at Y.M.C.A., to consider Recruiting and for the passing of a resolution asking that the Militia Act be put in force. **ALL INVITED.**

**THIRD SECT**

**FISH AS A S DURING**

**Various Ways Produce Da Will Welcome**

The Lenten season always its increased demand for fish a household hails the cheap pleasure, but many a household complains because of the slight (as some believe) in the food, and especially in serving fish.

When selecting fish, be sure you choose is firm not flaggy, fins stiff, the gills red and full. If the eyes are sunken, positive sign that the fish is fresh enough to be whole, as in the case of large fish, but and salmon the head is absent, judgment must be the firmness or flabbiness of flesh. Always wash fish in or before cooking, wiping a clean cloth. If it cannot as soon as sent home, spruce inside quickly with salt, paper or a cloth and put in a cool place. If the fish is fishy odor to other eatable use fish that has the slightest disagreeable odor about it—odor is quite another matter, stale fish is poison. Fresh-sometimes have a taste of which may be removed by the fish for an hour before in strong salt water.

With boiled fish is usually drawn butter, plain or with dition of hard-boiled eggs of With broiled or fried fish, butter, tartare sauce, fish sauce, Italian or tomato sauce, any of these may be served baked fish.

Fish suitable for boiling, halibut, bass, flounder, mackerel and whiting. The ones are boiled in a thick smaller ones whole. Ten to the pound is a fair time once after the water is really Old-fashioned cooks advocating the fish with cold water, ing this to the boil, then minutes to the pound, but the method is to cover with salt water, boil for 20 minutes squeeze in the juice of a lemon add two tablespoonsful of egg and finish cooking. Fish is to be boiled whole should the inside carefully washed, dried, then a stuffing of bread butter, or bread with the of a quarter the quantity of ped salt pork put in it, the sewed up, and the entire fish in a clean napkin. The salt should be sewed up in a similar fashion and the boiling either in a regular fish kettle, a double bottom, or an of kettle of large size used with plate punned full of holes in the bottom, the object being keep the lower side of the fish resting on the hot bottom of kettle. By the aid of the napkin fish may be neatly transferred serving platter, for it will tender and apt to break in. The napkin also drains away moisture and some cooks have one folded compactly in a serving platter, laying the fish on then garnishing with parsley serving the sauce in a separate also, it is perfectly correct the second napkin and to pour sauce over the fish.

Drawn butter is made by ing together a cupful of butter, a tablespoonful of flour, put in a porcelain sauceman or a casserole, pouring on it half full of boiling water and stirring smooth; cook for two or three minutes and salt to taste, capers are liked stir in a tablespoonful of them, or for egg sauce carefully so as not to break sliced or chopped hard boiled. The eggs will not slice smoothly, then allowed to cool same water in which they were.

Any of the fish mentioned above for boiling may also be with the possible exception of flounder, which is too thin for preparation, even when larded whole fish should be split a backbone removed—the

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THE COURIER, BRANTFORD, CANADA, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1917.

FISH AS A STAPLE DISH DURING THE LENTEN SEASON

Various Ways of Preparing it So as to Produce Dainty Meals Which All Will Welcome With Pleasure

The Lenten season always brings its increased demand for fish. Many a household hails the change with pleasure...

When selecting fish, be sure what you choose is firm, not flabby, the fins stiff, the gills red and the eyes full. If the eyes are sunken it is a positive sign that the fish is not fresh enough to be wholesome...

With boiled fish is usually served drawn butter, plain or with the addition of hard-boiled eggs or capers. With broiled or fried fish go lemon butter, tartar sauce, Hollandaise sauce, Italian or tomato sauce and any of these may be served with baked fish.

Fish suitable for boiling are cod, halibut, bass, flounder, bluefish, mackerel and whiting. The larger ones are boiled in a thick slice, the smaller ones whole. Ten minutes to the pound is a fair time allowance after the water is really boiling. Old-fashioned cooks advocated covering the fish with cold water, bringing this to the boil, then boiling 10 minutes to the pound, but the better method is to cover with salted boiling water, boil for 20 minutes, then squeeze in the juice of a lemon, or add two tablespoonfuls of cognac, vinegar and finish cooking. Fish which is to be boiled whole should have the inside carefully washed and dried, then a stuffing of bread and butter, or bread with the addition of a quarter of the quantity of chopped salt pork put in it, the opening sewed up, and the entire fish sewed in a clean napkin. The sliced fish should be sewed up in a cloth in similar fashion and the bones resting on the hot bottom of the kettle. By the aid of the napkin the fish may be neatly transferred to the serving platter, for it will be very tender and apt to break in pieces. The napkin also drains away the moisture and some cooks have a second one folded compactly in the serving platter, laying the fish on this, then garnishing with parsley and serving the sauce in a separate dish; also, it is perfectly correct to omit the second napkin and to pour the sauce over the fish.

