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Local Lines

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Born—On Sunday, Feb, 11. to Mr. and Mrs. Every-Clayton, a son.

Boys' suits size 23 to 30, at cost, at Moore's, Comox.

There was no quorum at the Council chamber on Monday night consequently, no meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Kirkwood and family left on Tuesday morning for their new home in Alberta. Their many frieqds wish them every success.

On Monday evening a surprise party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W, J. Carroll by the scholars of the High School, to bid farewell to Thos. Menzies, who is going to Alberta to learn farming with Mr. Kirkwood. His school mates presented him with a pair of military brushes.

Notice—If you have any copper Brass, zinc, lead, rags, bags feathers, rubber, write to the Canadian Junk Co., 509 Johnston St. Victoria, B, C,

Strayed away from A, Ibbotson's place, Happy Valley—Dark Jersey Heifer, one year old.

Axes, wedges and sledges at wholesale prices at Moore's.

Lost—Ladies purse bag, purple leather, between Little River Road and Courtenay, on Feb. 8th. Finder please return to Miss Game, or Review office

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Seed wheat for sale, blue stem J. L, McGirr, Royston, B. C.

Lost—Part Jersey cow, about 3 years old, piece cut out of bottom of right ear also punch mark. Finder please communicate with W. H, Grieve, Sandwick.

Found adrift—A flat bottomed boat about 4 ft, wide at stern and 15 feet long, Owner can have same by paying cost of this, and $5 salvage, Apply J. Idiens, Royston. B. C.

Wood For Sale—$4 per load cash Teaming and carting done. L. Alexander, Courtenay.

For Sale—3 h. p. steam engine and boiler in good order. Price $80 Apply Review Office.

For Rent—The Milligan farm, For particulars apply at Review office.

Part of a house, unfurnished to let. Apply Mrs. Halliday, Courtenay.

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Go to
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For Fresh Tobacco, Cigars Confectionery and Soft Drinks.
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Comox Creamery Butter
55c per lb. this week

Mr. and Mrs, Alex Beaton left on Sunday for Vancouver, where they expect to meet their son Angus in a few days.

The board of arbitration which sat for twenty two days to decide the value of the Kitsilano Indian Reserve has decided that the Vancouver harbour commissioners must pay the Dominion government $666,200 for the seventy acres. It is understood that the arbitrators, costs are $7,500. The property was originally purchased from the Provincial Government for $300.00

Anglican Church Notes

1st Sunday in Lent.

11 a. m Holy Communion at Holy Trinity, Cumberland.

3 p, m. Evensong and Sermon, Lazo Mission,

7.15 p. m. Evensong and Sermon St. Peter's, Comox.

7.30 p, m. Evensong and Sermon St. John's, Courtenay.

7 30 p, m. Evensong and Sermon St. Mary's, Grantham.

The annual meeting of the Comox Creamery Association Limited was held Thursday afternoon. The annual report shows that the last year was one of the best in the history of the Association, 101.410 lbs. of butter fat was supplied by the farmers for which they were paid $33 524.59. The total amount of butter sold was 103,795 lbs. of which 494 was purchased from outside sources to supply their customers. The demand for Comox butter is steadily increasing, and the high price it commands is a sure indication of its quality.

Miss Peggy Beadnell, who has been very ill with Pneumonia, is recovering very nicely.

Mr, Charlie Hummer's many friends in Courtenay will be grieved to learn that his wife had died on Jan. 7, and his son Dewey died on Jan. 26. The family have been living at Bellingham.

Auditor Griffiths of Victoria, is in town and will present his report of the cost of the Electric Light Company,s plant at a special meeting of the Council to be held this evening.

At the annual meeting of the Central Liberal Association the following officers were elected.

Hon. Pres. Sir Wilfred Laurier,
Hon. Vice Pres. Premier Brewster, and H. Stewart, M. P. P,
President, J. Lawrence. Bevan.
Vice Pres. P. L, Anderton, J. Bruce, Cumberland, Mrs. A. McKinnon, Cumberland.
Secretary, T. Casey,
Treas. A, B. Ball.

The Executive Committee consists of the officers of the local associations,

Ladies' rubbers at 60c at Moore's

Probes are Costly

Winnipeg, Feb, 17.—The total amount of fees paid lawyers of Winnipeg in connection with the enquiries into the Parliament buildings. Agricultural College and highway overpayments, together with the ex-members trials, up to the end of the fiscal year, November 30, is $109,677,

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Standing one day at my washtub
I was weary and ill at ease
My fingers sore with rubbing,
And a-trembling in my knees.

I know not what I was dreaming
Or what I was thinking then,
But I heard the voice of my neighbor say
"Why don't you use WASHCLEAN?"

Since then it has brought to my household
A peace and a love y calm
For I boil my clothes with WASHCLEAN
And I feel like singing a psalm.

I have bought and I use it daily
For my lace and collars fine,
And by 9 o'clock in the morning
My clothes are out on the line.

It may be that some day my Grocer
Will tempt me with something akin
But I'll never buy anything from him
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Over 2,000,000 Users
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She (on board ship) Mr. Jones, if I fell overboard and were drowning, would you jump in and save me?

He (hesitating, but honest): By jove! Do you know, I don't believe I could. But I tell you what I would do. I would watch you drown with the deepest sorrow and regret.—Life.

RHEUMATISM CONQUERED

"I have been for the last two years a cripple with Muscular and Inflammatory Rheumatism. I tried almost everything known to medical science to relieve me of the intense pain and inflammation. I sought change of climate in Kentucky and other Southern points without relief. Your manager in this city recommended GIN PILLS and I have since taken eight boxes and am now cured. I consider

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The Squire's Sweetheart

— BY —

KATHARINE TYNAN

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(Continued.)

The Squire thought of the Pharisees, but was too reverent to speak of it. He had all the shyness about speaking of religious matters which belongs to the Englishman of the upper classes and the Anglican Church. He was not at all interested in what Mrs. Ellison said about Lady South's stockings and petticoats. In fact, he was shy as at an indelicacy; but the feeling was slight as compared with the indignation he felt about the gossip.

"I am sorry," he said in an icy voice, "to have listened to so much that cannot be true of a lady I honor," and, lifting his hat, he went off, leaving Mrs. De Montmorency in a state of bitter affront, which set her tongue wagging more freely to the next person she met.

The Squire walked on fuming. He was on his way to see Mrs. Bartlett, who was now out of the hospital. She had not known where to go to hide her scarred and marred face; and she seemed as desperately eager to run into a hole and hide as ever did a mouse before a cat or a hare before dogs.

He had taken her by the hand and had found a place of refuge for her as hidden as might be. Inside his park wall there was a cottage which had once been a gate-lodge. The gates had proved inconvenient, too far from the house, and had been blocked up, but the lodge remained. It stood in an old orchard of gnarled apple-trees, very pleasant in the spring and summer. It had been empty for a good long time now, being left inaccessible and remote by the walling up of the gates. He had been thinking of breaking a wicket-gate in the wall to give access to the village, which lay just beyond the wall, so that the place might be isolated for an inmate. It was a pretty little place, and it seemed a pity that it should not be occupied.

