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GERMAN ATTACKS ON VERDUN GRADUALLY DWINDLING AND SHOW NO FURTHER PROGRESS

Artillery Attack on Forts Six Miles to the East—Several Hundred Germans Cut Off in Fort Douaumont and Cannot Escape—War Risk Marine Insurance Sharply Advances—Another British Steamer Sunk and all Hands Lost.

GERMAN DRIVE GRADUALLY FADING.

PARIS, March 1.—The German drive on Verdun has made no further progress and is now dwindling according to latest reports from the front. The French troops still surround the remains of Fort Douaumont in which several hundred Germans are cut off.

The official statement today reports no change north of Verdun or in the Woëvre district.

A brisk artillery attack is being made by the enemy on forts De Vaux and De Tavatis, six miles east of Verdun.

BRITISH STEAMER SINKS WITH ALL ON BOARD.

LONDON, March 1.—The British steamer Thornby from West Hartlepool for Palermo has been torpedoed and sunk; all the crew were either killed or drowned.

INSURANCE RATES ADVANCE.

NEW YORK, March 1.—Rates of war risk insurance on Transatlantic

steamers and cargoes were advanced today in anticipation of the enforcement of Germany's policy of sinking armed merchant ships without warning.

"NOTHING NEW" SAYS CONSTANTINOPLE.

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 1.—There is nothing to report from any of the theatres of war, the war office announced today.

GERMAN SUBMARINE DID THE WORK.

PARIS, March 1.—The Minister of Marine today announced that a German submarine torpedoed and sank the French auxiliary cruiser Provence in the Mediterranean on Saturday with a loss of life now estimated between 900 and 1,100.

DISLOYAL COLONELS ACQUITTED.

ZURICH, March 1.—The court martial in the case of the two colonels accused of communicating secret military information has acquitted them, but has ordered them to be handed over to the military authorities for disciplinary proceedings.

NINE HUNDRED LIVES ARE LOST WITH CRUISER

LONDON, March 1.—It is estimated that 900 persons were killed or drowned in the sinking of the French auxiliary cruiser, formerly the Transatlantic passenger steamer La Provence, in mid Mediterranean on Saturday. It was announced by the French ministry of marine today. Eighteen hundred men were on board the vessel when she went to her doom. About 870 were saved, of whom 296 have been landed at Malta, and 400 on the Greek island of Melos. About 175 others have also been rescued. Ten boats have been sent to the scene of the disaster in order to pick up, if possible, others who may be floating round on wreckage.

It is believed that she was being used as a transport for troops.

Turk Army Cut to Pieces Through Russian Onset

PETROGRAD, March 1.—The Russian General Staff has issued the following further statement in reference to the Erzerum operations: "During the assault on the fortress several Turkish regiments were annihilated or taken prisoner with all their officers. On the line forts alone we took 197 artillery pieces of various calibres in good condition. In the defence works of the central fortress we took another 126 pieces. In the fortified region of Erzerum we took a large number of storehouses of various kinds, which have already been mentioned by the headquarters staff.

"The exact number of Turkish prisoners is 235 officers and 12,753 men.

"It is possible to estimate the force of the blow which we dealt the Turkish army by the fact that some of their army corps of three divisions now number only from three thousand to five thousand men, with a few guns. All of the remainder have either fallen into our hands or perished in the fighting or from cold.

"The Turkish prisoners captured in Erzerum or in the pursuit complain bitterly that their headquarters staff was concentrated in the hands of the Germans, who during the assault on the fortress were the first to abandon the fortified positions, causing panic and disorder among the already shaken Turkish troops."

Thurlow Boy Wins Military Cross in France

Another Bay of Quinte boy has won great honor for himself and his native province in France. We refer to Lieut. E. Frank Lynn of Thurlow who has been awarded the Military Cross by the British War Department for distinguished gallantry on the field.

Lieut. Lynn held an angle jutting into the German lines with a small party after all the others had retired and with the assistance of a machine gun he prevented the Germans' advance.

He enlisted with the Canadian Engineers at Toronto and went with the First Contingent. He is a veteran of the South African war, and has of late years been employed with the Hydro-Electric Company.

Funeral of Mrs. Wm. Cross

The funeral of the late Mrs. Chloe Cross took place from the home of her daughter, Mrs. Reid, Yeomans St., this morning. Service was conducted at the house by Rev. E. C. Currier, pastor of John Street Presbyterian Church. There were many beautiful floral tributes. The bearers were immediate friends of deceased. Interment took place at Roslin.

Laid at Rest.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Elliott took place from her home 100 Bridge St. West yesterday afternoon. Religious services at the house were conducted by Rev. H. S. Osborne, assisted by Rev. R. N. Adams and Rev. A. M. Hubby. There were numerous beautiful floral tributes. The bearers were Messrs. P. C. Jones, C. N. Sullivan, C. S. Clapp, E. B. Frederick and F. S. Deacon. Interment took place at Belleville Cemetery.

A Safe Pill for Sufferers.—There are pills that violently purge and fill the stomach and intestines with pain. Parmelee's Vegetable Pills are mild and effective. They are purely vegetable, no mineral purgative entering into their composition and their effect is soothing and beneficial. Try them and be convinced. Thousands can attest their great curative qualities because thousands owe their health and strength to timely use of this most excellent medicine.

KING FERDINAND VISITS FRANZ JOSEPH.

AMSTERDAM, March 1.—It is announced from Vienna that King Ferdinand of Bulgaria has arrived in that city on a visit to Emperor Francis Joseph.

BILINGUAL CLAUSE REPEALED ON SECOND READING.

WINNIPEG, March 1.—The Manitoba Legislature gave the second reading last night to the bill repealing the bilingual clause by a vote of 16 to 8.

G.T.R. STATION AT MONTREAL BURNED.

MONTREAL, March 1.—Fire starting in a file room destroyed the Bonaventure station of the Grand Trunk Railway this morning. The cause of the outbreak was thought by the police from their first investigation to have been faulty electric wiring, but there are suspicions of incendiarism. The loss is estimated at \$300,000, as the building was an old one. The station was also used by the government railways Delaware and Central Vermont.

CONGRESS WILL HAVE TO ADOPT WILSON POLICY

WASHINGTON, March 1.—President Wilson decided today that he cannot proceed with the German submarine negotiations while discussion in congress weakens his position before the world, so he called for a show-down on the pending proposals to warn Americans of merchant ships of the European belligerents armed for defence.

Making clear that he considers the President, and not congress, charged with the conduct of foreign relations of the United States, he wrote a letter to Representative Pott, acting chairman of the house rules committee, asking him to provide parliamentary means for bringing the agitation into the open on the floor of the house for full discussion and a vote.

Later he summoned Senator Stone and Representative Flood, chairman of the foreign affairs committee, and Senator Kern, majority leader in the Senate, for a conference at the White House today, at which he will request that one of the various pending resolutions be acted upon in both houses. Administration leaders are so sure of their position that they plan to end all agitation with a vote of confidence in the president.

British Columbia Also to Vote on Prohibition

VANCOUVER, March 1.—Premier Bowser came to terms today with the prohibitionists and at the end of the year this province will be almost certain to join the dry column. The premier agreed to the prohibitionists' proposal to submit a referendum to the electors at the election, which must take place before June 1. A majority of the electors will be sufficient to carry the measure, which is to become law on Jan. 1 a year later.

A Chance For Those Going West.—Homeseekers' Excursions O.P.R. Homeseekers' Excursions to Western Canada at low fares via Canadian Pacific each Tuesday, March 7th to October 31st inclusive. Particulars from any Canadian Pacific Agent, or W. B. Howard, District Passenger Agent, Toronto.

MILITARY NOTES.

Two more 15th handmen have enlisted; Messrs. Brown and Bell.

The enlisted strength of the 155th is now over 750 men. They hope to be full strength by April 1st.

It has not been determined yet whether the 155th will mobilize at Belleville, Barriefield or Valcartier.

Col. Hemming, officer commanding the Third Division came to the city yesterday in order to be present at the 80th Band Concert last night. He was accompanied by Col. Stewart, Inspector of Supplies, Major Wilson, Major Gillespie and Capt. Kane of the 148th. In the afternoon, Col. Hemming inspected the detachment of the 155th located here, and the non-commissioned officers' class of about fifty members made up of the newcomers from the various recruiting centers in the Hastings and Prince Edward district. He expressed himself as greatly pleased with the proficiency shown by the class.

From the 15th to the 23rd of Feb. the 155th has taken in 113 recruits. It is gratifying to learn that a much higher percentage of Canadians are offering, and now reaches nearly 75 per cent., as will be shown by the fact that of the 113 recruits mentioned 80 are Canadians. Of the remainder 25 are English, 3 Scotch, 3 Irish and one American.

The results of the recruiting campaign for January have just been published. The highest award goes to Q.M. Sgt. Birdin who made the splendid record of 23 recruits. Pte. S. Sinclair comes next with 9 recruits and Pte. A. Dunn 3rd with 8.

At the Bridge St. recruiting office of the 155th five god recruits were secured yesterday. These were: P. D. Adams, F. Smith, D. Brown, H. H. Lawrence and J. Huddleston. Fifty-six recruits have been secured at this office since the 24th of February.

The only change in the position of Capt. Hyman, Capt. Willis and Q.M. Sgt. Birdin. In the work of recruiting they are being ably assisted by Sgt. J. Boyle, Corp. Rowe, Corp. Tilbrook and Ptes. Assisting, Edmundson, Winters and J. Coughlin.

An energetic and systematic canvass of the entire city is shortly to be instituted in the city in which every man of recruiting age will be requested to fill out blanks giving particulars as to age, military fitness and reasons for not enlisting. It is hoped in this way to establish recruiting upon a more business-like basis.

Lieut. L. E. Birkett of the 80th Battalion, Belleville, who has been ill with pneumonia at the home of his parents in Kingston, for the past five weeks, was removed to the Kingston General Hospital Sunday night for a slight operation which it is expected will hasten his complete recovery. Lieut. Birkett, the son of Mr. John Birkett of the Locomotive Works, and his host of friends will hope for a complete and speedy recovery to health and a return to duty with his Regiment in the 80th Batt.

Lt. Candwell, Capt. Harper, Capt. Hudgins, Capt. Gimney and Capt. Nichols will proceed to Kingston this afternoon to take their final qualifying examinations.

Field officers' course is being held in Kingston commencing March 7th. The following officers of the 80th will attend—Capt. Watson, Capt. Gilroy, Capt. Ketcheson and Capt. Lockert. The course will last about two weeks.

The strength of the 155th battalion at the various centers is as follows: Belleville 218, Madoc 64, Trenton 65, Tweed 48, Marmora 44, Pictou 96, Deseronto 46, Gos Hill 37, Bancroft 56, Wellington 32, Marlbank 25, Making a total of 759.

The 155th orchestra went to Stirling last evening.

Col. Adams has returned from Picton.

Ten members of the Signalling Class of the 155th battalion went to Kingston yesterday to attend the school.

The Flood Subsiding

The flood which yesterday threatened to become serious in the business and low-lying sections of the city fortunately started to subside about noon yesterday. The level is now about a foot lower than it was yesterday morning. It is hoped that the arrival of somewhat milder weather will cause the trouble to pass harmlessly.

Belleville Branch Patriotic Fund

The total amount subscribed to the fund in Belleville as stated in the press on 10th April, 1915 was \$46,182.50. Sundry additional contributions, and promises from citizens who were away when the canvass was in progress, increased this amount by about \$300 more, and \$5.94 of bank interest, brought up the grand total promised to \$47,600.

The total amount of cash paid in to 21st Feb. 1916 was \$4,743.69. The unpaid balances of the amount promised as per auditors' list is \$3,749.55 of which 2,500 (the second half of the city's contribution) will come in as the balance of 1916 taxes are collected. The remaining 2,249 is made up of three balances overdue between \$20 and 100, each plus between 50 and 100, and 150 amounts of 25 each and under.

Subscribers in arrears have been notified by mail, but in case notices have been mislaid they are requested to call upon the Bank of Montreal or the Public Library or at the Citizens' Bank and ask for the Auditor's Lists to make sure that their own promises really have been made good. It is important that there should be no further delay in closing up the donors' accounts by the 19th of Feb.

The total payments to soldiers' families in Belleville from 24th August 1914 to 28th Feb. 1916 is \$24,828.46.

The present monthly disbursements are about \$2,600 which will grow larger as more families are added to the lists.

The treasurer begs to acknowledge with thanks the following payments since added to the lists published up to 19th February:

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| Dr. A. E. MacColl, Feb. | 5.00 |
| Marchants Bank staff, Feb. | 5.00 |
| L. B. Cooper, Feb. | 10.00 |
| W. A. Rodbourne, Feb. | 25.00 |
| W. B. Deacon, Dec, Jan, Feb. | 30.00 |
| John Parker and Son | 20.00 |
| R. W. Adams | 2.00 |
| Belleville Lodge No. 81 I.O.O.F. | 5.00 |
| Feb. Feb. | 5.00 |

Details of Arthur Johnson's Wound

Arthur L. Johnson, 21st Battalion who was wounded at the front recently, received a sniper's bullet just below the left eye. The missile passed out at the left side of the neck. The same bullet also passed through the right side of the neck, and a sharp fragment of bone was cut in passing. It was removed by Dr. Johnson, and the latter was returning when the crack of a rifle was heard. Almost instantly the bullet struck Mr. Johnson.

This information was conveyed in a letter from Col. Hughes, commanding officer of the 21st, to Mr. Johnson's brother in Toronto.

The bullet wound is a clean cut and no serious complications have followed.

At Osgoode Hall

Before Hon. Mr. Justice Brannon in Chambers, Monday, Feb. 28th. Way vs. Shaw.—W. C. Mikel, K.C. on behalf of defendant applied to have date fixed to receive the evidence of Aida Shaw, Birkett and any evidence the plaintiff was allowed to give, and also to put in further evidence.

Order made that no further evidence be received and that Thursday, March 23rd be fixed to receive evidence. Aida Shaw, Birkett and any evidence the plaintiff was allowed to give, and also to put in further evidence. E. Gus Parlett, K.C. for Plaintiff.

Presentation to Past Chief

Last evening a very pleasant gathering took place at the residence of Mr. Wm. McIntosh, Fortin street, on the occasion of presenting Mr. D. H. McRae, past chief of Rob Roy Camp of the Sons of Scotland with a past chief's jewel and a wrist watch. Mr. McRae filled the office of chief of the camp during the past year, and to show the great appreciation of Mr. McRae's valuable services to the Society he was asked to accept a beautiful past master's jewel. Mr. McRae has resided in the English Hotel at Ottawa for overseas service and as a further evidence of his popularity and the high esteem in which he is held, he was presented with a beautiful wrist watch suitably inscribed. All who were present joined in wishing Mr. McRae every good wish and a safe return from the front. Mr. McRae feelingly replied and said, he would not soon forget this kind welcome he received from the Scotch friends who first he arrived here, and he would always have very kind thoughts of the many friends he had left behind in Belleville. With song and music a pleasant evening was spent, and after partaking of Mr. and

Married

FINKLE-RANSAY. A quiet wedding was solemnized at the Bayside parsonage, Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 23, when Miss Winnie Finkle-Ransay, of Arvondale, was united in marriage to Mr. Raymond Finkle, Bayside's popular chess maker. Their pastor, Mr. F. G. Joblin officiated. The bride was attended by Miss Gussie Gardiner, while the bridesmaids were supplied by Mr. Norman Brown. The happy couple left for Toronto and western points, accompanied by the hearty good wishes of their many friends for a prosperous and joyous life together.

GRAND SUCCESS WON BY BOTH BAND IN HIGH-CLASS CONCERT

Splendid Programme Given Last Night To Crowded House—"Canada's Foremost Military Band" is Opinion of Critics Who Witnessed Their Performance.

Griffin's Theatre was packed last night at the initial appearance of the Band of the 80th Battalion, C.E.F., and Miss Victoria Stares, assisting soprano soloist.

Bandmaster Stares has a splendid organization of which he may be justly proud and their work last night stamps them as the foremost military band in Canada and one of the best on the continent. Mr. Stares had the band well in hand at all times and the musicians responded instantly to the slightest move of his baton.

Bandmaster Stares is a musical director of marked ability. He is forceful, direct, sympathetic and sincere, rising to intense heights of passionate frenzy and leading the band through the most intricate passages with masterly skill. Mr. Stares is a leader on whom his band may depend absolutely. He brings in the various instruments by a nod and when the climax is reached they have but to look to him for inspiration.

Miss Victoria Stares, Soprano, of Hamilton, was the assisting artist and she won the hearts of everyone by her beautiful songs. Miss Stares has a sweet clear voice, a perfect articulation and enunciation and gave thorough interpretation of the most difficult solo. She is undoubtedly a true artist—one felt a sense of security when she appeared and her most intricate numbers seemed quite easy to her. Miss Stares also has a voice of great volume and was a success in every way.

William, the soprano, sang a beautiful solo, introducing soft work and delicate shading in all sections of the band, but particularly in the reeds, a realistic rumble of thunder is heard in the distance which continues from time to time. Then an allegro movement follows softly and gradually increases in force and volume until the storm is right over our heads. The effect was wonderful here and it was plainly seen that a great deal of careful work had been spent bringing the orchestra to such absolute perfection.

The storm subsides slowly and a peaceful shepherd's song, a well-played oboe solo by Musician E. Hunter, commences a bird-like flute obbligato breaks in and relieves the oboe solo and this was particularly well done by Musician Lambert. Then a flourish of trumpets, proclaiming a call to arms—the quick stepping of horses' feet coming to a gallop, the clanking of chain coming right up to us then going away in the distance. All these were done in inimitable style by the band. The staccato work and shading in the movement was splendid and every section seemed to fairly excel itself by line work and artistic phrasing. The final climax of the overture brought cheer after cheer from the crowded house and for an encore, Mr. Stares gave us, Irvak's Humoresque, which was a distinct success as a band number—from the delectable first movement of the majestic and back to the first style again.

Miss Stares then sang "The Flower Song" by Agnes Lambert. This gave Miss Stares scope for her beautiful voice and an encore was called for. She responded with a lighter number which proved delightful. The Red, White and Blue was an appropriate solo played by Musician Eldon Brethorn and he showed that he was a finished performer on the instrument. Coupled with his playing is an ease of execution, a graceful style and general artistic manner which made the audience demand an encore. Musician Brethorn played "The Rosary" by Nevin and it was better than the program number.

The next piece was Elgar's "Salut d'Armour" and this lovely work was played in finished style by the band. A Gavotte "Les Cloches de St. Malo" with bell effects was entirely different from the preceding number and was so good that it called for an encore, and it was here that perhaps the finest work of the concert was given. Opening with a chime solo by L. Cumming, and then drifting softly like a huge organ into "Nearer My God to Thee" and finishing with the chimes in a gripping climax, not a few were present whose eyes filled with tears. It is safe to say that this old hymn as played by the 80th band will not be soon forgotten.

"Echoes from the Metropolitan" was a rare treat for several of the grand opera songs are welded into a selection which was pleasing to everyone. Sgt. Cumming responded in the encore to this number by playing "Killdeer" in perfect style. His work stamps him as a thoroughly capable performer and Mr. Stares is fortunate in having such a grand man as his solo cornet. "Shepherd Thy Demetour Vary" was Miss Stares' next song and here she again distinguished herself with her easy high notes and total control. As an encore to this Miss Stares generously gave another encore—"Wake Up", which won everyone completely. Although this was Miss Stares' first visit to Belleville she will always be popular here and should she return a crowded house will again greet her.

Musician David Talmer performed excellently on a clarinet solo. His execution is very brilliant and he was at all times perfect master of his instrument. It is a decided treat to hear a musician of his ability perform. He was obliged to play an encore.

