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One Vote can be cast for the Office of Mayor. Street Railway Commissioners—Three members to be elected. Board of Education—Four to be elected. For the Wards—Three members from each Ward. Street Railway Commissioners and Members of Board of Education.—Ratepayers are only entitled to one vote, the same as Office of Mayor. Street Railway By-Law—Owners of property only are allowed to vote, but an owner may vote in each Ward in which he owns property. Local Option—You will find a Separate List for Local Option. Ratepayers are entitled to one vote only on this question. The Voters' List for Local Option will give you a full list of people entitled to vote on this question.

At the close, count your ballots and bring your individual returns to me at the City Hall, as soon as possible. You will find sufficient blanks to make your returns in proper order. H. F. Leonard, City Clerk.

To the Editor

MR. GEORGE WEDLAKE AND THE RAILWAY.

The Editor Courier: Dear Sir,—Brantford being my native town, I take interest in whatever pertains to her advancement and pride in her achievements. Her street railway system before municipal control was a standing joke with visitors to our city, and caused a feeling of shame to citizens generally. This has all been changed in a few months, and we certainly now feel proud of our possession and refer to it with pleasure and satisfaction.

This has been accomplished without fuss or burden to any one, and no small amount of credit and praise is due our three Commissioners—men who did not seek the position, but it was a case of the position being thrust upon them. The Commissioners have been unstinted in their services, and only by those in a position to know can this be appreciated.

Mr. A. K. Bunnell in arranging terms of payment for equipment, etc., which allowed of city bonds being placed on the market at opportune times, effected a saving of thousands of dollars to the city. His position as city treasurer, which he has so ably filled, his standing among men in the world of finance, his sterling honesty and integrity permitted of this being done and the citizens reap the benefit.

Commissioners Bunnell and Turnbull were strong advocates of the joint management of the Municipal Railway and the Hydro Electric system, and the linking of interests wherever possible, and which has worked out so satisfactorily and to the benefit of the city financially; a splendid saving having been effected by this arrangement. Any commissioner that would seek to upset the agreement between the two boards in this regard is not, to my mind, serving the city in the best way.

I recently stated in the press that I favored the sale of the Paris-Galt end of our Municipal Railway and against the by-law no arguments have since been advanced to make me change my views. The opposition of the sale is best described by the old saying, "live horse and you will get grass" or "the price is too low, hold on and you will get more." The price may be low from the L. E. & N. point of view, but even so, we do not want to miss the opportunity of getting free, at a fair value, of this part of our municipal railway, which in the past and now is a source of loss and with-gone. It is no prospect of its paying, though fifty thousand dollars or more be spent in improvements. What man opposed to the by-law would invest a dollar in the face of Messrs Bunnell and Turnbull's statements regarding the earnings in the past of this part of the road. I believe in looking at this question from our own point of view, and not that of the L. E. & N.

In conclusion, Mr. Editor, let me say that there is still much to be done in connection with our railway that requires the careful attention of the best men available, and I believe we can at this juncture all afford to lose the valuable services of Mr. Bunnell as Railway Commissioner. He needs no defence among those who know him, but I write this for fear some of the false insinuations in circulation may influence some electors in marking their ballots and who do not know the man who has served so faithfully and with marked ability and therefore deserves the very best at the hands of the electorate. I remain, Yours faithfully, GEO. WEDLAKE.

Famous Actor Dead.

New York, Dec. 31.—Joe Murphy, an old time actor, best known for his impersonation in Kerry Gow, died early to-day of pneumonia in this city. He was 83 years of age and left an estate estimated at \$300,000. Mr. Murphy went to California in 1850 and was widely known among the early California pioneers.

Getting Close.

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MR. GEORGE WEDLAKE AND THE RAILWAY.

The Editor Courier: Dear Sir,—Brantford being my native city I take interest in whatever pertains to her advancement and pride in her achievements. Her street railway system before municipal control was a standing joke with visitors to our city, and caused a feeling of shame to citizens generally. This has all been changed in a few months, and we certainly now feel proud of our possession and refer to it with pleasure and satisfaction.

This has been accomplished without fuss or burden to any one, and no small amount of credit and interest is due our three Commissioners—men who did not seek the position, but it was a case of the position seeking the men. The Commissioners have been unflinching in their services, and only by those in a position to know can this be appreciated. Mr. A. K. Bunnell in arranging terms of payment for equipment, etc. which allowed of city bonds being placed on the market at opportune times, effected a saving of thousands of dollars to the city. His position as City Treasurer, which he has so ably filled, his standing among men in the world of finance, his sterling honesty and integrity, permits of this being done and the citizens reap the benefit. Commissioners Bunnell and Turnbull were strong advocates of the joint management of the Municipal Railway and the Hydro Electric system, and the linking of interests wherever possible, and which has worked out so satisfactorily and to the benefit of the city financially; a splendid saving having been effected by this arrangement. Any commission that would seek to upset the agreement between the two boards in this regard is not, to my mind, serving the city in the best way. As a member of the Hydro Electric Commission, I know whereof I speak. I recently stated in the press that I favored the sale of the Paris-Galt end of our Municipal Railway and against the by-law no arguments have since been advanced to make me change my views. The opposition to the sale is best described by the old saying, "live horse and you will get grass" or "the price is too low, hold on and you will get more." The price may be low from the L. E. & N. point of view, but even so, we do not want to miss the opportunity of getting free, at a fair value, of this part of our municipal railway, which in the past and now is a source of loss and with competition in the future there is no prospect of its paying, though fifty thousand dollars or more, be spent in improvements. What man opposed to the by-law would invest a dollar in the face of Messrs Bunnell and Turnbull's statement regarding the earnings in the past of this part of the road. I believe in looking at this question from our own point of view, and not that of the L. E. & N. In conclusion, Mr. Editor, let me say that there is still much to be done in connection with our railway. It requires the careful attention of the best men available, and I believe we can at this juncture ill afford to lose the valuable services of Mr. Bunnell as Railway Commissioner. He needs no commendation from those who know him, but I write this for fear some of the false insinuations in circulation may influence some electors in marking their ballots and who do not know the man who has served the city faithfully and with marked ability and therefore deserves the very best at the hands of the electorate. I remain, Yours faithfully, GEO. WEDLAKE.

MR. HEYD AND THE BY-LAW

The Editor, Courier. Dear Sir:—My attention has been directed to the preliminary report of the Water Commissioners as presented in your issue of Tuesday last. I noticed the following discouraging item: "We have an increase in our power of \$3209." The entire cost for power last year was \$3209. This year, after only a seven months experience of a new system, the power cost has increased by \$3209, or, for twelve months at the same rate of increase, \$3850, or 20 per cent more. The works supplied 1,555,442,056 gallons. This year we supplied 1,244,026,000 gallons, or 311,000,000 gallons less at an increased cost of \$3209. A reduced output of 80 per cent or 1,000,000 gallons a day less being pumped this year than last, at an increased cost of \$3209, at the rate at \$3500 per annum, represents the entire taxes of 200 dwelling houses assessed for \$1000 each. The taxes of 200 ratepayers being thus worse than wasted. And there is no redress. This will be an annual loss—a 'perennial' as the forists say. Now, we are up against another \$5,000 a year proposition, for the dead end of our Street Railway system from Paris to Galt. Commissioner Bunnell, the only man who knows and who can be trusted, says we are losing

Famous Actor Dead

New York, Dec. 31.—Joe Murphy, an old time actor, best known for his impersonation in Kerry Gow, died early today of pneumonia in this city. He was 83 years of age and left an estate estimated at \$3,000,000. Mr. Murphy went to California in 1850 and was widely known among the early California pioneers.

Getting Close

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 31.—An earthquake shock, preceded by pronounced tremors for 48 hours, was recorded on the seismograph at Canisius college today. The quake which began at 7:38 a.m. lasted for five minutes southwest.

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# LOCAL OPTION BULLETIN

## FATHERS! MOTHERS! CITIZENS!

- The bar-room defenders have told—
- 1. **THE BUSINESS MAN**—That he cannot do business without the aid of the bar-room.
- 2. **THE TRAVELLER**—That he cannot expect a warm bed or a good dinner without the aid of the bar-room.
- 3. **THE MOTHERS**—That they cannot hope to raise their boys pure and manly without the aid of the bar-room.
- 4. **THE WIDOWS**—That a town cannot pay its taxes without the aid of the bar-room.
- 5. **THE POLICE**—That they cannot maintain law and order without the aid of the bar-room.
- 6. They have told the temperance men that Local Option increases drinking, and the drinker that it stops all drinking.
- 7. They have told you that Meaford and Collingwood are tired of Local Option, both of which statements are false, as the facts have shown. Not a man from either place has appeared to substantiate the statements.
- 8. They have told you that Local Option created blind pigs, knowing all the time that Local Option discovers and kills blind pigs.
- 9. They have told you that Local Option has failed everywhere. False again, or why has but one municipality gone back to license in the last five years? Whom shall we believe—the bar-room defenders or the people who live under Local Option?
- 10. But they have not told you that under license in Brantford—
  - 677 drunks and disorderlies were arrested in our streets last year.
  - that we have had 5 blind pigs since last Nov. 4th, 1915.
  - that three hundred thousand dollars went over our bars last year, and all we got in return was \$2,400 and the degradation of many men, women and children and numerous police court cases.
- 11. **IN SHORT, BUSINESS, PLEASURE, COMFORT, MANLINESS, SELF-CONTROL, CIVIC DIGNITY, SOCIAL PURITY, AND THE MAINTENANCE OF LAW AND ORDER, ALL DEPEND UPON THE BAR-ROOM. TAKE IT AWAY AND THE WHOLE CIVIC EDIFICE WILL COLLAPSE.**
- 12. No one believes this—least of all the bar-room men, who know from first-hand experience that not a day passes but every bar-room in Brantford deals a damning blow at every side of our civic life.

## Vote for Local Option

Experience has proven that it:

1. Helps Business
2. Stops Drinking
3. Builds up Homes
4. Saves the Boys
5. Turns wages away from the bar-room till to the business men's till

# VOTE FOR LOCAL OPTION

You Will Never Regret it

(Signed) LOCAL OPTION COMMITTEE

## SOCIETY NOTES

Mr. Percy Tipper is spending the New Year's holiday in Toronto.

Mr. Bert Boddy of Toronto, spent Christmas at the parental home, Nelson street.

Mr. and Mrs. McMaugh of St. Catharines, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Caudwell.

Miss Rossiter who has been the guest of Miss Enid Hatley, left on Tuesday for Toronto.

Miss Gwendolyn Wilkes left on Monday for Toronto, where she is spending a few days.

Mr. H. F. Gardiner spent Christmas in New York the guest of his daughter, Mrs. Rathbun.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Biggs and family were the guests of Mrs. Peter Wood over the Christmas holidays.

Dr. George Watt of the Toronto Children's Hospital, is spending New Year's, at his home on Park avenue.

Miss Edna Hartley returned to the city from Detroit, where she has been visiting for the past few months.

Lt. Cameron Thorburn left on Monday for Stanley Park, Toronto, to take up a course in signalling.

Col. Jones of Toronto, spent Christmas in the city the guest of his brother Maj. T. Harry Jones, Chestnut Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson of Hamilton, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ramsay, St. Paul's Avenue.

Mr. Cameron Wilson of Virginia, is spending the Christmas vacation with his mother, Mrs. H. McK. Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Hays of Toronto spent the Christmas holidays in the city, the guests of Mrs. Nelson Howell.

Mrs. Walter Wilkes, Palmerston Avenue left on Thursday for Sarnia where she will spend New Year's with relatives.

Miss Ellison Newman, Queen street, was a visitor in Toronto this week for a few days, returning home this evening.

Mr. Arthur Burt of the Technical school, Toronto, is spending the Christmas vacation at his home in Brant Avenue.

Mrs. Ruddy, St. Egerton St., is spending the Xmas season in Dundas the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Hendrie, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Gimby and family of Woodstock, spent the Xmas holidays in Brantford, the guests of Mrs. Gimby, William St.

The Fifth Form scholars of the Collegiate Institute, held a very enjoyable skating party at the Alfred St. rink on Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Switzer of Toronto, spent Christmas in the city the guests of Mrs. Switzer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. Mintern, Mohawk road.

Mr. and Mrs. Junior Woodruff of Montreal, were up in Brantford for the Christmas holidays, the guests of Mrs. Nelson Howell, William street.

Mr. Tom Merritt of Toronto and Mr. J. Preston, of Hamilton, were visitors in Brantford the first of the week, en route from St. Catharines.

Lieut. Norman Caudwell, machine gun officer of the 8th Battalion, Belleville, spent Christmas with his brother, Mr. Gordon Caudwell, Lorne Crescent.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cecil Ames who have been in Brantford for Christmas, staying with Mrs. Ames' parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Wilkes left on Monday for Cobalt.

Mr. W. Hastings Webber left on Tuesday for New York, Portland Me., and Hartford, Conn. Mr. Webber expects to be in New York for New Year's Eve.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Crompton and Miss Jessie Crompton spent Christmas in Barrie, the guests of Dr. and Mrs. Lewis, returning home early in the week.

