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## Local Lines

Jackson's smile hasn't come off yet.

The shareholders and creditors of the Comox Co-Operative Society will hold their annual meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 8th.

There has been a very slim attendance at the schools this, week owing to the extremely cold weather and prevalence of grippe.

The Womans Hospital Auxiliary of Cumberland will hold their annual St. Valentine's ball, Wednesday, Feb. 16. in the West Cumberland hall.

A flock of about thirty pheasants gather daily on the flats in the rear of the old I X L livery stable when the tide is out, and where they are fed. The birds seem to be weak. A couple of stray dogs got after them, when three or four floundered into the river and were drowned.

The local admirers of the Scottish poet Robert Burns will hold a celebration in the form of a banquet on the anniversary of his birth day. Jan 25th. The event will be held in the Courtenay Hotel on Tuesday at 9 p. m. All who can will avail themselves of this occasion, and those who have attended previous banquets will need no invitation.

Wanted—6 little pigs. Apply Box 295. Cumberland.

For sale---sleigh, with pole, also top buggy almost new. Apply W. Duncan, Sandwick.

Wanted immediately—A piano. Must be cheap. Spot cash. Apply Box 12, Review office,

One or two bright furnished rooms to let on main road. Apply Miss Davey, Courtenay Postoffice.

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Comox Creamery Butter
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Mr. Daniels, late of Sandwick, is now in 67th. Batt. Western Scots.

The Provincial game warden ordered 700 pounds of grain to be purchased and distributed among those who would put it out where the birds could get it, This amount was supplemented by a collection taken up among the citizens by O. H. Fechner, of the Gun Club.

Large numbers of thrush, or swamp robins have made their appearance in Courtenay since the snow fell. He is a pretty fellow with an orange waistcoat slashed with black. He has a peculiar vibrant whistle that is attractive. He will not eat grain readily, scraps of fruit or bread is his delight,

Mrs. Kilpatrick is getting up a lady minstrel show in aid of the Prisoners of War fund, in which she intends having as many as possible of the people who assisted at a minstrel show at Cumberland eighteen years ago, along with the young people of Courtenay who are musically inclined. The date and particulars will be announced later.

Lieut. A. E. Evans, who has made the supreme sacrifice on the field of battle will be remembered as having done much surveying work in and around Courtenay about four years ago. He left Victoria with the 30th Battalion, and was later transferred to the 7th. battalion, in which he attained commissioned rank. Much sympathy will go out to his two children who are now orphans. Mrs, Evans having pre-deceased her husband. May he rest in peace!

### Presbyterian Church

St. Andrews' Sandwick
Service 2 p.m. Sunday School and Bible Class 3 p. m.
Courtenay
Sunday School and Bible Class 10:30 a. m. Service 11:30. Evening service 7:30 p. m. All welcome

Ice is being harvested from the slough near J. Davis' and also from the Tsolum river at Sandwick. It is about 6 inches thick.

The Basket Ball Club dance last Friday night was fairly well attended, A couple of sleigh-loads of young people came down from Cumberland,

Don't forget the "Follies" concert tomorrow night The curtain rises at 8.15 sharp. New songs, etc. have been practised for a number of weeks. The dance afterwards promises to be particularly entertaining.

Jack Mitchell and his father have dissolved partnership in the ranching and dairying business. Mr, Mitchell will carry on the farm, while Jack has moved his family to town, and intends working for the Comox Logging & Railway Company in future.

Men are joining the 102nd, regiment faster than accommodations can be prepared for them at Comox owing to the deep snow and hard frost. About fifty have been brought over to Courtenay and quartered in the old Restmore Hotel, which is in every way fitted for the purpose. The men will be a welcome addition to the population thi

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## The Mystery of the Ravenspurs

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(Continued)

There was a light in the room. He could tell that by the saffron glow that touched lightly on his sightless eyeballs. He knew the disposition of the room as well as if he could see it. He felt his way across until he came to the bed on which the woman lay.

His hand touched her throat—a gentle touch—yet his fingers crooked and a murderous desire blossomed like a rose in his heart. Nobody was about and nobody would know. Who could connect the poor blind man with the deed? Why not end her life now?"

"Far better," Ralph muttered. "It would have been no crime to shoot her like a dog. Yet fancy hanging for such a creature as that!"

The grim humor of the suggestion restored Ralph to himself. His relaxed fingers just touched the cold throat and face. He could hear the sound of regular breathing. From a tiny phial he took two or three drops of some dark cordial and brushed them over the woman's rigid lips. She stirred faintly.

"Just as well to hasten events," he muttered. "One cannot afford to play with the thing."

He replaced the bottle in his pocket. He drew himself up listening. Other ears could not have heard a sound. Ralph could plainly hear footsteps. But how near they were he could not tell. His brows contracted with annoyance.

"So soon," he muttered. "I did not expect this."

He dropped down between the bed and the wall. Then he crawled under the deep valance. He had not long to wait. Somebody had crept into the room, somebody light of foot and light of body who crossed to the bed. And this somebody shook the sleeping figure with passionate force.

"Wake up!" a voice said. "Oh, will you never wake up?"

The listener smiled. He could hear the figure of his arch enemy stirring uneasily. She muttered something and once more was passionately shaken.

"What is the matter?" she muttered. "Where am I?"

"Here, in the castle. Don't you remember?"

Pause for a moment. Ralph was listening intently.

"I begin to recollect. There was an accident; the door refused to open; I fought for my life as long as I could before the fumes overcame me, and I gave myself up for lost. Oh, it was something to remember, Marion," muttered Mrs. May.

Marion, for it was she, made no reply. She was crying quietly.

"What is the matter with the girl?" the woman asked irritably.

"Oh, it is good for you to ask me that question," said Marion, "after all the bitter trouble and humiliation you have put upon me. Get up and follow me."

"I cannot. The thing is impossible. You forget that I have been almost dead. My limbs are paralyzed. I shall not be able to walk for at least two days. I must remain like a dog here. But there is no hurry. What happened?"

"I can't tell; I don't know. You were found in the corridor, I am told, insensible. When they came back to the castle they found you lying here. They had all been down on the beach searching for Geoffrey."

The woman laughed. It was a laugh to chill the blood.

"I hope they found him," she said.

"Oh, yes, they found him." Marion said quietly.

"Drowned, with a placid smile on his face, after the fashion of the novel?"

"No, very much alive. You failed. Geoffrey Ravenspur is here safe and sound. On my knees I have thanked God for it."

The woman muttered something that the listener failed to catch. She seemed to be suppressing a tendency to a violent outburst.

"I will not fail next time," she said. "And you are a love sick soft-hearted, sentimental fool. All this time I have to remain here. But, at any rate, I have you to do my bidding. Put your hand in my breast pocket and you will find a key."

"Well, what am I to do with it?"