The concluding number Overture—1911 (Coronation) by Hume was significantly interesting number. Hume has skillfully woven together the national airs of the British Empire into a work which rivals the finest composition of all times. The overture is along the line of "1812" overture and is a masterpiece. Mr. Stares interpreted it very cleverly and the way he drew the band up to climax and led them through soft, sustained notes in time with full chords and trypens effect, and brings to a close a beautiful number, well played.

A fitting close to the program was the national anthems of France, Russia and Great Britain.

W. Ernest Wheatley, Mus. Bac. A.R.C.O., played Miss Stares' accompaniments in excellent style. His artistic mastery of the piano was a fine background to Miss Stares' solos. Mr. Wheatley's work was splendid.

The concert was under the patronage of Gen. Sir Sam Hughes. Lt.-Col. Ketcheson was a mighty pleased man last night and his genial smile showed that he was well satisfied and rapid for all his arduous work in securing such a band. The band is one which reflects great credit on the entire Dominion and Lt.-Col. Ketcheson has a right to be proud of it. The citizens of Belleville are deeply grateful for what he has done.

The following members of the 80th Divisional Staff were also present—Col. Hemming, O. C., Lt.-Col. Morgan, Lt.-Col. Stewart, Major Gillespie and Major Wilson.

Officers of the 80th present were Lt.-Col. W. G. Ketcheson, Captain Watson, Capt. Harper, Lt. Candwell and others.

John Street Jots

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed next Sunday at the morning service. Preparatory service will be held on Friday evening at eight o'clock. Rev. R. Laird, M.A., secretary of the Presbyterian Board of Finance, will meet with the session and managers at 7:30 the same evening. The Presbytery of Kingston will meet in Queen's College, Kingston on Tuesday next at 10 a.m. The Guild held its regular meeting on Monday evening at 2 Forth St. and enjoyed a social hour afterwards. An invitation was accepted to meet at 12 West More street on next Monday evening. Plan to be there. The concert and social given last evening under the auspices of the W. M. S. was both very interesting and well attended. The singing of Mrs. Duff, Mrs. Singer, Miss Lobb, Miss Vandervort and Mr. D. M. Clark was much appreciated and provoked encores. The same was true of Miss Tuttle's readings, which were three selections from her choice repertoire. The missionary dialogue made a good variation of the program and implied a good deal of memory work in preparation. Those who took part in it were Mrs. Owens, Mrs. Currie, Mrs. Mathison and Miss Isabel Adams. After the program the audience retired to the lecture room where refreshments were served and an hour was spent in a social way.

Woodhouse Calf Meat—Perry. Poultry Supplies, all kinds—Perry. Pratt's Animal Remedies—Perry.

PSEUDO-APOSTLES OF THE PRESENT DAY

Church History in the Light of the Bible.

Only Twelve Apostles of the Lamb—Scriptures Show That No More Were Purposed by God—St. Paul Superseded Judas—Catholics and Episcopalians Deceived—Apostolic Bishops Unauthorised—How This Great Error Was Foisted Upon the Church—1,200 Years Without the Bible—The Reformation Movement—Bible Gradually Restored, but Entrenched Errors Still Hold Many—So-called Christian Kingdoms Now Showing Their True Character—Great Time of Trouble Now Begun to Make Way for Christ's Kingdom.

ALLENTOWN, Pa., Feb. 27.—Pastor Russell [name] here today, and delivered a very forcible address, from the text, "And thou hast tried them that say they are Apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars." (Revelation 2:2.) The Pastor said in part:

There has been a class of men in the world for centuries past who have been claiming to be Apostles; but who are not Apostles, according to our text. The Bible shows us unmistakably that God never purposed more than twelve Apostles of the Lamb. Let us refresh our memories on this point: Our Lord Jesus said to the Twelve, "I say unto you, that ye which have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of Man shall sit in the Throne of His glory, shall also sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel." (Matthew 19:28.) There were to be only twelve Apostles, as shown in Revelation 12:1. The Church is shown as a woman clothed with the sun, [the Gospel], having the moon [the Jewish Law] under her feet, and having on her head a crown of twelve stars, [twelve Apostles], appointed, inspired teachers. We see that there were only twelve of these stars authorized by God, St. Paul taking the place of Judas.

God's Word Must Be Spoken Faithfully.

Jesus says that those who make claims of being Apostles when they are not are lying. We are not to follow what the customs of the past centuries have taught us, but what the Lord Jesus Himself says. He is the authority. We have a measure of sympathy for these gentlemen who have dropped into certain positions of doctrine, and for centuries that they were Apostles, like the original Twelve appointed by our Lord, having the same inspiration and speaking with the same authority. We have sympathy for them, but they are not speaking uncharitably, dear friends; for we are to speak the Lord's Word. "He that hath a dream [an imagination], let him tell a dream; but he that hath My Word, let him speak My Word faithfully." (Jeremiah 23:18.) If we hold back for fear of man, we shall share in the sin.

The great claims once made have been abandoned, or at least this class do not attempt to speak with the authority of former days; for mankind are becoming more enlightened and their claims would appear absurd. Yet they still claim that they are the only ones who have the right to authorize any to preach, but if they do not ordain a man, he has no right to speak in the name of the Lord at all. They claim this right because they are "Apostolic Bishops." They claim, however, not pressing even this claim with the former days. Other church leaders inquire: "Why do you stand aloof from us?" and they do not quite like to tell fully their reasons. They hesitate to say, "We are the Church, we are the Apostles, and you have no right to preach unless we ordain you." Hence they are in a somewhat vacillating condition today.

About four years ago the Bishops of the Episcopal Church held a meeting in Detroit and there passed resolutions that they would be willing to fraternize with other denominations provided these others were orthodox, which meant, provided they were in harmony with the teaching of the Church of England Bishops. Anybody else would be unorthodox would have no right to preach.

We have not yet recovered. The great mass of Christian people are still deceived. Beginning some time before the year 325 A.D., this doctrine of Apostolic Succession had been growing. The bishops were beginning to "lord it over God's heritage." This lording came in very gradually, as such things generally do, and was associated later with the declaration that the people were the "laity," and that the Church was the "clergy." All had the general thought that the Bishops were Apostles and had their authority from the Lord.

We are to remember that until a few centuries ago copies of the Bible were so scarce that a Bible was really worth a fortune, because Bibles had to be printed out by pen by scholars, of whom there were very few. They had to be printed upon fine vellum parchment, as printing-presses and paper were not then invented. Hence there were very few who had Bibles or who could read at that time. Under such conditions the people were dependent upon the Church Bishops. When these began to claim that they were Apostolic Bishops, they gave the people to understand that they alone had received authority from God to read and interpret the Scriptures.

Jesus said to the Twelve Apostles that whatsoever they should bind on earth should be bound in Heaven, and that whatsoever they should loose on earth should be loosed in Heaven. Their writings were especially supervised by the Lord and their doctrinal utterances inspired. (2 Corinthians 12:7; Galatians 1:11, 12.) St. Paul assures us that "the Word of God is sufficient, that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto every good work." (2 Timothy 3:16, 17.) Hence we need no further doctrinal utterances, no more Apostles than the original Twelve—the Apostle Paul by the Lord's choice taking Judas' place. Since the advent of printing and since the close of the 1260 symbolic days—1260 years—of Papal persecution, Bibles have been printed and scattered far and wide by Bible societies, and education has become general. To-day Bibles are everywhere and very cheap, so that all can read.

Origin of the Nicene Creed. Let us go back to the year 325 A.D. By that time the bishops in the Church were claiming Apostolic authority. They were the living Apostles, whose teachings were the voice of God. But these "Apostles" did not agree among themselves, as did the early Apostles, the real Apostles; for when we read the writings of the Apostles appointed by our Lord, we find that they all agreed. But in the year 325 A.D. a positive stand was taken as to belief. The Council of Nicea was called by Emperor Constantine. He was apparently a worldly-wise man, and though he could make a good stroke of policy by joining in with the Christians, who were coming to the front.

The Emperor was not baptised until the day of his death. He was a professed Christian, but his heart was not changed. He could judge his heart, still the policy idea was there surely, as evidenced all through the matter. In this year 325, he sent out a call throughout the Empire to the Bishops of the churches, or came to the city of Nicea for a general convention, offering to pay all expenses. About 384 Bishops came together—far from the entire number. This conference was the first of its kind, and was called an Ecumenical Church Council, as from one held at Jerusalem by the Apostles of Jesus themselves. This was claimed to be another meeting of Apostles. The Emperor, supposing that the Bishops were fully authorized, as they professed, made substantially the following proposition to them:

"You all claim to be Apostles, but you have different theories and opinions among you. There seems to be something wrong. I will suggest what will set you all straight: I propose that in this Council you set forth your views as to what is correct, orthodox, doctrine. Agree amongst yourselves as to what is the doctrine, and whatever whatever shall be taught contrary to these doctrines shall be heretical—heresy. Further, I have decided to unite with your Church, and you need my support. When you get my support, the pagan peoples will flock into your Church by hundreds. I will back you up in your teachings, and all heretics shall have a hard time in the Roman Empire. You make the Creed, and I declare its enforcement to me. I will attend to the heretics in this life, and you can tell them of their eternal roasting throughout the future."

Thus the Nicene Creed, the first of the great creeds, was formulated—by these self-appointed Apostolic Bishops. So between the Bishops and the Emperor, a heavy hand was laid upon the people. Being uneducated, the Church leaders had them largely in their mercy. That was the end of Bible study; there was no more as for the Bible. They were to follow the Nicene Creed. They had Apostles inspired by God right with them, who could teach them all they needed to know.

Restored After 1,200 Years. From that time on for twelve hundred years the Bible was an unknown book to the masses. In the year 1526, Professor Tyndale, a sincerely Christian man, not satisfied with the teachings of the Church Bishops, translated the Greek New Testament into English, that the people might know what were the teachings of Jesus and His Apostles. He was compelled to go to Germany to get his translation printed (printing-presses then being in use), because of the adverse influence of the English Bishops. The Testaments were then imported to London. The people were anxious to get them, and proposed that Bible classes be started and educated men employed to read to the people.

ed to this day. And these were Protestant Bishops of the Church of England. They were worldly-wise men and knew what would be the effect if the people learned of the real teachings of the Bible. Their own power and influence would soon be gone. The people would soon be asking uncomfortable questions: "Where did you Bishops get your authority to make creeds and to call yourselves Apostles?" So the Bishops shrewdly determined to nip this matter in the bud. Tyndale later suffered martyrdom.

For forty years the people complained, wondering why the Bible had been taken from them. Finally the Bishops concluded that policy demanded that they let them have the Bible. So they got out a special edition, which they called "The Bishops' Bible." This they gave to the people, warning them of the danger of giving it any other interpretation than that given by the Bishops, assuring them that eternal torment awaited them otherwise. The public Bishops were then practically forced to do likewise, and they issued the Douay Version for Catholics, giving their people the same warnings. Thus the influence of the Bible was largely nullified.

But the Bible could not be fully put down. Later, the entire Scriptures were translated into the various tongues of the people. After the beginning of the Nineteenth Century education began to be much more general, and Bible Societies sprang up. People began to read for themselves as never before. Since then superstition has been gradually breaking down, and people dare to think. Some are still fettered by superstition, but the number is lessening. These creeds are so absurd that no intelligent minister, we believe, would think of defending the creed of his own denomination.

Instead of reading the Bible in the light of the creeds, we are to read the creeds in the light of the Bible. Then their absurdity is at once apparent. They have been a sore bondage upon God's people. But all this will be covered up by the "Bible for good." It will teach a never-to-be-forgotten lesson.

It is the teaching of the Roman Catholic Church that all of their own people are to go to Purgatory at death. Not a word of this is in the Bible. They must first have certain experiences in Purgatorial tortures to fit them for Heaven. How much trouble all this nonsense has caused! The Bible forbids it all. The Apostle Paul declared that "many would depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils." (1 Timothy 4:1-3; Acts 20:29,30.) It is upon these seducing spirits that we lay the blame—Satan and his angels. We are not claiming that our Catholic and Episcopalians are intended to perpetrate a fraud, nor any of the others. But with the Apostle Paul we claim that they were deceived by the great adversary. We are beginning to see that a God of Love would never have such a plan for His creature as to tempt to the creeds. We are living in a day which more light than ever before is due upon God's Word. We are living in the dawn of the glorious New Dispensation. We are nearing the time when, according to the Bible, "all the blind eyes shall be opened and the deaf ears unstopped." Let us thank God for the light.

Apocalypse Near—God's Kingdom. The present great war in Europe is the battle of the Armageddon of the Scriptures. (Revelation 16:16-20.) It will eventuate in the complete overthrow of all the systems of error which have so long oppressed the people of God and degraded the world. In the meantime, every kingdom will go down. The glorious Kingdom of Messiah is about to be set up in the earth, for the establishment of the world and the establishment of permanent righteousness. We believe the present war cannot last much longer, until revolution shall break out. The nations are rapidly impoverishing themselves.

Great Britain has already expended thirteen billions of dollars in the war, and her minister of finance says that another year of war will require nine billions more. That will make twenty-two billions. At 5 per cent interest, this would mean that one billion, two hundred millions would have to be raised each year by the British people just to keep the interest paid. To do nothing of the principal. Do you think they can afford to pay such an amount? Not at all! We believe that all these bonds will be repudiated. The same is true of France and Russia. Germany is impoverishing herself. All these governments are madly attempting to embargo future generations. All are saying, "We must conquer." Well, we shall see how it will all end! We stake our opinion on the Bible. All these nations will soon pass away. There will not be a kingdom left in all Europe. Then Anarchy will follow.

None of these nations is Christ's; as their course unmistakably shows. Every one who has violated international law. They are willing to barter away millions of lives of their people for the petty gain of a little more territory and commercial benefit. Selfishness is rampant. If violation of law is anarchy, then we already have anarchy amongst the nations.

How thankful we are that while this awful trouble is going on, the voice of the Lord is being heard, yet the Word of God points out that upon the ruins of the present Order shall come the Kingdom of God's dear Son! Man's extremity will be God's opportunity. The voice of Messiah shall be heard. He will command, "Peace, be still!" and the raging billows of this passion will be calmed, and all tumult will cease. He will bring order out of chaos. When men have reached the point of despair, deliverance will come; for then they will begin to cry to the Lord. "And He will be entreated of them and will help them. God's Kingdom will be established on the ruins of the world, and will prove to be the desire of all men."

SINCLAIR'S SIXTY-FOUR THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED PEARL BUTTONS

Nearly one year ago we placed an order for Pearl Buttons direct with one of the largest makers in Japan, and these Buttons are now here. On our invoice is an entry for 5,400 cards at 10 silver yens per thousand, and this number of cards of one dozen each, means 64,800 buttons. If you require Pearl Buttons, we have them in every kind and size, not Fresh Water Pearls, but the Real Salt Water Pearl Buttons, and we have them at every price, 5c, 7c, 10c, 12 1-2c, 15c, 20c, 25c, 35c, 40c, and 50c per dozen.

All Wool Dress Serges at 65c Yd

If you have any doubt about this being Special Serge Value, see what you can do elsewhere. Here we offer you a Pure Wool Dress Serge at the old price, and we have it in Black, Dark Navy, Mid Navy, Copenhagen Blue and Tan, 28 pieces in all, about 1200 yards to sell at 65c per yd.

Three Special Silk Values

The coming season will be one of great Silk wearing. That's why we suggest that you should inspect our Dress Silk offerings. Here are three of our leaders: 36 in. Black Pailette, very special, at.....89c yd 36 Colored Paillettes in 16 shades, at.....\$1.00 yd 36-in. Satin Duchesse with our name as a guarantee on every yard, only.....\$1.25 yd

Linen at Old Prices

We have 20 Sets of John Prown & Son's Shamrock Brand of boxed Damask Linen Table Cloths and Napkins to match. The Cloths are 8 x 10 quarter, the Napkins 22-in. size. The patterns are the very choicest and we offer them at the Old Price as sold by us before the War, when Linens were 13 cheaper than now. The old and present price, only \$7.50 Set.

New Spring Corsets

Our Corset Department is now complete with every new Spring Model in such well known makes as the Kabo, one of the best known American, known as the Live Model Corset, also the C. C. la Grace Corsets in models for slight, medium and stout figures. In fact we show a Corset specially designed for every figure. Prices, \$1 to \$4.50.

Ladies' Suits, \$9.50 Each

We have one each of Ladies' and Misses' Suits, not this season's styles, but Suits of the past year. These Suits are well assorted in sizes, Ladies' and Misses', in Black, Navy, Tan, Brown and Grey Wool Serges, also a few Tweed Suits, all one price, your choice only \$9.50.

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Ladies' Silk Wash Waists at \$1.98

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BIG FLOODS THREATENED

Conditions More Serious Than at Any Time Since 1897

Is Belleville to have a repetition of the serious flood tide in the winter of 1897, caused heavy loss and great inconvenience to hundreds of our residents. The situation is at present very threatening and no relief is in sight. The ice that came down the river in the freshest a few weeks ago is still collected in great masses below and above the railway bridges, and this recent cold weather has served to bring down thousands of tons of the pestiferous trash or anchor ice. This has been collecting beneath the masses of surface ice above and the channel now appears to be completely blocked for any free passage of the water.

Victoria Park was completely submerged on Friday. Allen's coal sheds are inaccessible. The boat houses near the water are about half under. This morning the situation became decidedly worse. The surface ice on the river has now risen to the top of the retention wall and a considerable stream is flowing over the sidewalk at No. 1 Pinehall. The water is on a level with the main floor of the Belleville Creamery Co. McCoy's livery stable contains several inches of water and a number of the horses have been taken to other quarters. Barnett's breakfast shop is closed down. All the cellars and several of the kitchens in this vicinity are flooded.

On the west side the situation in the lower part of Murray ward is equally threatening. The output beneath the railways is full of ice and there is no free passage-way for the water that is now accumulating all over the district known as "the Flats." The water is backed up as far as Cooper's dam. On Sunday the water entered the basement below the Pearson shirt factory and extinguished the furnace fire. Yesterday and today the factory has been compelled to remain idle.

On the east side along the business section of Front street many of the basements are flooded and furnace fires are out. The water is still rising and there is no immediate relief in sight. The weather man promises "decidedly cold" temperatures for tomorrow. "Aid. Chas. Whelan, chairman of public works, when seen by The Ontario this morning said he would be glad to employ any practical method to abate the trouble, but so far he had not based on any possible solution. In the flood of 1897 a channel was cut through the surface ice on the outlet of the river but this had done no good. A turn to milder weather seems to afford the only hope of improved conditions.

Wallbridge & Clarke's BITTER ORANGES FOR MARMALADE

Seville Oranges California Seedless Oranges Messina Lemons Extra Granulated Sugar

- Quince Marmalade Bramble Jelly Ginger Marmalade Guava Jelly Black Currant Jam Ginger and Pineapple Apricot Jam Pineapple Marmalade Blackberry Jam Green Fig Marmalade Gooseberry Jam Mandarin Marmalade Bar le Duc Jelly Peach Jam Cherry Jam Hawaifan Pineapple

EARLY GREEN VEGETABLES At Wallbridge & Clarke's Cucumbers Celery Tomatoes Radishes Parsley Lettuce

Record Handling of Grain

The Grand Trunk Pacific elevator at Fort William, Ont., has established a wonderful record for the handling of grain, during the past season, one that has never been equaled at that port of big records and marvellous achievements in moving grain. The following figures are interesting and expressive:

Handled from cars between Oct. 1 to Dec. 23rd, 21,994,000 bus or 18,500 20cars. Average per working day of 12 1/2 hours, 241 cars. Loaded into boats in October 5,600,000 bushels in boats in November, 5,937,000 bus. Daily average loading 300,000 bus. Loaded into boats between Dec. 1 and 12th, 5,700,000 bus. A daily average of 475,000 bus. Loaded in 28 hours ending midnight Nov. 30, an average per hour of 42,000 bus. Loaded in 4 1/2 hours one complete crop, an average of nearly 83,000 bus per hour, 283,000 bus.