Miss Maude Henry who has been the popular guest of her aunts, the Misses Phillips, Darling St., for the past few months, returned to her home in Windsor for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hardy and Miss Evelyn Hardy of London, spent the Christmas holidays in Brantford, the guests of Mrs. George Hardy, Chatham street.

Messrs. Ray, Ewart and Edward Whitaker, leave to-day for Buffalo, N. Y., where they will spend New Year's with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Broomfield.

Mr. Percy Tipper is spending the New Year's holiday in London.

Mrs. W. C. Livingston spent a few days in Hamilton this week.

Mr. Stanley Schell left on Wednesday for St. John, where he sails for England.

Mr. Walter boddy left this week to spend New Year's in Chicago with friends.

Miss Helen Oldham left for Berlin to-day to spend New Year's the guest of Miss Marian Crotz.

The Misses Jarvis, of St. John, N. B., are the guests of Mrs. James W. Digby, Wellington St.

Master Gordon Paterson was a visitor in Toronto this week, the guest of Mrs. Eaton Brereton.

Mrs. H. McK. Wilson was the hostess at a charming little bridge party on Monday evening.

The Misses Rosetta Little of Atwood and Hannah Scott of Newton, are the guests of Miss Lillian M. Wilson, 5 Sarah Street.

Mrs. Geo. Heyd, Dufferin Avenue, entertained at the tea hour on Thursday, in honor of her daughter, Miss Constance Heyd.

Mr and Mrs. H. Haigh, of Buffalo, N. Y., are spending New Year's in Brantford, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Newman, Queen street.

Mr. George Fawkes of the Bank of Montreal staff, in St. Mary's, will be in the city for New Year's, at the parental home, William street.

Mr. D. T. Williamson has been in Toronto this week attending a meeting of the travellers of the Starch Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Christie and family of Burlington, spent Christmas with the latter's parents, Mr and Mrs. T. H. Preston, Dufferin Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. Monahue and little daughter, who have been the guests of Miss M. Bennett, Brant Avenue, over the Christmas holidays, left for their home on Tuesday.

Rev. D. T. McClintock was surprised and delighted on Christmas eve, to receive an address of appreciation, along with a cheque for \$100.00 from his congregation, as a Christmas gift.

Lieuts. Pringle and Chelew of the 84th Battalion leave to-day for Toronto, where they will spend New Year's, returning to Brantford the first of the week.

Mrs. T. H. Whitehead entertained at the tea hour in honor of her guests, Mr. Ed. Whitehead of Montreal, who returned to his home in Montreal early in the week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gibbons and family and Mr. and Mrs. George Baker and daughter of Toronto, are spending the Christmas holidays in the city, the guests of Mrs. James Cockshutt, Lorne Crescent.

Mr. Courtland Fairchild and Mr. Beverley Fairchild of Edmonton, Alberta, came down to Brantford for Christmas, joining Mrs. C. Fairchild and Miss Nora who have been spending a few months in this city.

Mr. Merrill of Edmonton, Alta., a former well known young businessman of this city, is spending the Christmas season in town. Mr. Merrill represents the Kodak Co. in Edmonton and the Province of Alberta.

Mrs. Harry Hewitt gave a very enjoyable bridge party on Wednesday afternoon in honor of her sister, Mrs. Gurd of Sarnia, who is spending the holidays in town the guest of her mother, Mrs. George H. Wilkes.

The more advanced classes of Grace Church S. S. held their annual Christmas supper and entertainment from 6 to 10 p.m. on Wednesday evening, when the prizes for good conduct, regular attendance, etc., were presented.

Lt. Harvey Cockshutt writes in most cheerful manner from France. He spent Xmas in billets and speaks of the great luxury of sleeping between sheets for the first time since his arrival in France.

The Golf Club formally opened the skating season last night at the Dufferin Park. The band of the 84th Battalion played all evening, and a very jolly time was spent by the participants.

Lieut. Bertram and Reginald Waterous, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Waterous, River Road, leave Brantford on New Year's Day for Quebec, where they join the battery which leaves shortly for active service overseas.

Mayor and Mrs. Spence entertained the officers and their executive staff of the Women's Patriotic League on Wednesday afternoon, at a theatre party to "The Brant" followed by afternoon tea at Mayor and Mrs. Spence's charming home, Park Avenue.

The engagement is announced of Capt. Stuart Grafton of Dundas and Miss Winnifred Butcher of Owen Sound. The marriage takes place in Owen Sound Jan. 4, at the home of the bride's parents. Both Captain Grafton and Miss Butcher are very well known in Brantford, having visited here a number of times. Capt. Grafton returned recently from active service in France.

The patients at the Brant Sanitarium, were given an Xmas tree and a short musical programme by local talent, on Wednesday evening. Mayor and Mrs. Spence, Mr. Ed. Cockshutt, Mr. E. L. Gould, Mr. Arthur Watts, Mr. Chris. Cook and many other representative citizens interested in the

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"BRANTFORD'S GREATEST SHAME"  
Mrs. Seccord will sing "We've Saved the Boy" and Mr. J. A. Hall will sing, by request, "The Star of Bethlehem."  
BAPTISM  
All Are Invited Come

Sanitarium driving out to the institution to be present at the evening's entertainment. Mr. E. L. Cockshutt presented the Sanitarium with a handsome clock which was much appreciated.

Mrs. Wm. Trouton of Arthur, Ont., is the holiday guest of Mrs. D. J. McGowan, 12 Walter street.

Mayor Kemp of Meaford was the guest of Mr. A. G. Hackett, 24 Lorne Crescent.

The first tea held in the new cars of the L. E. & N. Railway yesterday was a great success. The cars were well heated, and the refreshments were delicious. The hostesses and their assistants were Mrs. Lloyd Harris, Mrs. W. S. Brewster, Mrs. Gordon Smith, Mrs. R. H. Reville, Mrs. T. Harry Whitehead, the Misses Whitehead and Beattie Roberts, Miss Nora Tomlinson and Miss Neil.

The sum of \$64.00 was raised on Thursday afternoon to buy blankets for the French Secours National, and a number of blankets were brought in to help in this worthy cause. Tea will be served to-day for the same cause, and all who were not able to attend yesterday, it is hoped will come to-day.

Those in charge to-day and their assistants will be Mrs. W. C. Livingston, Mrs. John Spence, Mrs. T. Harry Jones, Miss Hollinrake, Mrs. George Watt, the Misses Marjorie and Stephanie Jones, the Misses Marjorie and Edith Sweet.

## INTERMEDIATE HOCKEY

NEW YEAR'S AFTERNOON  
3 O'CLOCK  
AURA LEE, Toronto  
1914-15 Varsity Jr., O. H. A. Champions.  
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TUESDAY, JAN., 4th, 1916 at 8 p. m.  
PARIS vs BRANTFORD  
Alfred Street Rink  
Several new players wearing Brantford uniforms.  
Boost the Boys Along.  
ADMISSION 25c

## Owen Sound's Good Showing

### Read for Yourself!

Every figure given below is from Provincial Government Returns. Fair comparisons are here presented for the year 1914, showing Town, Population, Number of Licenses and Jail Commitments.

Towns	From 1915 Report	Population	Licenses	Drunkenness	Commitments to Jail
Welland (wet)	7,243	8	131		
Brockville (wet)	9,240	9	62		
Sarnia (wet)	11,503	12	237		
Sault Ste. Marie (wet)	12,397	14	73		
St. Catharines (wet)	17,296	13	102		
Port Arthur (wet)	18,324	18	444		
Owen Sound	12385	Dry	17		

## VOTE DRY! Vote for Local Option

### TO HYDRO ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS!

Hydro service will be interrupted on Sunday, January 2nd, from 12.30 to 1.30 noon, for the purpose of making necessary repairs at Brant high tension station. We hope that this interruption will not unduly inconvenience our customers.

### Brantford Hydro Electric System

Every elector voting for Mayor and Aldermen is privileged to vote for Railway Commissioner. Vote for Calbeck.

The Australian Cadets visit to Brantford next week will be one of the events of the season. Reserve seat plan for evening performance now open at Boles Drug Store.

Captain Anthony Gallagher, a sailing master on the Great Lakes for more than fifty years, is dead at his home in Chicago.

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Duties—Six months' residence on the land in 4 years. A homesteader may file a claim for 160 acres, at least 80 acres, on certain habitable house is required. Residence is performed in 3 years. In certain districts a homestead right may be obtained alongside his homestead 63.00 per acre.

Duties—Six months' residence three years after earning 1000; also 50 acres extra cultivation patent may be obtained as homestead patent, on certain conditions.

A settler who has exhausted his right may take a certificate in certain districts for 160 acres. Duties—Must reside on each of three years, cultivate erect a house worth \$300.

The area of cultivation is 100 acres in case of rough, arid land. Live stock may be cultivated under certain conditions.

W. W. CO. Deputy of the Minister of Agriculture, Ottawa, Ontario. Advertisement will not be published.

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PRINCIPLE OF SUPERANNUATION APPROVED OF

Board of Education Went on Record Last Night to That Effect.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO MR. BINGLE Teacher Who Goes on Service With 125th Granted His Request.

Board of Education held a session last night and considered chiefly time business. The members discussed in a general way the matter of superannuation of teachers and eventually embodied their approval of the idea in a resolution.

Mr. Mackenzie of the Penny Bank wanted to know the attitude of the Board toward the opening of this bank in the Public Schools. It was referred to the committee on School Management for consideration.

COMMUNICATIONS. Mr. Mackenzie of the Penny Bank wanted to know the attitude of the Board toward the opening of this bank in the Public Schools.

INSPECTOR'S REPORT. School Enroll. Av. Attend. P.C. Central . . . 578 525.0 90.8

MANAGEMENT REPORT. This report was read by Mr. Andrews and was adopted. It is as follows:—

MARKETS. CHICAGO LIVE STOCK. Chicago, Dec. 31.—Cattle, receipts 1000; market strong; native beef \$6.10 to \$9.75; western steers \$6.20 to \$8.10; cows and heifers, \$9.20 to \$8.40; calves, \$7 to \$10.50.

DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS. CORNELL KIDNEY DISORDER. BRIGHT'S DISEASE. DIABETES. THE PROMISED CURE.

BOOZE AND EFFICIENCY

Lewis Edwin Theiss, writing in the Outlook, introduces a powerful article, "Industry versus Alcohol," with this Billy Sunday story:—"We were discussing Billy Sunday and the economic effect of his work."

"The vice-president of the C— Iron Works told me," said a manufacturer of railway cars, "that his company could have afforded to pay its employees a quarter of a million dollars more than their wages during the period that Billy Sunday was working among them."

"It is interesting to find that religion has such an effect on everyday life," I observed.

"Religion, as such, had little to do with it," replied the car-maker, "except that it started it. The thing that made those men efficient was cutting out the drink. Billy Sunday got them all on the water wagon. They became sober, and stayed sober. They could run their machines with steady makes. They are strong for prohibition. If the people of Pittsburgh and vicinity could vote on the temperance question to-day, the saloons would be wiped out there."

"The manufacturers are strong for prohibition, too. They never gave much thought to the matter before. But this demonstration of Billy Sunday has made us all strong for prohibition. We know now that most of our accidents are due to whiskey. For years we have been trying to find a way to secure a high degree of efficiency among our men. We never succeeded. Along comes this preacher and accomplishes more in a few weeks than we have ever been able to do."

"The President of the Pennsylvania Railway is also reported to have recently said that his company would be willing to pay Billy Sunday \$50,000 a year, if he would stay in Pennsylvania and hold all his meetings there, because of the effect that these have upon their great army of employees. He gets thousands of railroad men everywhere to "climb on the water wagon."—Advt.

SHOT FOR HIS CRIME

"This hawk killed forty hens. Did the farmers license him? No. They shot him." The farmers did not say, "Aw. What's the use. Let him go on killing the hens so we can get the feathers."

The farmers did not say, "I'm agin interierin' with the hawk's personal liberty. Hasn't he a right to make his livin' just as he sees fit? Why should we interfere with the hawk's private business an' dictate to him as to what he shall eat and drink?"

The farmers did not try to work off any of this sort of rot. They destroyed the hawk that was destroying their chickens.

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(2) Brick 1-1/2 storey house on Richardson St., West Brantford, parlor, dining room, kitchen, 3 bedrooms, new roof; large lot, 50 ft. frontage. Number of choice fruit trees. Price \$1900, payable \$250 down, and the balance \$15 per month.

(3) First class red brick cottage on solid stone foundation, situated on Burford St., containing large parlor, dining room, kitchen, 3 good bedrooms, electric lights throughout; city water, etc. This is a comparatively new house and is well built. Price \$1850, payable \$200 down, balance \$15 per month.

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Friday, December 31, 1915.

The Situation.

Russia is coming back once more in excellent style, and is making things exceedingly lively for the Huns. They will have to send heavy reinforcements to the scene, and this will not tend to help any big Western front demonstration which they are stated to have had in view. One despatch says that the Roumanians have decided to join with the forces of the Czar. British airmen are becoming increasingly active on the Western front, and there cannot be much doubt that it is the intention of John Bull in the future to bring this arm of the service into still greater play. French troops have landed at Castellorizo, a small island off the Turkish coast owned by Greece, which country has been informed that it will be used as a base. Speaking generally, the position of the Allies at the end of 1915 is far better than at this time last year. It is very true that they have not made any advances, but the foe has been held while they have been making up for the lack of men with regard to the Old Land and of munitions with reference to all of them.