Drawn butter is made by creaming together a cupful of butter with a tablespoonful of flour, putting it in a porcelain saucepan or a small casserole, pouring on it half a cupful of boiling water and stirring until smooth; cook for two or three minutes and salt to taste, also, if capers are liked stir in a tablespoonful of them, or for egg sauce stir in carefully so as not to break, two sliced or chopped hard-boiled eggs. The eggs will not slice smoothly unless they have been boiled for 20 minutes, then allowed to cool in the same water in which they were boiled.

Any of the fish mentioned as suitable for boiling may also be baked, with the possible exception of the flounder, which is too thin for such preparation, even when larded. The whole fish should be split and the backbone removed—the fishman

will do this if asked or it is not difficult if a sharp knife be used. The fish is then scored across on the skin side and a thin strip of salt pork slipped in each split. A stuffing which goes well with any kind of baked fish is made of a cupful of crumbs of the soft part of a stale loaf, a heaping tablespoonful of butter, a teaspoonful of chopped salt pork, a teaspoonful each of chopped onion and parsley, salt and pepper, or instead of the parsley use a generous pinch of powdered summer savory or sweet marjoram. A well-beaten egg added to the above will give a richer and moister stuffing. Fill the fish with this and either tie it or sew it together to keep the filling from coming out; lay three or four slices of the salt pork in a baking pan and on this lay the fish, adding two tablespoonfuls of boiling water. Three-quarters of an hour to an hour will bake good-sized fish, which should be basted from time to time with the pan liquid. Lift to the serving platter with two cake turners and garnish with thin slices of lemon and parsley, after removing the typing or sewing strings. Sliced fish, such as halibut, cod or salmon, should be cut in inch and a half thickness. Put in the baking pan slices of the salt pork, cut very thin, sprinkling this with a thin layer of bread crumbs mixed with chopped onion and a little parsley. On this lay the slices of fish and squeeze over it the juice of half a lemon, then cover with more bread crumbs, onion, parsley and chopped salt pork or dots of butter and bake in a two-pound slice of fish. Remove carefully with the cake turners to the serving platter and garnish with parsley and lemon, or surround with a wreath of well-washed cress.

The backbone of a fish have the backbone removed as for baking and do not try to broil whole any but rather thin fish, for before they are cooked through the outside will char, also have sliced fish cut rather thinner than for baking or boiling. Mackerel and weakfish, are better broiled than any other way. The gridiron should be well rubbed with salt pork and the fish put on it flesh side downward. Have handy a half cupful of melted butter in which has been squeezed the juice of a lemon and with a brush kept exclusively for the purpose, brush over the fish with the mixture each time the gridiron is turned. Twenty minutes' cooking is sufficient, if there is a good bed of coals, or if the broiling is done in a gas range. When well browned, slip the point of a knife gently across the bars of the gridiron to loosen the fish from the fish, then put the latter with the flesh side upward on a hot platter, mix a little chopped parsley with the melted butter and pour over the fish. Garnish with lemon points. Sliced fish is broiled in exactly the same way.

Small fish such as smelts, butterfish, perch and trout, are fried without splitting, the entrails being drawn out at the gills, then the inside well rinsed and dried. Larger fish are split or cut in filets. They may be dipped in cornmeal, floured or coated first with egg, then with cracker crumbs, but this latter mode is more suitable to filets, or very small fish like smelts, or if the medium sized fish are breaded they should first be cut in pieces of the entire thickness. Butter may be used if preferred to the crumbs. If the latter are used they should be well sifted. For the plain cornmeal coating mix a little salt with the meal and roll the fish in it. For the bread-crumbling, dip the fish first in beaten egg, then in the crumb or cracker dust, repeating as usual of egg, milk and flour. Fry the fish slowly in deep fat, or in salt pork, and do not have either so hot that the fish will burn before cooked through. A reliable test is to drop a piece of bread in the skillet and if it browns while you count 30 the temperature is just right. A frying

temperature is just right. A frying basket such as it used for doughnuts, fritters, etc. comes in very handy in frying fish, which should be drained as free from grease as possible.

For the Hollandaise sauce beat half a cupful of butter with a fork until it is like cream, then beat in slowly the yolk of two eggs and put in a double boiler with three tablespoonfuls of boiling water, cooking until it is a custard, when remove from the fire and put in a pinch of salt, two shakes of cayenne and a tablespoonful of lemon juice. The tartare sauce requires first a cupful of stiff mayonnaise, into which is beaten either two small, finely chopped cucumber pickles or a tablespoonful of capers, three olives, also chopped, and a half a teaspoonful of onion juice. For the Italian or tomato sauce, which is delicious with baked fish, strain sufficient juice from fresh cooked or canned tomato to fill half a cup, add half a cupful of mixed capers, chopped cucumber pickles, olives and onions—there should be half a cupful altogether—also a tablespoonful of vinegar, a teaspoonful of sugar, a teaspoonful of mustard rubbed to a paste with a little boiling water and a shake of cayenne. Mix well, heat to boiling and either pour over the fish or serve in sauce boat. Some people like grated Parmesan cheese added to this sauce.