He had spoken of it to Mrs. Bartlett, and the poor face had worn an expression as though she thirsted after green places and water-springs. As soon as she was able to be removed from the Cottage Hospital his carriage had been sent for her to bring her to the lodge. No one was surprised. The Squire was always doing quixotic things in the most quixotic way. The Squire's coachman confided to the servants' hall that he thought "the like of 'er might have come by carrier's-cart," but the Squire's servants, for all his gentleness, knew how to obey his behests without any show of opposition or negligence.

She had brought away with her the Persian kitten which no one at the cottage hospital had wanted.

The Squire had not been present at her arrival. The following day he walked over to see if she was comfortably installed. She had told him she could do fine needlework, and his first idea had been to ask Mrs. Brown, his housekeeper, to employ her in the linen-room. Mrs. Brown was always complaining of the degeneracy of these days in the matter of needlework. Since Betty Hale died, she had had no one to whom she could entrust the darning of the beautiful old damask and fine linens, and she had been complaining of the accumulation of things needing repair in the linen closets.

When the Squire knocked at the door, which stood a little ajar, showing one wall of the passage with a few old colored prints upon it and a tall old clock ticking away in the corner, he had a sense of being observed, overlooked. When he came in, Mrs. Bartlett was standing, considering a pile of linen which Mrs. Brown had sent down from the house. He had walked in in answer to her "Please come in."

She turned about, and through the thickening of her disfigured skin he felt rather than saw that she reddened painfully.

His first instinct was to avert his eyes, to look away; but he hastily reconsidered it. He smiled, looking at the poor, seamed face as though it were quite normal.

"So you are settled in, Mrs. Bartlett," he said.

"Oh, yes, sir. What a little Paradise of a place! I shall be quite happy here, sir; may the Lord reward you! Won't you sit down, sir?"

He sat down in the little parlor where the gate-leg table was heaped with the linen, and the smoke-blue Persian lay curled up on a chair in front of the fire, fast asleep. The lodge was quite prettily furnished, in cottage style. It had not gone to rack and ruin. Occasionally, in summer, it had had an inmate, someone from London, from the Convalescent Home for Poor Ladies, for which Lady Clarissa had done so much, that it had become a pious duty with her son to continue her benefactions.

He had called upon those occasional guests of his, as he regarded them. He knew pretty well all the types of reduced ladyhood; and these poor things had covered the whole range of depressed energy. They had usually found the place lonely, which it was, and had departed with resignation when their month was over. Not one had seemed to desire the cottage for her own, else it would not have been available now for Mrs. Bartlett.

The place had a new home-like air as though someone at last had settled down and made their own of it. He thought to himself that Mrs. Bartlett must have been up at daybreak; for the room was shining, its brass candlesticks and brass fender polished to gold; the windows cleaned; the little bookcase showing the bright backs of its novels through new polished panes; not a speck of dust anywhere, and a few white flowers of the laurestines standing in a brown jar on the mantel-shelf.

"Am I dreadful, sir?" Mrs. Bartlett asked piteously, and her eyes blinked rapidly before his gaze.

"Not at all," he answered pleasantly. "I am glad to see you with the bandages off. You know the doctor said that time would help a great deal. All those scars are new. Time will make a great difference; you will see."

"Thank you, sir," she said gratefully. "I made up my mind that I'd throw off the bandages this morning. It was the hardest thing I ever did in my life. I very nearly ran away and put them on again when I saw you coming. Do you think, sir, that people will get used to me seeing me as I am? I'd be afraid to speak to a child now, and I'm desperately fond of children, fearing I'd frighten the pretty things. You're the first I've faced. It won't be so hard now."

He laid a kind hand on her shoulder.

"You are a brave woman," he said. "Believe me, it will get easier and easier. If there was anything to be done, anything known to the surgeons which would restore your poor face, it should be done. There is nothing."

"Oh, sir!" she said, in a choked voice; and suddenly she kissed his hand, which rested on her shoulder.

"There! there!" he said, as though he soothed a child. "There! there! You are going to be very happy here. I see Mrs. Brown has given you some work to do already. There is a deal to be done, she says. Now, is there anything I can do for you?"

"No, sir," she said brokenly. "The place is like heaven to me. Just a little place of my own, out of the rain and wind. That's the only happiness I've looked for this many a day. It is so peaceful."

He looked at her bowed head. She had withdrawn a little way from him and was lifting a piece of linen from the heap as though she inspected its weak places. The winter sun came through the low window and brought out the bronze and chestnut in her hair. He wondered what storm of life might have cast her high and dry, but broken, on the sands, with no desire henceforth save for a shelter and safety.

"What age are you?" he asked.

"Thirty-five, sir," she answered.

"Ah, I thought you could not have been more. You mustn't talk as though your life were over. As you grow stronger and recover from the effects of that horrible accident you will begin to feel that life holds something for you beyond resignation."

"You wouldn't want to turn me out, sir? You won't be wanting the cottage for anyone else?"

She had a swift terrified look which reminded him of the hare before the hounds.

"No, no," he said hastily. "The cottage is yours for as long as you need it."

He postponed telling her that he might perhaps ask her to house a reduced lady now and again when the summer should come round. Before he need talk of that she would have grown less frightened.

"Most people find the place too lonely," he said. "It has had inmates from time to time—ladies who needed rest and change—my mother was interested in such. I think they were always glad to come, but they were glad to go. London offers a good deal even to a poor lady. I wondered if it would not be too lonely for you."

"Lonely!" she repeated. "It couldn't be too lonely for me. I have my little cat."

"You would like a dog. There is a litter of puppies in the stable-yard. You shall have one, if you like."

(To Be Continued.)

SOLDIERS ON THE BATTLE-FIELD.

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Rice is a wholesome food. Fashion caused a reduction of the greatest food value in rice requiring it to be polished. There ought to be a law forbidding the whitening of flour and polishing of rice. The law should be so that the whole grain should be ground into flour. People would have better teeth and better digestion.

But this article is about cheap food and not about the business of keeping healthy.

Rice is the chief diet of about a third of the population of the world. The rice eating Jap whipped the filling out of the tallow and flour eating Russian. A man can go further on a rice diet than on any other single article of food that is grown.

So, if you do not want to spend all your money for food, buy rice.

If you want to have a variety in your diet, and that cheaply, buy sweet potatoes. And if you want a dessert buy some molasses. Rice, sweet potatoes and molasses are the only food products we know of that are not high. Eat rice, it is healthful; and eat rice, it is cheap.—Memphis Commercial-Appeal.

Employer: One thing; we must have our figures correct.

Fair Applicant: Well, I've never had any complaints on that score.—Sydney Bulletin.