"You are to go to my rooms at Jessop's farm at once. They will be fast asleep, so that you need not be afraid. Jessop's people have the slumber that comes of a tired body and an easy conscience. But there are foes about and it is not well to trust to anybody.

"If I am to remain here for a day or two I must have certain things. In my sitting room, by the side of the fireplace, is a black iron box. Open it with the key I have given you and bring the casket to me. You can get my sitting room by gently raising the window, which is not fastened. They are so honest in these parts that people don't fasten their windows. Now go."

"You are sure you cannot get up?"

"Certain. I have been drugged and it will be some time before I am able to get about. That is why I am anxious to have the box. Young Ravenspur would never have got away had he had no friends to assist him or a simple fool to give him warning."

"The fool you speak of does not regret it."

"Perhaps not. How did he escape?"

"In the simplest possible way. He was picked up by a passing yacht."

"Well, accidents will happen," the woman muttered. "Now do my bidding. The heavy drugged sleep is coming upon me again, and I shall not be able to keep my eyes open much longer. Go at once."

As Marion crept away Ralph could catch her heavy indrawn breath and the sobs that seemed to burst from her overcharged heart. Then he knew that the woman was asleep again.

A minute or two later and he was standing in the hall. He waited in the shadow, silent and patient. The stairs creaked slightly and a stealthy footstep came creeping down.

### CHAPTER L.

#### A Kind Uncle

Ralph crept towards the door. Marion came close to him, her hands fumbling nervously with the bolts and bars. Some of the bars were heavy, and Marion was fearful lest they should fall with a clang and betray her.

Ralph stretched out his hand and drew back a bolt.

"Aallow me to assist you," he said. "I am used to this kind of work."

A scream rose to Marion's lips, but she suppressed it. The effort set her trembling from head to foot. Yet it seemed to her that there was no cause to be frightened, for she had never heard Ralph's voice so kind before.

"Uncle," she stammered, "what are you doing here?"

By way of reply Ralph opened the door. He gave the sign for Marion to precede him, and then followed her ought into the night. The heavy door closd behind him.

"I might with equal justice ask you the same question," he said. "Nay, more; because you are merely a young girl and I am a man. And you know I don't sleep like most virtuous people. I suffer from insomnia and never sleep for long anywhere. Perhaps I am like a cat who prowls about all night and slumbers in the daytime. But where are you going?"

"Uncle Ralph, I cannot tell you. It is a secret. If you knew everything you would pity me."

There was a deepening ring in Marion's voice. Ralph caressed her hand tenderly.

"Don't trouble," he said. "I know."

"You know where I am going. You—you know!"

"Certainly I do. I know everything, my dear."

"Not everything, uncle. Not of my connection with that woman, for instance."

"Indeed, I do, Marion."

"You are aware of our relationship! You know that!"

"My dear child, I have known it for years. But your secret is safe with me. I am not going to betray you. Could I have the heart to do so after all you have done for my family? Angel Marion."

He repeated the last words over and over again in a low, caressing voice, pressing the girl's hand softly as he did so. Even then Marion was not sure whether he was in earnest or whether he was grimly ironical.

"I never thought of this," Marion murmured.

"Perhaps not," Ralph replied. "Mrs. May is a bad woman, Marion."

"The worst in the world," Marion replied. "You only know her as Mrs. May."

"I only know her as she is, dear. And yet I feel that in some vague kind of a way she is mixed up with our family misfortunes. Oh, if I could only see, if I could only use my eyes. Then I might know that woman still better."

Marion shuddered at the steely, murderous tones. Ralph patted her hand reassuringly.

"But you need not be afraid," he said. "You are all right—the brightest angel in the world. You are torn by conflicting emotions; you fancy your duty lies in certain directions, and you are troubled over it. And yet it will come right in the end, Marion. We did not lose Geoffrey after all."

(To be Continued)

Bix—A fire broke out at the prison last night.

Dix—Broke out, did it? Then you might call it a fire escape—what!

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## Developing the West

### A Good Time to Get More Settlers From the U.S.

Senator Peter Jatsen, of Nebraska, was in Toronto a few days ago on one of his periodical trips to Canada, where he is interested in various enterprises. He has taken an active interest in the development of western Canada for over 15 years, and has been instrumental in getting large colonies from the United States on to the praries of Saskatchewan. When interviewed by a reporter for the World, Senator Jansen said:

"What pleases me most is the fact that during a recent trip among those settlers, I did not find a single one who was dissatisefid with the country or conditions. I think that this is the opportune time for Western Canada to acquire some more good settlers from the United States. Our people are desirable because they generally bring with them, not only money, but equipment and experience and start at once farming in a successful manner.

"There is no reason," the senator continued, "why people from the United States should not come to Canada. Our language is the same; our laws are the same; our school system is the same; and you might say our ideals and literature are the same. The line between the two countries is simply an imaginary one."

Mr. Jansen said he was glad to see that the department of the interior was again placing advertisements in the papers of the United States, telling people about the free homesteads obtainable in Western Canada. He went on to say that although homesteads were an attraction to a great many, still he believed that there should be pre-emption rights also granted so that a homesteader could buy aditional land on easy terms from the government as his family grew up.

"You will osberve," said Senator Jansen, "that homesteaders alone will not settle a country. They often hasten to acquire title only to sell out and then locate elsewhere. While the Canadian government past and present, has always followed a liberal policy in regard to inducing settlement and immigration, there are some kinds of advertising and exploitation which can be better done by land companies than by the government."

## Helping French Farmers

### How Britain Went to the Aid of Farmers in the Devastated Areas

By courtesy of the French government and military authorities a small British deputation recently visited the devastated areas of France from Chalons-sur-Marne to the Vosges on behalf of the agricultural relief of allies committee formed under the patronage of the king in connection with the Royal Agricultural society.

The deputation consisted of Mr. Samuel Kidner, chairman of the Farmers' Club, Mr. Colin Campbell, president of the National Farmers' Union; Mr. C. J. B. Macdonald, and their mission was to investigate the condition of the areas overrun by the enemy with a view to aiding in the replenishment of the denuded regions in plants, implements, machinery, live stock, and fowls.

The committee have already supplemented to advantage the efforts of the French government to repair the damage so far as the production of human and animal food is concerned.

The funds voluntarily placed at their disposal enabled them to send to France considerable numbers of mowers and binders in time for the hay and corn harvests, and subsequently contributions have been sent in the form of threshing machinery, ploughs, cultivators, harrows, and drills, as well as drafts of rams and boars to be distributed in the various communes.

These gifts were followed by shipments of seed wheat, and this month poultry and rabbits will be despatched to restock the emptied poultry yards and rabbit hutches.

The deputation will shortly present to the committee a report embodying the results of their inquiries with suggestions as to the means by which effective aid can be rendered.