GERMAN DESTROYER V-69 AFTER RECENT BATTLE WITH BRITISH.



This photograph shows the German war vessel lying at anchor in the harbor at Ymuiden, Holland, near Amsterdam, after being severely damaged by the British patrol.

GIANTS HAVE TWO STAR BACKSTOPS

With McCarty and Rariden Behind the Bat, New York Nationals Are Prepared

FOR PENNANT RUSH Though Veterans in Point of Experience, Both Are Young

On a plane with their teammates of the infield and outfield Lew McCarty and Bill Rariden, the Giants' sturdy backstops, loom up as among the best of the knights of the mask and bat. One is a seasoned campaigner, devoid of nerves, the other a more brilliant but none the less steady performer, beginning his fifth year in the National league. Neither man is a veteran in point of years, both Rariden and McCarty being 23 years of age. Both are still improving and both should compile an excellent record for 1917.

There is nothing flashy about the catching of Hooper Bill. He works with machine-like precision, but at a speed which forces the infielders to keep their eyes peeled lest they be caught flatfooted as Bill pegs to a bag to catch a runner napping. More than once in the early days of the 1916 campaign before the Giants infield had undergone the reconstruction which made it the best in the league, a baseman allowed a lightning-like throw from Rariden to catch on into the outer garden, before he had failed to catch the signal for the peg.

Always a Hard Worker. Throughout his career Rariden has been known as a tireless worker. In the days when he was on the catching staff of the Braves, before the outbreak of the Federal league war, Rariden, though only a youngster, was the hardest worker on the team. With Indianapolis and Newark in the Federal league Rariden was again an "iron man" behind the bat and caught day in and day out, just as he did with the Giants until McCarty was secured from Brooklyn in exchange for Fred Merkle. Bill has often declared that he has never known what it is to be nervous in a game, but that it gives him the "fidgets" to have to sit on the bench and watch the pastime.

Rariden is not the batter that McCarty is, but he is a tough man up there in a pinch, and many of the hits he made last season were welcome ones, indeed. He fell off somewhat in his stick work in 1916, but should return to his true batting form this summer.

McCarty's Future Bright. It is probable that McCarty will outshine any catcher in either league this season. Young, husky, powerful and game, he is a fighter all the way through, the type of catcher who keeps the pitchers working fast and seldom overlooks a chance to break up a play attempted by the opposing team. One of the most commendable features of his work is that he is strictly on the job every moment of the time and never leaves anything to chance. Every time an infielder is off position as he makes a throw to first McCarty darts down back of the first sacker to render a possible wild heave. "I may run down there a hundred

times for nothing," he once remarked, "but I'll be there when one does go wild." Excellent logic, and of the sort which may be applied by every catcher in the game. McCarty is a fine fielder and was not charged with a passed ball during the entire season of 1916, though he handled the delivery of Cheney, Tesreau and Anderson, all of them manipulators of the spit ball, which is at times extremely effective but which is always difficult to control. Lew was the leading catcher in the league last year, and was tied with Hal Chase for the batting honors, which lends emphasis to the prediction made by Uncle Wilbert Robinson that he will be the best catcher in the game in 1917.

O'MARA LACKS JUDGMENT. One of the most amusing features of the widespread inclination of players to hold out for more money is the spectacle of Ollie O'Mara objecting to the salary offered him by the Brooklyn club. O'Mara is still a young man and may furnish an excellent example of a ball player who there is nothing in his record which would indicate the probability of such a thing coming to pass. This since 1914, and has made good as the regular shortstop, but has repeatedly fallen down. He should be given every encouragement to play at his best when the season opens and he is again given a trial at one of the infield jobs, but until he makes a far better showing than he has in the past he has no legitimate kick over the salary which Col. Ebbets offers to pay him. Whatever stipend O'Mara receives, it is certain that he is not underpaid, and he should be clear headed enough to realize that fact.