Celebrated Her Hundredth Anniversary

Mrs. Annie Mills, widow of the late Thomas Mills of Big Island, on Friday, Feb. 25th reached the remarkable age of one hundred years and about forty of her friends assembled at her home in recognition of so unusual an event. The party came well provided with baskets, the contents of which were displayed in tempting array.

After dinner a great-grandson, Master Ira Francis David, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. David of Northport, who has reached the interesting age of one and a half years, was duly christened by Rev. W. J. Weatherall of Northport, assisted by Rev. E. A. Fowler of Demorestville.

Photos of Mrs. Mills and of the party were taken by Mr. Regy Mills, a grandson of the guest of honor. After an afternoon pleasantly spent in conversation, music and games the gathering dispersed after wishing to their venerable hostess many more years of happiness.

Mrs. Mills, notwithstanding her advanced age, is mentally as alert and active as ever, but eyesight and hearing show signs of failing. Although somewhat enfeebled of body she is still able to move about quite freely.

Late Mrs. Win. Cross

Mrs. Chloe Cross, widow of the late William Cross, who passed away on Monday at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Reid, Yeomans street, was born in Hungerford, in 1827. She lived most of her life in Tyndingside. Four years ago she came to Belleville to reside. She had been in ill health for about a month. In religion she was a Presbyterian. Mourning her loss she leaves four sons and five daughters, John of Dracena, Ont., Richard of Bloomfield, Jas. of Tyndingside, Stephen of Belleville; Mrs. Nancy Prentice, Huntington; Mrs. Margaret Thresher, Belleville; Mrs. Chloe Vance, Flinton, Mrs. Adella Dale, London and Mrs. Eliza Reid, Belleville.

Recital at St. Andrews

Last evening at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Guild, a vocal and piano recital was given by the pupils of Mrs. A. P. Allen and Miss Helen Ketcheson. The program was deeply appreciated by the large attendance of members of the society and others. Among those taken part were Miss Lily Boyle, piano solo; Miss Carmelita Mastin, song; Miss Pearl Hollins, piano; Miss Violet Holmes, vocal solo; Miss Freda Johnson, lano solos; Miss Nellie Wickson, vocal; Miss L. Huld, lano; Miss Vera Boyle, vocal; Misses Walter, Allen Smith, Kerr, Holmes and Mrs. P. K. Ketcheson, vocal; Mr. J. M. Patterson, vocal; Mrs. Allen and

MANY EYES

seemingly perfect in outward appearance, fall short in a little detail of shape and the sight isn't at all satisfactory or comfortable. This condition is in no respect a disease. No medicine or doctoring can be given that can change the shape of an eye ball.

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lasses that we prescribe and make on the premises, prevent the eye-strain and allows comfortable vision.

ANGUS McFEE'S OPTICAL SERVICE

Mrs. P. K. Ketcheson, vocal; Miss Helen Ketcheson, reading; Mrs. Ketcheson, vocal; Mr. H. Barrett, vocal; Miss Marnie Waters, vocal; Mr. Tom Barrett, vocal and Miss L. Sharpe, vocal.

Invited For Another Year

At a recent board meeting of the officials of Holloway St. Methodist Church, a resolution was passed expressing to their pastor, Rev. Mr. Clarry, their appreciation of his past year's services and inviting him to remain for another year. Thanks was also extended to Mrs. Clarry for her co-operation and help especially to the choir. Mr. Clarry spoke feelingly thanking the board and accepting the invitation.

Worms in children work havoc of the intestines and, if left to pursue their ravages undisturbed, will ultimately perforate the wall, because these worms are of the hook variety that cling to and feed upon interior surfaces. Miller's Worm Powders will not only exterminate these worms, of whatever variety, but will serve to repair the injury

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BIG ASSAULT COST GERMANS 40,000 IN KILLED ALONE.

LONDON, Feb. 29.—Despatch from Dutch sources state that the German loss in the assaults on Verdun positions total over forty thousand in killed alone.

GERMANS UNABLE TO MAKE FURTHER HEADWAY.

PARIS, Feb. 29.—Today's report from the front indicate that conditions have greatly improved for the French. The enemy is making no headway.

HUNS NEW MURDER PLANS TO START TONIGHT.

BRUSSELS, Feb. 29.—The German submarine war, it is declared will positively commence at midnight tonight as previously announced. All armed vessels will be treated as warships and sunk without warning.

TURKS EVACUATING TREBIZOND.

PETROGRAD, Feb. 29.—The Turks are evacuating Trebizond and neighboring towns on the Black-Sea coast. The Russian armies from the west and north are rapidly closing this region.

GREATER OFFENSIVE MAY DEVELOP.

LONDON, Feb. 29.—The British military authorities expect a new and greater offensive to develop in the western front probably on the Champagne Mass.

BRITISH CASUALTIES FOR FEB.

LONDON, Feb. 29.—British casualties in all the war zones during Feb. total 739 officers and 12,847 men.

GERMANS SOWING THE SEAS WITH MINES.

COOPENHAGEN, Feb. 29.—The Afton Bladet reports that a large German flotilla is engaged in laying mines south of Falstabor, but outside of Swedish territory.

MATERIAL GAIN FOR ALLIES: OUTCOME OF VERDUN BATTLE.

OTTAWA, Feb. 29.—In the House of Commons yesterday Sir Sam Hughes was asked as to the situation at Verdun. He replied that the cables reported an announcement by the President of the French Republic that the Germans had been driven back past Fort Douaumont and that French expected to hold all the ground that had been recaptured.

Later the Prime Minister received a cable from Sir George Perley which was shown to a number of the members but not to the public. The message, it is understood, not only confirmed the announcement above quoted, but stated that the French Government was sanguine that the general result of the whole engagement would be distinctly advantageous to the cause of the allies.

GERMAN VESSELS ATTACKING ATLANTIC COMMERCE.

NEW YORK, Feb. 29.—Wireless warnings that a German commerce raider, possibly accompanied by consorts was attacking shipping in the Atlantic were received by the Standard Oil Tanker, which arrived here today from Algiers.

21 CIVILIANS KILLED BY SHELLS AT VERDUN.

PARIS, Feb. 29.—Reports from Verdun says that 21 persons of the few remaining civilian population have been killed by shells, which fell in the city.

PASSENGERS FEARED THREAT.

NEW YORK, Feb. 29.—The French Line steamship Espagne, some of whose original passengers now at sea on the steamship Lafayette received anonymous warning that the Espagne might meet with mishap, sailed today for Bordeaux. She carried but one of the 130 passengers originally booked.

TO DISCUSS AFTER WAR CONDITIONS.

LONDON, Feb. 29.—Delegates from all the Chambers of Commerce in the

United Kingdom, except that of Manchester met in conference here today to discuss proposals regarding the regulation of British trade after the war.

SECOND SESSION OF PARLIAMENT OPENS.

TORONTO, Feb. 29.—The second session of the 14th parliament of the Ontario Legislature was opened this afternoon at three o'clock by His Honor Lieut.-Governor Sir John Hendrie. The proceedings were devoid of the usual degree of ceremony.

GERMAN ATTACKS NOT SO STRENUOUS.

LONDON, Feb. 29.—With the formidable German advance on Verdun still checked, it is believed for good, the fury of the onslaughts of the Kaiser's soldiery abated considerably and the French still continued to hold the same lines which they fell back on four days ago and the new lines which they established in their counter-attacks from the heights of Douaumont along the ridge which runs from there to north of the village of Vaux, heading back the less heavy waves of Germans which were hurled against them at less frequent intervals. Though the German and French artillery still keeps up spirited bombardments, signs are developing that the German gun fire has begun to abate, especially on the western side of the Meuse, where it died down considerably today.

The rushes of the Germans against the French positions were today roused down into several partial attacks, which, the French say, were driven back by fire and counter-attacks. The struggle on the lines drawn so the west of Fort Douaumont has been marked by hand-to-hand fighting in which the French say they won a local success by ejecting their foes from a small redoubt in which these foes had succeeded in effecting lodgment.

The Germans do not claim much in their official report from Berlin today in regard to the fighting north of Verdun, beyond asserting that fresh masses of French troops which were thrown into the combat in and near the fortresses of Douaumont and Hardaumont were exhausted in unsuccessful attacks against the German positions, and that the Germans had cleared the French out of the Meuse Peninsula, but the French had reported on Friday that positions closer to Verdun than these had been attacked furiously by the Germans, indicating that they had evacuated the ground which the Germans now claim that they have captured. The reason given for the withdrawal from the Meuse Peninsula by the French was that, owing to a bend in the river, the French forces in the peninsula would run grave danger of being cut off in case of accident.

A Paris despatch dated Sunday, but delayed by the censor till today, says: "A frightful massacre" is how German soldiers taken prisoner in the battle of Verdun describe the effect of the French artillery, machine gun and rifle fire. But he impetus of the assaulting forces was not diminished thereby during the first four days because fresh troops were thrown into the battle incessantly.

"Advance no matter what the losses may be," was the order given to the German troops before the attack. This is verified by documents found on one of the captured officers.

The most critical moment in the six days' action was when the Germans gained a footing in the entrenched camp by the capture of Fort Douaumont. The least hesitation on the part of the defenders would have been disastrous. The Germans redoubled their efforts to take advantage of any confusion, but he French immediately began a counter-offensive.

French infantry advanced at double quick to the trumpet charge and leaped at the first rank of the Germans with irresistible fury. The clash was murderous to both sides. The thinned French ranks were not to be denied, but went on to the second German wing, while reinforcements were hurried to their support. The German lines wavered first west of Douaumont, then were driven out of the ruins of the fort.

A cry of triumph went up all along the French line, and the arbor of the

counter-attack was redoubled. In the meantime an artillery duel, surpassing in intensity any previous action of the war, added to the carnage.

LONDON, Feb. 28.—The French have checked the German advance upon Verdun on a front which extends from the eastern banks of the Meuse and Pepper Hill, to a ridge which runs north of the village of Vaux and Fort Douaumont, part of which at least fell into German hands at some time early Saturday morning, but which was speedily regained in a counter-attack which drove the Germans back on the right wing for a considerable distance.

Violent fighting was continued on Saturday and Sunday, which resulted in the lines staying where they were drawn on Saturday morning. The French rapidly brought up reinforcements to the threatened points, and it is said that by Saturday night they had 15 divisions on the spot, while the Germans had thrown 20 divisions or 400,000 men into the conflict.

The Germans claimed that they captured Talon Hill in Sunday's official statement, and that they still held Fort Douaumont, but the French official communications make it clear that they dominate the position at that point. As to Talon Hill, the French say that they evacuated it in order to give their artillery a full sweep, and that the Germans have been unable to occupy it.

The Germans on Sunday claimed that they had taken nearly 10,000 prisoners, but it is authoritatively stated in Paris that the total French losses in killed, maimed and prisoners are smaller than the Germans give as prisoners taken.

The bombardment of the Verdun front on both sides of the Meuse was continued without cessation while the Germans continued the making of tremendous attacks which the French vigorously answered by counter-attacks. The French clung with success to their positions at Champ Neuville and Cote du Poivre (Pepper Hill) repulsing all attacks of the Germans. A furious struggle raged around Fort Douaumont, in which the Germans were driven back but the enemy clung to positions east and west of this point which the French fought all Sunday to capture.

All Saturday night the French troops continued to reinforce their positions, and on Sunday the brunt of the fighting was on the ridge which extends from Douaumont heights to north of Vaux Village, several violent attacks of the Germans being repulsed. The slaughter of Germans has been enormous.

Allied airmen have attacked and destroyed the railway station and damaged the tunnel at Hlayburg, according to The Echo Belge. An Amsterdam despatch says:

This, it is true, impairs the German communications between Metz and the interior of Germany.

Paris is extraordinary calm in the presence of the great battle in progress around Verdun. There are no indications of tension or nervousness but only sober confidence in the result prevails.

The desire among those who know the defensive strength of the lines seems to be that the attacks should continue, for, they argue, the losses on the German side would be in proportion to the efforts.

The whole front from the North Sea to Switzerland is on the alert and all leave of absence has been recalled. The French maximum effort has not yet been made.

The Temps' military review which is usually written by Gen. De La Croix, sums up the situation thus: "The battle being fought is extremely serious. Even should the heights of the Poivre and the Vache wood be taken the enemy would find us perhaps stronger on the Froideferre-Douaumont line, from which begin the defences, properly speaking, of the fortresses, covered with trenches and batteries. This is a siege by the Germans; it is a battle against one of our armies in the garrison at Verdun, and its forts don't figure in these combats as a support. The big guns of the enemy might destroy the fort of Douaumont without destroying anything more than an inert block of cement.

"The snow has not caused any dim-

inution of the attacks, because they cannot be suspended. They must be continued to the end. The troops engaged would be unable to remain idle long in the territory captured while awaiting better weather conditions. A thaw would render their situation worse, and it must already be painful."

The Temps refers to the possibility of the attacks continuing for two weeks and adds:

"Let us continue to have complete and unshakable confidence in the final issue."

French reinforcements are being taken from Flanders, and their places in the trenches are being taken by British troops.

MANY SHIPS LOST.

LONDON, Feb. 28.—Eleven steamers, all but one British, have been re-

ported lost during the week-end. The total loss of life is so far unknown. Some of the vessels were victims of mines and one was burned at sea, while the Fastnet and Torberg are reported to have been torpedoed. Following is the list: P. & O. liner Maloja, 12,500 tons, over forty lost; Wilson liner Dido, 4,769 tons; Fastnet, 2,227 tons; Empress of Fort William of Canada Steamships, Limited; Birgit, seventeen saved; Mecklenburg, 2,888 tons; Saevier, 2,906 tons; Denaby, 2,987 tons; Tummel, 531 tons, and Trignac, 1,447 tons, twenty-six lost; Tornberg.

SIR SAM HUGHES TO GO TO THE FRONT.

OTTAWA, Feb. 28.—It was learned in official circles last night that Sir Sam Hughes will be at the battle-

front at the end of May or the beginning of June. Sir Sam refused to say in what capacity he would see service when he was approached last night but it is well known that he has been invited to go to Europe by the highest authorities in Great Britain.

Nothing further concerning the matter was learned until it became known yesterday that he had accepted the invitation, and that he had at once made arrangements for proceeding to England and Flanders. It is characteristic of the energetic actions of the minister of militia that every detail was attended to a few hours, even to the passports of himself and his staff.

TERRIBLE TOLL OF DEATH WITH SUNKEN LINER.

LONDON, Feb. 28.—The latest re-

port shows that but two hundred and sixty were saved out of the 411 passengers and crew on board the liner "Malaja," sunk off Dover.

GREAT BATTLE MAY EXTEND ALONG WHOLE FRONT.

LONDON, Feb. 28.—Military authorities in London expect the German attacks to extend along the entire western front. Rumors are revived that the German fleet is about to come out.

EVACUATION OF DURAZZO IN ACCORD WITH PLAN.

ROME, Feb. 28.—The evacuation of the port of Durazzo in Albania is said by the Italian press to have been in accordance with plans long prepared. All efforts it is declared will now be directed to the safe-guarding of Avlona.

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DRESS GOODS

To Sell at Prices to Save You Money at Ritchie's

This season, as usual, we imported practically all our Wool Dress Goods direct from the manufacturers in England. This, in itself, makes it possible for us to sell Dress Goods at a great saving to you in price. But the fact that we placed our order months ago, before the drastic increases of woollen goods, places us in a position to offer our customers some splendid values in their Dress Goods needs. The showing already on display at the counters includes the following in the season's pet shades: Serges, Gabardines, Santos, Arnares, Caprice, Magali, Figue, Poplins, Bedford Cord, Aurora Cord, Black and White Checks, etc. Your inspection invited.

"New York" Silk Sweater Coats

These are being worn very extensively in New York and our buyer while there selected a fine assortment which we are now displaying in the Mantle Room. All the newest colors are shown some plain shades, others trimmed with white around collar and down front. A few with white sashes or half belt effect at back. Also in fancy checks. Come in and see these prices:

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Pretty New Embroideries

We are particularly anxious that you see our extended showing of New Embroideries, etc., which we have just opened up and placed on display. It is the finest showing we have had in years, and we want you to come in and see them now while they are fresh before they are handled and mussed.

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- 27-in. Embroidered Voiles and Organdies, 75c. and \$1 yd.
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- 40-in. Embroidered Organdies and Voiles, special, \$1.25 and \$1.50 yd.
- Embroidery Edgings, 5c. to 35c. yd.
- Corset Cover Embroideries, of nice fine Swiss qualities, 20c. to 35c. yd.

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OPEN FOR THE SEASON

Miss Murphy is now in charge of the Dressmaking Rooms for the coming season and will be pleased to meet any of our former customers and any new ones. Miss Murphy comes to us with the highest references, having for the past five years been with Murray-Kay's, one of the highest class dressmaking departments in Toronto, and we have no hesitation in recommending her to our customers. Come in and interview her.

Jap Silk Blouses \$1.98

We have just received a very large shipment of new Jap. Silk Blouses to sell at this price. They are in the most advanced styles and made of a splendid quality silk, hemstitched around sleeves, yoke and down front. New style collar that can be worn either high or low. There are several different styles at this price. We invite you to come in and see them, the values will surprise you. Other prices, \$2.75, \$2.98 and \$3.50

Royal Worcester and Bon Ton Corsets The RITCHIE Company Limited D. & A. and Nemo Corsets.

(ARTICLE THREE)

THE MIDDLEMAN AND HIS MISSION

Sidelights Upon the Much-Abused Man Who Performs a Needed Service.

THE RETAIL GROCER AND COLD STORAGE TRUST

By JAMES H. DeLAMERE

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"Somebody must cook, and somebody must serve" once remarked the late Elbert Hubbard in *The Fra*, "otherwise all of us would have to do the thing ourselves, and then all our efforts would be taken up in the search for eats, and we would be reduced to the occupation of the cave-men."

"Civilization is a great system of transfers. Each one does the thing he can do best, and works for the good of all. So, any man who does a needed service for humanity should not be classed with the parasites—although he be a middleman."

The "middle-man" is any merchant, or broker, or person who handles the product of the producer before it reaches the consumer. In other words he is the producer's salesman, for example: A farmer has ten tons of hay; 500 bushels of wheat, corn, potatoes or other commodities to sell. Now we know the farmer can bring this stuff to town, haul a load of hay in and stand around all day looking for a buyer. He might perhaps sell it to you or I if we happened to be looking for hay, at the same price the middle-man would pay him.

But suppose he doesn't happen to sell it that day, it must be either hauled back to the farm or else he must stop over night at the tavern and pay for his team and his own lodging. In order to protect himself, he must necessarily add this expenditure to the price of the hay, as it is one of production and selling.

The Modern Way of Selling.

But this method is too slow, too crude and too antiquated for the modern tiller of the soil. Remember he isn't a "reub" any more. The farmer of today is some thoughtful, thrifty person, so he goes to the commission merchant—middleman—who contracts to take over the whole or any part of the farmer's produce, agreeing to sell it in the open market, either to the grocer or consumer, through his salesman, and for which service he charges the farmer a certain percentage upon the amount of money the goods will bring, which percentage usually ranges from five to ten per cent.—or rather, an average of 7 1/2 per cent.

Now, if the goods are not sold at once, they must be placed in storage—which adds another item of expense. There might not be a demand that day, as they must be kept in good condition until the time does arrive when people want that particular kind of food. And right here we may as well throw out a bit of this "cold storage" talk that has been going the rounds of the press for some time.

We Need the Middle Man.

In a recent address before the Wholesale Grocers of America, the late Mayor Gaynor is quoted to have said:

"It is all very easy to talk, but when you come to analyse the complex affairs of life, then you have to measure your thoughts accordingly. The fact of the matter is this. In the cities we have to buy by the pint, quart or peck. If I have a barrel of apples someone has to keep them for me.