Local Option.

This paper has devoted a large amount of space to the views and contentions of those for and against Local Option.

It makes no apology whatever for so doing.

Such a course is one which the Courier always has followed, and always will follow, with reference to any matter in public issue. Both sides have a perfect right to be heard on all questions which affect the community as a whole—a fact recognized by every paper which realizes its mission as a public vehicle. It would be a sorry day for Canada if editors as a class allowed their individual views to deny publicity to the other side.

Speaking generally, it may be affirmed that the campaign has been conducted on a business-like basis. There are extremists always in any two opposing camps, and allowance has to be made for them.

The citizens through these columns, at any rate, have had both sides squarely put up to them, and they, after all, are the final judges.

The Railway By-law.

This measure, both by public meetings and letters, has been very fully handled by the local press. The contentions of those against the selling are chiefly these:

1. That it would be folly to give up any part of a municipal line to a corporation.

2. That the Paris-to-Galt end is an important feeder for the Brantford-to-Paris end, and that the latter will greatly suffer by a sale.

3. That certain Brantford gentlemen stand to gain personally out of the deal. (This latter contemptible innuendo, it may be noted, is confined to a few, who thereby show their own inclinations.)

4. That the L. E. & N. people are not offering enough, and can be made to pay more.

5. That the municipal line has valuable rights at the Galt and Paris ends which could bring in good rentals.

6. That the line may become part and parcel of Sir Adam Beck's radial scheme.

7. That for scrap alone and right-of-way it can fetch more than the \$30,000.

8. That for \$21,000 it can be fixed up to compete with the L. E. & N.

On the opposing side, of which the Courier is one, the claims are:

1. That the road, even without competition, has proved a losing venture. (The auditors' report has shown that it costs \$2.70 to collect \$1 on it.)

2. That with competition it will become even more of a sink hole.

3. That this portion of the line cannot be put in any kind of shape for less than \$50,000 or \$75,000.

4. That the main (and losing) traffic has hitherto consisted of through passengers between Galt and Brantford, and that the L. E. & N., with C. P. R. connection at Galt and Hamilton radial connection at Brantford, will get the bulk of that, especially as they will have a 45-minute service as against the 1 hour and 20 minutes present service of the municipal line.

ent service of the municipal line.

5. That the L. E. & N. already has running privileges for all time over the Grand Valley end at Galt, and that the Ontario Railway Board would not for a moment allow Brantford to have any stranglehold on Paris.

6. That the offer of \$30,000 from the L. E. & N. is a good clean-up proposition for a white elephant, which in the future will eat up even more hay in the shape of the people's good dollars, and that no essential rights or important rights are sacrificed by the sale.

7. That the \$30,000, if the by-law carries, should go to the upbuilding of the city system, with extensions to Terrace Hill and West Brantford.

8. That the L. E. & N. will not prove much of a competitor for passenger traffic between Brantford and Paris, for the reason that on their line there is only one central depot at each end, whereas on the municipal line the road at both Paris and Brantford is along streets and can pick up and discharge passengers en route. Any one would rather board or get off a car at some convenient corner than hike several blocks to reach a station.

9. That Beck would not even look at such a road in connection with his radial scheme. This paper considers that in the above the opposing sides have been fairly stated, and that citizens, in their best interests, should vote for the by-law. If the measure is defeated and this branch of the road continued as a municipal outlay an increased taxation burden is a certainty.

Ryerson for Mayor.

It is the unwritten law that a man should give of his services in the City Council before seeking to occupy the Mayor's chair.

Mr. T. E. Ryerson has done this, preceded by many years as school trustee, and in all activities for the upbuilding of the city he has given of his time and means.

His opponent, Mr. J. W. Bowly, has sought to challenge his success as chairman of the finance committee during 1915. The charge proved a boomerang to that gentleman, for the records show for the year just closing the standing committees of the Council kept within their appropriations by over \$5,000. The only trouble was with \$17,000 unpaid taxes, indebtedness of street railway and increased demands by the Hospital and Sanatorium, matters with which Ald. Ryerson had nothing to do and over which he could have no possible control.

He is the man who originated "The Greater Brantford Board," and his private investments have gone into local industries, such, for instance, as the Brandon Shoe Company, and the Kitchen Overall Company.

He is, both by service and efficiency, well qualified to occupy the post of Chief Magistrate, and citizens can make no mistake in seeing that he gets there.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

Ryerson for Mayor!

Happy New Year!

The Courier is not often in agreement with Mr. C. B. Heyd. There was one memorable occasion, though, when the dove of peace fluttered, and that was when this paper was fighting for municipal ownership of the water-works and Mr. Heyd gave a helping hand, and now there is another time of accord in connection with the railway by-law. His letter elsewhere in this issue is to the point.

A vote for the railway by-law is a vote to say that you don't want increased taxation.

A vote for the railway by-law is a vote to help make needed extensions in connection with the street railway service.

Among the other rubbish talked by opponents of the railway by-law is that the Lake Erie & Northern haven't running rights at the Galt end over the Grand Valley. As a matter of fact, they have had them for a long time.

Will You be Guilty, Too?

The liquor traffic is guilty of crime and everybody knows it.

It is guilty of much crime on its own part directly and of providing that which incites others to crime.

One of the fundamental principles of law in this country is that where several parties are involved in crime each is responsible to the fullest extent. Responsibility cannot be so divided as to make it less for each of those involved. If two or more men commit murder, all are subject to the death penalty just as much as a man who commits murder alone.

The man who votes for the liquor traffic is directly responsible for its continuance. Its continuance means crime. Are you prepared to accept responsibility for what the liquor traffic will do in Brantford if allowed to continue?—Advt.

NEW CARS

Of the L. E. & N. Visited by Many—Handsome Proceeds For Womans' Patriotic League.

Citizens are having an opportunity to see for themselves the fine equipment of the Lake Erie & Northern Railway.

Through the kindness of Mr. Todd, the manager, three cars—two passenger and a baggage, have been placed at the foot of Jubilee Terrace, in rear of the drill hall, and the members of the Women's Patriotic League are serving tea in them. There was a good crowd of visitors yesterday, and all were delighted.

The cars, which cost some \$17,000 apiece, have accommodation for seventy passengers. They are mounted on Baldwin trucks, made at the Canada Locomotive Works in Kingston, and the motors are of the Canadian Westinghouse Works. They are solidly constructed of steel frames right up to the window sills, and the entire equipment is of the very best.

The comfortable seats are finished in pantostone green leather, and the window curtains are of green silk embossed. Each car is brilliantly illuminated with thirty-six electric lights. The main body is of inlaid mahogany, and the smoking room compartments at each end are of quarter cut oak. Each car is furnished with a lavatory. The heating is by an electric 35 heater, and a special feature of each car is a sanitary drinking fountain supplied by a large inverted glass bottle. No dust can get in whatever. The coupling device is such as to avoid all danger and the cars are vestibuled. They are under multiple unit control, and each coach is a motor car in itself. Several cars are attached together, can be placed under the control of one motorman. The baggage car has 32 feet devoted to that purpose, and the balance of the room is for passengers. The cars are the product of the Preston Car and Coach Company, and reflect the highest credit upon that concern.

Along with the cars is a Baldwin-

Westinghouse electric locomotive, 60 tons in weight, built at a cost of \$28,000, and capable of hauling 800 tons 24 miles an hour. The mechanics of Brantford are specially invited to examine this very interesting piece of machinery.

As a result of the afternoon, the ladies cleared the handsome sum of \$64. The cars will remain here and be open for inspection to-day and all of Saturday (New Year's Day).

BAR-ROOMS ARE CON-TENT.

"Let Well Enough Alone, They Say."

Well, they ought to be satisfied with \$500,000 taken in and drunkards kicked out into the streets, to be picked up by the patrol wagon at the expense, not of the bar-rooms who made the men drunk, but at the expense of the ratepayers. 677 3f

them last year, and many others who just escaped the patrol. The bar room is the only business which kicks out into the streets and disowns its finished product. The bar room makes the money. We take care of the drunks. Do you like the arrangement?—Advt.

TO THE ELECTORS OF WARD ONE

Owing to an unfortunate illness, I have been unable to make a personal appeal to the electors as I should like to have done, and take this opportunity to request their hearty support. I wish also to point out particularly that I am running in WARD ONE, and in Ward Three, some confusion having arisen on this point. Wishing you a prosperous New Year, I remain

Yours sincerely,

Philip H. Secord

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We take this opportunity to thank our many patrons for making the year so successful, and assure you all that for the coming year our efforts to provide merchandise of value and quality will not be relaxed, earnestly soliciting the continuance of your patronage, again wishing you all good wishes for 1916

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Local News

COLD SNAP

The mercury registered below zero at 5 o'clock.

Mr. Joseph Houlding, a member of Grace Goss; to the front as battalions 53rd battalion.

AT ST. JAMES. Some of the Brant Battalion St. James' Church morning at 9.30 a.m.

ALL WELLS. Mrs. Colquhoun is in cablegram from Colonel France, saying, "All we Major Nelles Ashton is."

PAY SHEET. The time lists of Mr. er for the month of amounted to \$40 for certificates were received at the office this morning.

BACK FROM FRONT. Pte. Smith of the First wounded and invalided home in the city on the 4th train this afternoon, and civic welcome.

TOTAL PERMITS. The total number of permits which have been issued is 241, and the total value \$235,600. Last year's total permits, at \$435,510 value, total this year is divided in following parts: Numbers built, 407 dwellings, 150 alterations, 147 factories, 20; public buildings erected 6.

DONATED SOCKS. The officers and men of Battalion are indebted to Chapter I. O. D. E. League for supplying soldiers who have not any government issues. Chapter donated 100 pairs Patriotic League 50 pairs.

PASSED AWAY. A telegram was received to-day conveying the sad news of the death in Chicago of Baird, son of the late Baird of Paris. Deceased connected for many years Pullman Car Company, named and had a great number of friends in Paris and Brant will be sincerely sorry to demise. The funeral will be in Paris on Saturday after.

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Local News

COLD SNAP

The mercury registered 7 degrees below zero at 5 o'clock this morning.

Mr. Joseph Houlding who used to be a member of Grace church has gone to the front as bandmaster with the 53rd battalion.

AT ST. JAMES.

Some of the Brant Battalion will attend St. James' Church on Sunday morning at 9.30 a.m.

ALL WELL.

Mrs. Colquhoun is in receipt of a cablegram from Colonel Colquhoun in France, saying, "All well," and that Major Nellie Ashton is with him.

PAY SHEET

The time lists of Mr. John Thresher for the month of December, amounted to \$40 for care of the cemeteries were received at the clerk's office this morning.

BACK FROM FRONT

Pte. Smith of the First Contingent, wounded and invalided home, received a letter from the city on the 4.19 T. H. & B. train this afternoon, and be given a civic welcome.

TOTAL PERMITS

The total number of building permits which have been issued this year is 241, and the total value amounts to \$235,600. Last year's total was 371 permits, at \$435,510 valuation. The total this year is divided into the following parts: Number of garages built, 40; dwellings, 150; stores and alterations, 14; factories and additions 20; public buildings erected 6; barns erected 6.

DONATED SOCKS

The officers and men of the 125th Battalion are indebted to the Brant Chapter I. O. D. E. and Patriotic League for supplying socks to the soldiers who have not yet received any government issues. The Brant Chapter donated 50 pairs, and the Patriotic League 50 pairs.

PASSED AWAY.

A telegram was received in the city to-day conveying the sad intelligence of the death in Chicago of Mr. Geo. Baird, son of the late Mr. A. H. Baird of Paris. Deceased had been connected for many years with the Pullman Car Company of the city named and had a great many old friends in Paris and Brantford who will be sincerely sorry to hear of his demise. The funeral will take place in Paris on Saturday afternoon.

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The County of Brant rates have all been met and transferred into the bank. Mr. A. E. Watts made the last transference this morning the last day of the year.

125TH ACTIVE

Up to date the full parade strength of the 125th Brant Battalion, including all ranks, is 514. Of this number, 78 are stationed in Paris. This is remarkable when it is considered that the recruiting has only been conducted for a little over a month.

SUCCESSFUL EVENT.

There was a happy event at Calvary Baptist church when a pleasing cantata "Santa's Secret Society" was presented by the school. The passwords for said society were, "giving, saving, enjoying." It was most successfully given under the direction of Miss Annie Howden and Mrs. Sage. Other items were—Recitation, Olive Stenebaugh; song, "Knitting" by four girls; wand and club drill, class of girls; soldiers' drill, class of boys; presentations—Bible, to C. J. Scott, retiring superintendent; umbrella, to Miss Annie Henderson; books to Mrs. Sage and Miss Howden; prizes for regular attendance and candies for the children. Rev. Mr. Bowyer was chairman; and Mrs. Sage accompanist. There was a full house and a large offering.