Statistics of Panama Canal

(Associated Press.) Panama, Feb. 17.—Traffic statistics for the Panama Canal show that the number of oceangoing ships which made the transit through the canal in the calendar year 1916 was 1,253. Their aggregate net tonnage was 3,933,869 tons, and they carried a total of 4,931,911 tons of cargo. The number of ships was seven per cent greater than in 1915, but in net tonnage, tolls, and cargo, the record for 1916 was a little less than one per cent less than 1915. The two years had about the same bulk of traffic, and both saw the canal closed for a period of three and a half months. The tolls collected in 1916 were \$3,677,659.60, which was not equal to the expenses. The ships in the United States coastwise trade were slightly over three per cent of the aggregate tonnage in 1916. In 1915 they were one-fourth of all the traffic, and in 1914 they were two-fifths. Most of the former coastwise ships have been diverted to the more profitable foreign trade.

JAPAN IN ACCORD. (Associated Press.) Tokio, Feb. 17.—Japan has officially informed France of her adherence to the resolutions adopted at the economic conference at Paris last summer, held by the powers making up the Entente. It is expected that Japan will place the resolutions in operation by adopting regulations framed to meet her particular commercial situation.

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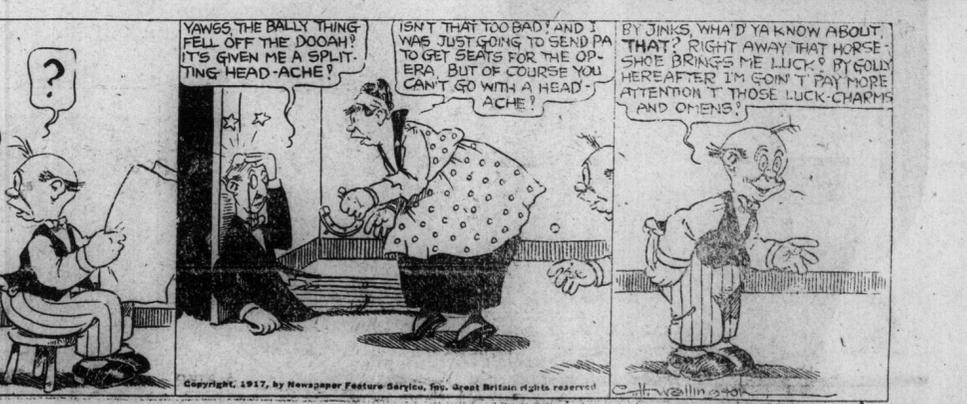


This picture of the Von Bernstorff party about to leave their special train to board the Frederick VIII, shows, left to right, Countess von Bernstorff, Princess von Hatzfeldt, and Count Johanna von Bernstorff.

Cedric No Doubt, Disagrees With Pa About Horse-Shoes



That Son-in-law of Pa's







## STUDY YOUR CAR IN ORDER TO OBTAIN A LONG LIFE AND MILEAGE FROM IT

Simple But Regular Methods of Operation Followed by a Car Owner; Lubrication and Tires are the Secrets

Study your car and you are going to get satisfaction. The owner of either the low-priced or the most expensive will, by keeping to a few simple rules, keep his car in excellent running order. An owner who has driven over 68,000 miles without an accident to himself or others, and with the least amount of wear on tires, gives an interesting interview with many valuable hints.

"In the first place," said the owner, "I go on the assumption that every automobile is in running condition when it is turned out of the factory, and that if something goes wrong it is most likely my own fault and not that of the car."

**Every One Wants Economy**  
"Every man, whether of moderate means or a millionaire, wants to operate his automobile as economically as possible. There are three chief accessories to watch, tires, gasoline and lubricants."

"Tires probably give the owner the greatest concern. I have tried every suggestion on buying them, and find it is an absolute waste of time and money to look for bargains in tires. There isn't any such thing. The average good standard make of tires lasts me a year and more. When new a tire can stand the hardest wear. With this always in mind, start your new tire in service on the right gear wheel, even if you have to change another to do so. This wheel does the hardest work on the car, because it is the driving wheel, is always on the depressed side of the roadway, and has the greatest weight on it. From that wheel work the tire around, taking it from the right gear to the left rear, thence to the right front and finally to the left front."

"Every man who wants to know if he is getting his money's worth in tires should keep a small record book of his tires. List each new tire at the top of a page, with the name of make, cost, when bought, when mounted, the mileage figure, when put on a wheel and whenever taken off. As an illustration I find this memorandum:—\$40.50, bought April 15, June 7, on right rear at 8,170; (second turning of this speedometer) July 20, on right rear at 9,890, run 1,720 miles; October 25, off left rear at 12,850, run 1,706 miles. November 1, on left front at 13,638, February 3, off left front at 17,243, April 8, on left front at 19,557; April 15, off left front at 19,

855; run 298. Tire blew up; total 7,329 miles.