"Prices are high all over the world. In Paris, London and Rome they are talking about it just the same as we are over here. The trouble with high prices is, that we are all trying to get them. The laborer is trying to get the highest wages possible. Everyone with anything to sell tries to get all he can—and then someone goes upon the rostrum and abuses high prices! It is my belief that he doesn't believe it at all."

The period of high prices and increasing prices is now, and always will be, the period of progression and prosperity. Wait for twenty-five years, or less, until the period of falling prices and low prices sets in. Then you will see hard times, and you will have reason to complain.

Buying From the Producer.

There is an alluring sound to this "from the producer to the consumer" talk, but any food concern today selling to the consumer and eliminating the wholesaler and retailer, must, and does get the same of a higher price for the commodities than the consumer pays the retailer. This is because the selling and delivering expense is so much greater per pound of product than it is through the general channels of trade, for the retailer can deliver cheaper under the present conditions.

Everywhere we hear people planning the millennium when the producer can send his products direct to the home and out into the middleman. This sounds good, but for sake of illustration, suppose we disregard the jobber and retailer. Put them out of business along with their great warehouses and stores, wipe out their taxable values. Who pays then? Why the consumer, and he pays well, too.

Tell me, how are you going to get your products from the farm? By the railroads, you say. Wait. The railroad is a middleman. It doesn't produce any goods, but it is a necessity, so we've got to have them.

Now, we've wiped out the wholesaler, the jobber and the retailer. Mother wants five pounds of flour. She writes to the farmer to send her eight

pounds of wheat by parcels post so she can grind it up—with what? Why, the miller. So she phones the miller—but he is a middle-man. He's no producer either. Listen. He does produce something. He produces the skill, experience and labor to make the flour—and so do all middlemen and retailers. They produce service, credit and protection.

The Retail Grocer of Today.

The retail grocer is a pretty serious business man and a hard working public servant. He is down closer to "hard-pan" than he ever was in his life before, and to charge him with the high cost of living is unjust. On the contrary, he should be commended for his courage. Here's an instance. 100 pounds of sugar costs him today \$6.75. This he weighs out to his customers in pound lots, puts it in paper bags, ties it with a string, delivers it to your house—and the highest price he can get for it over the counter right now is 7 cents the pound.

You might not know it, but it costs the grocer at least 15 per cent. to operate his store. Taking this sugar argument as a basis, and he is actually out of pocket—and the profits are not great in any of the food lines. I think the retail grocer is a public benefactor, and he is kept from his proper position only because he is working fourteen hours a day contriving methods that will please his patrons, and assist them in keeping down unnecessary expenses, without going to the wall himself.

Food products will always be sold largely through jobbers to the retailer—because it is the economical way. It is a tremendous machine built up at great pains-taking risks all the time, and getting a very small percentage of the profit for the effort it puts into the service of the consumer.

The Cold Storage Man's Side.

Much has been said pro and con regarding the part the storage man plays in this cost of living era. Take the matter of storage eggs as an example. I recently put the question up to one of the leading storage men of Ontario, and he said:

"It is my opinion that oftentimes the consumer is to blame for insisting upon getting fresh eggs when they are asked for, and very few folks really comprehend the situation as it really exists.

"Fresh eggs generally appear early in the year, sometimes as early as January when the weather is favorable, but, as a rule, a free flow of eggs begins in the South along about March, and two weeks later is at its height in the north and west. This lasts about sixty days, when the supply gradually dwindles, so that in moulting season practically no eggs are produced—continuing until the next March.

"It is during the flush of production that eggs are gathered and quickly placed in specially prepared cases, after being graded; small and dirty ones being rejected, and the high grade eggs of the "first flow"—and cool weather eggs—are put in cold storage warehouses where the temperature is close to freezing point, where they are kept for months with so little deterioration that only an expert could detect a change in quality—if there be any.

"Now, as to the persons storing these eggs, no such thing as an "egg trust" exists. It requires millions of dollars to handle the products of this country, and necessarily men of means must invest or lose the money. The fact is, the owners of these eggs, are often glad to part with them at a five per cent. profit, after paying interest, storage and insurance."

So it will be seen that in the handling of goods, another expenditure is added to the cost of production, and this you and I have to pay for—all of which is right and proper and in strict accordance with the principles of trade and commerce.

There are many things we are today purchasing for the same, or less money in proportion, than we did ten years ago. While the cost of producing flour has materially advanced, we are not paying proportionately for our bread—and this is particularly true in Belleville.

Gilbert's Bakery, while not the largest in Ontario, is, nevertheless, one of the best and most efficiently equipped baking plants in Canada, and, with the new improvements which are now being made together with the installation of modern mechanical appliances by means of which human hands will never touch the bread at any stage of the baking. This concern will be a notable credit to the city.

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Next week's article will tell you how bread is baked in a modern bake-shop. It is entitled "The Art of Bread Making."

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IN MEMORIAM

THE LATE JOHN W. CHISLETT

Written by Our Ameliasburg Correspondent.

It was with feelings of regret and sorrow the many friends of John W. Chislett formerly merchant at Rednersville, learn of his death, which took place after a short illness at the home of his daughter Mrs. J. F. Hepler, Narberth, Penn., U.S.A. on Feb. 26th 1916. The late Mr. Chislett was born at Fort Hope, on March 25th 1824, being a son of the late Chas. Chislett of that place. When a young man he took considerable interest in sports from which he received an injury to the knee which gave him considerable discomfort at times for many years. On the 26th of April 1876 he married Ella Louise Garrett daughter of the late Stephen Garrett of the City of Belleville the marriage ceremony being duly performed by the Rev. Wm. Briggs the pastor of Bridge St. Church.

After completing his High School education at Port Hope he came to Belleville and graduated from O. B. C. and up until the time he entered into the Merchandise business at Rednersville some 23 years ago he successfully followed the profession of Book Keeping. He was in the employ of the late L. Yeomans for a number of years and continuously for 19 years with J. Walker hardware merchant of Belleville.

Early in life the late Mr. Chislett became identified with the church and up to the time of his death he continued to be an earnest and faithful member of the Methodist Church. He entertained a deep affection for his church and all the means of grace in connection with it. He was a generous and cheerful giver to every means and call for assistance to proclaim the glad tidings of Salvation either at home or in the heathen lands. He felt that he had a duty to perform and he cheerfully did it. The charge can never be laid against the late John W. Chislett that he did not practice what he preached, during the number of years he resided in Belleville both he and Mrs. Chislett were valuable members of Bridge St. choir, the same deep interest they took in singing songs of praise they manifested in all other branches of church work. Taking up their residence in Rednersville they entered into church work with the same zeal they had shown at Belleville and during the past 23 years the late Mr. Chislett has been a pillar of strength to the church and it will be many years until one will be found to fill his place. He honored the church and the church honored him, he filled with credit to himself the positions of Ass't. Supt., Class leader, trustee, steward, Secretary of the S. S. and other positions of honor. During the past 23 years he was leader of the choir and to himself and family the congregation owe a debt of gratitude they can never repay for the valuable services so cheerfully rendered under many obstacles and sacrifices.

He was a man of strong social character, he made friends wherever he went and he continued to hold their confidence, esteem and respect until the time of his death. He held strong

convictions of right and wrong and he always aimed to choose the right. He was amiable in his associations genial and upright in all his business dealings and if he could not speak well of any one he never said evil of them. His hope was strong and he had an abiding faith in the future. In July last he disposed of the business he had successfully conducted at Rednersville along with his position as Postmaster thinking a rest might do him good, he had been subject to frequent attacks of Nephritis from which he had suffered a good deal but he bore his affliction with that christian patience and fortitude his most intimate friends did not realize the seriousness of his illness, but when the summons came he was ready, his house was in order and he peacefully passed to his long home. The funeral took place from his late residence at Rednersville on Feb. 24th 1916, service being conducted at the Methodist Church by Rev. R. L. Edwards. The Altar and the deceased's chair in the choir were heavily draped, and the large number present bore evidence of the esteem and affection in which John W. Chislett was held by all who knew him. The example he has left on record may profitably be followed by all of us. He was a member of Lake Lodge A. F. & A. M., C. O. O. F., of which he was Secy. for years, the order of Foresters and Royal Templars. Rev. Mr. Edwards' discourse was appropriate, at the close of which the remains were taken to Belleville cemetery for interment. In addition to his widow the following family are left to mourn the loss of an affectionate husband, father and brother, H. W. Chislett, Winnipeg, Mrs. I. F. Hepler, Narberth, Penn.; Mrs. J. B. Phillips, Rednersville; Mrs. Hepler, Harrisburg, Penn.; Garrett (deceased) The brothers and sisters are Chasles of B. C.; Joseph, Coburg; Stephen Florida; Arthur, Winnipeg; Albert, Rochester; Mrs. J. C. Honey, Port Hope; Mrs. Wm. Freeman, Mass.; Mrs. Emil Leitfield, Mass. In addition to the floral offerings by the family the following were the contributors; W. A. Russell, Winnipeg, cross; W. J. Kimber and family, anchor; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Walker, wreath; W. E. Anderson and family wreath; Choir, Star, Lake Lodge, A. F. & A. M.; wreath, C. O. O. F., wreath.

The bearers represented the Masons Oddfellows and church officials.

HILLIER

Mrs. W. A. Lloyd has returned after visiting friends in Hastings. Miss Barbara Shuris of Rosehall spent the week-end with Miss W. Foster.

Pte. Edison Campbell is confined to the house with mumps.

Mrs. R. Jones spent a couple of days last week in Trenton.

Last Sunday Anniversary Services were conducted in the Methodist church by Rev. Mr. Limbust of Bloomfield, and Monday evening a Tea Meeting was held in the Town Hall.

Miss Effa Campbell is visiting her sister Mrs. F. Wight, Gilead.

Miss Eva Sullivan of Thurlow spent a few days last week visiting friends here.

Messrs. R. Turvey and Earle Anderson of Melville visited friends in the village last week.

Misses Helen Gilbert and Eva Sullivan spent last Saturday with Miss Maggie Turvey.

A number attended the dance in the hall on Friday evening.

Miss Jennie Wright spent the week end under the parental roof.

Owing to a press on our columns we have been compelled to hold over a number of our correspondence.

The 18th episode of the great photoplay serial "The Broken Coin" is announced for presentation at the Palace Theater, tonight and Thursday matinee and night, the title of this episode is "The Hidden City". The many admirers of J. Warren Kerrigan will be pleased to learn that he is to appear on the same program in a beautiful southern romance entitled "A Kentucky Idyll" besides the above offerings two sparkling comedies will also be presented.

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Mr. and Mrs. were the guests of a motel last week.

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Mr. J. M.

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The more printing that you buy of us, the better we will both be satisfied.—The ONTARIO Presses, "ON TIME AND RIGHT."</

News From Our Correspondents

ZION NOTES.

The Belleville District (Methodist Church) held their February meeting at Zion.

The chairman of the district Rev. S. C. Moore B. A. B. D. Belleville presiding. The secretary Rev. J. N. Clarry B. A. read the minutes of the last meeting.

Mr. A. Wals of Foxboro and Miss Jenny Kennedy were married on Wednesday February 23rd and on Monday evening prior, the young people and friends of Miss Kennedy met at her former home and gave her a shower of nice things.

Mr. J. Glapp has purchased the farm of Mr. Wm. Vandewater of 2nd Con. of Sidney.

Mr. Ernest Wilson of Zion Hill was married to Miss Stapley of Oak Hills last week.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Martha Casey took place last week at Zion church, Rev. A. C. Hoffman preached the funeral sermon, Rev. Sharp of Sidney was present.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Caldwell have for some time visiting friends in Syracuse N.Y.

H. K. Denyes supplied for Rev. Jones at Marsh Hill last Sunday.

J. G. Sills has been attending the Good Roads Convention last week.

A number of the young people here attended a party at Mr. John F. Ketcheson's and report having a good time.

Miss Beattie Sills is visiting friends near Whitby.

Sawing wood seems to be the order of the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Reid and family spent Wednesday at Crookston with Mr. V. Mitz.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Casey spent Tuesday at Mr. J. Wilson's Hallway.

A number around here attended the reception at the home of Mr. J. Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Halliday spent one night last week at Mr. J. Clappa's.

Mr. H. K. Denyes sold a fine driver to Mr. R. Dale.

On Monday evening a surprise party was given to Miss Jennie Kennedy before her departure from our midst.

The following address was read by Mrs. Fred Denyes.

Dear Jennie—

We, your friends and neighbours have met together tonight to spend one more pleasant evening together before your departure from our midst.

It was with regret at first that we learned that you were about to sever your connection with us, but there is a very bright side, and we are glad that you will not be far from us, and we trust we shall see you often.

There will always be a welcome for you to our homes whenever you can come.

We shall miss you. Your bright and cheerful disposition has won for you many friends, and you have always been willing to help in any work whenever asked.

The Sunday School will miss you, also our Epworth League but we trust that wherever you may go, that you will find an open field of service, and we know that you will do your part.

We ask you to accept these gifts which we have brought you in order to show in some tangible way our great esteem and regard for you, and we trust that as you may use them they may bring back many pleasant memories of your friends at Zion's Hill.

We all join in wishing you and your intended companion the very brightest and happiest voyage through life.

Signed on behalf of the community Mrs. Fred Denyes

Mrs. Herb Casey

Miss Jennie Kennedy taken by surprise made a suitable reply. The evening was spent in music and games. The crowd dispersed wishing Jennie a happy voyage through life.

READ.

A pretty wedding was solemnized at St. Charles Church at 9:30 on Monday, Feb. 21, when Miss Mary Walsh and Michael Jordan were united in the holy bonds of matrimony by Rev. T. McCarty.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen of Michigan, were the guests of Mrs. M. A. McDermott last week.

A number from this vicinity attended the Assembly at Marysville Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Mr. John Corrigan, Albert, spent Monday evening at home.

Some of the young people of here took a surprise party to the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Sills on Thursday evening of last week. All report a good time.

Mr. J. M. Minkley is very ill with

bronchitis.

Mr. John Doran who had the misfortune to break his leg is improving.

Mr. John Ford is in the Hotel Drew Kingston, where he under went an operation, we are glad to hear he is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. John Williams were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. Hunt on Sunday last.

Miss Joanna Corrigan has returned home.

On Wednesday of last week at the monthly meeting of the Women's Institute the members presented their former president Mrs. T. Shannon with an address and one half dozen silver soup spoons to show their appreciation for past service.

Mrs. Shannon thought that surprise expressed her thanks in a few well chosen words.

Mr. and Mrs. Bartly Walsh entertained a number of their friends on Sunday last.

Mr. Stanton, Smiths Falls, is here looking after the interests of the Canadian Co-operative Co.

Mr. E. Goodfellow who enlisted at Belleville last week is home for a few days recruiting at Read. We believe that several of our young men have responded to the call of King and Country.

Mr. J. V. Walsh is ill with quinsy.

CHAPMAN.

We had a great snowstorm on Thursday making the roads grand for sleighing.

Mrs. Murney Graham has returned home after spending a few days with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan Tweed.

Mr. James Adams left for Toronto on Friday on business.

Quite a number from the surrounding places took in the Box Social given at Bethel Church on Wednesday evening. All report a good time.

Miss Annie Fisher is spending a few days with Mrs. James Adams.

Miss Margaret Dwyer Stocco spent last week with her cousins Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson.

Mr. Delbert McCammon spent a few days last week with Belleville friends.

Quite an accident occurred on Saturday afternoon when Mr. W. Richardson while walking beside a load of logs got very badly injured. The sleighs slurred and he was thrown between some trees and the load. Mr. Eaton immediately drove him to his home and the doctor was summoned. We all join in wishing him a speedy recovery.

STIRLING.

The Rawdon branch of the Red Cross sent a large shipment of supplies to Toronto headquarters last week, making since they organized a year ago a total of

1479 pairs of socks
401 flannel shirts
78 hospital shirts
309 sealers of preserved fruits
41 pillows

Besides large quantities of white linen and cotton handkerchiefs, candy, gum, tobacco, razors, magazines, etc.

Mrs. Hawkins, Pres.; Mrs. Thompson, Vice-Pres.; Mrs. Bailey, Treas.; Mrs. Montgomery, Cor. Sec.

MOUNTAIN VIEW.

Richard Vanworts' home was the scene of a very happy event Wed. 23rd of February, 1916 at 8 o'clock in the evening, when his daughter Vivian was united in marriage by the Rev. Mr. Webber to Fred Mottley a well known young man of kindly disposition and of industrious habits of

Huff's Island. The young bride looked sweet in blue dress, carrying white carnations, wearing a brilliant V letter brooch a gift from the groom. The waiters—sister of bride and a friend of groom also wore jewels, gifts from the groom.

The supper served to over 50 neighbors were all that could be desired both in quantity and daintiness.

The presents were many and some very costly, showing the good wishes of friends.

May Mr. and Mrs. Mottley bear in mind the motto: "As for me and my house we will serve the Lord."

REDNERSVILLE & ALBANY.

A number of people of this vicinity took dinner at Mr. I. Wilson's on Thursday last.

Mr. Peter Crozier of Deseronto is visiting friends in this vicinity for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Marvin of Belleville accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Brickman spent Thursday evening at Mr. J. G. Peck's.

Misses Lulu Rowe and Gladys Alvey are spending a few days at Clarence Russell's.

Mr. Harry Skinkle of Percy spent a few days of last week with Mr. George Weese.

Mr. F. Crozier, news and Raymond Crozier spent Wednesday at Rednersville.

A large number of people of Belleville is spending a couple of weeks with Mrs. Charles Brickman.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Marvin of Belleville spent Friday at the home of J. V. Brickman.

Mrs. Will Peck Jr. spent a few days of last week with friends at Smiths Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. George Weese, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Brickman and Irene took tea at Mr. J. G. Weese's Monday evening.

ARE YOU DOING YOUR BIT?

While this awful conflict rages, Men are going to the front, Men who dare to face the danger, And to brave the battle's brunt.

Stalwart sons who love their country Are engaging in this war; Who'll defend their country's honor At the price of many a scar?

But who are these men who're fighting To protect our homes and lives, Men who help our noble country Win the peace for which she strives?

They are some poor women's husbands, They are some poor mothers' sons, Just as dear to them as yours are— And they've gone to fight the Huns.

Gallantly these noble soldiers, Face the foe day to day, But what of the many shirkers Who at home are bound to stay?

When this cruel war is ended, And our soldiers homeward come, Victorious lads who well defended You in comfort here at home.

You could look them in their faces With a greeting far more fit, Had you with them took your places, If you'd only done your bit.

Mr. Geo. W. Fox, Allisonville, Ont.

WESTERN AMELIASBURG.

Our teacher, Miss Kathleen Johnson of Concession spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Brown and Mr. and Mrs. William Brown spent Sunday at Mr. George Brown's.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Taylor of Hillier spent Saturday with the former's parents, Mrs. George Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Marvin of Belleville spent a few days last week visiting the former's brother, Mr. Jesse Marvin.

Miss N. Mikal and Miss E. Redlich are spending a few weeks at the home of Mrs. J. Vandervoort.

We are very sorry to report that Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Kemp are suffering from grippe.

We are sorry to report that the Misses Lela Corrine and Audrey Adams are very ill with the mumps.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Under visited friends at Hunter on Sunday last.

Miss Amy Marvin has returned to her home after spending a few weeks with friends in Belleville.

Mr. Clarence Sawyer is spending a few days the guest of Mr. John Brown.

Mr. Morley Wadsworth spent a few days last week visiting his uncle, Mr. B. Cooper of Conynville.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Brown of Carleton are spending a few days visiting friends in this vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Brown entertained the young people of the neighborhood on Friday evening of last week.

MADOC AVI.

Private Clarence Ashley has gone to Kingston to train as a soldier.

Mr. Seymour Ashley has been on the sick list for the past week.

Miss Margaret Dwyer Stocco, one of our popular little ladies secured the lucky number on the quilt sold at the Red Cross on Friday night at the home of Mr. S. Sanford. The proceeds of the sale amounted to nearly twenty dollars and was a decided success, considering the weather.