The type of shell which is fired from the great German howitzers costs $6,000. Even the comparatively small field guns are loaded with shells which each cost over $10 to produce. The German 8.4-in. quick-firing guns demand a shell which costs $260, and the Kaiser's fortress cannons fire a projectile valued at $1,500. The cost of gunfire in the Royal Navy is very heavy, and a single discharge from a 11-in. weapon, costs at least $4,000. A battleship broadside means that $7,500 worth of ammunition has gone. In a sea fight, if the large guns on a dreadnought only fire ten shots each and the smaller weapons discharge twenty-five shells, the cost of ammunition ofr one battleship during the engagement is $800,000.

First Chauffeur—Bill's been a chauffeur ten years and never run over nobody yet.

Second Chauffeur—Well, Bill's an absentminded cuss. He's always thinking of something else.

## All Eyes On Gary

### Cutting Down School Expenses and Boosting School Efficiency

(Contributed by Norman F. Black, M.A., D.Paed., Regina).

There wasn't any town of Gary, Indiana, eight years ago. Now it is a city of thirty or forty thousand. The United States Steel Corporation needed it so it just set to work and made it. To make the new city which they required as the home of the most complete and up-to-date steel works west of Pittsburg, they employed civil engineers and electrical engineers and all sorts of other engineers. Among them was an educational engineer. It was his job to create a school system that would be as complete and up-to-date as the steel works and, like them, business-like and economical.

He did the job.

His name is Wirt: William A. Wirt. And being his, that is the name of the man upon whom the eyes of the great army of folk that care for economy and efficiency in school matters are just now turned. William A. Wirt has worked out and is working out business-like methods of educational reform that are going to effect states and provinces far and wide.

How he does things so cheaply and effectively cannot be explained in a few words, unless by saying that he applies modern business methods to elminiate waste. What he thus saves he uses to provide things that towns still using slip-shod, old fashioned educational methods can't afford, although their school rates run higher than Gary's.

Every big town school has, of course, its ordinary class rooms and its gymnasium and its manual training shops and its domestic science kitchen and its auditorium and its art room and its play grounds, and so forth.

Wirt made the startling discovery that no child can be in more than one of these places at any given time.

Accordingly he arranged a time-table that would keep each and every one of these places occupied all day long.

When Mary Ann's class is studying the stand-by subjects—reading, writing, arithmetic and so on—Sarah Jane's class is in one of the special class rooms studying possibly sewing or cooking, or in the gymnasium working up muscle and cultivating an appetite and a straight back bone, or out in the play grounds having larks. Whatever it is, it is all done on system and with a vim, and when the time comes, Sarah and Mary interchange places with each other. Everybody and every place is busy all the time, so that the school staff and school equipment can provide for about twice as many youngsters as a similar staff and equipment provide for in other towns. That means reducing the building and maintainance expenses nearly by half.

A dozen articles could be written on how Superintendent Wirt has modernized the course of studies, and, mind you, kept down the expenses to below the ordinary at the same time. The youngsters are getting such a happy, vigorous, all round education that stone walls wouldn't keep them out of school. They have no truancy question at Gary. And the children work as hard as they play, for they understand what they are at and why they are at it, and incidentally it is what they should be at.

Keep your eyes on Gary and watch out for what they are doing there. Next minute we shall be doing things like that here if Saskatchewan Public School Education League and our other educational reformers will only us too how to eliminate waste so as to be able to afford to give our children the best education that is to be had.

### Damaged Wheat For Feed

In most cases it is inadvisable to feed damaged grain to poultry. There are, however, exceptions to every rule. Wheat that has been mow-burnt will not cause any trouble when fed to fowls and can usually be obtained at a low price. Weevil-infested grain also can be fed without trouble, if there are no objections to introducing the weevil into the granary.

Wheat that has sprouted in the shock from excessive rains is usually dangerous to feed on account of the liability of its being moldy.

If such wheat can be obtained free from mold there is, of course, no objection to feeding it. Care must be taken that none of the grain is moldy, for mold even in small quantities will cause no end of disorders. Fanning moldy wheat may remove enough of the mold to make it look good, but your nose will tell the story. Don't use moldy grain under any circumstances. Small chicks should never be fed anything but the very best wheat, as they are much more easily upset than grown birds.

"The birthday of the new imperialism," says Rev. Dr. Freeman in an editorial in the British Weekly, "is not to be registered with accuracy, but perhaps we may name its baptismal day. Was it not the day when Sir Robert Borden, premier of Canada, was invited to sit as corresponding member with the cabinet? On that day the national government made itself the sponsor to this wonderful new offspring of British solidarity."

## Ignorance Unashamed

### Has Our School System Reached the Highest Point of Efficiency

Is there not too much truth in the following editorial remarks in the Toronto News, on the education children now receive at public schools?

"Three questions were written on the blackboard at Macdonald Institute on a recent morning, and the 21 girls of the class were required to write down their answers and hand them in. The first question named 17 famous books or poems and required the names of the authors. The second asked for a short description and location of Sudbury, Prince Rupert, Esquimault Louvain, Gallipoli and Lemberg. The third read as follows: Name the premiers of any six of the provinces of Canada.

"The average value of the answers was 30 per cent. for the first, 21 per cent. for the second, and almost nothing for the third. No one knew the position of Louvain or Gallipoli. One young woman said that Louvain was a town in France where a battle was fought recently. Another placed Gallipoli off the coast of Scotland, where a German submarine base had been discovered. Concerning the premiers, everyone was on a level with sister. Sir Sam Hughes was named as the premier of the United States.

"The young women in this class were between the ages of 18 and 35. Some of them had junior matriculation. All had passed examinations for entrance to the high school. The first cry from most of those who read this will be: 'What is the matter with the education department and the schools its supervises?' It is the belief of the public that the ignorance of any person in the province is directly traceable to the school. That is not always the case. Three-quarters of the education a boy receives comes from his home. In the home he must acquire a taste for reading and a love for knowledge. He must have the stimulus of a wise father or mother or sister. If he goes to school indifferent or careless he will learn by note certain mechanical operations for calculating purposes. He will learn to read haltingly. He will hate grammar, composition, literature and geography, and at the first opportunity will leave school and go to work. Not always, of course! He may have a genius for his teacher. Then the results may be different.

"As for girls, their environment may be one of dress, "movies" and beaux. No one can expect an unused mind to display any high degree of polish, and how many people there are who never think, no tongue can tell. Satirists say that the average woman has only three topics of conversation: Her serving maid, the children and how she expects to have her next gown made. She never reads a newspaper, at least she rarely gets past the woman's page. She does not know anything about national politics and does not trouble to find out. The only difference between her and her husband is that business necessities have forced him to learn some things, and that he pretends to know all the rest. The school has not helped these people. How can it help their children?"