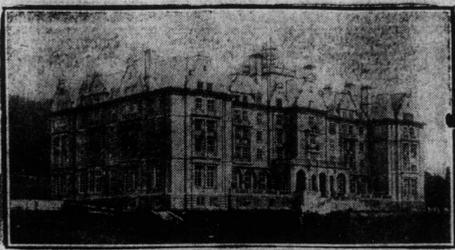
**Long Journey With No Puncture**  
"That record gives me a comparison all through the life of the tire with other makes. I can also watch the general performance of the tires. I find one tire that gave a solid mileage of 7,210 miles on the right rear before its first removal, and of another tire that started on the right rear, ran 2,000 miles and then was put on the left front wheel where it completed a run of 10,466 miles without a single puncture or removal from the rim. When it finally blew I tried another tube in it with a blowout patch, but got only ten miles more."

"There are many considerations to take into account in the matter of tires besides their own construction. Every one knows that it is silly and very grinding on tires to speed around corners, jam on brakes or stop suddenly. But after eliminating these things a man can save more when he is running out in the free country. He can distribute his load more evenly and take a weight off the right tires by travelling around the centre of the road, until he sees a car coming from the opposite direction. He will also save many punctures if he will occasionally probe with the end of a key or knife into the fine cuts on the tire tread, looking for particles of glass that may have been forced into the rubber."

"Gasoline is becoming more expensive every day, but even this bill can be held down if a man observes the varying weather and adjusts his carburetor according to the amount of moisture in the air. There are varying grades of gasoline to be bought along the roadway and a man can easily tell how his gasoline mileage is going. Take your mileage every time you fill your gasoline tank, subtract the old figures and you can easily compute how many miles you are getting to the gallon. Patronize the place that gives you the most mileage."

**Lubrication Needs Watching**  
"Lubrication is the third feature of an automobile's life and it should be watched on a very definite system. Determine on some mileage figure for regular inspection, according to the service your car gives on greases and oils. For instance establish an inspection point at every 500 miles

of your speedometer. At those points go over your grease cups, turn them down and fill them up again; look into your differential; see if your universal has enough grease; observe your clutch, if it has separate oiling system; look at the transmission; observe the motor itself and learn if the oil is at the proper level and all the feed pipes free. Give the magnetic a drop or two of oil, washed out with kerosene, and the cylinder washed. The new fresh oil should be put in. The cost is nothing compared to the results. The steering gear should be cleaned two or three times a year by pouring kerosene oil through it. This cuts out a great deal of the grit that accumulates, drawn in through the radiator, and makes the handling of the car much less of an effort. Occasionally cleaning up of the knuckle joints will help also."



WHERE CANADIAN INVALIDS ARE COMFORTABLY HOUSED. This is the Empire Hotel, Buxton, where Canadian wounded men are housed while arrangements are made for their return to Canada.

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Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

## WAR PENSIONS AND WELFARE LEAGUE

Is Formed in London; A Trade Union of Soldiers, Sailors and Their Dependents

London, Feb. 17.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press) "What is practically a trade union of soldiers and sailors and their dependents entitled to pension or separation allowance has just been organized. It is called the Naval and Military War Pensions and Welfare League. Its objects are to prevent corruption in the administration of pensions and to see that justice is done to pensioners in "this and other wars."

Some idea of the power that the new organization may wield in the affairs of the nation may be gained from the fact that there will be 5,000,000 discharged soldiers and sailors, who form at least half the electorate of the country.

The League was launched by J. M. Hogge, the chairman of the pensions committee of the House of Commons, who was entrusted by the government with the task of finding a solution for some of the difficulties already confronting the dependents of men who had given their lives in the war. Thousands of people complained that they had been overlooked by the pensions department and returned soldiers, incapacitated by injury, were not getting allowances.

The League is the most comprehensive scheme yet suggested for dealing with the pensions problem. It is proposed that membership shall, for sums varying from six pence (twelve cents) to one pound, be open to all directly associated with the issue of pensions, that is, potentially the whole of the army and navy—to their wives and dependents, and to anyone else who is interested in the welfare of soldiers and sailors. The objects of the League include those of "representing the returned soldier in Parliament," "watching the administration of pensions," protecting the future interest of pensioners," and "organizing all pensions for this and other wars."

Some idea of the scope of the League may be gained from the following recommendations: That there should be a minimum scale of pensions below which no one should fall.

That the scale should be elastic so that a pension should fit the man and not the pension.

That every man accepted as medically fit should, if he is afterwards "scrapped" be pensioned as if he had been really medically fit.

That every consumptive soldier or sailor should be helped.

That a mother should be entitled to receive from the State the support that she would have received from her son if she had not lost him in the war.

That disabled men should be cared for, trained and employed.

That children should be provided for more generously, especially motherless children and orphans; and

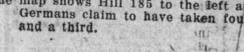
That a civil liabilities committee should be set up to help men discharged from the army.