On Wednesday evening of last week a large number of friends and neighbors gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Peck to spend a social evening with them and their daughter Elsie who recently became Mrs. Arthur Wilson during the evening. Mrs. Wilson was presented with a set of silver knives and forks and spoons and the following address:

Mrs. Wilson was also presented with some nice linen by her sister-in-law, Miss Elsie.

Having heard that you were to be in the old home tonight, we your friends and neighbors have gathered here in order to express to you some of our feelings now that you have taken your departure from our midst.

Your quiet, winning ways and sweet face have made you a favorite with many of us and we could wish you might have kept you with us; but as you are removing but a little ways, we hope to see you often although you will be missed in our Sunday School as teacher and a faithful member and organizer of our Women's Missionary Society. We could not allow you to leave the old neighborhood

without trying to show our appreciation and love for you in some way; therefore we ask you to accept these gifts as a token of our esteem and in leaving on you carry with you our best wishes and prayers that God will bless you and keep you in your new home.

Signed on behalf of friends and neighbors:

Elsie Eggleton
Clarence Kitchett
Mabel Eggleton

Mrs. Arthur Andrews was called to Keene last week on account of the illness of her little niece.

MOIRA.

No service was held in our church last Sunday on account of the bad roads.

Mr. Frank Comerford of Bathford, Ont., has returned to Eldorado after visiting relatives here for the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Salisbury were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. Vandewater last Friday.

Miss Mildred Clare visited Mr. and Mrs. L. Ketcheson of Thomsburg on Wednesday last.

Mr. Nelson Thompson of Toronto is visiting at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Connor were guests of Miss Evelyn Salisbury last Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Bristol and children have returned to their home in the West after spending the past two months visiting relatives here.

Mr. George Post is wearing a broad smile—it's a boy.

BLESSINGTON.

We have at last good sleighing, and many of the farmers are delighted as they have a lot of teaming to do.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Smith had an agreeable surprise on Friday evening when about 40 of their neighbors invaded their home and presented them with two beautiful chairs. An address was read by Mrs. C. W. Cole and Mr. C. W. Cole. F. F. Corrigan presented the chairs to Mr. and Mrs. Smith, although taken completely by surprise.

Mr. Smith made a suitable reply thanking his friends and neighbors for such handsome presents. Then the ladies served a dainty lunch after which they indulged in dancing and games for a couple of hours.

Wishing Mr. and Mrs. Smith every prosperity in their future home near Shannonville.

Mrs. P. McLaren spent a couple of days in Belleville visiting her mother.

Mrs. I. N. Robinson has returned home from visiting her daughter, Mrs. H. Farnsworth at Shannonville.

Mrs. F. Corrigan entertained a number of her friends on Monday evening.

Mrs. C. W. Cole spent Thursday at Mr. John Cole's Shannonville.

Mr. John Robertson is confined to the house with grippe.

SECOND CONCESSION, THURLLOW.

Drawing ice is the order of the day.

Miss Keitha Vivian entertained a number of her friends on Wednesday evening of last week. All report a fine time.

We are pleased to report that Miss Sarah Sutton who has been very ill with an attack of pneumonia is recovering under the skillful treatment of Dr. Youmans of Belleville.

The Ladies' Aid Society of Spencer's church are doing fine work for the Red Cross.

Mr. and Mrs. John Barlow were pleasantly surprised at the home of their son Fred, on Friday night, when a number of their old friends and neighbors gathered there to bid them goodbye as they were soon to leave our midst. A very suitable address was read by Mr. Alva Brown and they were presented with a couple of beautiful silver chairs. A very enjoyable evening was spent in games and music.

Mrs. George Barnum and family, have recently left our midst to reside in Belleville.

Miss Inez Gausbury of Moira has been the guest of our friend, Miss Margaret Dwyer for the past couple of weeks.

The Epworth League of Shannonville were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Kitchett on Wednesday evening.

A number from this vicinity attended the social concert held at Belleville on Tuesday night.

Also a number of friends of Shannonville spent a few days last week the guest of Mrs. Geo. Gresham.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Davidson entertained a number of their friends on Wednesday night.

Miss Alice Gony visited friends in France on Tuesday last week.

We are glad to hear that Bartley Gony is better.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Peck spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Peck.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Belleville, is quite ill with grippe in his latter part of the last week.

A large number from this vicinity attended a farewell party at Mr. Jas.

O'Leary's, Melrose on Tuesday evening before his removal to Lonsdale.

The Misses Donovan, Forest Mills entertained Mr. and Mrs. M. Jordan, J. Corrigan, M. J. Walsh and sisters, and the Misses R. McDermott, A. Williams, and A. Power, on Sunday evening for tea.

The disagreeable weather on Sunday last did not prevent some of our young people from venturing forth, though some owing to blocked roads, did not succeed in reaching their destination, and were obliged to return home.

Our genial merchant, W. Meagher wears a broad smile these days the stork visited his home Monday last and left a girl.

On Sunday, Feb. 27th, Mr. and Mrs. John Buckley, Mr. and Mrs. P. Callery, Mrs. J. Power and son, James, visited at the home of J. Forestall, Melrose.

BURRS.

The Sunday School Convention at Burr's church on Monday 21st was largely attended and several musical selections were rendered by the schools from Rose Hall, Melville, Bowerman's and Burrs, also an instrumental from Burr's orchestra which were much enjoyed as well as several excellent addresses. An address by Rev. W. R. Archer, Wellington, subject, "The Bible" and one by Rev. A. Lucas, Toronto, "That Boy of Yours," were certainly helpful and should inspire their hearers with renewed zeal to do the Master's work.

A number in this neighborhood have been suffering from the grippe lately.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Doolittle, Bloomfield, have been visiting friends in this vicinity last week.

Mr. Clayton Tice, Bowerman's spent a few days at Walter Nelson's last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Nelson and family spent an evening at Mr. Bruce Tice's Bowerman's, last week.

Mr. Walter Nelson sold three horses last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Tice entertained a number of friends one evening recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Nelson and family were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bride Hough on Sunday.

The attendance at Sunday School was small on Sunday owing to the storm. The church was well heated and the snow shoveled away. It will take a revival or another convention to make people face a snow storm on Sunday.

"Breaking colts" and "breaking roads" is the chief pastime.

PORT HOPPER.

Miss Jennie Laughan, Mr. Ross Langham and Miss Mary Bowyer of Belleville spent the weekend with their parents here.

Mrs. A. A. Knox has returned after spending a few weeks in Belleville visiting friends.

Mr. W. H. Macdonald is spending a few weeks with his daughter, Mrs. G. Macdonald, at Belleville.

The members of the Ladies' Aid surprised Mrs. D. Macdonald on Wednesday afternoon at Mrs. D. Langham's secretary gave a few well chosen remarks after which the president, Mrs. George Jackson presented Mrs. Macdonald with a beautiful home-made quilt; A very pleasant hour spent in knitting for the Thurlow Red Cross Society and social intercourse.

Mr. W. P. Bowyer has gone to Toronto to visit Mr. Wm. Bowyer of the Hydro Electric Power Co.

Master Teddy Taylor is spending a few days with his grand mother in Belleville.

Mrs. Wheeler of Belleville and Master Harold are visiting with Mrs. Wheeler's sister, Mrs. L. Hall.

Mrs. Don Macdonald who has been ill with pleurisy is reported some better.

Mrs. Geo. Raether attended a meeting of the Quince Branch of the Women's Institute held at the home of Mrs. Forward, George St., Belleville recently.

An Interesting Bowling Match

Monday evening in the parlors of the Orange Street Hotel, Toronto the representatives of the Bowling Business men's Association and the Alpha Club met in the latter's rink in one of the games being played between the different men's associations of the city.

Mr. D. C. team
Wm. Stewart, skip
G. A. Kerr, vice skip
K. B. Morgan
J. H. Allen
G. H. Robinson
A. G. Gony
The Alpha Club team
J. V. Kelly, skip
J. V. Robinson, vice skip
E. O. Ferguson
A. Sherman
J. W. Walsh

The game was an interesting one but fortune favored the Business Men's team. The score was B.M.B.U. 50, Alpha Club 22.

Mr. H. Salisbury filled the position of umpire to the satisfaction of every one.

The different men's associations and Bowlers of the city have been holding bowling matches throughout the winter and they have been of great value in establishing an acquaintance among the men of the city and a friendship between the members of each association which could not be attained so well in any other way.

We congratulate the representatives of the Bridge St. Club as the Alpha Club were the winners in the last series of matches.

At the close of the match the players adjourned to the restaurant of Messrs. Dickens & Son where they were entertained by Mr. E. F. Dickens, who is the president of the Business Men's Bible Class.

CURLING

Belleville Junior Curlers scored another win last night when they defeated Napanes in their home town.

The scores and teams were,— Napanes—B. Leary, J. Pringle, F. Vanastine, P. Klorine—16.

Belleville—H. B. Stock, M. A. Day, P. O. Pitney, J. W. Davison—12.

Napanes—W. Jewell, F. Bogart, J. M. Root, M. Graham—8.

Belleville—A. R. Symons, A. H. Kerr, H. McArthur, C. J. Symons—20.

Totals: Belleville, 32; Napanes, 23. It is expected that Napanes juniors and seniors will be in Belleville tomorrow night to play return games.

The Belleville juniors haven't lost a game in their own league this winter. Belleville seniors have lost one game to Kingston.

The winners of this group will play Brockville, the winners of the Eastern group.

Rifle Association.

The Club held its monthly Spoon competition last night in the Armories. There was a small attendance owing to several members taking part in the Curling competition at Napanes and other outdoor attractions.

The scoring was again of a very high standard the same scores in the spoon competition counting for the Rifle presented by the Winchester Repeating Arms Co. Mr. Harry Day scored a faultless possible of 100, which is very good considering the difficult competition cards were used. Other scores were high and resulted in an average of over 94. The following is the full score:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. Harry Day 100, A. Harman 96, J. C. Willis 95, W. J. Andrews 94, J. S. Peck 94, H. Hall 94, G. B. Smith 92, J. Woodley 92, J. Douch 92, E. V. Brown 90.

*Winners of Silver Spoons.

NORTHPORT.

The Willing Workers of Northport gave an entertainment on Tuesday, Feb. 22nd at the Orange Hall. An orchestra from the 156th regiment was in attendance and gave many spirited selections. Pte. Fred Burke of the 156th sang several much appreciated songs. Lieut. Sandford gave a talk upon life in the trenches in France. Rev. F. L. Barber, Pictou, gave an interesting speech upon conditions in Great Britain and Germany. Capt. Noble commanding officer of the company of the 156th at Pictou gave an enthusiastic patriotic address. Col. Putnam of Pictou, an old Northport boy, senior major of the 156th occupied the chair.

Northport Chess and Billiard Co. will hold their annual spring meeting for the purpose of selling tickets etc., on March 2nd.

Brandon to Winnipeg

Reverend R. S. Laidlaw, M.A., who for several years was the honored minister of St. Andrew's Church here, has been called to assume the pastorate of the mother Presbyterian Church of the West in Winnipeg, and has accepted. Knox Church, Winnipeg, is the largest and most prosperous of all the Presbyterian congregations and Belleville friends who know Mr. Laidlaw's worth will congratulate his church as well as the pastor who is called to such an honorable responsibility. Both the father and mother of Reverend Mr. Laidlaw died within a few days of each other last month and he and Mrs. Laidlaw have the sympathy and good wishes of all their old friends.

80TH AND 155TH BATTALIONS ATTEND SERVICE AT BRIDGE ST.

Impressive Sermon on Gideon--80th Brass Band Rendered Music--Impressions of Service

(From Monday's Daily)

The parade of the 80th and 155th overseas battalions with brass and bugle bands attracted a large crowd on the streets and to Bridge Street Methodist Church on Sunday morning. The occasion was the first on which the troops of both units united in service at one of the churches of the city. The 155th Quebec Battalion made its first public appearance with both bands. Lt. Col. Adams is to be congratulated on the splendid showing of his men in training here. The brass band under Bandmaster Sergeant E. H. Hinchey played on the march a beautiful march and hymns. The bugle band although small in numbers was also heard. Both musical organizations are getting into the best of form. The 80th brass band will march because of the cold which would have made their part in the church service impossible. The 80th Battalion paraded almost like veterans, so excellent was the discipline. Sunday was anything but a fine day for a church service. In spite of adverse weather conditions, deep snow which blocked the roads, and cold winds about five or six hundred soldiers turned out and marched to the church. They filled the entire sanctuary, occupying the choir loft and the 80th being seated in front of the pulpit. The public was restricted to the gallery and many were unable to secure seats. So large was the company that the 80th, besides rendering the musical service of the day, besides rendering the music for the hymns, the band gave several selections. The hymns were "O God Help in Our Time," "O God and Fight the Good Fight," "The Selections were "Angels, Serenade" by Bragan, "Nearer My God to Thee" and Handel's "Largo." The rendition of these numbers was of a particularly high quality. The pastor, who has been given the organization, that of being the finest military band in Canada, complete with all the instruments to complete the effects for concert work, the band showed up in a building. The music was subdued to the requirements of the auditorium.

Selby Quarterly Board

On Monday, February 7th, 1916, the Quarterly Board of the Methodist Church, Selby Circuit, met. A full attendance of the board being present. The business of the Church was discussed and the work of the year reviewed. It was considered that the work of our Pastor and his wife were in the interest of the community at large and have been solicitous for the well being of others, and that we find in them an unselfish inspiration, and their life in our midst has been an illustration of what is implied in the expression, "A follower of Him who went about doing good." In view of this fact, it was moved by Mr. E. J. Sezimith, and seconded by Mr. C. N. Lucas, that the appreciation of the Board be extended to Rev. Mr. Cooke and Mrs. Cooke and a desire to give them the united expression of our gratitude by inviting them to return to us at the coming Conference year, and trust that their labor among us in the weeks that are to come may be blessed with God's blessing even as in the past. Mrs. B. Hodgins, R. S.

Contest In Life-Saving At Y. M. C. A.

A very pleasing and instructive feature was demonstrated at the Y.M.C.A. swimming pool, Friday evening, when 13 candidates presented themselves for examination in the various methods of life saving.

The efforts put forth by the Association will be of the greatest value in making the youth of the city efficient swimmers and life savers.

It is to be hoped that more interest will be taken in this line of sport than has been previously done by our young people, as swimming is an art superior to all others in the promotion and preservation of health.

The Y.M.C.A. can be congratulated for the facilities it is providing in this respect. The work is not confined to boys but also has been taken up by ladies and some of the latter as shown by their efficient work, have become practical and efficient swimmers, and it is to be hoped that their example will be followed by others and that a ladies section will be formed similar to those at present held under the auspices of the Y.M.C.A. in this respect. There is no reason why with the facilities offered and the instruction given every lady should become an efficient swimmer, as apart from these considerations, it is a means of preserving one's life but also for rendering assistance to others in danger of drowning. Every one should therefore consider it their duty to learn to swim. Mr. Peter F. Gifford, the popular instructor, was successful in qualifying on the award of merit. This is an extremely severe test as part of the test the candidates had to swim fully attired with the exception of boots and coat a distance of 200 yards, and 200 yard stroke, and then address on the surface of the water, all of which was very well done. At the same time he also secured two other awards. The teacher's certificate, the honor of the instructor's certificate.

The examinations were very thorough, every detail being closely watched and any oversight being immediately corrected, particular attention was given to the resuscitation part as last summer several cases of persons apparently drowned when brought to shore had subsequently been found to be alive. This very important knowledge on the part of bystanders.

The swimming pool was crowded with the friends of those taking part and judging from the applause given was greatly appreciated and enjoyed by those present, and we hope that the Y.M.C.A. will continue the work of the R.L.S.S. that they have so successfully inaugurated. Touching upon resuscitation, this method which has been adopted by the R.L.S.S. is known as the Schafer method, called after Prof. Schafer, Prof. of Physiology at the Edinburgh University and is forming a subject of considerable thought and experiment just now owing to the large number of our brave boys who every year, every season have shown that the entire lung had dissolved from its effect but in light cases where prompt measures were taken artificial respiration were applied and animation had been quickly revived or in other words oxygen had replaced the poisonous gas, this may no doubt be of interest to our military boys. The following is a list of the successful candidates and the awards issued:

Award of merit, Teachers' Certificate
Honorific Instructor's certificate
Peter F. Gifford
Bronze Medalion
Lorne Deaton
Ernest Taylor
Gordon Clarke
Proficiency Certificate
Ernest Taylor
Evelyn Dempster
Edwin VanBuskirk
Marie Brock
Mary Yeomans

Late W. S. Belch

The funeral of the late Wellington Samuel Belch, aged 49 years took place this morning from The Thompson Company's funeral parlors to Hegleville Cemetery, Rev. M. E. Wilson of Canton officiating. Deceased was a native of Canton and leaves two brothers, Philip and James Belch of Watertown and one sister, Mrs. John Russell of the same city.

Death of Aged Lady

Mrs. Keziah Parks, aged 87 years passed away at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Richard Cornell, 114 Chatham St., Sunday, Feb. 27. Her husband died 26 years ago. She was born in Richmond. Four daughters survive, Mrs. Johnston, Flint, Mich., Mrs. L. Kaiser, Toronto, Mrs. T. Kaiser, and Mrs. R. Cornell, Belleville. Two brothers also survive, W. Brown of Napanee and A. Brown, of California.

Grand Ligne Mission

Eloquent Sermon by Rev. J. R. Webb of Peterboro, at the Baptist Church

(From Monday's Daily)

At the Baptist church yesterday morning Rev. J. R. Webb preached an eloquent sermon on the subject "Mission in Quebec," known as the "Grand Ligne Mission." A delegation of local Orangemen were present, and several of them expressed their appreciation of Mr. Webb's splendid presentation of this Protestant Mission. The L.O.L. of Ontario contribute \$250 yearly towards this work, thus marking their appreciation of its endeavors. Speaking of the area and population of Quebec, Mr. Webb declared that it would surprise many of his hearers to know that the Province of Quebec is twice as large as British Columbia, almost equal to the combined area of Saskatchewan and Alberta combined, more than thirteen times as large as the whole of the Maritime Provinces and one and three-quarters as large as the Province of Ontario. Mr. Webb pointed out that the Province of Quebec is a vast territory, almost equal to the combined area of British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba and New Brunswick combined, 88 per cent. of whose people are French and 12 per cent. are Roman Catholics.

Mr. Webb declared that this present war is giving the Protestants of the world a great opportunity to show the Catholic peoples of all nations that the Protestant religion is one of broadness and charity, and liberty for all the oppressed.

"If the war with its sorrow and its misery," said Mr. Webb, "awakens us to see the value and the worth of individual responsibility, it will not have been in vain."

The Church or Mission that puts the greatest emphasis upon individual regeneration is best meeting the need of the individual and at the same time preparing to the world the spirit of all the nations, religious, social and political that are causing so much anxiety to men.

It is in this class of work that Grand Ligne Missionaries are doing their best and their strength. The political, social, religious, social and political that are causing so much anxiety to men.

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Big Attraction to Come Our Way

We are pleased to inform our readers that Belleville is no longer to be entirely off the map as far as theatrical attractions are concerned. The Griffin Amusement Company has closed contracts with a number of the best road attractions which will play Belleville in the immediate future. Among those already promised are "The White Feather," the great war play, "The Quinneys," the fine English production playing the Royal Al. exander, Toronto, this week, "Potash and Perlmutter," a high class comedy, and others comprising a long list scheduled to appear in this city before the close of the present season.

Social and Personal

Mrs. C. A. Cronk is in Montreal, visiting friends.

Mrs. Helen, Bridge Street, west, has been seriously ill.

Mr. Mark Tripp of Trenton was in the city yesterday.

Mr. C. Yoreux of Trenton came to town to witness the Belleville-Auralee match.