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## Moderation of Eye Test

### Large Numbers of Men Previously Refused May Now Enlist

The moderation of the eye test has gone into effect in Canada. For some time the militia has been preparing for a less stringent test of the eyesight, which had been excluding a great many men from joining who had wished to go. The test used up to the present was the same as the one used for the South African war, and was much more severe than that used in England at present. The new test is similar to that used in Englasd. In Toronto there have been 1,800 men turned down in the past three months because of their eyesight when they applied to join the overseas forces.

In Ottawa the number has been proportionately large. With the new regulation many of these men will now be able to get into the army.

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The dull boy in the class unexpectedly distinguished himself in a recent history examination. The question ran, "How and when was slavery introduced into America?"

To this he replied:

"No woman had come over to the early Virginia colony. The planters wanted wives to help with the work. In 1619 the London Company sent over a shipload of girls. The planters gladly married them, and slavery was introduced into America."

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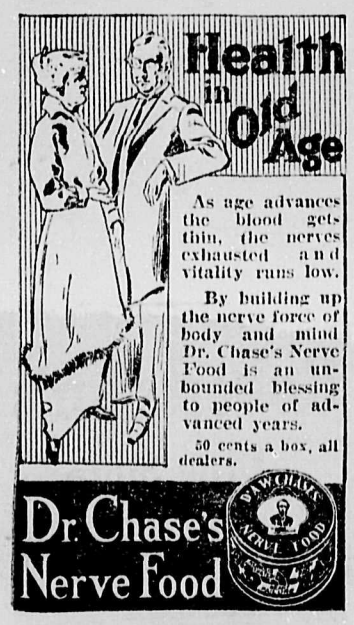
### Electricity Warms Men in Trenches

Electrically-warmed underclothing for the soldiers in the winter trenches is the latest Austrian invention reported by an American attache at The Hague. Fine flexible ires are woven into the fabric. Connection is made by each wearer with a cable running along the trench and fed from a generator in the rear. About 150 watts of current is used at thirty to fifty volts, costing one to two cents per hour per man. The suits weigh a little less than two pounds and cost about $20 each.






## C. P. R Has 36,000 Small Shareholders

### Number of Holders of Not Over 50 Shares of the Great Corporation's Stock Has Nearly Trebled In Eight Years

The increasing number of stockholders in Canadian Pacific gives a vivid indications of the growth of confidence in the company's position, and in the Dominion of Canada, as a centre for capital investment.

At the annual meeting of the C.P.R. in 1907 it may be recalled that Sir Thomas Shaughnessy remarked that there were upwards of 14,000 shareholders whose holdings did not exceed fifty shares, each, of the company's stock. By June, 1913, this number had swelled to 27,000.

The Financial Times secured the definite assurance this week that there are now 36,000 names on the company's list, of persons holding fifty shares or less. This is a marvellous record, and gives striking evidence of the increasing popularity of the shares among small investors.

The dramatic increase in Canadian Pacific's earnings continues to be a sensation in the railroad world. New York observers are already confident that the company will easily earn its 10 per cent. dividend in the present fiscal year; in fact this week forecasts were made that the company would earn at the rate of 15 per cent. on the capital.

Since the latter part of September, when the traffic tide definitely turned, the road has piled up earnings so fast that the losses of July and August have been entirely wiped out, and the road is now well over $1,000,000 ahead of last year in gross.

Of course the Canadian Pacific is now at the height of the crop moving season and grain shipments have been unprecedented. The C.P.R. is reported to be moving 12 miles of loaded cars daily. Winnipeg bankers are confident that the grain movement will continue abnormally heavy throughout December and January. Aside from this kind of traffic, however, Canadian Pacific has vast quantities of munitions and war materials to transport, as these are being turned out in profusion from scores of plants in Canada.

Apart entirely from traffic, the C.P.R.'s special revenue for 1915 promises to offer the most interesting phase of the company's position. The company itself has been a heavy manufacturer of materials of war, and its fleet is largely contracted to the British government. — Financial Times.

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### Manure Valuable

The best results from manure will be secured when it is hauled direct to the field, six or eight loads per acre, to be plowed under for corn or top dressed on pasture or grass land. It will benefit these crops and also the grain crops that follow. When fresh manure is to be applied to a grain crop top dress with it six or eight loads, or if rotted manure is available it can be plowed under. On the North Dakota Experiment Station farm manure applied to corn lands, six loads per acre, has increased the corn and the following three wheat crops enough to make a return of $1.50 per load.

## A GENTLE LAXATIVE FOR LITTLE ONES

*Baby's Own Tablets are a gentle* laxative. They are absolutely safe and are so pleasant in action that once the mother has used them for her little ones she will never again resort to that harsh, ill-smelling, bad tasting castor oil, which baby always fought against taking. Baby will take the Tablets with a smile and thousands of mothers tell us their little ones will coax for them. They are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

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### Why Raise Sheep?

James M. Patton of Washington county, Pa., gave the following reasons for sheep raising before the state board of agriculture last winter:

1. They will thrive and do well on the rough hillsides, better than any other of our farm animals.
2. They are the cheapest means of eradicating weeds on the farm.
3. They are more economical to feed than any other farm animals.
4. They do not require much labor and bring good returns.
5. They add fertility to the farm, acting as nature's manure spreader.
6. The prospect of the foreign demand for sheep and wool caused by the European situation will make the business even more profitable.

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**Won Fame on its Merits.**—The unbounded popularity that Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil enjoys is not attributable to any elaborate advertising, for it has not been so advertised, but is entirely due to the merits of this Oil as a medicine. In every city, town and hamlet in the country it is sought after solely because of its good qualities.

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A nun who accompanied the British women on their return from Belgium to London relates a delightful story of how, recently, a big German officer went into a shop in Brussels and explained to the old woman inside that Germany was ever so many times bigger than Belgium.

"How is it, then," she inquired, "that you can travel through Germany in three weeks, whereas you have taken over a year to get through Belgium, and you are not through yet?" The officer saluted and walked away.

## Urges National Economy

### Half of Population of England Making War Munitions

Half of the population of England is engaged in producing war munitions to aid the 3,000,000 men in the fighting lines in a war which is costing Great Britain $1,000,000 an hour, the Hon. R. H. Brand, financial agent of David Lloyd George, minister of munitions, told business men at a luncheon held in Ottawa recently. Those present included the Duke of Connaught, Sir Robert Borden, and Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

"The war," continued Mr. Brand, "will be a long one, and no one can tell how much more England, Canada, and other parts of the empire may have to do before it is successfully ended, but, of all the things to be done to win, financial operations are the most important."

National economy will win the war, the speaker added, and he urged Canadians to practice the most rigid economy in order to provide the greatest possible aid to Great Britain. He expressed appreciation of Canada's decision to make advances to England, and promised that all such loans would be repaid soon after the close of the conflict.