S. E. Palmer, chairman of the Vancouver and Southern B. C. Slaves' Association, believes that many who are compelled to register as alien enemies are Southern Slavs and haters of Austria.

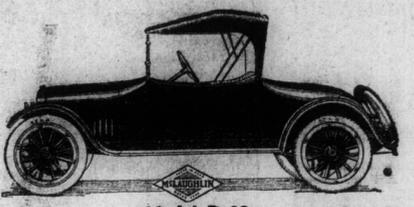
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## WHERE GERMAN CLAIM A VICTORY.



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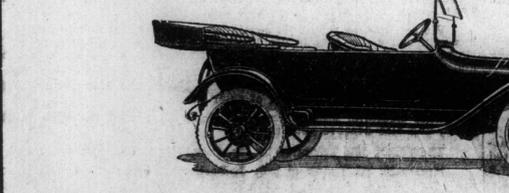
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Said a crystal elf to "There's trouble in the north there where the grow. Dreadful, dread. The other crystal elf glass hat, rubbed it until it shone in the sun himself in its polished put it back on." "What's happened?" "An army of fairies queen swam up the me said the first crystal elf away a lot of the blossom boats. You know how a blossom tumbles into a floats down it grows a boat size. And when it up the magic river it sweet pea size. The first that, and now the fairy a fleet of pink sweet pea on the fairy lake." "I say it's a shame," said ed. "Those boats to her. Let's get them." "But how?" wailed t. "They're much too big

## SIDE & RUT

We have a new by-way family circle. It was supplied by the who lives around the corner. Her mother told us the little girl is five and everything than that of, ever. From the moment she w the morning until the drifts away into dreamland she thrown off quaint, de reactions on life like a pinwheel. One Little Girl Didn't Mean God-bless Mean

The one in question ca fore that last moment of. She was saying her pray had said the immortal pray hood and added the im tion to "bless PaPa and Ma make me a good girl" (b another little girl who h peating these same petit year or so startled me o asking what "God-bless" interesting commentary o the little folks repeat the tell them to say "without half the time what they m "Is that all?" said he Miss Five-years has a way prayers of her own invent "No," she said, "The more tonight." And then on, "Please, God, keep whining. I'm no happier whine, so why whine?" And that, as you may g family by-word. Was ever the philosoph better expressed in a nutsh Did ever wise man say a few words than this baby? Again and again ew fin ing to our lips—usually, for some one else's benefit human nature! "Oh, Lord, keep me from ing. I'm no happier whin

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THE CRYSTAL ELVES.

Said a crystal elf to a crystal elf: "There's trouble in the fairy fields up north there where the sweet peas grow. Dreadful, dreadful trouble!"

handle when they're boat size, much too big." So they called all the crystal elves together from the forest of crystal trees and talked things over, and, do you know, the very next day those elves began to dig.

"What's happened?" he asked. "An army of fairies with their queen swam up the magic river," said the first crystal elf, "and sailed away a lot of the blossoms to use for boats. You know how it is. When a blossom tumbles into the river and floats down it grows and grows to boat size. And when it comes back up the magic river it shrinks to sweet pea size. The fairies knew that, and now the Fairy Queen has a fleet of pink sweet pea boats down on the fairy lake."

"I say it's a shame," said the second elf. "Those boats don't belong to her. Let's get them back."

"But how?" wailed the first elf. "They're much too big for us to

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Lesson VII.—First Quarter, For Feb. 18, 1917.

THE INTERNATIONAL SERIES.

Text of the Lesson, John iv, 43-54. Memory Verses, 49-51—Golden Text, Matt. viii, 13—Commentary Prepared by Rev. D. M. Stearns.

The story of today is called the second miracle in Galilee, and it was wrought at the same place as the first, in Cana of Galilee. Verses 46, 64, compare chapter ii, 2, 11. At the marriage he manifested forth His glory, and it was on a third day (chapter ii, 1, 11), and I must confess to a special delight in working out the third day and the glory or kingdom veins of truth in the Scriptures, believing that it is only as the glory of His kingdom takes hold of us that we shall be the faithful followers we ought to be in this present evil age. It would seem from verses 43, 46, that this was another third day event, though it is just possible that there may have been an interval of a day or two between the two verses, but I think not. The marriage of the Lamb is the next great event in the future, and counting a thousand years as one day, it will probably be the third day in the morning. Somewhere about that time will be the redemption of Israel, as it is written in Hos. vi, 2, "After two days will He revive us; in the third day He will raise us up, and we shall live in His sight."