Dr. J. F. Mather has gone to Callerton to spend some time in recuperating his strength.

Miss M. Campbell has returned from New York, Detroit and Toronto where she has been on a business trip.

Rev. Dr. and Mrs. F. W. White, and family of Wilton, are in the city on account of the serious illness of Mr. F. P. Clark, of West Bridge Street, father of Mrs. White.

Miss Victoria Stares of Hamilton, who is the soloist at tonight's concert of the 80th band is the guest of Mrs. R. M. Watson, 23 Tumball Street.

Miss Jessie McGie, Fort St. is in Montreal, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Robb.

Captain Ruston of the S.A., was in Trenton yesterday.

Mr. Allan G. Meagher, of Octavia St., spent the week-end in Trenton.

Mr. W. C. Mikel, K.C., is in Toronto on business.

Mr. Peter P. Clark, West Bridge Street, is reported as better today at the hospital.

MILITARY NOTES.

The accommodation for the 80th band concert tonight, is practically sold out, only 200 rush seats remaining at 25c each. These will be opened to the public at the opera house at 7.30 tonight.

The piano which is to be used at the 80th concert tonight is manufactured by the well-known firm of Heintzman & Co., Toronto and was particularly chosen by Miss Victoria Stares as the piano she wished to be accompanied by. The instrument has been loaned by Mr. W. B. Riggs.

The 80th band leave tomorrow at noon for Brookville. It is understood that the theater seating capacity there has been entirely sold out for the concert.

Col. Hemming, O.C. the 3rd Division, will be present tonight at the concert of the 80th Overseas Band. He will be accompanied by Col. Stewart, O.C. Hamilton, Lieut. Wilson and others of the staff. Col. Hemming will speak at the intermission.

The 80th band has been strengthened by the following recruits:

Private David W. Farr, private player of the Violin, Reginald Hamilton, who is also a pianist of note. Private Louis B. Williams. Private E. C. Hunter, who has played for eight years in the Black Watch band.

Funeral of Late Miss Murney

The funeral of the late Miss Edith Nina Murney took place privately this morning to St. Thomas Church, where the Rev. Canon Beasleigh officiated. The remains were taken to Belleville Cemetery.

Checker Champion Will Play Here

Phil Sanders, the juvenile checker champion of the world is again in town. He has arranged to meet the local checker experts, military and civilian at the Armouries tomorrow (Wednesday) evening. He will play from twenty to twenty-five boards simultaneously and will sit blindfolded back to the boards, playing by numbers on three, for or five boards.

Mr. Sanders, hopes to meet Alf Jordan in Toronto shortly.

Off to Midland

Midland's victory over Brampton intermediates last night will send Belleville team to Midland tomorrow evening in the first of the home and home games of the semi-finals.

Brampton went with a three goal lead to Midland, but the home team defeated them by 12 to 1.

Heavy Sentence For Deserter

Private Hill who deserted from the 80th has been arrested by the police in Toronto and has been returned here. It is expected he will receive a very severe sentence.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that the firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATHARRH CURE.

FRANK J. CHENEY

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A.D. 1886. A. W. GLEASON (Seal) Notary Public

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Sold by all druggists. 75c per bottle. Beware of cheap imitations.

McIntosh Bros.

FEBRUARY Whitewear Sale

Continues with increasing interest from day to day. Have you taken advantage of the GREAT BARGAINS OFFERED? We urge you to attend, scores have saved money by attending this sale, so can you.

Superb showing of
New Prints, Gingham, Silks, Etc.

at wonderful low prices. You can spend your time to advantage by viewing this display, everything is brand new and embraces all that is new for the coming season.

Let us show you these goods!

McIntosh Bros.

STORE NEWS!

On learning of the approaching marriage of one of Avondale's popular young ladies, the neighbors and friends of the surrounding district to the number of ninety gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Denyes Front of Sidney on Tuesday evening Feb. 15 to express their goodwill and best wishes to the "bride to be."

The gathering took the form of a miscellaneous shower and the presence spoke in no uncertain manner of the degree of respect and admiration in which Miss Winnie Ramsey was held by her associates and the people of the community in which she lived.

Some time was spent in the presentations of the gifts and the reading of the poems, composed by the donors to the shower, describing the different gifts and their various uses.

These were responded to by Mr. Raymond Finkle who in his usual good natured way thanked the friends in behalf of Miss Ramsey for the presents, so useful and beautiful as well, and Mr. and Mrs. Denyes for making the shower and extended to all a hearty invitation to visit them in their new home.

Lunch was then served by the hostesses.

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Continues with increasing interest from day to day. Have you taken advantage of the GREAT BARGAINS OFFERED? We urge you to attend, scores have saved money by attending this sale, so can you.

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STORE NEWS!

On learning of the approaching marriage of one of Avondale's popular young ladies, the neighbors and friends of the surrounding district to the number of ninety gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Denyes Front of Sidney on Tuesday evening Feb. 15 to express their goodwill and best wishes to the "bride to be."

The gathering took the form of a miscellaneous shower and the presence spoke in no uncertain manner of the degree of respect and admiration in which Miss Winnie Ramsey was held by her associates and the people of the community in which she lived.

Some time was spent in the presentations of the gifts and the reading of the poems, composed by the donors to the shower, describing the different gifts and their various uses.

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Off to Midland

Midland's victory over Brampton intermediates last night will send Belleville team to Midland tomorrow evening in the first of the home and home games of the semi-finals.

Brampton went with a three goal lead to Midland, but the home team defeated them by 12 to 1.

Heavy Sentence For Deserter

Private Hill who deserted from the 80th has been arrested by the police in Toronto and has been returned here. It is expected he will receive a very severe sentence.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that the firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATHARRH CURE.

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AURA LEE TAKES THREE GOAL LEAD ON BELLEVILLE

Fastest Game of Season on Local Ice Last Night --Playing Well Balanced for Greater Part of Contest--Visiting Forwards Strong

More the largest crowd which the arena has held this season. Aura Lee Belleville Juniors battled last evening in the first of the semi-final rounds of the Toronto seven winning by a 3-1 score. Local enthusiasm never ran so high as it did yesterday. The much praised Aura Lee team was expected to be a strong lineup because of the greatest scoring they have accomplished this year. Still scarcely a goal man had seen them play, and confidence in Belleville who have swept everything so far, and the knowledge that the game was to be one of the greatest ever witnessed here, led crowds to the arena. They started to arrive at seven o'clock by 8.15 scarcely a position was available from which the game could be seen. The galleries and ground floor, reserved seats and beams were all occupied.

prejudiced fan in Belleville had to admire. They played a game of scenic beauty, not, skating across the rink, the forwards in a perfect line. The wings rarely had to look to see if the center and rover were in position. They were there and the result was a pass in front of Belleville goal and quite often a score. Aura Lee's heavy defense Sheldon came down a number of times in his rade on the local goal. The exhibition of stick handling by the visitors was grand. Gouinlock in center was a wonder. Speed the Avenue Road bunch had too plenty. Their back checking was perhaps not as clever as that of Belleville.

Aura Lee is the finest aggregation by far that has appeared in Belleville and the match was the finest exhibition of Canada's winter sport that local fans have seen. Heavier than our boys by far and several of them of doubtful age according to Belleville enthusiasts. Aura Lees presented the utmost confidence upon the ice. Never were they flustered by the scoring of their rivals. Alert to all the tricks and opportunities of the game, they never slackened their pace until near the close, when they had secured a lead. Workers they are almost all of them. Their forward line in attack was an exhibition which even the most

The Belleville boys put up a wonderful battle, setting a pace at the start which has rarely been equaled here. The superior weight of their antagonists gave our light forwards a great obstacle to overcome. The local boys in scoring did not have the assistance of the entire forward line as the Toronto men had, for their combination in attack had not reached the same perfection as Aura Lee's. In speed individually the Belleville's were superior in some ways, while Aura Lee did not depend on one man or two men scoring, the local forwards under took this work generally as individuals. However this was by no means always the case as a number of Belleville's goals were secured from plays in front of the rival net. In the checking our fellows were very strong.

The first period gave a great deal of encouragement to the fans. Opening with a rush, the game subsided after a time, but not before Belleville had landed the net. A desperate struggle before Aura Lee's goal saved the net. Belleville's heavy checking was counterbalancing the weight of the visiting hockeyists. The pace of the game was not as Aura Lee scored, after about two minutes' play. A sea-saw of goals resulted and local enthusiasts began to fear that the famous scoring Aura Lee's would lead to the home town boys sufficiently lead to ward off the danger of defeat in this game or in the round.

There was no chance of the locals running up a score on them. In a clean rush down the ice in a fancy bit of combination, Gunnar Arnott secured the next goal. Aura Lee scored, then Belleville on a wing shot. The home team was playing fine combination. Wheeler, Arnott, Green and Armstrong were on the job before the A. L. net. Nurse exhibited great skill in stopping the shots of such men as Gouinlock the center and Wright the rover. The time between the scores was so rapid at times as almost to

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escape and make a correct record impossible. In a wing shot, Gouinlock, not, reached the net. Aura Lee were using their weight. The period closed Belleville 5; Aura Lee 4.

The crowd thought of Belleville's endurance in the third period leaning on the "Club" team. Their hopes, but the Toronto men's attitude on the ice showed this to be rather a wish than a hope.

No team ever put up a stronger fight than Belleville in the second period. Wheeler opened the scoring after a short play, only to see Aura Lee creep up with a goal a few seconds later, after Nurse had tossed off the puck several times. Gouinlock the center exhibited clever stick handling. He came down through the forwards and winged the net from the right. A short while later Aura Lee took the lead for the first time scoring their seventh goal. Wright the rover performed this feat coming down center and scoring unaided. Nurse was busily occupied for a time picking off brilliant shots on goal. Wright and Gouinlock were showing up best of the visitors, working at white heat. Lynn broke away a number of times in a goal inches. Belleville reached the net tying the score. Gouinlock missed a grand shot on goal with no one in front of Nurse to defend. Belleville 7; Aura Lee 7.

Belleville when the next period opened came out aggressively and for the early part held the rubber in enemy territory. L. Arnott scored. Garfield Arnott made some rushes down center and left, clearing his checkers. He fired a 60 foot shot from left and just missed. Suddenly the Avenue Road line took the puck to Belleville ice and scored. Lynn came down often. Gouinlock making a grand stop in front of goal. Green was working hard in left. Belleville played up strong for a while when by that over present look in a hockey match Aura Lee scored three shots within a minute. Belleville had again weakened. These goals surprised them utterly. The scorers of these three were Wright, Gouinlock and Wright. Belleville played well but could not break down Aura Lee's defence, which was very carefully guarded. Score—Aura Lee 11; Belleville 8.

The lead of three which Aura Lee secured is no discredit to Belleville. The latter never played a better game this year. Every man played a fine game.

Bobbie Hewitson, the young referee of Toronto, was a most impartial performer on the ice, who won nothing but praise for his alertness and quickness and firmness of decision. He kept the game going fast. The penalties were mainly awarded to Aura Lee men. The same outside of a few trips and slashes was clear. Neither side did any shaming on the ice.

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| The teams | | Belleville |
| Aura Lee | Goal | Nurse |
| Wilkinson | Defence | G. Arnott |
| Sheldon | Defence | Lynn |
| Green | Rover | Wright |
| Wright | Center | L. Arnott |
| Gouinlock | Right Wing | Armstrong |
| Little | Left Wing | Green |
| Rennie | | |

The Canadian Pacific runs trains from Belleville daily from Chicago to Montreal and return, also from Toronto to Ottawa and return. Tickets sold by S. BURROWS, C.P.R. Agent.

Monster Petitions to be Presented on March the 8th

On Wed. March 8, the total prohibition petitions that have been circulated and signed throughout Ontario are to be presented to the legislature. It is expected that 25,000 of those who signed the petition will gather in Toronto on that day, march to Queen's Park and present the petition. There will be special rates on all the railways, the charge will be for return tickets, single fare plus 25 cents. It is expected that 200 excursionists will go from Belleville and a special train will start from Belleville station if it is known in advance there will be sufficient support. All those from the city or district who intend to patronize the excursion should notify the chairman of their division at once or Mr. Earl Chapman, the county secretary, Belleville, in order that the railways may be informed what business to expect.

This will be the largest public demonstration since attempted in Canada, and the spectacle of the mammoth procession will be one worth going to Toronto to witness. There will be at least 25,000 people in line, a fleet of 1,000 gaily decorated motor cars, 20 military and citizens' bands, 700 banners, the largest banner in the world—half a mile long, a chorus by 1,000 students, "Old Man Ontario on the Water Wagon" and many other original floats.

The single rates will begin on Tues. March 7, and all tickets will be good to return on any regular train up to and including March 10.

New Insurance Agent's Good Work

Mr. George W. Anderson, agent for the Sun Life Assurance Company has just received an honor that many older insurance men might well crave. He has been awarded a silver cup for having written up the largest amount of paid-for insurance during the month of January in the "Central Ontario Division." This division extends from Ottawa to Toronto and includes one hundred or more representatives of the company, many of them men of long experience. The cup is of silver, gold-lined, mounted on an ebony base and bears the following inscription—

"Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada, Twelve Months' Contest 1916 Central Ontario Division, won by Geo. W. Anderson."

Military Notes

The 155th Battalion has been presented with a bear by Mr. Till Neil, proprietor of the Royal Hotel, Marmora. This animal has been handed over to the troops at Marmora. He will be mascot of the battalion.

The following notice has been posted up in the orderly office of the 155th at the armouries—

"WANTED"

"A husky, good looking, kind tempered man to look after the regimental bear on the bear with the band, commencing March 23d. Apply at once to the adjutant."

"Bear is four years old, weighs 600 pounds, has 'killed' three men, will eat off your hand."

Lieut. Abbott, signalling officer of the 155th has returned from Toronto.

The signalling class of the 155th uses the S. A. barracks for lectures a portion of the time.

Local men responded loyally last week, 48 of them joining the 155th battalion.

The 155th film and music programs at Griffin's open house Sunday afternoon and evening were most successful.

Captain W. H. Wrightmeyer of the Tweed detachment was in the city yesterday.

The 155th brass band will tour the military centers in the joint counties of Hastings and Prince Edward as follows—

- March 2nd, Meekbank
- March 3rd, Tweed
- March 6th, Picton
- March 7th, Wellington
- March 8th, Deseronto
- March 9th, Stirling
- March 10th, Bancroft
- March 14th, Coe Hill
- March 15th, Marmora
- March 17th, Madoc.

Trenton date not settled.

deal of the 80th are in Kingston today.

Numerals and badges will be issued to the 80th and company commanders will be held responsible that the men do not possess them.

When landing in kit on discharge, the full set must be handed in otherwise the man will be charged for same.

Officers commanding all units are notified that all accounts contracted by any regimental institution or officers, N.C.O.'s or men of the C.E.F. for clothing, equipment or supplies for regimental or personal use must be settled before leaving Canada.

Numerous complaints have been received at Militia Headquarters from merchants all over Canada that officers have left the country without paying their accounts for uniforms and other equipment, and as the practice materially affects the credit of all other officers, special attention should be given to this matter.

Fourteen recruits of the 155th passed the medical officer on Saturday and appeared in khaki yesterday for the first time.

Lieut. Eugene Hyman, 59th Battalion left yesterday to rejoin his battalion at Brockville after leave spent in Belleville.

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Early Showing of New Spring Footwear

Fashion has decreed that Madam's New Spring Footwear shall be higher than usual in keeping with the New Short Skirts. We have same as cut, 9 in. high, in Black, Royal Blue and Bronze on nice trim last. Price \$1.00.



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Just received a large shipment of the latest styles in American Waists and Blouses, in Ties and Silks, some of the highest class goods shown in the city. All sizes \$4 to \$4.50. Vests, Blouses, on sale at 98c and \$1.10. Silk Blouses on sale at \$1.15 and \$1.40. Ask to see our beautiful Silk Blouse at \$2.00.

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In this department we are showing a range of the biggest values in town, in fact it would be credit to any store in the larger cities to have such a magnificent showing of the latest Dress Goods and Silks at most reasonable prices. Dress Goods at 25c to \$1.00 per yard. Silks at 25c to \$1.50 per yard.

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THE OUTFITTERS

GADSBY'S LETTER

OTTAWA, March 1.—The humor is a bit that Lt.-Col. John Currie will run as an independent candidate in the Canadian election in North Simcoe if he runs at all. His break with the Government is not easily patched up even if the Council were disposed to try.

Colonel Currie is a message from the battle front and a disturbing one. It seems that favoritism is at work in the Canadian battalions. Young whipper-snappers who have family pull are promoted rapidly while old soldiers who do their full duty are passed over. The chief mistake seems to have been in placing any one in the position of a young whipper-snapper who has family pull are promoted rapidly while old soldiers who do their full duty are passed over.

Another matter Colonel Currie cleared up in his speech was the unfair and unwarranted insinuations that have been directed toward him ever since he was pulled off the job some eight months ago. Nobody who knows John Currie would ever accuse him of lack of courage, and if lack of judgment is the charge then a large number of British generals are due for retirement in short order.

The opinion is freely expressed that the Minister of Militia for Canada could do good work standing up for the rights of Canadian officers who are sometimes sacrificed to the blunders of their British commanders. These remarks go a little further than Colonel Currie's criticism but they are a fair inference from his suggestion that Canada should be represented on the Headquarters Staff and in the army councils.

Some enthusiasts are in favor of Canadians entirely suspending their intellectual faculties during the period of the war and letting the British War Office muddle along without remark. But this course neither with good sense nor true loyalty. If we are going to be as British as the British we cannot afford to be less frank than the British in our criticism of the blundering. It is worth noting that the Tory press in London has never shirked its duty in this respect. It was a poet, and a dead poet at that, who said: "Their not to reason why, their but to do and die." The English newspapers do not talk that way. Reasoning why is one of the best things they do. Colonel Currie is merely following a good example.

The gist of Colonel Currie's complaint is that he would have not his decoration if Major-General Sir Sam had said so. All it needed was the Solid M.H.K.

The markets of Irkutsk, in Siberia, are an interesting sight, for the products offered for sale are in many cases frozen solid. Fish are piled up in stacks like so much cordwood, and meat likewise. All kinds of fowl are similarly frozen and piled up. Some animals brought into the market whole are propped up on their legs, and have the appearance of being actually alive, and as one goes through the markets one seems to be surrounded by living pigs, sheep, oxen, and fowls standing. But, stranger yet, even the liquids are frozen solid and sold in blocks. Milk is frozen into a block in this way and with a string or a stick frozen into and projecting from it. This, it is said, is for the convenience of the purchaser, who is thus enabled to carry his milk by the string or stick-handle.

Money in Old Bottles. Owing to the scarcity of bottles dealers in London will pay 20s. to 22s. a gross for second-hand whisky bottles. Doctors are offering 12s. and upwards for gross of second-hand medicine bottles. Wives and daughters of members of the Illington Borough Council and of other prominent inhabitants are helping to wash at the rate of 2,000 a day some of the 100,000 bottles collected to provide motor-ambulances for the front as a gift from the borough.

Eight-hour Day Urged. An eight-hour instead of a six-hour day for civil servants in England is one proposal made in the report of a Government committee on public employees. Hitherto Whitehall has worked only from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Other proposed retrenchments are the curtailment of the long legal vacation, salary reductions in certain Government departments, raising the school age, and the restriction of postal facilities.

The Secret Newspaper. "Libre Belgique," the dashing published Brussels newspaper, the home of which the Germans, despite their most strenuous efforts, have failed to unearth, has now reached its fifty-third number. Searches for its editors and staff take place every day, but no single capture has been made.