## Magic "Nerviline" Cures Toothache, Earache

### IT RELIEVES EVERY EXTERNAL PAIN

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It's when sickness comes at night, when you are far from the druggist or the doctor, that's when you need Nerviline most. Experienced mothers are never without it. One of the children may have toothache. Without Nerviline—a sleepless night for the entire household. With Nerviline the pain is relieved quickly. It may be earache, perhaps a stiff neck, or one of the kiddies coughing with a bad chest cold. Nothing can give quicker results than vigorous rubbing with this old-time family remedy.

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As a family safeguard, as something to ward off sickness and to cure the minor ills that will occur in every family, to cure pain anywhere, you can find nothing to compare with old-time Nerviline, which for forty years has been the most widely used family remedy in the Dominion. The most economical size is the large 50c family size bottle, small trial size, 25c. All dealers sell Nerviline.

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It is related of a rural editor that he received this question from one of his readers:

"What is the matter with my hens? Every morning I find one of them laid out stiff and cold on the henhouse floor."

Next day this answer duly appeared in the query column:

"Your fowls are suffering from death. It is an old complaint. The only treatment that we can prescribe is burial."

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An intelligent Frenchman was studying the English language. "When I discovered that if I was quick I was fast," said he, "and that if I was tied I was fast, if I spent too freely I was fast, and that not to eat was to fast, I was discouraged. But when I came across the sentence, 'the first one won one guinea prize,' I was tempted to give up trying to learn English."

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Guest—I'm glad there's a rope here in case of fire; but what is the idea of putting a Bible in the room in such a prominent pnosition?

Bellboy—Dat am intended for use, sah, in case the fire am too far advanced foh you to make yoh escape, sah.

## THE VERY TIME

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"She seemed to relish it, was soon conscious of her surroundings, and began to gain strength so rapidly that in a short time she was as well, playful and robust as if she had never been ill.

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## The Time When France Will Make Peace

### When Alsace and Lorraine Are Regained and Prussian Militarism is Crushed

France will not make peace until Alsace and Lorraine are won, Belgium and Serbia restored and "German imperialism and Prussian militarism are put beyond the possibility of resurrection," says Albert Thomas, under secretary of war. The declaration of M. Thomas is attracting widespread attention, as it is one of the first statements from a responsible cabinet official concerning the attitude of the government regarding peace.

"There will be no peace until Alsace and Lorraine are definitely reestablished as part of the French unity.

"There will be no peace until our unfortunate brothers of Belgium and Serbia are assured of recovering their homes in complete security and independence.

"There will be no peace until German imperialism and Prussian militarism is put beyond the possibility of resurrection.

"There will be no peace until a system of right, founded upon the victorious union of the allies and supported by the free adherence of the allies, has abolished forever the violence of war.

"Whatever may be the sacrifices, France united will go steadily forward to accomplish this end. Today before the terrible obstacle which confronts them, justice and liberty have only one road—that which our nation in arms opens to them, with the machine gun and cannon."

The declaration of M. Thomas derives added signifiance from the fact that, in addition to his connection with the cabinet, he is one of the leaders of the Socialist party.

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### Issue Three Cent Stamp

The post office department has decided to supply the demand for a three cent stamp to obviate the necessity of placing an extra stamp on letters for the war tax by issuing an ordinary two cent stamp with a distinguishing mark designating the war tax. The desire of the department is to issue a stamp which will disappear after the war, and the existence of a three cent stamp is not desired. The ordinary two cent stamp will therefore be used, with a surcharged design upon its face similar to that on the present one cent war stamp.

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### Insects' Appetites

If a baby had the appetite of a young potato beetle it would eat from 50 lbs. to 100 lbs. of food every 24 hours. If a horse ate as much as a caterpillar, in proportion to its size, it would consume a ton of hay every 24 hours. A caterpillar eats twice its weight of leaves every day, but a patota beetle devours every day at least five times its weight of foliage, every bit of which represents just so much money to the farmer. The most destructive of all insects, however, is the grasshopper, which in good health, consumes in a day ten times its weight of vegetation. No wonder that whole districts are devastated by its multitudinous swarms.

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Announcement was made at the London war office that in future all pictorial postcards addressed to neutral countries will be stopped by the censors.

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### Then and Now

After less than sixteen months of war, Germany has infinitely less chance of succeeding in its purpose than Napoleon had when Pitt's political enemies sent him to a premature grave. Future commentators on the war will see clearly that with the close of the summer of 1915 the worst was past, and if Britishers of today do not make the mistake that those of the first years of the last century did and interfere with the steady, ordered march of sound policy we shall not have to wait for long before its full results are apparent.—Edmonton Journal.

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"My father and I know everything in the world," said a small boy to his companion.

"All right," said the latter. "Where is Asia?"

It was a stiff question, but the little fellow answered coolly, "That is one of the questions my father knows."

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We congratulate Mayor Kilpatrick on his success of Thursday last. His election was not won without the hardest kind of work both on his part and on that of his friends. It is true that he filled the position last year with dignity, and no little tact, which evidently weight with the electors, for they elected him, and left the greater number of his followers at home. However, they have no reason to feel downhearted, they gave the winners a good run, and were defeated by the narrowest majority,

In spite of the practically unanimous vote of the British House of Commons in favor of compulsory service, a measure precipitated by the lack of patriotism on the part of half a million single men who failed to register under Lord Derby's splendid scheme, the railway and mining workers of the United Kingdom threaten to strike, if by now they have not already done so. Liberals, Conservatives, Nationalists, Ulstermen and labor members are thus disowned by the railwaymen and miners—in other words, "government of the people, by the people and for the people" has been abandoned in favor of sectional anarchy and class selfishness. Well, patriotic strikers and malcontents, it is a pity you did not migrate to Germany!

No one can fail to be struck at the way in which the native sons, Canadians born, are turning out for military service. Naturally at first the war did not strike the imagination of the Canadian boy, who had grown up in full knowledge of the fact that not a single fort or fortress guards the frontier between the United States and Canada. But the Belgian autrocities, the ignored "scraps of paper," the Polish horrors, the sinking of unarmed merchantmen, and the many other evidences of Hun "culture," not to forget the heroism shown by Canadian soldiers at Ypres. Festubert and Langemarck, have, for the majority of Canadians, changed the complexion of affairs. The fear of being "gassed," murdered while wounded, or starved as a prisoner will not deter the ordinary Canadian boy from donning kahki. Canadian history is being made today, and it is not being made by stay-at-homes, mother's darlings, shirkers or cowards, but by pataiots unselfish and daring, with the blood of pioneers coursing through their veins and good red blood at that.

Premier Norris in the Manitoba Legislature last Friday moved the second reading of the bill enfranchising the women of Manitoba, and the motion was unanimously adopted with great euthusiasm, Similar unanimity marked the second reading of the Manitoba Temperance Act, Which will be submitted to the electors for their endorsation in March.