Importance of Shell Holes

Special Correspondence of the London Times From the Front

There is hardly a message in which I do not have to speak of the importance of shell-holes in this battle, and I have quoted the dictum of the distinguished officer who said that on the Somme they constitute an extra element, like Napolean's mud in Poland. With every day, almost, their importance increases; not merely because they themselves daily increase in number, but because both we and the enemy learn to make more use of them. In this new country, between villages, there are not the old, well-fortified lines of trenches with deep dugouts of the old first and second lines. The comparatively hastily made trenches in the open country are soon pounded to pieces and almost obliterated by the guns, until they give no shelter. The shell-holes, however, remain and multiply; and scattered shell-holes, each converted hastily into a machine gun position, may easily be even more effective for defensive purposes, in resisting an advance over exposed ground than a continuous trench, consecutively manned, which the artillery can set itself systematically to destroy.

"Don't you know how to drive a nail in yet without smashin' your finger?" asked Barney Fagan of a carpenter.

"No, and neither do you!" replied the carpenter.

"Sure I do! Hold the hammer in both hands!" said Barney.

Britain is Building Huge Cargo Boats

Much of New Tonnage Available for Use of State in Six Months

The London Times' shipping correspondent writes:

"Very considerable orders are, it is believed, being placed for new cargo steamers to be built for use of the State. They will probably carry 80,000 tons deadweight, planned on the simplest possible lines. There is every reason to believe that, provided the problems of labor and material can be solved, a considerable amount of new efficient tonnage will be available for service within six months. In order to assist in the provision of labor, arrangements, it is understood, have been made whereby no men will be taken from the shipyards and engine works for military service without the sanction of the Admiralty and Shipping Controller."

"According to the minister's sermon this morning," said Mrs. Enpeck, "there is to be no marrying or giving in marriage in heaven. Do you believe that?"

"Well, I have no reason to doubt it," answered Enpeck. "There must be some way to distinguish it from the other place."

"How does young Jackson stand in college?"

"Not so well."

"Why is that?"

"He is all right enough in his studies, but he is more than suspected of cutting football games."

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Wasters Cause Shortage

Solving the Food Problem by Cutting Down Wastefulness

Those who waste food are largely responsible for the present acute shortage throughout the country. They are helping to raise food prices, not only for their own extravagant class of wasters, but for provident housekeepers as well. Americans used to scorn to save anything, fearing to be caught in an act of economy, which was almost synonymous with poverty itself or stinginess. Happily, this false ideal is passing. The millionaire wrestles with the plumber's bill at least as assiduously as the laborer tries to pare down his allowance for potatoes and smoking tobacco. If every family eliminated food waste, by careful apportioning when cooking and by the utmost care in utilizing left-overs, the food problem would be solved without a sign of a boycott or investigation.—Editorial in Minneapolis Journal.

Worth It

"When we were in Egypt Mrs. Twobble stood speechless before the Pyramids," remarked Mr. Twobble. "Fancy that! I don't remember what the trip cost me, but it was worth the money." — Birmingham Age-Herald.

A CANADIAN SOLDIER SAYS

"Tell my friends, if they want to help me, to send some Zam-Buk. The boys here say it is very good, and it is much in demand." This is an extract from a letter received from Pte. J. R. Smith of "The Princess Pats" in France.

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B. C. Mines Do Big Business

Large Increase in Tonnage of Coal Mined in Province

An increase of 26 per cent. in the tonnage of coal mined in the province of British Columbia is shown by a statement made by the Minister of Mines. The mines on Vancouver Island had an increase in tonnage of 48 per cent. In the Crow's Nest Pass field there was an increase of about 10 per cent. Slight increases are shown in the various mines in the Nicola field.

British Columbia mines have this year paid larger dividends than ever before. The aggregate is $3,446,000. Besides this, it has been a record year for active development of many large properties whose owners have laid out work at large expense, for years to come when prices of copper and other metals will probably be lower than at present.

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KEEP LITTLE ONES WELL IN WINTER

Winter is a dangerous season for the little ones. The days are so changeable—one bright, the next cold and stormy, that the mother is afraid to take the children out for the fresh air and exercise they need so much. In consequence, they are often cooped up in overheated, badly ventilated rooms and are soon seized with colds or grippe. What is needed to keep the little ones well is Baby's Own Tablets. They will regulate the stomach and bowels and drive out colds and by their use the baby will be able to get over the winter season in perfect safety. The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Results of Speculation

Gambling in Food Commodities Denounced by Montreal Board of Trade

The council of the Montreal Board of Trade, as a means to check the advance in the cost of foodstuffs, has suggested the stopping of option and future sales on the Winnipeg grain market by persons not interested in farming or the milling and grain trades. Such persons, it is declared, have no legitimate business interest in the buying or selling of grain, being merely actuated by the desire to profit by the increase of price brought about by war conditions. There is little doubt that speculation on this continent, being so generally in anticipation of advancing prices, does operate to increase market values. If it could be stopped the consumer would gain. It may not be practicable, however, to secure the end in view by either executive or legislative action. Speculation in the Minneapolis or Chicago markets, or even in those of Great Britain, raising prices elsewhere would raise them here also.—Montreal Gazette.

Then She Relented

"Henry, can you look me in the eye and tell me a falsehood?"

"I'm afraid I can, my dear."

"Oh, you brute!"

"Could I ever have persuaded a woman like you to marry me if I hadn't exaggerated my good qualities?"—Birmingham Age-Herald.

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The women of Peter Veregin's Doughobor settlement at Brilliant, B.C., near Nelson, have donated 24,000 pounds of jam "for use in Canada for the suffering ones caused by this war." The gift will make a carload and is valued at $5,000. The jam is made from fruit grown in their own gardens and is noted throughout the country for its excellent quality. It has been declared to be the finest jam in the world.

War Tourists

France Expects to Profit By Tourist Trade After the War

Millions of Americans will come to Europe and will bring with them millions of dollars with the intention of leaving millions behind them. It will be like an overwhelming wave at first, followed by many other subsequent waves. Certainly, most Americans will not leave Europe without visiting other parts of France, but, first of all, they will be anxious to visit those parts which will have been visited by the war. That is why it is to your interest to leave mute witnesses of war to stand. Tourists who return to their own countries will talk of what they have seen, but stones and earth must first talk to them. Certain things must be kept in the state in which they were during the war, such, for instance, as trenches on the Yser, on the Somme and at Verdun, the quarries of Soissons . . . and there must also be kept standing, for a certain time at least, two or more villages or towns ruined by the war, and especially a few monuments, city halls and cathedrals.—Editorial in La Petite Gironde.

These Pills Cure Rheumatism.—To the many who suffer from rheumatism a trial of Parmelee's Vegetable Pills is recommended. They have pronounced action upon the liver and kidneys and by regulating the action of these organs act as an alternative in preventing the admixture of uric acid and blood that causes this painful disorder. They must be taken according to directions and used steadily, and they will speedily give evidence of their beneficial effects.