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Minister's O.K. and for some reason or other that was withheld. Instead of medals which are dear to the soldier's heart, Sir Sam now hands out a certificate of character to the effect that Colonel John Currie was a brave man and did the best he could under the circumstances. This is faint merit. Sir Sam's explanation that the Currie who was found behind the lines at St. Julien and Ypres was General Currie and not Colonel Currie would have come with better grace months ago when it was most needed. That Colonel Currie should have had to horn in on the budget debate to get a square deal speaks ill for Sir Sam's magnanimity. It causes people to remember that Colonel Currie was once a rival for the post which Sir Sam now fills so energetically.

It seems that it is a general's duty to remain behind the lines where he can do his thinking in safety—the farther away the better the thinking—at the General Currie is doing his duty. Similarly it is a colonel's duty to be at the front with his men, and that's where Colonel Currie was at every stage of the game. He was doing his duty, too. It seems a pity, in view of the confusion it has caused, that Currie should be a duplicate name in the list of Canadian officers. This double personality of Colonel Jekyll and General Hyde has done a lot of mischief to a good soldier and a worthy citizen.

Military men, while unwilling to discuss the subject, say there were probably two reasons why Colonel Currie did not get the medals and decorations which his successor Major Marshall got. One is that all the Canadians are heroes, and consequently all deserve medals, so that singling out one would be an invidious distinction. The other is that medals are only given for doing what you are ordered to do and that as Colonel Currie did not succeed in his impossible task of rolling back a German army of eighty thousand with twelve hundred Highlanders he is not entitled to a medal. However, in view of the medals that were awarded to other soldiers who did not do what they were ordered to do, this looks like begging the question. Most people will be inclined to agree with Colonel Currie that somebody stood between him and the coveted honor.

Honors come easily to some people and hard to others, and along that line they are telling a good one on Sir Sam right now. It was Dave Marshall who was heading an Elgin County delegation to Sir Sam. As spokesman he said: "Before opening up the business of this delegation I want to congratulate you on the knighthood which has been recently conferred on you by His Majesty. I may say that nowhere was it received with more acclamation than in Elgin County."

Just here he was interrupted by the staccato accents of the Minister of Militia. You know how he talks—like a machine gun. "Hold on Dave." Let me add also throughout the Dominion of Canada and the British Empire—Premier Asquith congratulated me personally—the King himself said no honor had bestowed gave him more satisfaction—all right Dave, go ahead. Whereupon business was resumed. —H.F.G.

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Cossack Customs. The word Cossack itself is a derivative from the Turkish prototype of "centaur," which is a typical word for the description of these roving horse-riders. The Cossack population amounts to roughly 2,500,000 men and women, and they collectively own some 146,500,000 acres of Russian territory. Their living is chiefly obtained by the pursuit of agriculture, together with cattle and horse-breeding. The Cossacks enjoy special privileges from the Government of Russia, in return for which they give military services—a form of conscription. The young Cossack spends the three years of his life between eighteen and twenty-one in military training; the next twelve years in active service; and, finally, the following five years are spent in the national reserve.

A Long-Lived Family. Mrs. Arthur Mosley, of Malvern View, Christ Church Road, Cheltenham, who celebrated her 101st birthday recently, is one of the eleven children of the late Mr. Alfred Kempe, a noted antiquary. Three others survive, aged ninety-four, eighty-six, and eighty-four respectively, and two reached ninety-seven, one being the Rev. J. E. Kempe, for fifty-two years rector of St. James', Plymouth, and Prebendary of St. Paul's.

Croaking Press Scored. The croaking press was roundly rebuffed by Silas Hocking, the novelist, in addressing the Westminster Brotherhood a few days ago. There were many compliments about, he said, but on the press was adrift with the pessimism. He would like to see some editors, who were always crying "Stinking fish" imprisoned for six months. These papers shrieked about slanders, when there never was a nation that less deserved the epithet than the English, from palace to cottage.

£35,000 a Week in Pensions. About £20,000 a week to soldiers and £15,000 a week to soldiers' widows is being paid by the War Office for pensions and permanent disablement benefit as the result of the war. About £420 a week is being paid to officers and £4,000 a week to their widows.

WEDDING BELLS

JORDAN—WALSH. At 9.30 Monday Feb. 21, at St. Charles church, Read a very pretty wedding was solemnized when Miss Mary Walsh, eldest daughter of Mr. Michael Walsh and Mr. Michael Jordan, eldest son of Mrs. Katherine Jordan, Forest Mills were united in the holy bonds of matrimony. Rev. McCarthy officiating. The bride, who was becomingly attired in a suit of navy blue serge with white plush picture hat and white plume was attended by her sister Margaret, who also wore a blue suit and black picture hat. The groom was ably supported by his brother John Jordan. After the ceremony the happy couple returned to the home of the bride's father where a dainty repast was served to a large host of relatives and friends. They will reside at Forest Mills. The best wishes of their many friends accompany them for a long and happy married life.

Just a Straight And Simple Story

Miss Blanchard Tells Of Dodd's Kidney Pills

They Cured Her Kidney Troubles and Other Sufferers Can Learn From Her Experience How They Can Find a Cure. Paquetville, Gloucester Co., N.B.—Feb. 28th—Special. — Simple and straight to the point is the statement of Miss Estlin Blanchard, of this place, who has tried Dodd's Kidney Pills and found them good and she wastes everybody to know it. Miss Blanchard says: "I suffered for a long time with my kidneys. I used Dodd's Kidney Pills and they cured me completely. One simple statement like that is worth a dozen learned dissertations on kidney disease. It tells the sufferer from kidney trouble just what he or she wants to know—that a cure can be found in Dodd's Kidney Pills. For Dodd's Kidney Pills are no-ore-all. They are purely and simply a kidney remedy. The reason why they cure Rheumatism, Lumbago, Diabetes, Dropsy, Pain in the Back, and other diseases is that all these are either kidney diseases or are caused by disordered kidneys. Dodd's Kidney Pills cure them by curing the kidneys."

A Belleville Leader

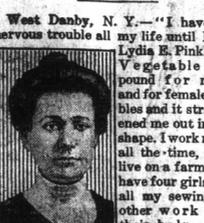
The Vancouver "Sun" of February 12th comments most enthusiastically on the 62nd Overseas Battalion commanded by Lt.-Col. Herbert D. Hulme and known throughout British Columbia as "Hulme's Huskies." The paper describes the long route marches which they have taken, making a low record for Battalions in training, and adds "no finer body of men appeared here or probably anywhere, and no finer body of men could be wished for by British Columbia, and it will be a proud contribution to the Mother Country when this battalion leaves." It will be remembered that Col. Hulme was, before he left Belleville, a young officer under Colonel Ponton in the 15th A.L.I., of which his father had previously been Adjutant. When he lived in Dawson City he organized the Rocky Mountain Rangers or "Hulme's Invincibles."

Vocal and Piano Recital

A pleasing vocal and piano recital by the pupils of Mrs. A. P. Allen and Miss Helen Ketcheson assisted by Miss Jean McIntosh was given in St. Andrew's church lecture room, Monday evening, and drew a large audience. The varied numbers were creditably rendered, denoting brilliant talent on the part of many, the results of expert instruction being clearly manifested. The program was as follows: Piano solo — Petite Valse — C. H. Demace — Miss Lily Boyle. Vocal — Till the Boys Come Home — Miss Carmelita Mastin. Piano solo — Tarantelle — Miss Pearl Hollis. Vocal — The Gate of Tears — Band — Miss Viola Holmes. Piano solo — Dance Villageoise — Pennington; Pixies' Gavotte — Brown — Miss Freda Johnson. Vocal — The Swallows — Cowen — Miss Vera Boyle. Piano solo — Cradle Song — Lohr — Miss Louise Hinds. Vocal — Down the Vale — Moir — Misses Waters, Allen, Ketcheson, Smith, Kerr, Holmes. Vocal — Come Sing to Me — Thompson — Mr. J. M. Patterson. Reading — Selected — Miss Jean McIntosh. Vocal — Sympathy — Miss L. Sharpe. Vocal — Anchored — Mr. Harold Barrett. Vocal — Love is the Song of Spring — Beth — Miss Manie Waters. Vocal — Ukiah — Sanderson — Mr. Tom Barrett. Vocal — Vales of Aready — Ghazl — Miss L. Sharpe. God Save the King. Refreshments were served at the conclusion of program.

WOMAN HAD NERVOUS TROUBLE

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West Danby, N. Y.—"I have had nervous trouble all my life until I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for nerves and for female troubles and it straightened me out in good shape. I work nearly all the time, as we live on a farm and I have four girls. I do all my sewing and other work with their help, so it shows that I stand it real well. I took the Compound when my ten year old daughter came and it helped me a lot. I have also had my oldest girl take it and it did her lots of good. I keep it in the house all the time and recommend it." — Mrs. DEWITT SNEDECOR, West Danby, N. Y. Sleeplessness, nervousness, irritability, backache, headaches, dragging sensations, all point to female derangements which may be overcome by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. This famous remedy, the medicinal ingredients of which are derived from native roots and herbs, has for forty years proved to be a most valuable tonic and invigorator of the female organism. Women everywhere bear willing testimony to the wonderful virtues of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

BIG ISLAND.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Clement, March Front, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. S. Clement. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sprague spent Friday evening with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Peck. Rev. Mr. Frazier of Demorestville was calling in this vicinity on Tuesday. Ray Peck spent Friday evening at Mr. L. Williams. H. E. Coburne of Belleville, is spending a week at his home here. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Peck and daughter spent the week-end with friends in Belleville. A number from here attended the S.S. convention held in Demorestville on Thursday. Wilmet Wager spent Monday evening at J. M. Kerr's.

WORMS IN CHILDREN WORK HAVOC.

Of the intestines and, if left to purchase these pests attack the tender lining and their ravages undisturbed, will ultimately perforate the wall, because these worms are of the hook variety that cling to and feed upon interior surfaces. Miller's Worm Powders will not only exterminate these worms, of whatever variety, but will serve to repair the injury. Keep in the middle of the road—until you meet an automobile, and then dodge.

"KEEPING" SCHOOL.

The tendency in the school-room is towards a slavish routine of recitals, as is sometimes referred to as "hearing" classes in contradistinction to teaching classes. Or to carry the comparison a step farther, "keeping" school rather than teaching school. The constant aim of a teacher should be to discover the duller pupils and by individual teaching and occasional special efforts in the way of additional assignments of the exercises endeavor to coach the naturally duller members of the class along. The bright children need very little attention beyond assignment of lessons and when they show ability to make more rapid progress than the average of the class they should be advanced to the next higher class, where greater or diligence in study will be necessary and where the emulation of more advanced classmates will prove a wholesome stimulus to greater effort. Many a boy and girl have lost a year or more by being held back in a class through retardation or the presence of duller scholars. As an evidence of what may be accomplished by individual teaching, a lady teacher in a city school was engaged to teach a ten-year old girl at her home on two evenings a week, for two hours after school. The result was that the girl covered in three months the regular school course that required a year and a half. She was then sent to the public school and passed the entrance into the high school before she was quite twelve years of age, showing that a thorough foundation had been laid in her private tuition. This case may be to some extent exceptional but the rule holds true, in our opinion, that by a wise control of the promotion of the pupil by the teacher and by giving less time to recitals and more to individual direction and teaching, the question of retardation will not bulk very large in the public schools.—Bowmanville Statesman.

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SEED GRAIN—Marquis Spring Wheat O.A.C., Barley No. 21, O.A.C., Oats No. 72, Seed Potatoes P. A. Shannon, R. F. D. Latta.

STRAYED.

Came into my premises one yearling heifer, black with some white under body and two rings in ear and dehorned. The owner is requested to prove property and pay charges.—David L. Heagle, Lot 6, Con 7, Rawdon, Harold, R.R.1

FOR SALE.

REGISTERED GLYNDALE Bay Horse, rising three years old. Bay color, well marked, weight 1200 lbs. For further particulars see or write M. E. Woods, Ancaster, Ont.

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TREBIZOND.

Trebizond, upon which the Russians are now swiftly advancing is the most important seaport in the southeastern angle of the Black Sea. It lies almost due north, at a distance of eighty or ninety miles, from Erzerum, just captured by Russia.

In the war of 1829 between Russia and Turkey, the capture of Erzerum by the Russian General, Paskievich, decided the campaign against Turkey. The town was an important military centre of activity during the Crimean War, and the Russo-Turkish war of 1877-8.

At Trebizond they are even less likely to meet serious resistance. The town is an old, commercial, Black Sea port, the centre of inland trade between west and east. Its immediate defences except in so far as they may have been strengthened since the war began, are negligible.

The City of Trebizond has not been important except as the sea entrepot and terminus of a great inland trade route. Its population is small—well under fifty thousand. Its harbor is far from good. It is practically an open roadstead, unprotected towards the northeast.

With the occupation of Trebizond, the back door of Turkey will not only have been forced but fastened back against future closing. The capture of Erzerum sealed the door of the Turk, not only in Europe but in Asia.

ERZERUM AND AFTER.

The capture of Erzerum by the Russian forces under Grand Duke Nicholas is an incident of first rate magnitude in the Great War. It is no mere local victory for one of the Allies, but a great military triumph for them all.

escaping for the time being, at the enormous sacrifice of the guns and storage of this great fortress, the Eastern key to Asiatic Turkey, but it is satisfactory to be able to believe that they escaped only as a demoralized rabble.

This is the third time that Russia has taken Erzerum by force of arms. Surely the Western Powers will see to it that she retains it hereafter! It could only be taken out of her hands again for the purpose of re-establishing Turkish power. That is inconceivable.

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Erzerum, (pronounced Erz-room, with the accent on the last syllable), is situated at the junction of the important highways leading from Trebizond, Transcaucasia, Persia, Kurdistan, Mesopotamia and Anatolia. It lies near the head waters of the Euphrates River, up which Xenophon conducted the retreat from Persia of the famous "Ten Thousand."

It would be difficult to appreciate too highly the importance and probable bearing upon the outcome of the war of this really great Russian success. It may be fairly regarded as the greatest and most far-reaching incident of the war since the battle of the Marne and the final defeat of the attempt upon Calais.

MAD KAISERISM.

The meshes of the Allied military net are closing around Germany and she knows it. Hence her varied activities, manifested mainly in diplomatic wriggling and official "squealings." Her verbal "frightfulness" is becoming daily more frenzied.

If Germany has been less fortunate elsewhere the fault is not hers. She has been as "frightful" in her diplomacy as in her baby-killing. She has now approached, in turn, every one of her national opponents, excepting Britain, with offers of "peace."

It is but natural, therefore, considering the political situation in the world, that Germany has been made to feel in this her hour of need that she is not alone.

she will do if they are not accepted. To add to the "frightfulness" of her threats she is at present "releasing" news of her immediate intentions, in the usual way, and through the usual "neutral" channels.

Until last week the Germans have not gained six inches of valuable ground in the West in the last eighteen months. They are held as in a vice from Switzerland to the English Channel. They can be driven back at any given point in that long front whenever the Allies so decide.

In the East, Russia has been mercilessly pounding the Austro-German armies month past; and they are as strictly on the defensive there as in the West. Their Balkan campaign was a conspicuous fizzle. They have not even conquered the Montenegrin, much less the Serbian army, with the aid of Bulgaria.

In January the great Russian advance began, directed by the most consummate generalship. The Russian lines extended north and south along a long front. The left, or southern wing of the Russian army made the first strong attack. It turns out to have been a feint to cover the real objective which was Erzerum.

Yet this is the time, and these the circumstances, which the best German brains seize to launch new threats of "frightfulness" not only against their opponents but against neutral nations! Quem deus vult perdere prius dementat.

THE GREAT RUSSIAN DRIVE

The successful campaign which the Russian Grand Duke Nicholas is conducting against the Turks in Armenia is overshadowing all other operations just at present of the world's war. The Russian plan is evidently to attack Constantinople from the East—with a huge land army and undoubtedly the Entente plan is to have the allied fleet make another assault on the Dardanelles.

That everything possible will be done by the Teutons to make the Russian-Armenian drive abortive goes without saying. But in order to mobilize a sufficient force to successfully oppose the Grand Duke Nicholas the belief is that other parts of the lines must be weakened, and from whatever point these troops are taken a vicious attack will be made by the allies who are waiting for just such a thing to happen.

The Armenian drive is by far the most important move the allies have made during many months and is like Sherman's march to the sea at the decisive period of the American Civil War.

The cry is for socks and more socks. Keep knitting, ladies.

The news from the front should cause a rush to the recruiting sergeant.

The Boston Transcript says that like all Gaul of Caesar's time, the opposition to President Wilson is divided into three parts; one, those who are resolved, firstly and lastly upon the defeat of Mr. Wilson, and reasonable regarding the candidate conscripted to accomplish that beneficent work; two, those who would rather lose to Mr. Wilson than win with Colonel Roosevelt; three, those who would rather lose with Roosevelt than win with any other candidate.

A writer in a recent number of the Century Magazine pointed out a lesson to be learned from the war. "We would do well to learn," he pointed out, "the most important thing about military organization is the efficiency with which each part works towards a common end."

tion is the efficiency with which each part works towards a common end. From the private to the General, every man subordinates his personal welfare to the welfare and success of the army as a whole. All the achievements of industry and science are used to promote the cause, and ungrudging service is the compelling ideal.

At the present time it is our supreme duty to be efficient and to co-operate for the common good. In the past it has been a disgrace to the nation that so large a proportion of the products has been wasted every year. This year should mark the beginning of a new era. The peaceful occupations should be as thoroughly organized as war, so that they may help to win success and be fit a position to carry on the work of the world when the war is over.

Lord Beresford signaled his appearance in the House of Lords with a breezy speech in which he declared that the conduct of the war was in the hands of twenty-one amateurs. Similar criticism is made in the "Fortnightly Review" by Dr. Dillon, the well known writer on current questions, in an article entitled "The Fruits of Amateurism" which is described as the "quintessence of pessimism" in regard to the war.

JOHNSON AND BROWN.

Johnson and Brown, in pursuit of frivolity strolled by the sea on their weekly half holiday, Smoking cigars of a "guaranteed" quality, Handsome young fellows were Johnson and Brown.

Johnson and Brown, in search of hilarity, Stopped where some pierrots of great popularity Sang in support of the local war charity— "This is worth hearing," said Johnson and Brown.

Item, a dance of the ragtime variety, Item, a song re papa's sobriety, Item, a speech from young Sergeant Moriarity— "Rather uncommon," said Johnson and Brown.

Hardly a speech, but its merit was brevity; Bandage and crutch proved the speaker's sincerity, Banished all laughter and gone was all levity— Somewhat uneasy were Johnson and Brown.

He would go back, but he'd lost his agility— Who'd take his place? "Sure there's some possibility Here in this crowd of a man of utility"— "Toss for it, Johnson! What say you!" said Brown.

Johnson said "Head" with some impetuosity; Up spun the coin with unwonted velocity. "Head" was the verdict amid much verbosity— "So you're a soldier!" said Johnson to Brown.

Brown in his khaki showed great perspicacity, Brown has been mentioned for deeds of audacity, Brown wears a cross, a reward for tenacity— Folks will keep talking to Johnson of Brown.

Johnson's enlisted—a post of obscurity— Better than shirking at home in security, Brown's gallant feat will resound to futurity— Who won the toss, sonny—Johnson or Brown? —London Chronicle.

THE SILENT PIPER.

(A Highland soldier lay in hospital. His hand was shattered. "I would have given my leg," he said, "I would have given them both my legs, if they had only spared my hand so that I might play the pipes again.")

Lad, I could blow the pipes sae weel Ye'd thought 'twas Orpheus come again, For I would make men smile or greet, Sae blithe, sae sad, the liltin' strain. Aye, and my pibroch's wild appeal Has played men on to an' dare; But thae auld tunes I loved sae weel Shall wake beneath by hands nae mair.

How many a bonnie lad and lass Hae danced the gowden hours awa' That aye too swiftly sowed to pass 'Wi' gleeful' reels, strathspeys and a'. Weel, life and love must still gang on, But ither hands the pipes must ply, For a' my pipin' days are done And a' the joy of life forby.