## Municipal Elections

The Municipal Elections were held last Thursday, the polls being opened from 9 a. m. to 7 p. m. Returning Officer Hames and his assistants were busy the whole day Excitement was at fever heat part of the time. Both tickets had a force of well organized workers, and they worked all the time. The Citizens ticket managers had secured the old Restmore as headquerters, where they served refreshments to their supporters. All the available teams and sleighs were pressed into service, and a large outside vote was brought in from the surrounding district, some even coming from Victoria and Parksville to cast their ballots. The voting was very close, as will be seen by the results.

During the evening while the ballots were being counted some of the electors got into an argument, and Alex Beaton emphasized his remarks by striking the Special Constable Ernest Kerton in the mouth, knocking out two teeth.

FOR MAYOR

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| Kilpatrick | 108 |
| McPhee | 95 |

Majority for Kilpatrick 13

WARD 1

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| Kerton | 52 |
| Anderton | 44 |
| Leighton | 38 |
| Johnston | 34 |

WARD 2

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|---|---|
| Hurford | 33 |
| McKenzie | 31 |
| Boden | 29 |
| Perez | 28 |

WARD 3

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| Carroll | 31 |
| Aston | 29 |
| Duncan | 28 |

SCHOOL TRUSTEES

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|---|---|
| Duncan | 141 |
| Sutton | 103 |
| Kerton | 91 |

## COMOX

The Vicar of Cumberland, Rev. Arthur Bischlager, who has been also placed in charge of the parish of Comox and Lazo, will conduct services in St. Peter's church, Comox, next Sunday, Jan 23rd, at 11 a. m., and every alternate Sunnay thereafter. Notices of marriages, baptisms, and sickness should be addressed to the Vicarage, Cumberland.

Harold Game has just arrived home from the Fraser Valley, where he secured three more pure bred Ayrshires to add to his herd. He says the weather is very cold at Chilliwack, the thermometor registering 5 below zero, and the wind blowing a gale. The ice was also frozen over the Fraser river at New Westminster.

Service will be held in the Presbyterian Church, Comox, at 10.30 every Sunday morning until further notice. Everybody welcome.

The Mayor and Council elect met at the city hall on Monday evening when the oath of office was administered by Magistrate Hicks-Beach. The Mayor complimented the Aldermen on their election, and hoped that they would all work together in harmony during the coming year. He also announced that there would be no business done that night, and that they would meet again on Monday night, when he would have the committees for the year appointed. School Trustees Duncan and Sutton were also present, and were sworn in by the Magistrate.

The annual meeting of the Comox Creamery Association takes place this (Thursday) evening. A proposition, far reaching in its effects will be brought before the Association for adoption, viz. the increasing of the Capital stock and embarking into the business of dealing in poultry, eggs, milk, cream, and all farm products, and also all supplies needed by the patrons of the Association such as flour, feed, fertilizers, lime, spray materials, drain tills, etc. Also for the opening up an agency in Victoria for the selling of their products and the purchase of supplies. This is a movement along co-operative lines that many creameries and other associations are taking up these days, in an endeavor to sell produce at its value to consumers, and also to purhcase supplies from manufacturers for consumers without the wasteful middleman's profits. Co-operative Societies work well in many places, especially if they have a strong man managing, and there seems to be no reason why the Creamery should not flourish in its new undertaking. Recently one of the patrons saved over $100 by buying through the Association.

On Sunday night Rev. T. Menzies will preach in the Presbyterian church at 7.30 on the subject "The Melting-Pot of the War." Recruits especially welocme.

Mr. Nation, of Victoria, Secretary of the Canadian Patriotic fund for B. C. delivered an address in the Opera House on Thursday evening after the picture show. It was not very well attended. Mr. Nation very learly showed why the fund should be supported.

Private Slaughter is now with the troops at Comox, and the family will occupy the Bailey farm until Feb. 1st., when they expect to move to the Dyke. Copp Bros. who have rented the farm will take possession there.


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Two well known old-timers passed away early in the new year. Mr. Wm. Lewis of Courtenay died on the evening of Tuesday January 4th and on Wednesday evening the 5th inst. Wm. Robb of C mox passed to that bourne from which no man returneth.

Mr. Lewis was born at Newport, Wales. 83 years ago, and came to this country when the Cariboo gold excitement was at its height. He, however, did not make good in the gold rush, and went south to California where he worked at his trade as carpenter for fifteen years with one firm About forty years ago he and Mrs, Lewis came to Comox. buying 160 acres of land, together with the stock, implements, etc., from Mr. Green, an uncle of T.Beckensell's, afterwards buying 90 acres from Mr. Buchanan on the back road, and later securing 160 acres of railway lands, making 410 acres in one block. After Mr. Lewis had withdrawn enough money to pay Mr. Green the bank in which he kept his savings broke, and he lost his money. By hard work he cleared up most of the homestead. Some years ago he went to California and purchased two pure bred Jerseys, the first brought to the island, which cost him nearly $1000 by the time he got them home. For 34 years he farmed successfully and amassed a fortune. Five years ago he retired and moved to town He enjoyed good health up to within a short time of his death. One son and one daughter were born to them, the boy dying when seven years old. and the daughter, who married Mr Taylor, died a few years ago, leaving a young daughter. Mrs. Lewis and his granddaughter are his sole surviving relatives

WM. R. ROBB.

The subject of this sketch came to Comox about 57 years ago in company with his father and mother and sisters direct from the old land. Comox at that time was an unbroken forest, frequented only by the Siwashes, of whom there was a large tribe, Mr. Robb's mother and sisters being the only white women in the place, but they were joined the ollowing year by Mrs. Cliffe, who still lives, hale and hearty.

Comox and Robb cannot vesy well be disassociated, for it was this family that in a very large measure made the place what it is. One need not recall the many privations that these early settlers had to endure, suffice it to say that all difficulties were met courageously and unflinchingly, and they set themselves manfully to the task of making homes and friends in this fertile valley. As time went by "Henden" or the Robb farm had field added to field, building to building until it became noted throughout the entire district, and many a wayfarer found a warm welcome there while waiting for the arrival of the boat, which in those days was very infrequent and uncertain. At one time Comox was destined to be the metropolis of the district and Mr. Robb laid out part of his farm as a townsite, but upon the discovery of coal at Union, trade was diverted elsewhere and Union, now Cumberland sprang into existence.

Some ten years ago Mr, Robb gave up active work on his farm and retired with his wife to their beautiful cottage close by Com x. This home with its surroundings has been the admiration of all passers by. A year ago he was stricken with a malady which finally resulted in his death. Up to the end he maintained a deep concern in all that was transpiring round about him. In the matters of church and state he was deeply interested, and contributed largely to the support of both. He hated deception, was a true friend and did his country lasting good. He leaves to mourh him Mrs. Robb, also two nieces, Mrs. Hunby and Mrs. Planta, both of Nanaimo, besides a host of friends who had learned to love him from the associations of a life time.