Our Lord seemed to have the same thing in view when He said, "Behold, I cast out devils, and I do cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I shall be perfected" (Luke xiii, 32). It will be the time of the resurrection of a righteous Israel, according to Isa. xxv, 8, 9; xxvi, 19-21; Dan. xii, 1-3, when "the King of Israel, the Lord, shall be in the midst of them and they shall not see evil any more" (Zeph. iii, 15). Note the sayings already in this gospel concerning the Son of God, the King of Israel; heaven opened and Jacob's vision a reality, the temple of His body raised up, the kingdom which can only be entered by the new birth, the saying about the bridegroom and the bride, His declaration that he was the Messiah and His reference to the harvest (chapters i, 50, 51; ii, 20, 21; iii, 3, 5, 29; iv, 29, 35). Surely we cannot but be fully persuaded that the kingdom and the glory were the joy ever before Him which enabled Him to endure (Heb. xii, 2). And how can we, His followers, hope to endure in any other way?

This teaching will not bring us honor or from men, but the honor which cometh from God only will more than suffice (iv, 44; v, 44). The Galileans believed because they saw the things that He did at Jerusalem, and I do not know any truths which will work in us the Christ life like those concerning His coming and kingdom. A letter just in from the Philippines tells of a worker whom many people think queer because of these truths, but the remark was added that her lovely life wins many people to Him. That is the one thing worth while. The healing of the nobleman's son in this connection makes us think of the time of the kingdom when the inhabitant shall not say, I am sick; the people that dwell therein shall be forgiven their iniquity (Isa. xxxiii, 24).

After He had spoken the kingdom truths of Matt. xvii He gave samples of the kingdom in the healings of chapters viii and ix. While His rejection, we may not expect kingdom miracles, though in His great grace He has wrought many for many of His simple minded believers and has made it manifestly true that His word stands "according to your faith be it unto you." We may journey with this nobleman and imagine something of his heartache as, having left his son at the point of death, he seeks the Great Physician. We may not know how He was encouraged to believe that the Lord Jesus would help him, for the healings at Capernaum of the demon possessed man, and Peter's wife's mother, and the centurion's servant, and the ruler's daughter, seem all to have taken place after this. But he must somehow have seen or heard enough to convince him that here there was help for him, though he seemed to think it necessary that Jesus should accompany him home (verse 49). That gracious word, "Go thy way; thy son liveth" (verse 50), did its work in both father and son, for the father went his way believing and found on reaching home the next day that the boy had been healed at the very time that Jesus had said the word. One result was that the man's whole household believed in Jesus. Just as the Galileans who had been to Jerusalem saw His works and believed, and there are still those who need to see something of the power and grace of God in human lives to lead them to believe, and they ought to see it, for His life should be manifest in His redeemed (II Cor. iv, 10, 11). For saved souls like Thomas it is always true: "Blessed are they that have not seen, yet have believed" (John ii, 29). The verb "to believe" is found in some form in this gospel ninety-nine times and reminds us that without faith it is impossible to please God, and also that the only way to be filled with joy and peace is by believing (Heb. xi, 6; Rom. xv, 13). We may well ask ourselves, Do we know this same Jesus?

At New Westminster, another of the real pioneers of British Columbia in the person of Mr. Lewis Francis Bonson passed away at St. Mary's Hospital recently.



Rippling Rhymes

Walt Mason

HARD SMILING

It's hard to smile when you have the grip, when you cough all day and all night you yip, when your lungs are sprained and your throat is peeled, and your head feels much like a football field. Oh, it's hard to smile, but you can't help it. I have tried the scheme and the effort won. And the doctor said, as he gave me pills, and some castor oil and a quart of squills, "I wish my patients were all like you, but they mostly roar when the doctor's due." And all who minister unto me, when I'm as sick

as a man can be, behold the radiance of my smile, and say it's something that's well worth while, and they fondly hope that I may get worse, it's such a pleasure my nibs to nurse. When sickness comes to a man's abode, the women carry a grievous load. They fret and worry and work and weep, they miss their meals and they lose their sleep. And he is surely a tinhorn skate who gives their burden an added weight, by groching round in a peevish style, for if he wishes to he can smile.

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Try as you will, after an application of Danderine, you cannot find a single trace of dandruff or falling hair and your scalp will not itch, but what will please you most, will be after a few week's use, when you see new hair, fine and downy at first—yes—but really new hair—growing all over the scalp. A little Danderine immediately doubles the beauty of your hair. No difference how dull, faded, brittle and scraggy, just moisten a cloth with Danderine and carefully draw it through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. The effect is immediate and amazing—your hair will be light, fluffy and wavy, and have an appearance of abundance; an incomparable lustre, softness and luxuriance, the beauty and shimmer of true hair health.

A WOMAN'S FIGHT FOR DECENCY

When the history of to-day shall be reminiscences, fifty years hence, the chronicles will tell of the fight of the women of Canada made for recognition in the field of politics. One of those who have contributed most to this history-in-the-making is Mrs. John Wallace de Beque Farris, wife of Mr. Farris, M.P.P., of Vancouver.