SWIMMING MEET

A swimming meet was held this morning at the Y. M. C. A. by the boys' department under the supervision of Mr. G. Mosley, boys' physical director. There was a good sized crowd of boys in attendance. This was the first meet of the season, and a preparation for the big New Year's swimming gala at 2 p.m., when the gallery will be reserved for ladies and their escorts. There will be no admission fee. The results of this morning were: 20 yards, speed, 1, R. Sweet; 2, E. Crumback; 3, S. Bray. 20 yards junior, 1, L. Verity; 2, G. Rodgers. Water polo game, G. Mosley's team lost to F. Wood's team by 4 to 1. Tomorrow, Mr. Frank Wood, the all round Canadian champion swimmer and diver will give an exhibition, and a water polo game will be staged, which promises to provide a good exhibition of this most popular sport.

Society Notes

Mr. Henry will spend the holiday in New York.

Mrs. Avery will leave the city to-day for Spokane, Washington.

Mrs. Woodruff left for Toronto, for New Year's Day.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Kerr will leave to-day for their home in the holidays.

Mr. J. M. Grant, of the Expositor newspaper staff will spend New Year's Day in Toronto.

Mrs. and the Misses Causland, left to-day for Suspension Bridge, Niagara Falls.

Mrs. M. R. Muir and Miss Helen Muir, returned to-day from Brantford, after a vacation visit.

Mrs. Stratford and Miss Mayden Stratford, Messrs. Reg. and David Stratford, returned last night from Toronto, where they have been spending the Christmas holidays.

For Alderman, Ward 5—Vote for Geo. A. Ward, the people's candidate.

ELECTION RETURNS MONDAY

The Courier has made very complete arrangements for election returns on Monday. The outcome of the various contests will be issued from this office as soon as possible after the polls close.

COMING EVENTS.

UNION INTERCESSORY PRAYER service to-night in Congregational Lecture Room in the interests of Local Option, instead of Zion Church. Come at 8 o'clock.

A GRAND TIME at the Alfred St. Skating Rink to-night. Skating the old year out and the New Year in. I also wish to state that the rink will be open for skating in the afternoon on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, and every evening, weather permitting. Wishing the people of Brantford a Happy New Year. H. A. Beardsall, Manager.

THE SECOND ANNUAL live bird shoot at the Eagle Gun Club grounds will take place on Saturday (New Year's) morning at 9.30. A hearty invitation is extended to all shooters wishing to take part in this shoot, but shooting on the outside is strictly prohibited by the club.

THE PROBS

Toronto, Dec. 31.—Pressure is low over Alberta and in Lower California, elsewhere for the most part decidedly high. Fair, cold weather prevails generally except in Manitoba where light snow is falling locally.

FORECASTS:

Fair and cold, Saturday, east and south winds, generally with stationary or a little higher temperature. Saturday, fair, higher temperature.

TO THE EDITOR

(Continued from Page 1)

\$2800 per annum on this end of the road. We can sell for \$2000. The interest on this \$30,000 at 5 1/2 per cent is \$1650, and the interest on \$50,000 at 1-2 per cent, to put the road in FAIR shape, will involve a sure loss of \$3000 per annum. In addition, we have the C.P.R. as a competitor, to take at least one half of the present traffic. If we do not sell NOW, the taxes of 200 more \$1000 cottages will be worse than what we have.

On Monday next the ratepayers can prevent this last outrage by voting for the sale of the road and pocketing the \$30,000, and getting rid of a sure loser by supporting the candidate for the next Railway Commission, who favor the sale, who have managed the road so well in the past and who can safely be trusted for the future. Let this \$30,000 cash and the \$5,000 of taxes per annum, which would be lost if this sale was not effected, go into the extension of the Brantford Street Railway system in Brantford for the benefit of our own citizens, and for those in the County of Waterloo.

Yours truly, C. B. HEYD.

MR. KILGOUR'S REPLY. To the Editor of the Courier: Dear Sir,—In answer to a query by Mr. John H. Howling in last night's press, I would be pleased to be allowed space for reply.

He evidently has misconstrued my intent as expressed in my election card, and to make the matter clear, I would say that when I stated I would be "against any measure that would make for increased taxation," I did so knowing what every ratepayer knows. In past years the city council have passed a number of by-laws calling for heavy expenditure, and I consider now we have arrived at a time when we must call a halt. That this is so is substantiated by a report of our city treasurer, A. K. Bowers, in an address on December 18, on the Street Railway by-law, stated that if the Galt end was retained and put in proper shape it would cost the city \$100,000. He also told the ratepayers that if they continued to sanction such large expenditures, we, as a city, would be paying our taxes to keep up interest and debentures, and that we would not have any money for local improvements. Trusting this will relieve the doubt in Mr. Howling's mind, I am

William Kilgour HOTEL ACCOMMODATION Brantford, Dec. 30, 1915.

To the Editor of the Courier, Dear Sir—Re the matter of Hotel Accommodation, I desire to say: 1. Travellers come here to sell goods to our merchants. 80 per cent of the Travellers prefer Local Option to A. Because business is better, they sell more goods. B. Because hotel accommodation is better.

2. Our merchants who buy from travellers are not worrying. They still have to buy all the goods they can sell. They know a good thing when they see it, and nearly all of them are supporting Local Option. They know that they will get their share of the \$300,000 now worse than wasted over this bad city.

3. Only four or five of our hotels make any serious attempt to cater to the commercial travellers. If the present hotelkeepers do not want to keep hotels under Local Option, others will. We are assured by men of means in Brantford that should it be necessary, a company will be formed to look after Brantford's needs in this particular, even to the building of an up-to-date hotel, as was done in Renfrew.

FRED MANN. Leaving for England

FURNITURE AUCTION SALE

W. J. Bragg, auctioneer, will sell by Public auction on Tuesday next, January 4th, at 21 Waterloo street, corner of Brant avenue at 1.30 p.m. the following goods: 1 extension table, 1 Souvenir coal range, high shelf and reservoir, 12 yards linoleum, 1 sideboard, 6 chairs, 1 organ, 1 pair chenille curtains, 1 bed couch, 1 gas heater, 2 oak rockers, 1 child's chair, 1 rug, 1 folding buggy, 2 pair lace curtains, 6 yards linoleum, 1 wringer, 1 child's rocking horse, 2 jars choice fruit, glassware, dishes, tinware, bedding, bedroom suit, toilet set, tubs, tools, and many other articles. Terms—Cash. On Tuesday next, January 4 at 21 Waterloo street, near Brant Avenue, at 1.30 p.m. No reserve.

W. J. Bragg, Proprietress, 333 Colborne street.

WITH THE SOLDIERS

TEN SIGNED UP.

Ten capable men were added to the strength of the 125th Brant Battalion this morning. Their records are as follows:

Wm H. McNamara, Irish, 26, cook, single, 188 Sydenham street.

Walter F. Hinton, English, 27, tin-smith, married, 3 weeks, 38th D.R.C., 110 Elgin street.

Robert F. C. Mellor, English, 33, driver, married, 3 years 38th, D.R.C., 55 Charlotte street.

William S. Pettis, English, 38, tin-smith, married, 3 months 38th, D.R.C., 122 Alice street.

William R. Gullen, Canadian, 34, farmer, married, Echo Place.

Henry E. Simpson, Canadian, 22, bank clerk, single, 108 Park Avenue.

Robert J. Whita, Irish, 32, painter, married, 42 Colborne street.

George R. Smith, Canadian, 18, farmer, single, Mt. Pleasant.

Clements J. Brown, Canadian, 34, laborer, married, 3 years Norfolk Rifles, 21 Charlotte street.

John J. Stinchcombe, English, 33, bricklayer, married, 3 years 38th, 3 years 25th, 55 Balfour street.

2 men were rejected yesterday, one for slight build and the other for defective vision.

COMMITTEES FORMED.

Several committees have been formed in the 125th Brant Battalion staff of officers as follows:

Mess Committee—President, Capt. A. Vansomeren; members, Capt. Wallace, Lt. Livingston.

Regimental Institute—President, Major Newman; members, Capt. Sagar, Lt. Seago.

Band committee—President, Major McLean; members, Capt. Jordan and Capt. Cockshutt.

Finance committee—President, Major McLean; members, Major Newman, Capt. Vansomeren, C. C. companies.

Sports committee—President, Lieut. Slemm; members, Lt. Preston, Lt. Verity, Lt. Orr; one N.C.O. or man from each unit.

Local Option and Self-Control

Bar-rooms are claimed to help men to be manly and self-controlled. By putting booze under a man's nose you test his manhood. Yes, and how does he stand the test? How manly does it make him?

One of these manly men was being "disturbed" down Tuesday noon. His eyes were sticking out of his head. He could scarcely walk. His companion was half carrying him.

His clothes which had been soot a torn, his face was wild. The delirium tremens did not seem far away. He was a sight to provoke pity and to make a mother shriek and a wife go insane. In all fairness, did the bar-room make this man manly? Did it?

No, but some bar-room made probably five dollars or fifty dollars out of this poor wretch.

Does it make a man manly to turn a mad-dog loose against a man who may put in a good fight but the position will do its work and the man dies.

Ask any drunkard if the bar-room has made him manly and self-controlled. How manly and self-controlled the 677 drunkards and disorderlies looked as they were fished out of the gutter and loaded into the police patrol.—Adv't.

Miss Katharine B. Davis resigns as Commissioner of Correction, New York, and becomes chairman of new Parole Commission.

Mayor Carl Keier, of Toledo, O. was indicted by the County Grand Jury here yesterday on a charge of accepting a bribe.

The body of Mrs. Mary Fridley Price, Minneapolis, whose husband is awaiting trial for her murder, has been ordered exhumed.

LOCAL OPTION

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further showed that not a single representative business man could be said to appear on the circular issued condemning local option in Meaford. Lawyers, school teachers, merchants, manufacturers, even the hotels themselves refused to sign. Another party claimed flatly that he signed the circular under a misapprehension, and he believed in local option.

A SUGGESTION.

If some of these strapping bar-tenders would get out and shoulder a gun they would be doing much better for their country than they are doing now," added Mr. Kent amid applause.

"I have the greatest respect for some hotel-keepers but they are in a bad business," said Mr. Kent. Meaford conditions, as a lake port, had become very bad, because adjoining lake ports had gone dry. In fact so bad did things become that freight owners threatened to disallow their boats to call at Meaford. Two deaths, as a direct result of liquor occurred within two weeks of each other. Another death occurred a little later. That sort of thing had not happened since Meaford had now law and order. Meaford had more convictions under local option than under license. That was because the license inspector had not done his duty during the last days of license.

Speaking of his own business, Mr. Kent stated that he did not know of a single employee of his firm who had gone home drunk under local option. On Saturday night no intoxicated persons were seen. Mr. Kent also threw out a few hints as to campaign management learned from experience. He organized the necessity of getting out the vote early and of organizing the factory vote.

No local relief committee was needed in Meaford under local option, in spite of the industrial depression. In reply to a question Mr. Kent declared that hotel accommodation was quite as good now as ever. Ontario could not afford to spend so much money for liquor. The dollars and cents cost was too much.

WELCOME 1916! Standing at the threshold of the New Year, with the memory of the highly satisfactory business which the year that is just closing has brought us, we announce that the liberal policies which have actuated our store in the past shall continue in force. It is an agreeable duty for us to offer our sincere thanks and appreciation for the patronage which has been given us in the past year, and to assure our customers that we shall endeavor to meet their requirements just as satisfactorily in the future as we have done in the past. E. B. Crompton & Co., Ltd.

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Ald. Pitcher has a fine record for good service on behalf of the city as a whole, and also for the ward which he has so ably represented for three years.—Ward 2. For two years chairman of the Buildings and Grounds committee, under which the new Smallpox Hospital was built, equipped with all modern conveniences. 2.—In cementing of the floors in the Central fire station making them perfectly sanitary and saving many floors every year or two. 3.—Assisting in the purchase of Mo-

hawk Park which will be an acquisition to Brantford for years to come. 4.—Assisted in the purchase of the Brantford Street Railway. Has always favored extension to Terrace Hill. 5.—Assisted in the solution of the gas question and was specially mentioned by the City Solicitor for his services in this regard. 6.—Having the city water put into Mt. Hope cemetery. 7.—Through his committee purchasing the old post office for ultimate use as a City Hall. 8.—Establishment of a lavatory on the Market Square which is now under construction. 9.—The committee of which he is chairman ended the year 1915 with a surplus of \$1,200 from the amount allotted, after taking \$500 less than the usual appropriation in the first place. In all these matters Ald. Pitcher has shown a clear grasp of public necessities and he is entitled to retain a seat on the council board which he has filled so well. Every elector voting for Mayor and Aldermen is privileged to vote for Railway Commissioner. Vote for Calbeck.

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# SOME OF THE PRINCIPAL LOCAL EVENTS WHICH OCCURRED DURING THE PAST YEAR

### Summary of Most Important Happenings in Brantford From the First of the Year 1915, so Readers Can Refresh Their Memories Concerning Many Incidents They are Apt to Forget—Military Items Figure Largely and Show How Well Brantfordites Have Responded to the Call of Empire.

**JANUARY**

2.—Brantford Hydro Commissioners announced reduction of rates, 26 per cent in the case of an ordinary house.