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Farmers Buy Autos

It is said that sixty per cent. of the automobiles made in the United States last year were sold to farmers. Roughly a million cars, costing eight hundred million dollars, were purchased by Canadian and American farmers in the automobile year ending the 31st of July, 1916. Manufacturers estimate that about the same percentage of cars made this year will go to the farms, and as the number of cars made is expected to show an increase of about 25 per cent. over the output of 1916, the money spent on this continent by farmers for motor cars in the automobile year of 1916-17 will come very close to a billion dollars.—Charlottetown Guardian.

Billy was sending out invitations to his birthday party. "I don't think I would mention the birthday," advised his mother. "It looks so much like asking for a present."

To this Billy demurred violently, but was finally persuaded to yield the point. For a long time he thought deeply. Then, solving the problem, he asked:

"Well, mother, we won't say anything about the birthday, but don't you think we might put the picture of a cake with candles at the top of the paper?"

War the Mixer

The Value of Different Units of the Empire Becoming Better Acquainted

Captain Stuart M. Holmden, Canadian infantry, who is now at Cardiff, having been wounded on the Somme, speaks highly of Canadian Welshmen at the front. "Half our company," he said to an interviewer, "were Welshmen, and some of them have done well. The men were quickly sent to the front, and, without exception, they have turned out magnificently. The trouble with us is that we do not very quickly get to know the regiments around us, but when we do we try to mix freely with them, and it is an education to all of us. It would be a good thing—a valuable thing—to allow all to mix together. This war is going to be the biggest thing for the Empire, and it would be of immense value for all to know one another, in view of what will happen when it is all over." Capt. Holmden is a journalist by profession, and has served on the Montreal Star and the Edmonton Journal. His father was on the former paper for twenty-five years. He is a nephew of Mr. David Christie Murray, and son of Mr. H. Reid Holmden, of the Canadian Archives, Ottawa.—Montreal Herald.

The "Live a Little Longer" Idea

IN Rochester, N.Y., there has been formed an association the object of which is to promote the "Live a Little Longer" idea. It aims to encourage men and women to give attention to their health, and by preventive methods to avoid serious disease and add years of happiness to their lives.

This idea is suited to people of all ages, but seems particularly applicable to persons of advancing years who feel their vitality on the wane. It is truly wonderful what is accomplished by Dr. Chase's Nerve Food under these circumstances.

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THURSDAY FEB, 22, 1917

The sudden death of the Hon. Ralph Smith makes a gap that will not easily be filled, for he was one of the foremost figures in the Brewster cabinet, and a strong man withal, as was evidenced by the dramatic nature of his admission into the executive. He had wider views than most men in politics, and by his decease the province has lost not only an able minister, but also one who would, in the opinion of many, have been a candidate for the premiership itself in the near future. It will be a very able successor that will be required to take his place.

A Victoria despatch says that the provincial executive is considering a proposal to reduce the salaries of cabinet ministers from $6000 to $5000, and members' sessional indemnities from $1200 to $1200 or even $1000. Such a step would be only consistent with the reiterated declarations of policy on the part of the new administrations to make both ends meet by reducing expenses, No one will quarrel with that policy if it is general and made applicable throughout the whole range of the expenditure controlled by the government. We believe that British Columbia pays its cabinet ministers on a higher scale than any other province in Canada There is therefore reasonable room for pruning.

The Dominion authorities have not lost much time in initiating proceedings against one western sugar refining firm at least in the sugar trust. Criminal conspiracy is alleged, the firm in question and apparently other firms in the combine as well, having bound the wholesalers buying their products to handle sugar from noother source, and restricting them from selling to the retailers at less than the price determined upon from time to time by the refinery. The wholesaler, the retailer and the consumer have thus been compelled to dance to the tune set by the refinery. It has moreover been elicited that when the stocks at the coast were much larger than the demand warranted, carloads of sugar were sent so far east as Winnipeg, and actually sold there at a lower price than was prevailing in B C. It was high time that the government did step in to protect the people, and it is a scandal that such a state of affairs should exist in time of war, when our people have had to make great sacrifices in flesh and blood, and in anxiety and scraping to make both ends meet. We hope that the firms concerned will be able to clear themselves of this grave charge, **for their action if it is true, is as un-Bitish and un-patriotic as it is possible to imagine.**

Tremendous efforts are being made in the Old Country to avoid a shortage of potatoes this year, and even greenhouses are being pressed into service. Canada will doubtless be called upon to a greater extent than hitherto, and should be proud to supply the homely "spud" This is a reminder to every householder to grow as much as possible, both of potatoes and other garden produce, in order to release similar produce for export, and to avoid higher prices in Canada. Canned goods will be away up this fall, so that there is every inducement for intelligent people to look ahead. Moreover, the lack of labor on the prairies will result in a much smaller area being put under cultivation this year than last, which means dearer flour, While we can hardly describe our plea as a "voice in the wilderness" at the same time we should like to see this important question taken up vigorously by such bodies as the City Council, the Farmers' and Womens' Institutes, and by the church congregations. The rising cost of living will hit them all to a greater extent than hitherto, and concerted action alone will alleviate the results.

The Buying Committee of the Red Cross Society held a very successful whist drive and dance last Wednesday evening. Twenty-four tables were filled. The honors were won by Mrs. Hogg and Mrs. Glazbrook for the ladies, and ERNIE SWAN and T. D. Bubar for the gentlemen. A delicious lunch was served and exquisite music furnished by the Ilo-Ilo Orchestra.

The following is the report of the St. Valentines Whist Drive and dance

Receipts amounted to (including whist, dance, raffling of candy, supper		$106,30
donation of		$8.50
cheque from Mr. Bubar.		$8,95
Expenses		
Music	$10.50	
Car Hire	3.00	
Printing	5.25	
Mr. Dunham (cream)	1.00	
Posting bills	1.00	
Lighting	2.00	
		$22.70
		$101.00

The Committee wish to thank each and every one who assisted in any way which helped to make the evening such a successful one Special mention being made of Mr. Booth, Mr. Grieve, and the Woman's Institute for the loan of chairs- Ladies' Aid and W. A. and Mr. Grieve for loan of dishes, and Mrs. Robertson for candy: and Mr, Urquhart, Mr H. Idiens, and the Hall Committee for the free use of the hall for the evening.

The cheque received from Mr. Bubar for $8.95, is the balance from the dance given to send hampers to our boys overseas. We extend our thanks to the committee of that affair.

The amount of $101,00 has been handed to the local Red Cross Fund

Tenders Wanted

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to noon of Wednesday, February 28th, 1917, for the erection of a store building on Union street; for Mr. J. B. Bailey, Plans and specifications may be seen at my office. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

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Courtenay, Feb. 14, 1917.

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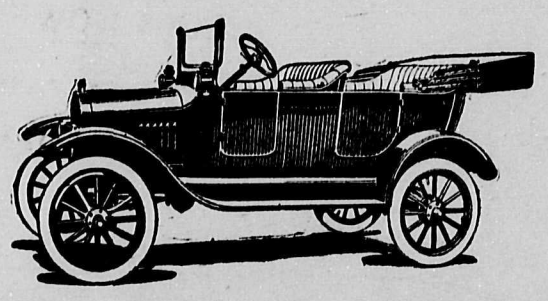

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The Goat Breeders

The British Columbia Goat Breeders' Association was duly incorporated on February 3. Almost 100 goat breeders in the province have already joined or have signified their intention of becoming members immediately.