From her first public move when, with a few other women she founded their local University Women's Club, to the brilliant stand she made against the iniquitous laws of British Columbia that so discriminated against women, Mrs. Farris has been successful as her attendant. But, as she explains in Mary White's article, "A Woman's Fight for Decency," the success thus attained had to be won through fight and pluck.

Speaking of the methods they employed in British Columbia to carry their campaign, Mrs. Farris says: "But we never tagged. We paid our own railway fare, and the whole campaign was run impersonally. There was no looking for 'sex privileges.' We thought no more of coming home at one in the morning with four or five men from a political meeting where we had been speaking, than of going to a tea with our sister. But none of us ever received anything but the utmost courtesy throughout the whole campaign. Sometimes, of course, we had to put our feet in our pockets. It wasn't nice to dash from one meeting to another in a motor going at fifty miles an hour and on one wheel round the curves. But the men did that sort of thing without whimpering, and we were bound to die game. Sometimes we were cold too, and sometimes we were hungry, and always we were very, very tired, but we never let ourselves think 'failure.' Miss Durham of the 'Vancouver Province,' had given us 'Success is Inevitable' so we feel that we must have been sustained in our watchword, and we kept that always before us. Looking back now, we won by a higher power Who saw that we were doing the best we knew how and gave us courage and strength for it all."

At New Westminster, a deputa-tion waited upon Col. J. D. Taylor, M.P., in connection with the proposal to build a highway along the international boundary. The farmers of Nicomen Island are waiting upon the Government to ask them to urge energetic action for their protection against floods from the Fraser River. Stricken with heart failure, Mr. Geo. Cunningham, a resident of British Columbia for the past 25 years, and a former mining recorder, expired suddenly.

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Thrift to be Motto for 1917, and Products Will Reduce Prices

To offset, to some degree, the high cost of living, W. D. George, advises the planting now of spring gardens. "Thrill," he says, "will be the motto of many spring gardens in Canada for 1917. The high cost of living claims attention, and a well stocked garden will go a long way toward reducing the cost of living to a normal level. "If this is your first garden, remember that to grow good plants, whether flowers or vegetables, the conditions must be favorable, and that it cannot be done in poor, unworked or undrained soil. It is not sufficient to roughly scratch the surface of your soil; the ground must be thoroughly worked to a depth of eight or ten inches, and in a small garden this may be done easily enough with a fork or spade. "At the time when this work is done in a new garden, fertilizers should be added to the soil to give the young plants the food they need for their proper development. A good way is to cover the ground you are beginning to work with a generous application of manure, and then to dig this in thoroughly, taking care that it is all well mixed with the soil. Then a suitable fertilizer should be added to the top soil and raked into it. Later, this will be washed down among the plant roots by the rain. "There will be more real personally planned and carefully tended gardens in Canada this year than ever before, and they will be better gardens, gardens with a motive, planned and worked in for the best possible results."

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SIDE TALKS

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We have a new by-word in our family circle. It was supplied by the little girl who lives around the corner. Her mother told us the story. The little girl is five and even more cunning than that, of itself, implies. From the moment she wakes up in the morning until the moment she drifts away into dreamland at night, she throws off quaint, delightful little reactions on life like sparks from a pinwheel. One Little Girl Didn't Know What God-bless Meant.

The one in question came just before that last moment of drifting off. She was saying her prayers. She had said the immortal prayer of childhood and added the immortal petition to "bless PaPa and Mamma and make me a good girl" (by the way, another little girl who had been repeating these same petitions for a year or so started me one night by asking what "God-bless" meant, an interesting commentary on the way the little folks repeat the sounds we tell them to say without knowing half the time what they mean).

"Is that all?" said her mother. Miss Five-years has a way of adding prayers of her own invention. "No," she said, "There's some more to get rid of it is to give vigor and tone to the stomach and the whole digestive system. Hood's Sarsaparilla, sold by all druggists, is the one medicine which acts on the stomach through the blood and also directly. Its beneficial effects are felt at once. Improvement begins immediately. Hood's Sarsaparilla purifies the blood, makes the rich red blood that is needed for perfect digestion, and builds up the whole system. Be sure to get Hood's, for no other medicine can take its place.

so why worry?" says some one else. "I'm No Happier When I'm Cross." One housemate lets herself be irritable. Oh, Lord, keep me from being cross. I'm no happier when I'm cross, so why be cross?" suggests the one who has been scolded. So simple, and so profound! Common sense and the secret of happiness wrapped up together! And all out of the mouth of a baby. Perhaps you will be glad to know that we have no copyright on this. You may have it too. Better still, do more than that! Pass it along.

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By Anabel Worthington.

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