4.—Street railway receipts for second week after operation of new cars showed an increase in receipts of \$325.71—Aldermanic and Board of Education elections took place—By-law carried \$100,000 for Waterworks.

5.—Lt. Col. Ashton named as Commander of a Battalion for the front.

—Death of Mr. Gladstone Whitaker.

—Miss Carson resigned as Matron of the Hospital.

6.—Active recruiting started in Brantford for more men to go to the front.

8.—Miss Forde accepted position as Matron of the Hospital.

10.—First meeting of the new City Council.

10.—First recruiting meeting held in Brant Theatre with sixteen men enlisting—General vaccination advised by Board of Health owing to smallpox scare.

16.—Courier staff made presentation to Lt. Walsh, news editor, on severing his connection with the paper to go to the front.

15.—Small fire in Vanstone's grocery store.

17.—Mass meetings of the Methodist Brotherhood in Brant Ave. and Wesley churches—Word received of the death of Private D. Rose at Salisbury Camp.

18.—Brant Dragoons sent third squadron for training in Toronto.

20.—Brantford branch established of the Retail Merchants Association.

—First Baptist Church annual meeting showed good year.

21.—Zion Church congregation at annual meeting received splendid reports.

22.—Mr. Hugh Howie presented by Civic employees with an address in connection with his retirement after faithful service as City Overseer.

25.—Hydro Electric report submitted to City Council showed splendid results—Annual report of Chief Lewis shows small fire losses for the year.

28.—Annual meeting of Brantford Conservatives, held at the Borden Club, passed off successfully.

**FEBRUARY**

1.—Venerable Archdeacon Mackenzie, rector of Grace Church celebrated his 78th birthday.—Brantford Scale Company decides to build new factory.

3.—Mr. J. A. Sanderson appointed by Ontario Government as one of its two representatives on the Hospital Board.—Annual meeting of Bible Society well attended.—First meeting of the Board of Education.—Word received of the falling of Lieut. Norman Nelles at the front.

8.—Annual meeting of the Daughters of the Empire shows a vast amount of active work.—By-law submitted at City Council for oiling of streets.—Brant Theatre celebrates first anniversary.

11.—Park Church annual meeting shows good year. Annual meeting of the Board of Trade, H. H. Powell elected President.

12.—Brantford manufacturers, questioned by The Courier, as a general thing expressed satisfaction with new tariff changes.

13.—Another batch of soldiers left the city.

16.—Municipal Board of Education managing committee extended leave to Sergt. Major Oxtoby, Drill Instructor, to go to the front.

17.—One hundred years of peace between the States and Great Britain commemorated by notable service in Zion Church.

19.—Street Railway Commissioners decide on a loop for Eagle Place.

20.—Courier makes announcement that Mayor Spence is appointed new Collector of Customs for Brantford.

23.—Fine new parsonage of Oxford St. Methodist Church opened.

**MARCH**

3.—Crompton's store destroyed by fire.

4.—Gem Theatre destroyed by fire.

—Private Percy Walley killed in a street car mishap in Galt.

6.—Pte. Arthur Smith dies of meningitis in Toronto.

15.—Letter from Col. Colquhoun tells of Brantford boys of the First contingent on the firing line.

16.—Capt. Bert Newman promoted to the position of Major Andrew Muir killed by G. T. R. yard engine.

—Courier announces wounding of Lt. Arthur H. Stratford.

22.—Death announced in the Old Land from appendicitis of Pte. James Huggins.—City Council fixes the tax rate at 23 mills.

23.—Immanuel Church members made a presentation to five of the congregation enlisted for the front.

29.—It is announced that the L. E. and N. Rv. is to be amalgamated with the Galt, Preston and Haspelier railway under the management of Mr. Todd.

30.—Charles Crompton chosen as one of three medical students to go to the front.

31.—Another quota of Brantford soldiers left for camp.

**APRIL**

3.—Municipal Street Railway Commissioners in their first report to the City Council show a gratifying increase in receipts.—Fire in Thornon's leather factory.

5.—Annual meeting of Grace Church vestry shows prosperous year, also St. Jude's.

6.—Death of Mr. Thos. Burnley, one of the oldest and most respected residents of the city. Brantford Tp. debutantes sell at a premium.

8.—Dr. Dan at the Opera House under the auspices of the Junior Hospital Aid, proves a big success.

12.—Brantford Gas Company lost appeal at Osgoode Hall against police court conviction for supplying gas harmful to the public health.

13.—Brantford's baseball team for the season announced.

14.—Mr. and Mrs. Muir resign as Superintendent and Matron of the House of Refuge.

15.—Formal opening of the two new wings at the hospital.

16.—Dr. and Mrs. Linscott celebrate their golden wedding.

19.—Ed. H. Cocksutt offers motor ambulance for the front.

20.—Deputation to Toronto secured necessary power to cancel gas franchise unless pure supply given.

26.—Word received in Brantford of the wounding of Corp. Orr and Capt. P. Miller at the front. Lt. Cameron Brant, a direct descendant of Chief Joseph Brant, killed.

27.—Word received that Pte. E. Hudson is recommended for distinguished conduct medal.

28.—Wounding announced of Pte. C. Rowcliffe.

30.—Pte. E. Edwards reported wounded.

**MAY**

1.—Ptes. R. Anthony, C. Kirkby, A. Hamilton, R. McCartney reported missing.

4.—Private F. Burkhard dies of wounds, Ptes. C. Bremner, C. Rowcliffe, J. White, W. Pawson, and M. Baxter wounded according to report from Col. Colquhoun.—City council raises theatre fees.

3.—Word of Brantford men wounded at the front includes names of Ptes Coppin, Houlding, Taylor, Phipps, Hadden, Dadsnell, White and Scott.

4.—Y. M. C. A. held boosters' banquet.

5.—Corporal Rowland, Ptes. J. Robinson and A. Nuttycomb reported wounded.

6.—Ptes. W. Kerr, J. Hawke, W. Hall and Jack Grant reported wounded.

7.—Announcement made of the accidental death at the front of Pte. A. H. Gourd; Ptes. A. Teague, J. Robinson, H. Miller, E. Hooper wounded.—R. W. Crooks, former Brantfordite, perishes in the sinking of the Lusitania.—Edward Taitie electrocuted while working on Hydro line near Tranquility.

12.—Pte. George Huggins killed; Ptes. J. Hillborn, H. Adams, J. Kelly, G. Wallace, T. J. Jones wounded.—Memorial service held in Zion church as a tribute to Brantford heroes fallen at the front.

14.—Lieut. Arthur Bishop reported severely wounded.

21.—Lt. Col. Ashton presented with cheque for two field kitchens by the I. O. D. E.

24.—Annual meeting of the Y. M. C. A.

26.—The first Brantford man to return from the firing line, Pte. G. M. Cannington, interviewed by the Courier.

27.—Lt. Col. H. Genet takes command of the 58th Battalion.

**JUNE**

1.—Mayor Spence, at city council meeting, announced that he would instruct the City Solicitor, under the Brewster Act, to take steps to cancel franchise.—Edward Taitie electrocuted while working on Hydro line near Tranquility.

2.—Major Colquhoun made second in command of "Fighting Fourth," and Capt. Jones gets command of Brantford company.

5.—"Hospital Day" realized \$2,154.

6.—Word received of the wounding of Lt. Ashton Cocksutt.

12.—W. C. Biggar, Arthur and Sam Burnley, H. Hart and A. Amos in nasty auto accident near Ancaster.

15.—Lieut. Miller of the 4th Battalion, made a captain.

17.—Postmaster-General formally opens Brantford's new public building.

23.—Brantford soldiers leave for Niagara Camp.

24.—Col. Colquhoun made commander of 4th Battalion.

25.—Sergt. Crouch returns from front.

26.—Decision to have a memorial ward in the Hospital to E. Pauline Johnson, out of money of her estate donated by her sister.—Selkirk city municipal fight.

28.—Mohawk Park secured from the Lovejoy estate by the city for \$25,000.

29.—36th "Brantford" Battalion arrives in Old Land.

30.—Announcement that Lance Corporal Smith, Oakland man, was killed at the front.

**JULY**

1.—Sixth annual Brant County tournament for lawn bowlers.

3.—Lt. Col. Muir receives orders to recruit 111 men from the 2nd Dragoons. Official confirmation of the killing in action of Ptes. Podd, Ellis

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4.—Rev. Dr. Henderson commences pastorate of Wellington St. Church, and Rev. Mr. Smythe of Sydenham St. Church.

5.—Letter from Mr. Todd of the L. E. & N., accepting Galt Paris end of municipal line for \$30,000.

7.—Announcement of the wounding of Lance Corporal Lee.

8.—Inspection of Mohawk Park, the newly acquired city property.

14.—The first Courier comfort box is acknowledged as having been received at the front.

17.—Announcement that Lance Corporal Little wins the D.C.M.

20.—Death of Mrs. Hedley, daughter of Archdeacon Mackenzie, in an unfortunate fatality.

22.—Dr. F. Hanna chosen D.D.G. M. of Hamilton Masonic District.

23.—W. J. Beer, former Brantfordite killed in Vancouver.

28.—Duties of Ptes. Overseas contingent left for Niagara Camp.

Thompson versus Lake, Erie and Northern.

10.—Announcement that Pte. Harry Richards was killed at the front. Garrison flag raised over Y. M. C. A. because of soldiers living there and using its privileges.

13.—Pte. Thomas Moss reported wounded.

15.—Twenty-seven recruits added to the Brant Battalion.

20.—Mayor Spence receives glowing encomiums at farewell banquet.

21.—Board of Trade at general meeting recommends selling of Galt to Paris end of the Municipal Railway.

22.—Warden Cooke's banquet at the Kerby House a big success.

27.—Civic nominations; Messrs. Ryerson and Bowly offering for Mayor. Dr. R. L. Hutton returns from service in the Dardanelles.

29.—Lt. Col. Frank Howard arrives home.

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RELISHES  
Worcester Sauce,  
Mixed Pickles  
Queen Olives

SALADS  
Water Cress Salad

BOILED  
Brisket of Beef, Horse Radish

ENTREE  
Chicken a la King  
French Toast, Maple Syrup

ROASTS  
Prime Ribs of Beef, Yorkshire Pudding.

Young Turkey, Cranberry Jelly

VEGETABLES  
Boiled and Mashed Potatoes  
Baked Sweet Potato  
Petit Pois

DESSERT  
Apple Pie Hot Mince Pie  
Pumpkin Pie  
Steamed English Plum Pudding  
Brandy and Hard Sauce  
Vanilla Ice Cream

Tea, Coffee  
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**SEPTEMBER**

6.—New Post Office formally opened for business.

9.—Pte. G. Knowles arrives home from the front.

13.—Another lot of soldiers left Brantford for Niagara Camp.

15.—Second Dragoons quota leaves for camp. Death of Jacob Green, run over by a yard engine.

19.—Brantford Presbyterian ministers preach on church union.

24.—Major Ballachey receives presentation from Board of Education. Brantford established as a recruiting depot.

22.—First annual meeting of the Women's Patriotic League shows fine work for the year.

25.—Sergeant Jones arrives home from the front.

29.—It is announced that part of the 84th Battalion will winter in Brantford.

**OCTOBER**

2.—Annual assessment returns show a population of 24,520, a decrease of 999, mainly attributed to men going to the front.

9.—It is announced that Brantford municipal securities will be offered to citizens.

10.—Corporal Orr arrives home.

12.—It is announced that Lieut. Col. Ashton is made a commander of Brigade. Rev. C. V. Lester accepts offer to become chaplain to the latter.

12.—Liquor is barred from the armories.

13.—Y. M. C. A. inaugurates membership campaign.

13.—Death of Mr. Thomas Wood yatt.

21.—Hon. George Foster and Hon. George Graham address magnificent rally in the Opera House.

22.—County Council votes \$5,000 to Red Cross.

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28.—Fire in the old Y. M. C. A. building.

29.—Public meeting decides to ask City Council to submit Local Option By-law.

30.—Opening of large new store of E. B. Crompton and Co.

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**DINNER MENU**

**35c**

SOUP  
Potage a la St. Hubertus.

FISH  
Baked Salmon Trout, a la Creole

RELISHES  
Worcester Sauce, Queen Olives  
Mixed Pickles

SALAD  
Brisket of Beef, Horseradish

ENTREE  
Ragout of Venison, aux Champignons

French Toast, Maple Syrup

ROASTS  
Prime Ribs of Beef, Yorkshire Pudding.  
Roast Young Chicken and Dressing

VEGETABLES  
Boiled and Mashed Potatoes  
Cream Corn

DESSERT  
Apple Pie Orange Pie  
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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, West Street. The services on Sunday will be in charge of the pastor. The morning service in response to the call of the government will be one of humiliation and for the success of our arms. The pastor will speak on "What the nation and the church must do to be saved." Bible School 3 p.m. S. S. entertainment Thursday 7 p.m. Evensong and sermon. 7 p.m. subject "Brantford's greatest shame"—followed by baptism Mrs. Arthur Secord will sing "We've Saved the Boy" and Mr. J. A. Harold will sing by special request "The Star of Bethlehem." All are invited. Come and worship with us the first Sunday in the new year. The music of the day will be in charge of Mr. T. Schoenel and will be as follows: Organ (a) "Andante Religioso" Mendenhall; (b) "Invocation" Vincent; Introit "God is a Spirit" Bennett; Offertory "O Worship the King" (Various); Widdow; concluding voluntary "Communion March" Calkin; Communion hymn "Toulon" (628) Gaudin.