The officers of the association for the present year are, President, S. Hopkins, Victoria; Vice Pres. D, Mouat, McKay, Secretary-Treasurer, Geo. Pilmer, Victoria, Directors- Arthur Crowe, Victoria, G. Cowell, Port Alberni. R. Heddle, R. Heddle, Nelson; N. F. Tunbridge, Penticon.

Practically every goat breeder in the province has been circularized in an effort to find out how many goats there are in British Columbia The members are urging that all goats be kept in the province and that none be sold outside its boundaries. as it is pointed out that the demand within the province is much greater than the supply and will, in all probability continue to be so for some years to come.

Fruit Markets Commissioner Resigns

Mr. W. E. McTaggart, who has occupied the position of Fruit Markets Commissioner, with hedaquarters at Calgary, has handed his resignation to Mr. Wm. E. Scott, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Mr, McTaggart is leaving the service of the Department to take charge of the circulation department of one of the best known farming papers of the west.

Ever since his high school days Mr. McTaggart has been closely connected with some branch of the newspaper profession and during the past eighteen months, in his capacity as Fruit Markets Commissioner. he has been in close touch with publishers in the prairie provinces. Mr McTaggart's new headquarters will be in Winnipeg, and his many friends in B. C. will be sorry to learn that he is going so far afield,

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BEN MOORING

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Victoria. Feb. 17.—The formation as a British Columbia Farmer's Union, to include within its scope every branch of the agricultural industry of the province, was unaimously apyroved at a crowded convention which opened yesterday in Convention Hall, Legislative buildings. Quite 200 delegates from practically all sections of the the province, the majority of whom have been in aetendance at the recent annual gathering of the farmers Institutes, fruitgrowers and stockbreeders were present, and with not a dissentient voice the project to organize the agricultural interests for mutual protection was adopted. The new organization will be formed similar to the great co-operative organizations of farmers in the prairie provinces, will work for the benefit of the producers in every direction and will, it is hoped supply what has hitherto been lacking in the agricltural industry, an organization which can make itself felt when it comes to speak on behalf of the producers on the multitude of vital questions which concern the well-being of the industry in B. C. Acting in conjunction with the eastern organizations it is felt by the originators of the plan that such co-operation will mean that the voice of the producer in western Canada will hereafter prove a most potent one

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"In dugout we always ate our meals, such as they were, to the accompaniment of 'Turkish delight,' the Newfoundlanders' name for shrapnel. We had become accustomed to rifle bullets. When you hear the zing of a spent bullet or the sharp crack of an explosive you know it has passed you. The one that hits you you never hear. At first we dodged at the sound of a passing bullet, but soon we came actually to believe the superstition that a bullet would not hit a man unless it had on it his regimental number and his name."

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Tea in China

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The Nervous Old Lady: You won't run away with me, will you?

The Cabby: Lor, bless you, mum—no; why, I've got a wife and eight kids at home a'ready.—London Sketch.

Mr. Wuzzy up yet?

Landlady (sternly): Yes, he got up an hour ago, drank his bath, and went back to bed.—London Notes.

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Towns Named After Battles

The Provincial Government of Quebec has decided to give to new townships to be created the names of the great battles in which Canadian soldiers took part. So we may have in the near future the townships of Ypres, Courcelette, St. Julien, Langemarck, Festubert, etc.

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A stern parent is one who takes his grouch home and thinks he is a great disciplinarian.

Belgian Slavery

American Paper Puts a Pertinent Question to Its Readers

We are horrified by the spectacle presented in certain parts of Europe by the overthrow of all the modern safeguards that had been apparently placed about human freedom. In what was supposed to be one of the most highly civilized corners of the earth we see manhood slavery reintroduced, men, women and children subjected to horrors that render the first of mediaeval atrocities comparatively unimpressive. We witness the light of liberty going out in Europe and the realization comes to us that there can come no peace on earth until whatever freedom the Old World recently possessed has been restored despite the might of those who have overthrown it.

Are there in this country today Americans so narrow-minded, selfish, self-centred, materialistic that they dare assert that the re-establishment of human slavery on the continent of Europe is of no concern to the people of this country?—New York Sun.

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Minard's Liniment Cures Garget in Cows.

Japan's Celluloid Toys

While the European war has ruined most of the ordinary trade in Japan, the manufacturers of celluloid toys at any rate have found it profitable. They are working to their utmost capacity to meet the growing demand for celluloid toys from Australia, England, India, China, Hong Kong and the United States.

The increase in Japan's toy trade is due to the fact that thirty celluloid factories in Germany have been turned into munition works. The materials for the toys, at the same time, have become much scarcer in Germany. Before the war Germany monopolized the world's toy market, but today Japanese goods are driving out the German-made articles.—Montreal Mail.

"Did you see the pleased expression on Mrs. Ward's face when I told her she looked no older than her daughter?" asked Mrs. Gibbs.

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Flora: It's young Bond.

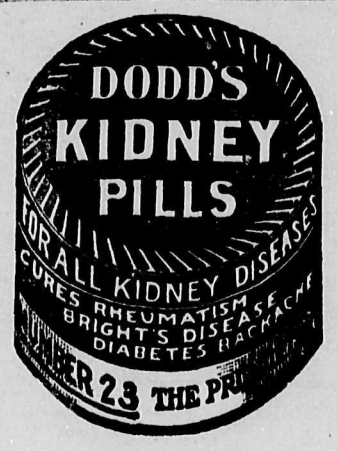
Frances: Why, I didn't know he had any bad habits.

Flora: Well, his friends are saying that he has become quite miserly.—Puck.

Getting Back at Her

Miss Goldie: I wouldn't marry you if you were worth a million dollars.

Mr. Hunter: Well, that shows the difference between us. I wouldn't marry you if you weren't.



PART PLAYED BY GREAT BRITAIN IN THE GREAT WORLD STRUGGLE

BECOMING SUPREME ARSENAL FOR THE ALLIANCE

Some Amazing Figures Given in the Startling Story told by Sydney Brooks of the Growth of Britain's Armies and Navy Since the Beginning of the War

Sydney Brooks, writing in the New York Times magazine under the title "England faces 1917 in her fullest strength," says in part:

How have the allies been able to maintain an unceasing and disintegrating pressure on the very vitals of Germany? What has made it possible for us to land some 2,000,000 men on the continent of Europe, equipped with every single item in the infinitely varied paraphernalia of modern war? How is it that we have been in a position to conduct simultaneous campaigns in Egypt, East Africa, the Cameroons, Southwest Africa, Mesopotamia, the Balkans and the Pacific? There are Russian troops fighting at this moment in France and around Saloniki. How did they get there? British subjects in hundreds upon hundreds of thousands have flocked from all the ends of the earth to the central battlefield. What agency convoyed them? What power protected them?