The Church Club held its regular Patriotic meeting on the evening of Friday, 14th. Mr, Wood who has charge of that department gave a pleasant innovation by means of a series of moving pictures based on Bill Nye's Comic History of England. From the opening scene which proved conclusively that England has always been a sort of a money centre because the Phoenecians and Carthagenians at an early date went there for some of her tin To the closing scene which illustrated how much more a horse would bring on the market than would a man when stalled in rows alternately with the price tagged on. The audience not only gave the closest attention, but also other very convincing evidences of appreciation. When it is remembered that the author himself survived to write his history only to the second marriage of Henry VIII the fact that all the spectators are still hearty speaks well for the thriving qualities of a Courtenay audience.

On Tuesday evening Mr. W, Duncan, who has charge of the monthly Bible Study took as his text "The Spirit of Life" as expounded in the International Sunday School Lesson for next Sunday. The author, date and subject matter of the book of Romans was reviewed, and the central theme of "Righteousness" was considered. Whether goodness is easy or hard to attain called forth considerable discussion. As a conclusion it was agreed that though spiritual life is received by faith alone, yet each must work out his or her salvation, the ideal attainment being the completely spirit-filled life. The meeting was most pleasant and profitable and much larger numbers, if they knew what is in store for them would avail themselves of the meeting each month.

The Masquerade to be given by the 50th Highlanders at Comox, on the 28th. has been postponed, owing to the serious ilness of one of the men,

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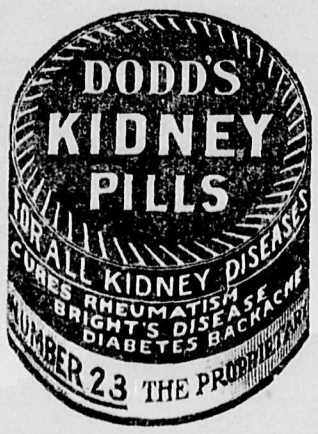
### A Logical Ending

The total numerical superiority of the male population of the allies over the enemy is overwhelming, points out Mr. Reginald McKenna. That being the case, and even if other resources were only equal, there can be only one ending to the war if all are determined on a fight to a finish.—Montreal Gazette.





## Germany's Future

### Famine and Privation May Soon Lead to a Revolution

Within the German empire there are signs and portents that recall vividly the first mutterings of the storm that broke upon France at the revolution. We are told that the supply of food in Germany is abundant, yet the chancellor under authority given him has just fixed the price at which potatoes may be sold by the producer and by the marketman. There is enough to spare of everything, yet the prices of the commonest commodities are under government control. Nobody goes hungry, but the people have been warned that they must not carry their clamor for butter and table supplies to the point of breaking the grocer's windows, and the severe penalties imposed upon rioters have been officially called to their attention. The last issue of imperial bonds are paid for in paper, since the people long ago surrendered practically all the gold in their possession to the imperial bank. By this process of bond issue the government can be kept in paper funds indefinitely, but in spite of price regulations the discount upon the paper currency will increase. One measure of the discount was the very disquieting increase in prices of commodities. —New York Times.

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### Value of Rotation

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## Farmers' Co-Operative Associations Grow

### Now One Hundred and Eighty-nine Organizations in Saskatchewan

One hundred and eighty-nine co-operative associations of farmers for the purpose of trading, producing, purchasing, and marketing have been registered since the inception of the Co-operative Branch of the Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture in December, 1913. The reports obtained from these organizations go to show that a great increase in the volume of business is to be recorded this year when the final returns are made. As an indication of the increase of activities, comparative figures in one line are given.

In the marketing of livestock during the year 1914 only nine associations took part and marketed about 30 cars. During 1915 up to November, 3,013 associations had reported 100 cars of livestock marketed, with prospects of swelling the total to 125 before December 31.

The Co-operative branch is forwarding this particular phase of the farmers' work, and to that end arrangements have been made whereby an experienced man from the department will be sent to any organization of farmers, whether registered or not, which will make application for help. This expert will assist the farmers to organize their first co-operative shipment of livestock, help the local manager, receive and mark shipments, go to the market and sell, then return and apportion the expense accounts to the shippers and make returns. The services of this man are absolutely free, even his expenses being paid from the offices of the Co-operative branch.

A special bulletin has been prepared on co-operative organization, and any farmer in the province desiring one can obtain it by making application to the director of co-operative organization work at the parliament buildings, Regina.


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### Rural School Ideals

The re-directed rural school must come nearer to supplying the needs of the people that it serves.

It must increase the earning of its people so that they may have attractive homes, good roads and better schools. Not only must the rural school aid in these things, but it must help the people in the country to see and appreciate the things about them and make the life in the country more tolerable—cause the farmer not to see his soil as lifeless, inert dirt, but as nature's laboratory in which every cultivation and application of fertilizers results in reactions that are beneficial to him.—Rural Educator.

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### Storing Vegetables

Vegetables must be stored under the conditions that will keep them in the best condition for use. Mr. H. O. Yerner of the North Dakota Experiment Station gives the following pointers: In the first place they should be handled carefully. Bruises form a place for decay germs to enter. The vegetables store best if a little immature. Cabbage, celery and root crops keep best at low temperature, with a fairly moist atmosphere and good ventilation. Onions keep best just above freezing in a dry atmosphere. Squashes and pumpkins need a dry atmosphere at about 50 degrees. Celery when dug is really transplanted, as it has to be kept growing when in storage. Dig it with a good deal of soil on the roots and plant closely in sand or loose, damp soil in a cool cellar or pit. The root crops keep best when buried in sand or soil in a cool place. The vegetables, excepting celery, will keep better if well dried in the sun before being stored.

"I'm afraid, Johnny," said the Sunday school teacher, rather severely, "that I will never meet you in heaven."

"Why? What you been doin'?"

## Demand For Sheep Taxes the Supply

### Farmers Showing New Interest in Industry as Wool Prices Are up

The sheep industry in Saskatchewan this year has taken such an abnormal course that officials of the department of agriculture have been taxed to get the supply for buyers and farmers, says the Saskatoon Star.

P. M. Bredt, acting livestock commissioner, has been a very busy man during the last month trying to locate a sufficient number of sheep for the people of the province who have flooded his office with requests. He has been able to secure about 1,200 animals since the sale in Regina on Oct. 27, when 1,500 were sold. There are hundreds yet to be found and the result is that sheep owners on Western ranges have raised the price, which now ranges at $8 per head for range ewes.