Methodist COLBORNE ST. METHODIST. Rev. W. E. Baker, Pastor. Sunday, Jan. 2nd, 1916. 10 a.m.—Morning Class and Brotherhood. 11 a.m.—Morning Worship—The pastor, subject "A New Year's Friendly Inquiry." 2.45 p.m.—Sabbath School and Bible Class. 7 p.m.—Evening worship, the pastor, subject "Why I will vote for Local Option." Morning music: Anthem, "There were Shepherds" (Buck) solo Miss Agnes Butler. Evening music: Anthem "The First Christmas Morn" (Newton) Christmas Carol, G. C. White, Organist Director.

WELLINGTON ST. METHODIST. Rev. Dr. G. W. Henderson, Pastor. 10 a.m., Brotherhood, Class and Junior League Meetings. 11 a.m., public service, sermon by the pastor, subject, "The Pastor's New Year's Wish." 2.45 p.m., Sunday school and Adult Bible Classes. 7 p.m., public service, sermon by the pastor, subject, "The Pastor's New Year Appeal." The weekly services will be withdrawn in view of the united Week of Prayer services, which will be held in the church. Music—Morning, anthem, "O Lord Most Holy" (Frank); Solo, "Beyond the Dawn" (Sanderson); Mrs. James Aitken. Evening: Anthem, "Father, Keep Us in Thy Care" (Sullivan-Hodges); solo, "O Rest in the Lord" (Mendelssohn).

Mr. W. G. Darwen, Thomas Darwen, organist and choir-master. MARLBOROUGH METHODIST Rev. John E. Peters, M.A., Pastor. 11 a.m. the pastor. Intercession and New Year greetings. 2.45 p.m., Sunday school. 7 p.m., Illustrated lantern service. Let there be a crowded church. Congregational CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH. Corner George and Wellington Sts. Pastor, Rev. M. Kelly. The pastor will take charge of both services. 11 a.m., "A Message for the New Year." 7 p.m., "The Present Conflict." Sunday school and Bible classes at 3.00 p.m. The Public invited.

Presbyterian ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN James W. Gordon, B.D., Minister. Services 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sabbath School at 3 p.m. Music.—Morning: Anthem, From all that dwell below the Skies (Walmley); duet, Come, Holy Spirit, Mrs. J. W. Milne and Mrs. S. Davies. Evening: Anthem, Daughter of Zion (Maker) soloist Mr. W. T. Millard. ALEXANDRA PRESBYTERIAN Colborne St., opp. Alexandra Park. Rev. D. T. McClintock, Pastor. 11 a.m.—A New Year's Message. "Forward." 3 p.m.—S. S. and Bible Classes. 7 p.m.—Is the Young Man Safe.

ZION PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (Darling St. Opposite Victoria Park) Rev. G. A. Woodsie, minister. 11 a.m., communion. 3 p.m., Sunday school. 7 p.m., A Patriotic Service. Happy New Year to All. Good music. Free seats. Non-Denominational CHRISTADEL HALL. Special lecture Sunday, 7 p.m. Subject, "The Bible True, God has spoken. The rise and fall of the Turkish Empire predicted by the prophets. Illustrated by lantern." Speaker, Mr. James Howard of London, Ont., in C. O. F. Hall, 136 Dalhousie Street, opposite the market. All welcome. Seats free. No collection. Sunday school and bible classes as usual at 2.45 p.m.

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Stock certificates of the Du Pont, Atlas and Hercules Powder Companies and General Motors Company and coupon railroad bonds to the value of \$750,000 were stolen from a registered mail pouch at Wilmington, Del. Cook's Cotton Root Compound. A safe, reliable, non-toxic medicine. Sold in three degrees of strength—No. 1, \$1; No. 2, 50c; No. 3, 25c per bottle. Sold by all druggists, or sent prepaid for trouble to the manufacturer. Address: THE COOK MEDICINE CO., 703 1/2 Ave. C, Newark, N.J.

ENLIST!

For King and Country By Joining the "Brants"

A Great Recruiting Rally will be held in the BRANT THEATRE Sunday Ev'g 2nd JANUARY 2nd at 8.30 p.m. ---SPEAKERS---

Capt. R. C. Cockburn 15th Batt. C. E. F., who was "gassed" and wounded at St. Julien. Rev. Mr. Woodside MUSIC: MISS MARJORIE SWEET and others will sing. CHAIRMAN: HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR

Is This the City With Well-Observed License Laws?

Isn't this the city where the hotel-men made their own "Black List"? Isn't this the city where the bartenders were asked to serve the "Black List" just before the last election? Isn't this the city where one "bartender" pitched his job rather than obey the order?—Advt.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA



HIGH-CLASS SHOES

Women's Fine Kozy Felt Slippers, soft leather, wool padded soles, high cut style, colors brown, pink, green, etc., sizes 3 to 7. Reg. \$1.25. For the holidays 90c

Children's Fine Boots and Shoes, also warm, comfortable House Slippers at all prices.

Men's Shoes and Slippers of all kinds: A special Romeo-cut Slipper for a gift, black or brown. Regular \$2.00. Buy him a pair for \$1.75

Boots and Shoes for every occasion, all new stock.

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118 COLBORNE ST. LEINSTER'S OLD STAND

Harold W. Witton

Plumbing, Heating and Gas-fitting Three-piece Bathrooms a Specialty The best of material and the best of workmanship. Estimates given. Phone #547 - 63 St. Paul's Ave

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Show Preference and Talk for Articles Made in Brantford Factories by Brantford Workmen—Your Neighbors and Fellow-Citizens—Who Are Helping to Build Up Brantford. Keep Yourself Familiar With the Following:

Crown Brand Corn Syrup

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SMOKE: El Fair Clear Havana Cigars 10 to 25 cents Fair's Havana Bouquet Cigars 10 cents straight Manufactured by T. J. FAIR & CO., Limited BRANTFORD, ONT.

YOUR DEALER CAN SUPPLY YOU WITH Blue Lake Brand Portland Cement Manufactured by Ontario Portland Cement Company Limited Head Office - Brantford

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Hockey Skates and Shoes

make an ideal present for Men, Women, Boys or Girls. We have a complete line of all skating supplies; in fact, we have everything but ice.

PRICES TO SUIT ANY PURSE Hockey Sticks Hockey Pucks Shin Pads Ankle Supports Skate Straps, Etc.

Skates Ground, 10c pair—the Best Grind in the City

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CLIFFORDS' BIG FURNITURE HOUSE

Has Decided to Continue the Furniture Business at the OLD STAND— 78 COLBORNE STREET

This store has the good name of handling nothing but the Best Quality Furniture, made in Canada by Canadian mechanics. We Handle No Cheap Trashy Furniture

It is all of the finest quarter-cut oak, birch, mahogany, gum-wood ash or maple. These are the standard woods to make furniture from. Finished in golden polished oak, or satin finish, or fumed and Early English, as desired. We carry a full line of Furniture and all shades of finish, so that all classes of people can make a good choice. Rich and poor can buy at CLIFFORDS' BIG FURNITURE HOUSE. We have decided to do away with High Prices. Our prices will be cut right in half, and we will continue low prices as long as we are doing business. Now is the time to look after your Christmas Gifts. You will find a rich lot of Furniture to choose from at CLIFFORDS'. Watch our windows and see the bargains we are offering. When passing, drop in and look through our up-to-the-minute stock.

CLIFFORD'S BIG FURNITURE HOUSE

78 Colborne Street, Brantford PHONE 15 OPEN NIGHTS



# Representative Men Who Seek Your Support

## FOR MAYOR

### Mayoralty Contest

I am a candidate for the office of Mayor because of the persistent solicitations of all classes of the ratepayers of Brantford, and because I thought I might be of service in this critical state of our municipal affairs.

In a published statement made by me and taken from the local press I stated that there was an overdraft against Brantford's finances of some \$17,000. It was stated that this was because of uncollected taxes covering that amount. I have since applied to the City Treasurer, who courteously afforded me the fullest information, disclosing a deficit of some \$28,000.00 odd, which, under the able chairmanship of Thomas E. Ryerson, who seeks to become Mayor, is left for the incoming Council to face with the inevitable result of higher taxes.

After I had qualified to become a candidate I was interviewed by Mr. Ryerson, my opponent, who courteously informed me that I had better retire. I would be snowed under in the contest, and that I was the candidate of the liquor men and their tool. I repudiate Mr. Ryerson's assertion and point to my past record as a vindication against my becoming a tool of any clique or body of men. I have always thought that the office should seek the man, and not the man the office, that being the reason of my not personally canvassing voters: Should I be honored by being elected, I will devote my best energies to promote Brantford's welfare.

# J. W. BOWLBY

### ALDERMAN. ELECTORS OF WARD ONE

Being requested by many ratepayers of Ward 1 to stand for election to the Council in this Ward, I have decided to do so, and earnestly request, therefore, your very hearty support. The coming year will present many problems, both in railway matters and in constructive work generally, in which my practical experience may be of value to the city, and if elected, I will devote this experience to the best interests of the City of Brantford. Wishing you all the compliments of the season, I remain,

Yours sincerely,  
**Philip H. Secord**

### FOR ALDERMAN, WARD ONE

## REG. WELSH

Respectfully solicits your vote and influence for Alderman for Ward One for 1916.

### ELECTORS OF WARD ONE

Ladies and Gentlemen,—Your vote and influence is respectfully solicited for Alderman for Ward One, and if elected your representative, I will endeavor to serve the city's interests to the best of my ability. Wishing you a very happy New Year.

## Fred C. Harp

### ALDERMAN FOR WARD ONE

## Ed. Ott

To the Electors: I respectfully solicit your vote and influence for Alderman for Ward One.

### ELECTORS WARD TWO

## J. E. Hess

Solicits your vote and influence for Alderman for 1916.

### ALDERMAN FOR WARD TWO

## S. P. PITCHER

Again solicits your Vote and Influence as Alderman for Ward 2.

### ALDERMAN FOR WARD TWO

## John W. English

Solicits your Vote and Influence for Alderman in Ward 2 for 1916.

### ALDERMAN FOR WARD TWO

## George Woolams

Solicits your vote and influence for Alderman in Ward 2 for 1916.

### ELECTORS OF WARD TWO

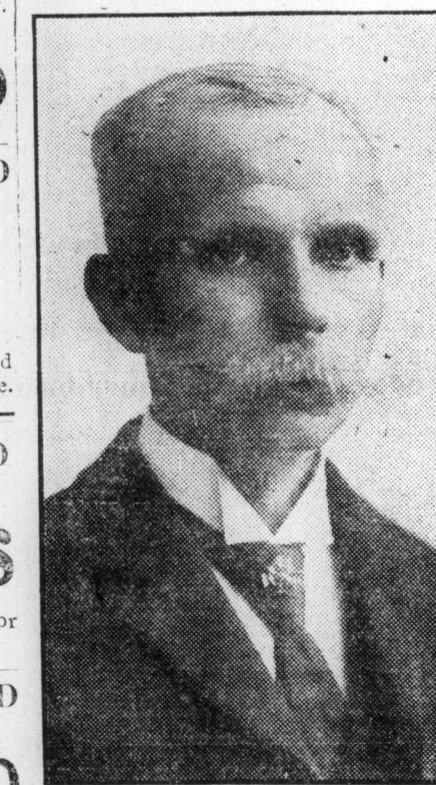
I solicit your vote and influence for Alderman for 1916. Having served seven years, I have been Chairman of Board of Works, the Buildings and Grounds, and this year was Chairman of the Fire and Light Committee, which committee was instrumental in securing a fire truck, so much needed for the Terrace Hill section.

## Jos. H. Minshall

### FOR ALDERMAN FOR WARD TWO

## WM. KILGOUR

For the extension of the Street Railway to Terrace Hill. For any measure that means a Greater Brantford. Against any increase that means increased taxation. Your support is solicited.



### STREET RAILWAY COMMISSION

To the Electors of City of Brantford: Ladies and Gentlemen,—I respectfully solicit your vote and influence for re-election to the Railway Commission. If elected, I shall in the future, as in the past, give my best efforts in the interests of the people. I remain,

At your service,

## CHAS. H. HARTMAN

### ALDERMAN FOR WARD THREE

## Arthur O. Secord

Respectfully solicits your Vote and Influence for Alderman for Ward 3 for 1916.

### ALDERMAN FOR WARD THREE

## J. W. Porter, V. S.

Ladies and Gentlemen:—As a resident of Ward 3 and candidate for Alderman, I respectfully solicit your vote and influence. Sincerely,  
J. W. PORTER, V. S.

### IN WARD THREE

Ladies and Gentlemen,—I respectfully solicit your vote and influence for Alderman in Ward 3. Should I be elected be assured of my best services.