The United States has built up with the allies a trade that throws all previous American experience of foreign commerce into the shade. But how many Americans, I wonder, stop to ask themselves how it is that this vast volume of merchandise has crossed the Atlantic in the midst of the greatest war in all history almost as swiftly and securely as in the days of profoundest peace?

One by one Germany's colonies have been torn from her grasp. How comes it that not a single blow has been struck in defence of them by the Fatherland itself How is it, again, that of German sea-borne commerce there is none; that not a single German merchant vessel dare show her nose—her nose, I said, not her periscope—out of harbor; and that Germany has been totally stripped of the enormous asset of her foreign trade?

How is it, once more, that the Belgian and the Serbian armies have been rearmed, reconstituted and reequipped; that Russia has been remunitioned; that France, though her Pennsylvania is in the enemy's hands, is still for purposes both of war and of commerce a great manufacturing nation, and that all the allies can import freely what they need from the neutral world?

The answer to all these questions, and the sole answer to most of them, is the British navy. Our control of the seas is not a mere adjunct to the strength of the alliance. It is its basis. It supports the whole edifice. Without it all that the allies have built up would crumble to pieces. With it they can erect on a rock the instruments of certain victory.

And besides being the maritime and financial bulwark of the alliance, Great Britain is also becoming its supreme arsenal and workshop. Already, and on an enormous scale, she has furnished the allies with indispensable supplies, munitions, ships, coal, clothing, and other material. To her all who are fighting with her turn as to an exhaustless treasure house, and rarely turn in vain. Shells, field howitzers, heavy guns, grenades, machine guns, and small arms leave British ports in immense quantities day after day for the use of our allies.

One-third of our total production of shell steel goes to France. That fact alone, to those who understand the character of this war, is an epitome of the industrial services rendered by Great Britain to the common cause. Three-fourths of the steel-producing districts of France are occupied by the enemy, and our ally absolutely depends on us for command of the sea to procure the essential basis of all modern warfare.

It is the same with other metals, with copper, for instance, antimony, lead, tin, spelter, tungsten, mercury, high-speed steel, and other less vital substances. All these we are manufacturing in Great Britain or in other parts of the Empire, or purchasing in neutral lands and delivering to our allies, under the protection of the British navy, to the value of $30,000,000 a month. Millions of tons of coal and coke reach them from our shores every week; one-fifth of our total production of machine tools is set aside for them, and huge cargoes of explosives and machinery are daily despatched to their address.

There is a factory in England wholly manned by Belgians and engaged in manufacturing nothing but guns and small arms for the Belgian troops. There are two or three that do nothing but supply Russia's needs, and two or three others solely devoted to making guns for the French. All the allies, except the Rumanians, are fighting at this moment in British-made military boots, of which we have turned out some 30,000,000 pairs since the war began, and British workshops played their part in the Russian sweep through Galicia last May and the Italian repulse of Austria's offensive.

There are today in Great Britain over 4,000 firms wholly engaged in the production of war material, and not one of them before the war had had even an hour's experience of that class of work. Nearly 100 colossal plants have been erected, and some 3,500,000 people, of whom 700,000 are women, find employment therein. That is a miracle of improvisation that must, I suppose, be unique in industrial history.

We are now turning out in three weeks as much eighteen-pounder ammunition, in two weeks as much field howitzer ammunition, in eleven days as many medium-sized shells, and in four days as many heavy shells as we were turning out in the whole of the first year of the war. The enormous British armies overseas have been equipped with rifles and machine guns solely from domestic sources. Every month we are manufacturing twice as many heavy guns as the entire army possessed eighteen months ago, the production having multiplied sixfold in the last year, and being still rapidly on the increase.

Americans, I imagine, have little idea of the tremendous scale on which things are done. Since the beginning of the war we must have ordered and paid for abroad or manufactured at home—mainly the latter—about 100,000,000 yards of woollen cloth, as much of flannel, as much of cotton, about a thousand million buttons and another thousand million horseshoe nails, 60,000,000 pairs of socks, nearly 30,000,000 blankets, 10,000,000 woollen gloves, 50,000,000 brushes, 25,000,000 knives and forks, a thousand million sandbags, 7,000,000 razors, over 2,000 miles of wire rope, a thousand million pounds of flour, 250,000,000 pounds of crackers, and at least 200,000,000 pounds of Tommy Atkin's delight—I mean, of course, jam and marmalade.

Besides this we have increased our navy by the tonnage equivalent of between fifty and sixty super-Dreadnoughts; our merchant marine is today all but as large as it was at the opening of the war, in spite of all losses; London remains the financial clearing house of the world, and the British people have brought the value of their ordinary export trade to a figure that must soon surpass the returns for the most prosperous years of peace. And yet, I dare say, there are still Americans who believe that British labor has not pulled its proper weight.

But as the climax to all her other achievements Great Britain has converted herself into a military power of the first rank. After raising an army that far outdistanced in point of numbers any army ever raised on the voluntary system, she has thrown aside the prejudices of centuries and imposed universal military service on all her men between the ages of eighteen and forty-one. Five million men enlisted in the army from the British Isles before conscription came into force. By the time the war is over at least twelve per cent. of the population will have served with the colors.

And this new army, drawn from every class and profession and trade in the United Kingdom, has shown during the last five months on the Somme, in what is by far the greatest battle of this or any other war, that they can beat the Germans at their own game. The troops that could carry such positions as Fricourt, Contalmaison and Thiepval can carry anything, and the Germans know it. We have developed the scheme of attack which they attempted at Verdun, and we have turned it against themselves on a far bigger scale, with a far heavier weight of men and metal behind it and with far greater results.

Since the battle of the Somme began over 700,000 of the enemy have been put out of action, and what has happened on the Somme is a mere joke to what is coming. We can continue it indefinitely; we can repeat it in other sectors when the right moment strikes. Combined with the stranglehold which our fleets maintain on the arteries of German life, our armies in France and Flanders, packed up by a commissariat, medical, transport, supply and repairing organization that is the last word in military efficiency, are a guarantee of victory as good as any nation could desire.

The world did not know, Germany certainly did not know, I am not sure that we even knew ourselves, of what Great Britain was capable when all her resources of character and material might were extended to the uttermost. But we know now; the measure has been taken; a great crisis has supplied the test, and the nation which Germany affected to despise has become the chief instrument of that downfall which the coming year will assuredly register.

"Are you saving up anything for a rainy day?" asked the thrifty citizen.

"Yes," replied Mr. Chuggins. "In a little while I expect to have enough to buy a brand-new top for my automobile."

Manitoba Serbian Relief

Collecting Funds for Purchase of Food and Clothing for Serbian Refugees

Money is coming in rapidly to the Manitoba Serbian Relief Committee, which is working in conjunction with the Serbian Relief Fund of London, England. This money is being spent for food and clothing for Serbian refugees in the colonies formed for them in co-operation with the French authorities in Corsica and Southern France. Wounded Serbian soldiers are also assisted through this fund. Indeed the money received is applied with judgment and kindliness to the relief of the Serbian sufferers through this terrible European war.