Fain had I crawled a crippled thing Until the end if I might yet Mak' the auld pipes ance mair sing And in that blithesome hour forget: Aye, I had gladly giv'n my life 'Wi' mody anither for my hand Ere, in that burnin' hell of strife, They robbed the pipes of their sound.

Other Editors' Opinions

SEYMOUR POWER RATES BETTER

One of the leading local electric contractors, who has been investigating the Hydro-Electric power rates, as compared with those of the Seymour Power Co.'s schedule, claims that the Seymour Power Co.'s rates are the cheapest by a considerable percentage. He states that he secured the bills of one of the largest users of power in Oshawa, and found that the same power they are consuming at the rates charged by the Hydro-Electric in Toronto, would cost them about \$100 a month more than the Seymour Power Co. charges. He is prepared to prove what he says, though he is not looking for publicity and does not want his name mentioned. He cannot see where we stand to gain anything by exchanging the Seymour Power Co. for the Hydro-Electric Co., but that we would have a good opportunity of losing heavily. He states that the Seymour people have voluntarily lowered their rates three times, in the last few years, and are giving us as good, if not better service than the Hydro. It is his opinion that within a short time as a result of the rapid equipment, the present equipment of the Seymour Co. would be antiquated and be out of date and the town would be put to heavy expense in replacing it. He expects that in the very near future transmission of power will be effected without wires. An invention which is being perfected now, will bring about this result. Besides he calls attention to the fact that the Canadian Sun Life Assurance Co. have invested their money in the Seymour Power Co., and many of the shareholders would stand to lose if the Hydro took the concern over, as the Hydro Commission has legal rights which other companies have not. He also referred to other towns where they have regretted the change to Hydro, particularly Peterboro. If the statements he makes can be substantiated it might be just as well for to consider the matter well before making any change.—Oshawa Reformer.

INQUIRY IS SAFE AND RIGHT.

Peel County Conservatives serve notice on Sir Robert Borden that he had better investigate the Shell Committee publicly and thoroughly. Entry into the work of the Shell Committee will not hurt anybody who does not deserve to be hurt. The suppression of enquiry will immediately hurt Sir Robert Borden and ultimately wreck Sir Robert Borden's party.—Toronto Telegram (Con.)

BILINGUALISM DOOMED IN MANITOBA.

Bilingual schools in the Province of Manitoba are to be abolished. A new day dawns in the West. A bill was introduced in the Legislature on Friday last by Hon. Dr. Thornton, which admits of no compromise. It repeals the clause of the act respecting Public Schools, which contains the Laurier-Greenway settlement. There is substituted for that clause the following: "The instructional language in all Manitoba Public Schools shall be the English language."

EDUCATIONAL PROBLEM IN MANITOBA.

This courageous treatment of the educational problem in Manitoba places Premier Norris and his colleagues before the people of Canada as a group of men who are strong enough to do what is right, regardless of the powerful influences that operate to retain special privileges. The argument that the French have been in Manitoba as its first settlers, and therefore should have special consideration has no weight. If such an argument should prevail, the logical course would be to use the language of the Blackfeet and the Crees in the public schools. They were in possession of the prairies before the French-Canadians.

WHEN RAILWAY UNLIFTED

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THE STRANGE OFFICER AND THE SACRAMENT

A Story of the War as Told by Rev. H. S. Osborne, B. A., B. D., in Young People's Monthly.

"We were fairly fagged out, all of us, after a heavy day of it. One by one we scraped the thick, clinging mud off our boots as best we could, mounted the shaky stairs, and took our places at the mess-table. It was a door resting on biscuit boxes, but we ate what lay on it ready for us as thankfully as if it had been polished mahogany covered with the whitest damask cloth. The soup cheered us up a bit, but Geoffrey's death lay heavy on our hearts. "Why is it, we said to ourselves, that the best are taken and we rotters left? The other day the General (Brightest and best of the sons of the morning' always sings away in my mind when I think of him), and now Geoffrey! We buried him in the little cemetery by the riverside, in a coffin. I saw the Brigadier turn away as he blew his nose with his handkerchief about his eyes. I know I sobbed, and wasn't ashamed of it. That was why we were so silent. "The colored cartoons from La Vie Parisienne that decorated the walls irritated me. What had we to do with Demi-mondaines at a time like this—or indeed, as Britishers, at any time. "The smashed windows were covered with some stuff or other that the orderly had picked out of the debris of the downstairs room. It flapped to and fro in the wind. The candles flamed unsteadily in their bottles on the table. The wine stood untouched before us, and the whiskey-bottle, though on the table too, had not been moved. The orderly was trying to get a

fire going in the grate; a fire of parquet floor blocks from the ruined school next door. It was frightfully draughty, and through a shell-hole in one wall came the faint gleams of the Vercy lights as they rose and fell over the trenches. There was an extraordinary silence, broken by nothing louder than the crack of a rifle now and then and the fitful noises of the wind. "The orderly had got the fire going and was clearing away our plates and things when a step upon the stairs turned my eyes to the door. It opened and an officer came in. We all stood up, I don't know why, and he held out his hand and told us to carry on. The orderly was just removing the bread and the wine bottle when he said: "Just a minute orderly!" The man put the bread and the claret back on the table. The officer took a box that was in the corner by the fire, and drawing it out, sat down upon it. He put his head, in his hands, and although not one of us knew him, we asked no questions. We were all silent as the grave where Geoffrey lay. But the silence was inexpressibly sweet. Suddenly he stood up and looked at us. "We must cheer up," he said. "After all, it's a day's sacrifice. It's a day of testing." He gave a faint gesture with his hands as he spoke, and I saw a great scar in the middle of each one of them. In the light I thought I saw blood, and started involuntarily. "You're wounded, Sir!" I exclaimed. He put his hands behind his back as though to warm them. "That was long ago," he answered, "but whenever one of them falls, I feel the pain. "When Geoffrey fell," he went on, "I knew how you fellows would all feel it. He got up, lifted the box, and drew it up to the table. "Geoffrey's death," he pursued, "was a sacrifice, Geoffrey was the only child left to his parents. Yet they aren't repining. They are wondering why, but they are satisfied that it was right for him to die. After all, they are proving that they are the seed of Abraham.

"We wondered what he meant, for our Scripture was rusty. Geoffrey gave up his job at G.H.Q. simply because his spirit wouldn't let him be away from the front, although he knew well that he was the only one of the original officers left, and that barring miracles his turn must come. The General too (how was it that he divined our thoughts, because he was not one of ours?), he has asked if he might come along and extricate things over there, though his division was resting at the time. It is a day of sacrifice, and the beginning of greater troubles. England," he added after a pause, "doesn't really understand. She doesn't remember the lessons of the past. So many of her teachers have been blind. They have forgotten their history, and they worship they know not what. For them 'The Lord' is a term with none of the definite and militant meaning which it had to those of old. "Christ," he pursued, "did not take the sword, because it was not the day or the time for it. "He stopped and asked me for the bread. I passed it to him on the plate, and, feeling ashamed that I hadn't thought of it before, asked him if he were hungry, adding 'It's been so thoughtless.' He checked me with a glance. The Major stretched his hand out for the wine-bottle, but the strange officer turned and said in his wonderful voice: 'No, thanks, not for me, not yet.' Then he changed his tone a little and looking round on us all, he said: "But I want you all to drink a little to cheer you up. After all where is the Faith today if it's not to be found among you? Come, let us all take a little bread together, and remember the day of agony when the Soldier Son died. Try to remember that He of Galilee was none other than the Lord of Hosts, the Lord strong and mighty in battle. Think upon the coming day when He shall come in power, when the graves that sprinkle all these plains shall

open and give up their ennobled and glorified dead, when the corrupt matter that made the shell of man shall at the great Call be made eternal and incorruptible. "Come—and he took the bread, and in his strong but scarred hands broke it passing it to each one of us. He got up himself to do it. Then he poured out the wine into a tumbler, and we took it one from the other and drank it silently. "No need," he said as he took the cup from the Major, "for solemn feelings and suchlike is there? The thing is to go on to the end, however bitter it may be. The Major assented. "By George, Sir," he said, "you've cheered me up no end. But won't you have a little wine yourself?" "No," he said, "I'm under a vow on that head. Some day soon, however, we shall drink it together!"—and he paused—"if we endure to the end and overcome even as the Soldier Son overcame. "He got up and walked to the fire. He warmed his hands a minute, and then turned and walked round the room. He looked at the pictures on the wall, but didn't say a word or move a muscle of his face. Then the Major jumped up. "I'm damn sorry, Sir," he said, and he tore down all the Vie Parisienne cartoons. "There's too much of this sort of thing, I know. And I know it's no good. He made a bundle of them and put it on the fire. "The strange officer turned round. "There's only one thing that counts now," he said, "and that is Duty, as though he hadn't seen the Major's action at all. "And if England does her duty she will purge out every offending thing and earn the meaning of the fellowship of saints. "His hand was reaching for the door-knob as he went on: "And I'm sure that it will help you all to remember the death of the Son as you've done tonight, and that it will help you to follow His steps. Good-night to all of you. "And with this farewell he was gone, out into the wet and windy night."

Advertisement for Flaherty's featuring historical photos of Port Arthur. Captions include: 'Port Arthur at present time.', 'Waterfront in 1885, Flaherty's in back ground.', 'Flaherty's in C. P. R. construction days.', and 'C.P.R. Port Arthur in its early days.' The ad includes a large stylized logo for 'AT FLAHERTY'S'.

WHEN the Canadian Pacific Railway was but a promise unfulfilled, and at the time when "Section Fifteen" and "Section E" were live spots, and the Big Men of the early seventies gathered together, it was at "Flaherty's," Port Arthur, they met. Flaherty's door was big and wide and hospitably open at all times and seasons. Flaherty himself, big bodied, big minded, and big hearted, standing in the doorway of his popular hostel, used to wag his head and say: "They say the C. P. R. is going to make the town, but Flaherty is going to make the railway!" He did, he made the railway builders uncomfortable. Flaherty's may not be mentioned without naming its popular mistress, a lady from Belfast, "one of the Bogues!" Flaherty used to say, proudly: for she it was who gave to "Prince Arthur's Landing" its first social stamp. The times were rough (as railway times ever are), but something was ever said or done at Flaherty's which wouldn't "pass" in any drawing room on the continent. Mrs. Flaherty was an exacting hostess; many a big fellow came into the house roaring like a lion—it being sheer exuberance of life—but in two seconds the biggest and roughest of them was reduced to a lamb-like bleat! What a "mother" the gentle voiced lady was to all the down-and-outs in those early days! They were "unaided," under Mrs. Flaherty's smile, for no request was ever refused and empty pockets were housed as were the "sure pays" in those pioneer days. The town itself was a one-street-along-the-bay affair. The woods came right down to the water's edge. "Jim Connors' mill" made the overland run to and from Duluth by dogs, and I hope someone has kept a photograph of the old "Ontario Bank," which blocked the highway, and like the Catholic Church, was "built upon a rock!" D. F. Burk and "young Ray," now a distinguished citizen, and financier of the new town, Port Arthur, were bursters of the bank, which was "the size of a minute," in those historic days. But "Flaherty's" hotel, "The Queens," it was called, was then the rendezvous of the Big Men who were building the Big Road. Not one of them, no matter where he be today, but will remember the "little room" of the hall where these gigantic minds met to discuss way and means of the work. "That little room with its horse-hair covered seats was a sort of 'House-of-Parliament'; there some of the big deals undertaken were laid out, planned and shaped in that little room off the hall at Flaherty's, and during the solemn convalescence, no one could get past Mrs. Flaherty herself, who like a bird defending a nest of her young, would keep off all and sundry, sending them to right and left, while the "millions" for the great work were "raised" in that little room fronting the bar. Outside in the hall, dressed in his Sunday best, "Thomas O'Hagan" was waiting for "news." Thomas O'Hagan being the editor of "The Sentinel," whose voice filled all the spaces between Toronto and Winnipeg in those early days. Gentlemen, do you recollect Thomas O'Hagan, who ran what he called "The biggest weekly in all Navvies' America!" Well, if some were to uproot old files of the "Sentinel," I feel sure pickings for "Forty Years Ago" to-day might be found. It was at Flaherty's I first met the late Mr. Van Horne, even then a colossus of the day. Mr. Collingwood Schrieber too haunted Flaherty's. Marcus Smith and Jas. Mingayo were large factors in the engineering work undertaken and "Big Harry" McLennan, with "Sam" Hazelwood; "Paddy" Purcell, Hugh Ryan and Alex. Livingston, the bridge specialist, and B. A. Stewart were also striking forms in the early evenings and the C. P. R. I remember seeing Mr. George Middleton coming in

Advertisement for Castoria. Features an image of a bottle of Castoria with '900 DROPS' and 'CASTORIA' labels. Text includes: 'For Infants and Children.', 'Mothers Know That Genuine Castoria Always.', 'Use For Over Thirty Years.', 'CASTORIA'. The Centaur Company, Montreal & New York.

Advertisement for Robin Hood Flour. Text includes: 'Incomparable Robin Hood Flour.', 'The Hanley-Netterville Co.', '329 Front Street, Belleville. District Distributors.'

Advertisement for The Finnegan Carriage & Wagon Co. Text includes: 'Cash Buyers Eporium BIG DISCOUNT SALE FOR ONE Month Only Beginning Feb. 1st.', 'Phaeton, Auto Seat Top Buggies, Democrat Wagons, Steel Tubular Axle Lumber Wagons with two inch or three inch Tires, Second Hand Buggies, Democrats and Lumber Wagons fixed up good as new Sleighs and Cutters.', 'High Grade Repairing, Painting and Upholstering of Automobiles and Carriages.', 'RUBBER TIRES A SPECIALTY.', 'The Finnegan Carriage & Wagon Co. BELLEVILLE, ONT.'

Advertisement for Standard Bank of Canada. Text includes: 'STANDARD BANK OF CANADA HEAD OFFICE - TORONTO.', 'MONEY ORDERS issued for any amount, payable throughout Canada, Great Britain, and all foreign countries.', 'SAVINGS BANK DEPARTMENT AT ALL BRANCHES.', 'BELLEVILLE BRANCH, JOHN ELLIOTT, Manager.', 'Shannonville Office open Mondays and Thursdays, Foxboro Tuesdays and Fridays, Redversville Wednesdays.'

Advertisement for Union Bank of Canada. Text includes: 'UNION BANK OF CANADA Co-operative Saving.', 'Is facilitated and encouraged by the opening of a Joint Savings Account in the names of Husband and Wife, Father and Son, Brother and Sister, or any two or more members of the family. Either can deposit or withdraw money at will, and the Interest accrues to the credit of both.', 'Ask the Manager for full particulars.', 'Belleville Branch, J. G. Moffat, Manager. Picton Branch, C. P. Beamish, Manager.'

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BRIEF REVIEW OF THE GREAT WORLD-WIDE CONFLICT

By JOHN J. B. FLINT in Young People's Monthly.

The glad news reaches us that again our young Canadian heroes at Ypres have achieved a brilliant and glorious success...

will soon be made. The German navy cannot much longer remain in Kiel, without suffering great damage. Therefore, before this navy moves into the North Sea, they must win Calais.

wounded and bleeding from the terrible war with Japan, hardly recovered from the defeats of the Crimean campaign, Russia gathered her forces, threw herself into the conflict.

ing with the bravery and strength she exhibited when she successfully drove back the enemy and captured immense lands from them.

decrepit Sultan, he sent Emir Pasha as Minister of War to Constantinople. He, the friend of the Turks, would cross the narrow Bosphorus and in Asia Minor found an Empire which would absorb India and Egypt.

ies, veins, nerves, brain and heart, and speedily brings paralysis or death, so does a debased and fluctuating currency permeate all the arteries of trade, paralyze all kinds of business, and bring disaster to all classes of people.

BELLEVILLE INTERMEDIATES GO INTO SEMI-FINAL BY ONE GOAL

Oshawa Tied up Locals at Arena in Last Nights Game--Some of Quinte Players Not in Condition

By the narrow margin of one goal on the third round, Belleville squeezed out Oshawa out of the semi-final intermediate O.H.A. series. Belleville's victory at the western town by 5 to 4 saved the bacon for the local boys.

saved the situation with his good support. Belleville missed some good shots. The feature of this latter end of the first period was created when Simmons passed to Whitty and the latter shot, but the goal was saved while Whitty was tangled in the curtain.

GIANT RECRUIT JOINS 80TH

E. H. Fletcher of Irish Birth comes to Belleville--Largest Soldier in Division - 80th Band Instruments Arrive--155th Made Progress in Recruiting.

The largest recruit in the whole third division was today secured by the 80th Battalion, Private Edmund H. Fletcher, a native of the North of Ireland. This giant of the Emerald Isle stands only 68 inches in the imperial scale.

Belleville Cheese Board Patriotic Fund

The following is a statement showing the receipts and disbursements of the Belleville Cheese Board Patriotic Association from August 31st, 1915 to January 31st, 1916, as submitted by the Treasurer Mr. J. Elliott.

Table with columns for Receipts and Disbursements. Receipts include Balance, Received from Cheese factories, and Bank interest. Disbursements include Wooler Women's Institute, Wicklow Women's Institute, etc.

Sudden Death of Mrs. C. H. Elliott

It was with the deepest regret that the news was heard yesterday of the death of Mrs. Elizabeth Elliott, wife of Mr. Charles H. Elliott, 100 Bridge St. West.

Well Known Philanthropic Worker Passes to Her Rest

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WONDERFUL FOR THE BLOOD!

You don't need to be told how you feel--blue, sort of sickish, poor appetite, vague pains, tired in the morning. This condition is common at this season.

Opinions on Game

The defeat of Kingston Collegiate at home by Belleville was one of the biggest surprises of the season. The Collegians, by reason of their ability to tie the first game at Belleville in the O.H.A. junior third round, were confident that they would win at home, and thus meet Aura Lee in the semi-finals.

Prompt Relief

from the all-too-common ills of the digestive organs--weak stomach, torpid liver and inactive bowels--is found in the always safe, sure, quick-acting BEECHAM'S PILLS.

Tribute From Distant Donor

Mrs. Rebecca Thomson Distant Unexpected Gift from Gentleman in Dundas

On Saturday morning, Mrs. Rebecca Thomson, 135 Ann Street, was greatly surprised to receive by mail a large volume containing the Book of Psalms, printed in very large type and magnificently bound in morocco.

Death of Miss E. N. Murney

(From Monday's Daily) Miss Edith Nina Murney, daughter of the late Hon. Edmund Murney, passed away today at Belleville Hospital where she had been for some time.

In Memoriam

"In loving memory of Martha Hugh Eggleston, a devoted Christiana mother, who entered into rest Feb. 22nd, 1858."

Police Circles

There was a call at 7.30 on Saturday night up Front street to remove a drunk. His friends had removed him once they learned that the P.C. was after him.

Death of Mrs. Elizabeth Bell

Mrs. Elizabeth Bell, widow of the late George Bell, died at an early hour this morning at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Gilroy, wife of Captain Gilroy of the 80th battalion.

Scoreboard for Belleville vs Oshawa. Columns for Goals, Right Defence, Left Defence, Rover, Centre, Right Wing, Left Wing, Referee.

Belleville Goal Oshawa Goal. Conley Right Defence Smith. Whitty Left Defence Bowen. Simmons Rover Jacobi.

The 80th and 155th will attend divine service tomorrow morning at Bridge Street Methodist Church, about 600 men being on parade. Both bands will be in attendance.

A Small Market

The snow storm made its mark upon Belleville market today, decreasing the attendance considerably below the average. Produce was not plentiful. Only a few baskets of eggs were offered.

Advertisement for Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, listing various ailments treated.

Advertisement for BEECHAM'S PILLS, highlighting its effectiveness for digestive issues.

Advertisement for BEECHAM'S PILLS, emphasizing its status as a 'Largest Sale of Any Medicine in the World'.

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