## Morrison M. MacBride

### ALDERMAN FOR WARD THREE

To the Electors,—I respectfully solicit your vote and influence for Alderman for 1916.

## Alex Ballantyne

ELECTORS WARD 3: I again ask your support as Alderman. Yours respectfully,

## Jno. S. Dowling

### ALDERMAN FOR WARD FIVE

## Geo. Macdonald

Respectfully solicits your vote and influence for Alderman for 1916, for Ward 5.

To the Electors of Ward 5. Having decided to stand for election as Alderman, and trusting my past year has met with your approval, I respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

## H. C. Cuff

### ALDERMAN FOR WARD FIVE

Ladies and Gentlemen,—I respectfully solicit your vote and influence as Alderman in Ward 5. If elected, I will do my utmost to give you an economic and efficient administration of civic affairs and a square deal for all.

## Dr. W. D. WILEY

### ALDERMAN FOR WARD FIVE

I respectfully solicit your vote and influence for re-election as Alderman for Ward 5 for 1916. Trusting that my past record as Alderman has been satisfactory and wishing you all the Season's Compliments.

## Geo. L. Jennings

Brantford, Ontario, Dec. 28, '15. To the Electors of the City of Brantford:

Ladies and Gentlemen,—At the request of a large number of ratepayers I am in the field as a candidate for the Municipal Railway Commission and beg to solicit your vote and influence.

I am in a position to give all the time necessary to perform the duties of this office and will, if elected, give the municipal railway my independent and undivided attention at all times. I favor the extension of the Street Railway to Terrace Hill and West Brantford at once, as I am satisfied that the money can be borrowed whether the Galt road is sold or not.

Wishing you the compliments of the season, I remain,

## Thos. Quinlan

Ladies and Gentlemen,—Having served the Municipality for upwards of thirty years as Alderman, City Official and latterly as one of the Street Railway Commissioners, my record is before you. I am a candidate for the Railway Board and will appreciate your support.

## A. K. Bunnell

### BOARD OF EDUCATION For Re-Election

## W. Norman Andrews

Respectfully solicits your vote and influence for re-election to the Board of Education.

### VOTE FOR

## J. W. Shepperson

For Board of Education

### BOARD OF EDUCATION

Your Vote and Influence respectfully solicited for re-election of

## William H. Lane

For Board of Education 1916.

### GET NEW BLOOD INTO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

## Dr. G. A. Elliott

for Board of Education, 1916

### BOARD OF EDUCATION Ladies and Gentlemen:—Your vote and influence are respectfully requested for election to the Board of Education, for

## H. H. Powell



### MUNICIPAL

### Street Railway Commissioner

ELECTORS: In connection with my candidature for Railway Commissioner I would emphasize:

1. That I stand for railway extension over Terrace Hill section.
2. Immediate service connection with West Brantford.
3. That during the year, besides having had an efficient administration of the Board of Works, of which I am Chairman, Brantford has enjoyed the benefit of being practically a dustless city by reason of your oiled streets, at a financial saving.

Having these facts in mind, I respectfully ask your vote and influence for Street Railway Commissioner, with the understanding that its affairs will be conducted by me on purely business principles and solely for the interests of the citizens of Brantford. With all the compliments of the season.

Respectfully yours,

## F. J. CALBECK

### BRANTFORD TOWNSHIP

I am again a candidate for the office of

## REEVE

and hope that my past service will meet with your approval, and ask for your support for next year. Sincerely,

## Morgan E. Harris

### BRANTFORD TOWNSHIP

## Hudson Jennings

who has served as Councillor and Reeve respectfully solicits your vote and very best influences as

### REEVE

## Mr. U. O. KENDRICK

Your vote and influence is requested for U. O. Kendrick.

## 1st Deputy Reeve

Brantford Township.

### BRANTFORD TOWNSHIP

After three years of service, I am again a candidate for the office of

## FIRST DEPUTY REEVE

and promise you the same service, I have given in the past. Yours truly,

## A.J. McCann

### COUNCILLOR

### Electors of Brantford Township

During the past three years I have to the best of my ability, served our Township, as a member of the Council. This year it is again my privilege to seek election at your hands, and I earnestly request from you your continued confidence and support, assuring you that I will, as during the past, give my best efforts to the welfare of Brantford Township.

With best wishes for the coming year, I am,

## James A. Scace

### BRANTFORD TOWNSHIP

To the Electors of Brantford Township: As I am again a candidate for the Township Council, your vote and influence are earnestly requested.

## R. W. HENRY

### BRANTFORD TOWNSHIP

To the Electors:—I respectfully offer myself as a candidate for councillor for 1916. Having served the Township in other capacities faithfully and well, I feel that, if elected, I will be able, as a councillor to give intelligent attention to the business.

## J. R. Summerhays

### Municipal Railway Commission

To the Electors of the City of Brantford, Ladies and Gentlemen:

At the request of a large number of ratepayers, I am in the field as a candidate for the Street Railway Commission, and beg to solicit your votes and influence.

I have served the City for a number of years in the capacity of Public School Trustee and Alderman, and if elected as a Municipal Railway Commissioner will endeavor to the best of my ability to serve in the interest of the people.

I strongly advocate the extension of the Street Railway to Terrace Hill and West Brantford.

Wishing you the Compliments of the Season

## W. E. LONG

Solicit your Vote and Influence for Street Railway Commissioner. Municipal Ownership, well conducted, will pay the citizens.

Every elector voting for Mayor and Aldermen is privileged to vote for Railway Commissioner. Vote for Calbeck.

## FOR MAYOR

## THOS. E. RYERSON



### VOTE FOR

## THOS. E. RYERSON

## RYERSON

### AND A

## DRY Brantford

## Mr. Bowlby Replies to Mr. Thomas Ryerson's Bid For Votes

I observe that Mr. Thomas E. Ryerson has committed himself to illusory promises for street railway extensions to catch the votes of the West Brantford and Terrace Hill electors, and that, too, out of the \$30,000.00 proceeds of the sale of the Paris and Galt branch not yet obtained. I call attention to a clause of the City Engineer's report of 27th May last, submitted to the Council and adopted on 30th May following: "The bridge (i.e., Lorne Bridge) should not be used for the street railway cars, even if confined to the box car formerly in use." And yet Mr. Thomas E. Ryerson will build a new bridge at a cost of some \$75,000.00 or more out of \$30,000.00, and run the street cars into West Brantford. I regret, in common with Brantford's citizens, the lack of street car service to West Brantford, and feel that it should be remedied at the earliest moment consistent with the public interests.

As to the Terrace Hill street car service. Without self-praise or seeking votes, permit me to say that I was mainly responsible for the laying out of this route and had it embodied in the contract with the late Street Railway Company with the strongest provisions for the construction of this line. My opinions have not changed as to its propriety or necessity.

## J. W. Bowlby

### FOR Railway Commissioner

Your Vote and Influence Respectfully Solicited FOR

## H. J. SYMONS

THE PEOPLE'S CANDIDATE

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# BRING BUSINESS TO BRANTFORD

**B**RANTFORD is prosperous. The merchants are busy. The farmers that crowd our markets are good buyers. They bring prosperity to our dry goods merchants and grocers. They buy hardware and boots and shoes. We supply them all the necessities and many of the luxuries of life and in doing so make our fair profit. Local Option will practically kill our market. It has had this result in Galt, Owen Sound, Bowmanville and other places that have experimented with this measure. Farmers will not come where there is not proper accommodation. Local Option will chase business away from Brantford. **VOTE AGAINST IT.**

## Remember the Dunkin Act

Many people in Brantford, Woodstock and other Western Ontario Municipalities will remember the Dunkin Act and the Scott Act. The evils of those measures were so obvious, the conditions so deplorable that they soon became unbearable. We are told that Local Option is different. Why, then, did the extremists acknowledge the failure of Local Option by attempting to revive the Scott Act in Welland?

The Dunkin Act was a failure; the Scott Act was a failure, and Local Option has not improved upon them in large centres of population like Brantford.

The license system, properly enforced as it is in Brantford, offers greater safeguards than are possible under no-license, Local Option expedients.

**Vote Against Local Option!**

## The Law is Strict

The law against serving liquor to boys is so strict that no hotelman would risk his license by violating it. The boy is protected under the license system.

Under Local Option there is no such protection. Experience in places like Meaford, Collingwood and Owen Sound show that liquor is readily obtained by minors. The argument of the extremists that prohibitive legislation protects the young is not borne out by the facts.

A real evil that flourishes in Local Option districts is gambling. The grogery or blind pig is more than a drinking place—it is usually a gambling den. There are few such places in Brantford under the license system. If you would really protect the boy against temptation, deceit and evil companions,

**Vote Against Local Option!**

—FOR A—

## Greater Brantford —AND AGAINST— The Unlicensed Bar

### City Expenditure \$285,000 in 1916!

Where will we get the money to meet them? There is now an overdraft of \$17,000 and a total deficit of \$28,000. It will require strict economy and careful conservation of the revenues to bring Brantford through the year with a clean balance sheet.

Local Option will curtail the revenues. It will mean less money brought to Brantford, less from business taxes, less from property assessment and none from licenses.

Brantford is in no position to take such a step. There are no compensating advantages to offset the added burden to the citizens. As a temperance measure Local Option has never succeeded and cannot be successful. Admitting that there is room for honest difference of opinion in regard to rural communities, there is little or none among intelligent people in respect to cities. Local Option is a failure. Will Brantford people burden themselves with higher taxes to meet the requirements of the city for 1916? They have nothing to gain and much to lose.

**Vote Against Local Option!**

### No City the Size of **BRANTFORD**

Ever successfully enforced the Scott Act, Dunkin Act or Local Option

**Mark YOUR Ballot for a Greater Brantford, Thus:**

For Local Option

Against Local Option **X**

## Hamilton Has a Large Market

It will be larger than ever if Brantford adopts Local Option. Hamilton defeated license reductions by 3,549 majority. They appreciated the necessity for ample accommodation for their friends from the country. Brantford will pay, Hamilton will profit, if our citizens experiment with a measure that has never proved successful in a city the size of Brantford. The people of Brantford will pay in higher taxes and decreased revenue. Hamilton will profit by securing the business we lose. Do not make Brantford an adjunct of Hamilton.

**Boost For Brantford and Vote Against Local Option**

## Futility!

More than half of Ontario is "dry." The official records of convictions for drunkenness show that in 1913 there were 16,236. In 1914 there were 17,703, an increase of 1,467. Prince Edward Island is all "dry." The convictions increased in 1914.

Extreme legislation merely changes the methods of obtaining liquor. It substitutes anarchy for the reign of law. The consumption of heavy liquors increases. The consumption of light beer decreases.

Under license the liquor business is transacted in the open, with every safeguard against abuse. Under Local Option the business is taken out of the hands of the law-abiding, tax-paying citizens and conducted by bootleggers and outlaws. More drunkenness, higher taxes, less business. Do you like the prospect? If not,

**Vote Against Local Option!**

# VOTE AGAINST LOCAL OPTION











# SOME SIDELIGHTS ON THE MAIN PHASES OF THE GREAT WAR

## Letters to Prisoners in France Tell of Germany's Sad Condition

is Temps Quotes Extracts from Correspondence Which Show the Tragic Impression Made on the German Populace by the Appalling Wastage of Men.

**[Special Dispatch.]** Paris, Dec. 26.—Letters to German prisoners of war in France furnish irrefutable evidence of the sentiments prevailing at present in Germany. The correspondence invariably refers to the constant drain on the male population, owing to the extension of the conscription system and to the steadily deteriorating conditions to which those who are subjected. The Paris Temps has published a few extracts from such letters, which are of interest.

One young girl writes from Gumbach: "I have had a letter from Gustav. He is in Berlin being trained for active service and he says that the daily drilling goes pretty hard on him. You know he is in his forty-sixth year."

Another prisoner received the following: "It is a pity to see what poor wretches they are sending off to war these days, old men upward of sixty and half grown boys of eighteen. Some are one-eyed, others limping. It looks as if they were losing courage altogether. They can get hold of only two or three months in the roaring furnace. This cannot possibly last more than a few months at the most. These latest conscripts will be killed, too, in their turn and we have no more to spare in the Schleswig and Holstein several training camps have been organized where both minors and superannuated recruits are being instructed. Persons between forty-five and fifty years of age, who have not been called to the colors as yet, have been forbidden to leave the country and all boys over sixteen years have been informed to keep themselves in readiness, in anticipation of orders to report at some army depot for preliminary military instruction. According to a recent ordinance, the deservings of which were published shortly after the promulgation, the defectives who had once been exempted as unfit for active service have been re-examined. The number affected by this order amounted to about three million and of these over sixty per cent were passed by the surgeons. Measures of this kind show to what lengths the German government is determined to go and the common people naturally feel depressed at the desperate state of things. Some envy the fortunate ones who are safely imprisoned in the enemy's country. One young girl writes to her fiancé in a French prison camp: "My little boy, you should not grumble, but rather feel satisfied, for you could be in a much more sad situation. I cannot explain now, but will tell you all about it some time. Heinz and August are worse off than you."