All children who collect $5 or more for this fund—that is, for the special relief fund for the Serbian children who have become orphaned through the war, will receive a certificate from the fund signed by the Bishop of London, and their names will be placed on the "Roll of Sympathy" to be sent to the Serbian King when the war is over.

Contributions are solicited to the Manitoba Relief Fund, also the special children's fund for this cause. Further information will be gladly supplied by the secretary-treasurer, Mrs. W. S. Hamilton, 49 Knappen Street, Winnipeg. All cheques, money orders and postal notes should be sent to her.

Testing Prussia's War Theory

Teutons Now Learning What a War of Nations Really Means

"The plain fact is that the theory of war, having been perfected in Germany about a century ago, is now for the first time being put to the test of experience on an adequate and really instructive scale. They were great logicians, were those Prussian theorists. They saw, what was manifestly true, that it was absurd for a nation to go to war with less than its whole strength. Small professional armies had a certain excuse in the days when transport was an enormous difficulty, but when the progress of engineering made it possible to feed huge hosts and to convey immense quantities of munitions, it was evident that the nation which went to war without being able and willing to throw all its weight into the struggle was playing a fool's part. . . . Logic decreed that it should be a case of all or none; and in a world in which only a few advanced thinkers (Kant among the number) had ever doubted the eternal necessity of war, 'all' was the only possible answer. To the nation which first acted up to this conception, and did so with thoroughness and diligence, great successes were assured. . . . But all the world had by this time recognized the cogency of the Prussian logic, and had seen that two (and even more) could play at the game of organizing so as to bring all their strength to bear. The result is that Prussia, confronted by half a dozen converts to her own creed, is now learning what a war of 'nations in arms' really means."—William Archer, in London Daily News.

The Common Soldier

Glorious Heroism Should Be Properly Rewarded

We would appeal to the authorities to cast aside the last lingering traces of the old idea which used to prevail at army headquarters, that the common soldier was a mere cipher, and that when the State had rounded off the career of some successful Commander-in-Chief with a peerage and the insignia of several orders of knighthood, it had fully done its duty also to the great soldier's veterans. The glorious heroism displayed during this war in circumstances and surroundings of unexampled danger and hardship has led to the institution of new medals and new crosses, and yet it is the unanimous judgment of all who have seen the fighting that these honors are richly won over and over again by hundreds of men who receive no special recognition. We cannot do too much—indeed, we can never do half enough—in the way of recognition either for the living soldier or for the dead.—London Telegraph.

"Do you believe that egotism and genius go together?"

"Not always. There would be a lot more genius if they did."

GERMANY'S GAME OF BLUFF HAS FAILED TO DECEIVE THE WORLD

AVENGING SWORD WILL COMPLETE DOWNFALL

Desires Peace Only Because Shadows of Defeat are Lengthening Throughout the Fatherland, and Famine Threatens to Hasten the Approaching End of Her Military Power

The Prussian fumed and blustered and clanked his dishonored sword as he strutted across the stage in the character of a peace emissary. He goes through the same sabre-rattling performance now that his insolent peace proposals have been flung back in his face by the confederated nations arrayed in arms against him, and who have taken the measure of the bully of Europe in this third year of war. Professing to be surprised by the tone of the Allied reply to a defeated foe who claims the fruits of victory, the German Press with one accord breaks into maledictions, and vows to reap with the sword the harvest of triumph which the war-lords have failed to garner by the cunning of diplomacy. Germany deceives no one by her game of bluff. She wants peace, and wants it badly, not because she sorrows over the countless graves where sleep the victims of her insatiable lust for power, not because she finds her soul and longs for the way of peace and righteousness, but because the shadows of defeat are lengthening throughout the Fatherland, and famine threatens to follow the avenging sword in completing the downfall of German pride and German military power. Nothing will silence the guns of the Allies so long as the enemy hopes to avert by premature peace negotiations the punishment that alone fits his crime.

Despite the most rigorous censorship of news, the cooking of casualty lists, and the false and misleading reports of specially-conducted war-tourists, Germany can no longer conceal from the world the desperate conditions that prevail throughout the land and that foreshadow the approaching end of her domination in Europe. Writing in The London Times of the cooked casualties, Mr. D. T. Curtin, who has been in Germany, says:

"When the great veil of mystery that shrouds Germany is lifted I believe it will be found that these casualties have, in true Berlin censor fashion, been delayed, suppressed, and confused. They are believed in by hardly any members of the only thinking party in Germany—the Social Democrats. Daily intercourse with Germans brings to light the fact that Johann, who was killed five months ago, has not been mentioned in any list, and that Heinrich, who was reported wounded, has really been dead six months.

"My inquiries on this head largely lay among those connected with the wonderful German hospitals, in which I took an interest on this as on previous visits. The German Army Medical Service makes no secret of the fact that the Government is keeping unpleasant realities from the people."

The new year is the Allied year. Comparative inactivity may prevail during the winter months, but no anxiety or despair clouds the hopes of the Allied nations. Nemesis has overtaken the ravisher of Belgium. The German war-lords may keep their people in the dark as to the fortunes of the army, but they cannot, by cooked reports, restore the balance of military power essential to victory, or satisfy the German people with stones when they cry for bread. —Toronto Globe.

Enemy's Submarine Inhumanity

Crew of Vessel Subjected to Brutal Treatment By the Germans

The senior wireless operator of one of the British vessels sunk by a German submarine has given an interesting account of his experiences.

"We left New York on the same day as the Deutschland," he states, "and proceeded on our voyage without incident till nearing England. I had been on duty till two a.m., and was snatching a few hours' rest in the wireless cabin when I was awakened by the bursting of a shell above my head. The dawn was just breaking, and I immediately made preparations for sending out for help. The second shell, however, from the submarine struck the aerial, and this disconnected the whole apparatus, leaving us at the submarine's mercy. The shelling continued for some time and the wireless cabin, of which I was the sole occupant, was under fire till the boats were lowered, and, in company with the captain, I was the last to leave the ship.

"The submarine commander directed one of the boats to approach his vessel, and several sailors boarded her carrying explosives and on reaching the ship these were placed on board. Our cook was taken out of one of the boats, and, with a pistol pointed at his head, was directed to reveal where the stores and provisions were kept. These were loaded in one of the lifeboats still on our vessel, and we then pulled away with this in tow to the submarine. Here the commander gave certain instructions, and cross-examined the captain, the while a German sailor danced round a gun trained on our boat, the rest of the crew clapping their hands in delight at the prospect of more frightfulness.

"There was one thing I particularly noticed. The submarine had no number, but on the bow was painted the colors of the German flag in a circle.

"The commander of the submarine having gained as much information as our captain cared to impart, directed us to pull away, and, in broken English, said, 'Get to hell out of it.' We 'got,' and the last we saw was the submarine manoeuvring round our ship, preparing, no doubt, to give it the coup-de-grace.