From Greifeld a wife addresses this of her imprisoned husband: "A poor fellow, he looks as if he were losing courage altogether. They can get hold of only two or three months in the roaring furnace. This cannot possibly last more than a few months at the most. These latest conscripts will be killed, too, in their turn and we have no more to spare in the Schleswig and Holstein several training camps have been organized where both minors and superannuated recruits are being instructed. Persons between forty-five and fifty years of age, who have not been called to the colors as yet, have been forbidden to leave the country and all boys over sixteen years have been informed to keep themselves in readiness, in anticipation of orders to report at some army depot for preliminary military instruction. According to a recent ordinance, the deservings of which were published shortly after the promulgation, the defectives who had once been exempted as unfit for active service have been re-examined. The number affected by this order amounted to about three million and of these over sixty per cent were passed by the surgeons. Measures of this kind show to what lengths the German government is determined to go and the common people naturally feel depressed at the desperate state of things. Some envy the fortunate ones who are safely imprisoned in the enemy's country. One young girl writes to her fiancé in a French prison camp: "My little boy, you should not grumble, but rather feel satisfied, for you could be in a much more sad situation. I cannot explain now, but will tell you all about it some time. Heinz and August are worse off than you."



FRENCH OFFICERS EXAMINING CAPTURED GERMAN GUNS

## WARNING TO GERMANY IN HISTORY OF NAPOLEON'S SYRIAN CAMPAIGN

French, After Untold Hardships, Reached Acre, Where, After Futile Siege and Great Loss in Unsuccessful Assaults, They Were Compelled to Begin Retirement Across Desert Wastes to Cairo—Suez Line as British Defence.

**[Special Dispatch.]** London, Dec. 26.—The difficulties attending a German advance from Syria on Egypt are emphasized by a reference to the French campaign in the same region in 1799. A study of Napoleon's experiences shows that the same physical obstacles of terrain may be expected to-day as in former years. The desert between El Arich and Gaza remains the same, and although Napoleon's force crossed this end stretch in forty-eight hours the French troops suffered untold hardships.

The French objective was St. Jean d'Acre on the Syrian coast. Napoleon captured every fortress spot intervening between that place and El Arich, but the united strength of the British and Turkish forces proved too much for the French and Napoleon after a sixty days' siege of St. Jean d'Acre was compelled to retrace his steps over the very route which he had followed. Turkish forces now propose to utilize in advancing on Egypt.

The present rendezvous of the German-Turkish army in Damascus. The headquarters of the German commander in chief, Field Marshal von der Goltz, is at Hama, a few miles from Damascus. Aleppo was regarded by Napoleon as the key to India, but before Aleppo could be occupied St. Jean d'Acre and in this latter undertaking they were unsuccessful.

To the military observer the remarkable marching powers of the French troops, backed up by the driving power of the staff such as Napoleon had collected about him, is disclosed in the fact that Napoleon moved a portion of his command from Cairo to El Arich, a distance of 137 miles, in five days. This entire command which moved out of Cairo left that city on February 10, 1799. This Cairo force included the divisions of Lannes and Bon and the cavalry, and the whole force was up with El Arich in seven days. Fully seventy-five miles of the 137 was traversed over a semi-desert country, and for twenty miles before El Arich was reached the country was desert in the extreme. The divisions of Reynier and Kleber had preceded Napoleon from the lower Nile, and as fast as the French troops came up they moved to the assault, one command arriving at and going into the fight at midnight. El Arich was occupied on February 24, and important magazines fell into the hands of the French.

From El Arich the French pushed on to Gaza, a distance of forty-three miles. At

## GERMAN TRENCH JOURNAL PICTURES FATHERLAND IN A GLOOMY LIGHT

Newspaper Found by British Engineer Relates Troubles of Campaign in Russia, Discusses Failure of Submarine Campaign and, Dealing Bitterly with Question of Food and Prices at Home, Declares Belgians Live More Cheaply Than Civilians in Rhine Country.



FESTIVE SPREAD IN THE TRENCHES. PHOTOS SUPPLIED WITH SANCTION BY FRENCH MINISTRY FOREIGN AFFAIRS

**[Special Dispatch.]** LONDON, Dec. 26.—Evidence that the German malcontents are not confining their efforts to protests in the Reichstag is forthcoming in the shape of a small four-page newspaper printed in Gothic characters, headed with the German eagle and the title Die Feldpost, which has fallen into the hands of a royal engineer near Ypres.

The contents of this production, evidently intended to circulate among the German troops, are not calculated to cheer them up.

A front page article is headed "The Coming Winter Campaign" ("Die kommende Winterfeldzug"), and it gives a lurid outline of the troubles which lie ahead of the German armies in their winter warfare against the Russians.

"As a consequence of the skilful withdrawal of the Russians," it says, "the German troops will have to fight not only against the Russian generals, but also against the pitiless Field Commander Winter. . . . The warfare that was waged last winter in the flooded districts of the Yser gives only a faint picture of the battles which soon will develop in the swamps of Russia."

Another article deals in an equally discouraging style with the German submarine warfare, declaring that there is considerable disquietude in Germany because so many submarines fail to return to harbor.

"Their opponents know why," observes the writer, "and they also know that Germany possesses fewer submarines to-day than she did at the beginning of the war, in spite of the fact that in the meantime she has built a large number of them. . . . The English Admiralty has found excellent means of beating off the attacks of German submarines, but it prudently keeps the knowledge to itself. . . . The so-called 'blockade' of England has become more futile than ever. Germany may go on confidently with her submarines sinking unarmed merchant ships and passenger steamers, but she does thereby more damage to herself than to her enemies. . . . She suffers a moral and material loss combined."

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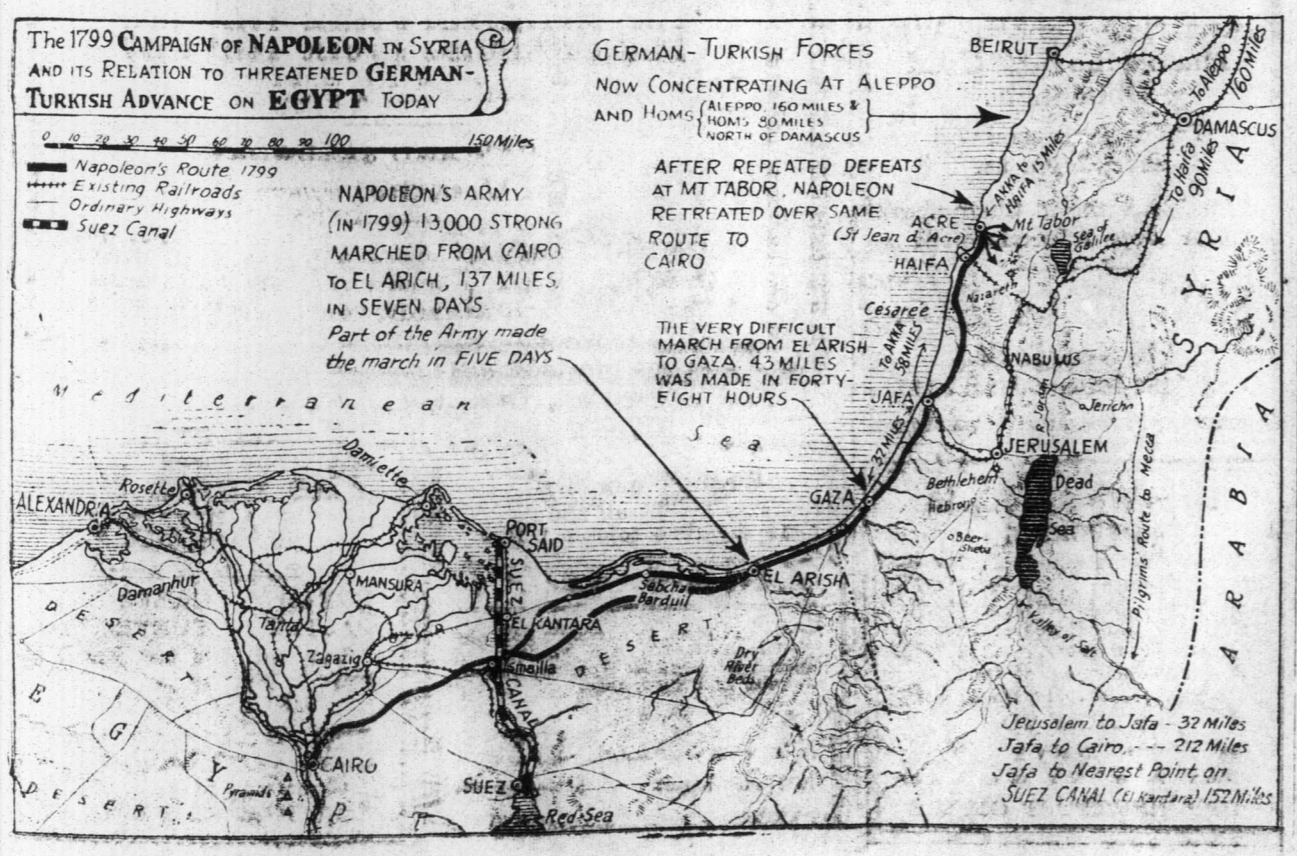
**[Special Dispatch.]** LONDON, Dec. 26.—

It is recorded that Thomas Jefferson once said in regard to the action of the British government of his time that the only way to prophesy what they would do was to ascertain what they ought to do and infer the contrary. There are persons in Great Britain in the present day who assert that this rule still holds good.

The explanations which Mr. Churchill and others in authority have given of the inception of the enterprises which could have been undertaken only with the use of the sea power exerted by the Allies has given rise to considerable criticism among professional men. No more interesting study, indeed, for sea officers, and especially those of the United States Navy, could be afforded than that which concerns the employment of the naval superiority which Great Britain mainly has been able to assert. It is natural that students of naval warfare should compare the incidents and examples of the present conflict at sea with those which occurred when Earlham and St. Vincent exercised command, and also with the precepts expounded later by Colborne and Mahan.

From the first day of the war, owing to the relative superiority of the British battle fleet, the Allies obtained the practical control of the sea communications everywhere outside the Baltic. This is demonstrated in the first place by the freedom of action which has been exercised by the war ships of the allied navies, constantly and continually in spite of submarine and mine, and in the second place there has been little hindrance of the streams of mercantile traffic or the transport of millions of troops and munitions of war in the outer seas. It is a striking fact in this connection that Lord Inchcape, the chairman of the P. and O. Company, was able to state last week that the steamships of this line running to the Antipodes and the East have continued during sixteen months of war their regular voyages, with their usual complement of passengers, just as in times of peace, and have been free from loss by enemy action.

With the command of the seas and the control of communications in its hands, the British government had won the first return for the money invested in the fleet. It also had obtained an essential element for the carrying out of expeditions or the exercise of naval power overseas. In two cases it is seen how this power can be exercised to advantage. One is the action of Lord Fisher in using Vice Admiral Sturdee's battle cruisers for the destruction of Admiral von Spee's covering squadron to the commerce raiders. The second occasion was when Admiral Fisher's pupil and colleague, Admiral Jellicoe, used Vice Admiral Beatty's battle cruisers to turn the scale in the affair in the North Sea on August 28, 1914. Apart from the use of a supremacy of naval power to account for the enemy's war ships, there is its employment in connection with amphibious operations. The examples of this form of exercise fall into two categories, those which were carried out with the object of depriving the enemy of his overseas possessions and those which have been undertaken in Europe and the Near East with the purpose of distressing him or weakening his strength by obliging him to dissipate his forces. The former were uniformly successful. The latter have not been so far fruitful of similarly satisfactory results. It is worth while to examine the cause.



**MARTIAL SPIRIT OF GERMAN WOMEN**  
**[Special Dispatch.]** AMSTERDAM, Dec. 26.—The spirit that actuates the women of Germany is shown by this remarkable letter to a relative: "Since my last letter to you Franz has died of his wounds. Now I am left alone with two small children, but, thank God, I am not discouraged, and when I think of what other women have lost, I feel that I have no reason to complain. . . . How long this war will last Heaven only knows. The streets here are crowded with soldiers, more so than in the beginning of the war, and we are more and more convinced that we will win. In fact we must win, and should it come to the time when every soldier is killed, accompanied or taken prisoner, we will still fight, for the women will go to the front. The strength of the weaker sex here would surprise you. If you could see it. There are thousands of women like myself who have sacrificed everything they hold dear, and now they stand ready to sacrifice their lives for their country."

**HOSPITAL IN FRANCE IS RUN BY WOMEN**  
**[Special Dispatch.]** PARIS, Dec. 26.—"In the Abbey of Rouvroux-sur-Oise," says the Paris Figaro, "a section of the British Red Cross Society established in November, 1914, the Scottish Women's Hospital, which has been in continuous operation since then. The entire personnel of the institution consists of women. The director is Miss Evans, a neuropathologist, who is assisted by seven women physicians and sixty graduate nurses. There are beds for fifty-two patients in the hospital. About two hundred operations have been successfully performed by these British women, and the results have received excellent care, resulting in speedy convalescence. . . . In charge of the hospital's ambulance is Miss Helga Gill, a young girl from Ilesund, Norway. Dressed in a military cap and with a chin strap, she presides over the ambulance with the rest of the British hospital staff. It is worth while to examine the cause."

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