"In a fairly rough sea, with the boat full of water, clad only in my pyjamas, oil-skin, and lifebelt, it was seven hours before we were picked up by another vessel, and right thankful were we when we landed to be received with every hospitality, and thankful to have escaped with our lives."

The Record of Our Navy

What the Empire Has Accomplished With the Aid of the Fleet

Sea power has never been employed with such unalloyed success; never before has a maritime country been controlled, as Germany has been controlled, with an iron dominion that has prevented it floating a keel on any of the oceans of the world. Nor is that all. Under the guardianship of the fleet we have carried out transport operations unprecedented in their character. Seven million soldiers and others have been carried overseas, in many instances making voyages of several thousand miles, apart from 1,250,000 horses and 7,000,000 tons of supplies and ammunition. This country has also been fed from the sea, and communications with the Dominions and with neutral markets have been maintained. Above all, the navy, without a day's intermission, has offered a threat to the second greatest sea power, sheltering his ships behind mines and coastal defences, and has prevented him from carrying out his widely-advertised design of invading this country. That, in brief summary, is the record of the navy.—London Telegraph.

Anxious Parent: Does my boy seem to have a natural bent in any one direction?

Schoolmaster: Yes, sir. He gives every indication of being a captain of industry one day. He gets the other boys to do all his work for him.

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United Farmers of B. C.

A step of the greatest importance in the agricultulral history of the province was taken last week in Victoria when the New Farmer's Uuion was successfully launched under the title of the "United Farmers of British Columbia."

The convention was attended by some 200 delegates from all parts of the province and resulted in the formation of a powerful organization which will. by affiliation embrace all the existing Farmers' Associatious and work independently of Government influence and support.

The organization will for the present and probably permanently have its central office at Victoria, and will be governed by a Central board composed of a president, three vice-presidents, and some ten or twelve directors, one of whom will be chosen from each "District organization," The Executive will consist of the President, Vice-Presidents and three directors elected by the Central Board. Each district organization will be composed of not less tnan ten "Local Unions" each of which will have its own officers and working organization.

The subscription for membership was fixed at the small sum of one dollar per annum so as to place its privileges within the reach of the humblest pre-emptor engaged in agriculture whether in the form of livestock, vegetable produce, poultry raising, or kindred lines,

As the revenue thus produced will be quite inadequate to carry on the work the association has in prospect, *provision* was made for life members, who may qualify by paying a lump sum of twenty-five dollars. Many of the wealthier farmers present at the convention announced their intention of contributing generously to the funds in order to enable the Association to prosecute its work vigorously from the outset,

The convention was addressed by the Hon John Oliver, Minister of Agriculture, and by W. E. Scott. Deputy Minister, both of whom welcomed the inauguration of the movement as one emanating from the farmers themselves. and predicting a great future for the farmers of B. C, as the outcome of its efforts.

Mr. Scott undertook to circular the existing farmers' organizations recommending their affiliation as provided in its constitution with the new association.

Such affiliation may be effected by a subscription of 50 cents per head of their membership.

The officers as elected by the convention are the following;

President, G. C. Palmer Egre, of Quamichan.

Vice-Presidents, G. Berry, Lower Mainland; R. A. Copeland Okanagan; P. Moore. Vancouver Island

Directors, R. U. Hurford. Courtenay; R. Helmar, Summerland; L. Dilworth, Kelowna, W. Smith, Revelstoke; J. Johnston. Nelson;

With power to add to their numbers as new district organizations are formed,

The local union of the Comox Valley district. which embraces Valdez Island, Campbell River, and Denman Island, was represented at the convention by Messrs. Colin F. Jackson. and W. T. Wain.

Mr. Geo. J. Hardy of Courtenay is the Secretary of the Comox Valley local. which already comprises some 120 members who will be pleased to receive applications for membership.

A woman should never go out walking in a driving rain,

"The Tale of Ten"

Ten little merchants in a certain line.
One didn't advertise, and then there were nine.
Nine little merchants buying by the crate,
One bought a carload, and then there were eight.
Eight little merchants might have gone to heaven.
But one skinned his customers, and then there were seven.
Seven little merchants listening to kicks
One lost his temper and then there were six,
Six little merchants seemed at last to thrive,
One fell behind the times and then there were five.
Five little merchants seemed at last to thrive,
One got big headed and then there were four.
Four little merchants busy as could be,
One trusted recklessly and then there were three.
Three little merchants with more than they could do,
One left it a l to the clerks, and then there were two.
Two little merchants had an even run.
Till one ran for office, and then there was one,
One little merchant—but now the story's done,
He retired with plenty, and then there was none,

—The Commercial Review.

Winter in the North Sea

Grey of the sky and grey of the North Sea rolling,
And these grey shapes that slip between the grey?—
England's battle squadrons guarding England's children,
Vigilant and untiring. but praying for the Day!

Fog banks that blind the view, and icy rain unceasing,
Hungry seas that leap the decks as wolves leap on their prey:
Men upon the reeling bridge blinded by the spindrift,
Looking to the east and hungry for the Day,

Gales from the Shetlands driving hell before them.
All the might of ocean eager for the fray;
Terrors of the night in narrow crowded waters,
Riding without lights---waiting for the Day!

Funels white with salt-rime weather,---scarred their decks,
England's battle squadrons hold the one sea way.
Battleships and cruisers, destroyers sleek and grim,
Flagship and mine-sweeper praying for the Day!

G. J. W.

Geo. J. Hardy held a very successful auction sale on Saturday for Mr, Dalrymple, who has gone to Seattle.

Lazo

Extract from the Meteorological table for Comox, for week ending Feb. 5th. H. W. Bayley Observer

Jan. 30	Max.	23.6	Min,	09.8
" 31	"	21.8	"	13.2
Feb, 1	"	25.0	"	21.0
" 2	"	37.5	"	25.0
" 3	"	37.9	"	33 0
" 4	"	44.8	"	34.2
" 5	"	44.3	"	35.0
Jan 31	Snowfall			13 in,
Feb. 1	"			5 in.
" 2	"			3 in,
" 2	Rainfall			0.81 in,
" 4	"			0.13 in,

Total precipitation 3.04 in.
Total Snowfall 21 00 in.
Max. depth of snow 16.5 in,
Duration of bright sunshine for week, 4 hours.

Extracts from the Meteorlogical registe. Lazo Station, for week ending Feb, 12, H. Bayley, Observer.

" 6	"	43.5	"	35.0
" 7	"	41.5	"	34.3
" 8	"	41.2	"	34.0
" 9	"	40.2	"	34,0
" 10	"	41,5	"	36.5
" 11	"	43.8	"	37.5
" 12	"	49.5	"	31.0

Note Feb. 12.)49 5) is the highest temperature since Oct, 24.
Rainfall fall for week.
Feb. 9, 0.05 in, duratton 2 hr.
Feb 10, 0.55 in. duration 11 hr.
Duration of bright sunshine for week, 6 hrs.

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