The development of the sheep industry in Saskatchewan during the last three years has been phenomenal and farmers are asking for the animals in large numbers. The good prices being paid for wool during the last two years have been partly responsible for the great impetus in the sheep industry and judging for the future sheep men of the province are very optimistic, according to reports from the department of agriculture.

Mixed farming, according to these farmers, has come to be looked upon as a necessity instead of a hobby in the province and the ranges are fast disappearing.

One of the most important branches of mixed farming is sheep raising, which is receiving great attention.

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### Ridge up the Land

How the winter's frosts can mellow up the soil! Old, hard clay fields, if plowed up late in the fall, left in ridges just as a field of turnips or of corn, will be frozen through, and the roots and all vegetable humus will be frozen. Alternate freezing and thawing will break down their fibrous integuments, and with the final thawing out of spring the warm sun can penetrate in turn. Decomposition will set free the elements in the vegetable matter. It will combine with the elements of the soil. Chemical activity will increase and the stores of plant food in both the soil and the vegetable matter will be set free. How the young plants will feed upon it and grow!

It pays to ridge up the land in the late fall. Especially after a wet season such as the one just past, its benefits to heavy land will be big. Old sods will work down in the springtime into nice, mellow seed beds, and the harmful inhabitants will have been exposed to the cold and frost and will be dead. It will pay well in many ways to ridge up the fields before the close of winter.

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"India continues generously to support the war funds. The movement in Lahore for northern India to supply seven aeroplanes to be named after the big rivers of Punjab, at a cost of $175,000, is progressing. The latest gifts include munition workshops, the loan of mechanics for Ambulance Corps motors, besides various other donations. The native rulers of India have made generous concessions to their subjects who are on active service by exempting them from taxes and granting them other concessions."

Jackie's aunt, on a visit, had admonished him over some trick he had just played upon her.

"Never mind, Jack," remarked his sister, "I don't think she'll stay much longer; she didn't bring any luggage with her."

Jackie was dubious, however.

"I don't know that much," he replied. "Look how that baby is staying on, and he didn't bring any with him."

## Course in Road Building

### State of Illinois Furthering the Cause of Improved Highways

In view of the fact that one of the serious problems to be faced in the rural districts in the west is that of building roads, it is of interest to note what other places are doing to solve this problem. The following article is taken from a recent issue of the Press Bulletin of the University of Illinois:

"No fees, no examinations and no other perquisites are demanded for the short, popular course in highway engineering. All citizens are interested in this work, but the talks and instructions are intended to be of particular value to the men who are building the country roads and also to the engineers in city employment.

"Civil engineers of the University of Illinois, in co-operation with the state highway department, will hold the third annual short course highway engineering at Urbana on Jan. 10th to 22nd, 1916.

The programme, which is now in course of preparation, will include lecturers well known in this field. The subjects treated will cover, not only constructive features, but auso social and financial problems of road and bridge building. In conjunction with the lectures, an opportunity will be given to those who desire to carry on a definite and systematic study of the subjects."

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### No Escape For Germany

The neutral nations that succeeded so well in restraining their impatience and holding their peace while Belgium was being devastated will need to hold their peace still a little longer while the war proceeds such lengths as will place Belgium securely on her feet again.

The neutral powers which had nothing to say while Germany was winning battles in all directions are now being influenced in a hundred secret ways, to intervene with proposals for peace on such terms as will permit Germany to retain a good deal of her plunder, but more particularly to escape the retribution for her crimes which now menaces her in whichever direction she looks. There is to be no such escape for Germany. —Toronto Star.

Only the uniformed endure the agony of corns. The knowing ones apply Holloway's Corn Cure and get relief.

### Egg Famine Feared

There is a possibility of an egg famine in Canada this winter. There has been a big demand for Canadian eggs from Great Britain and this is likely to cause a shortage which only can be made up by imports from the United States.

"Be careful, sir—be v-e-r-y careful—and remember that you are on oath!" ominously said the pinfeathery young attorney, whose brow bulged like the back of a snapping turtle, addressing a witness. "Now tell us, sir, was every pane of glass in the west window broken when you passed the house."

"They were on the outside," was the cautious reply. "I didn't enter the houes to see whether they were also broken on the inside."


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# A BIG TASK FOR CANADA TO FACE AS SOON AS THE WAR IS ENDED

## A READJUSTMENT TO MEET THE NEW CONDITIONS

### The Great Problem of Restoring to Useful Occupations a Very Considerable Proportion of Canada's Male Population Which will be out of Employment After the War

The war may not be over till the fall of 1916, but the result is no longer in doubt. In less than a year Canada will have to readjust her productive machinery so that employment may be found not only for a quarter-million of returning soldiers withdrawn from industry at various times since August, 1914, but for considerably over a hundred thousand men engaged at present in the production of shells, rifles, uniforms, accoutrements, and general military supplies.

This vast host to be restored to the occupations of peace represents more than one in four of all males in Canada between the ages of twenty and thirty-nine. The census of 1911 showed that the Dominion then had a very great preponderance of men, especially between the ages of twenty and thirty-nine, indicating that immigration had consisted largely of men in the prime of life. There were 385,855 men between the ages of twenty and twenty-five, and only 320,435 women. The disparity of the sexes was even greater between the ages of twenty-five and twenty-nine, the men numbering 370,494 and the women 287,684. This marked excess of men over women of corresponding age continues until the period fifty to fifty-five years is reached, in which the men total 152,718 and the women 132,366.

These figures conclusively prove that tens of thousands of the returning soldiers must be absolutely foot loose, with no family ties drawing them back to the places whence they came, and no home circle to re-absorb them. That fact makes Canada's task much more complex, for it may involve a great congestion of labor at a few points instead of the spreading of the army of the returning soldiers over the entire Dominion. The need of the moment is complete co-ordination between the various governmental organizations of the country—national, provincial and civic—so that the men will be effectively aided in finding places where they can add to the productivity of the Dominion. For the maimed and the broken down in health there will doubtless be preference in the filling of posts in the public service, but they will form a relatively small proportion of the total. The great mass of Canada's soldiers and shell makers must become cultivators of the soil, miners, mechanics and unskilled industrial workers. The railway and the town building booms are over, and tens of thousands of railway laborers and of men formerly engaged in the building trades will have to change their occupations.

To accomplish this without serious hardship it will be necessary to set Canadian scientists to work searching out new processes upon which successful manufacturing enterprises may be built up, and to organize the back-to-the-land movement in a way not heretofore attempted. Millions have been spent in the past upon bringing in settlers who, when they took possession of their homesteads, were left to shift for themselves, although wise counsel and financial help were then more needed than ever before. If Canada is to utilize her magnificent grain and pasture lands as the chief source of her future prosperity some of the care bestowed upon and the favors accorded to the manufacturing industries of the cities must be directed to the agriculturist. The government cannot by legislation enhance the prices obtained by grain growers for their export surplus, because prices for such products are set in the world's open markets, but it can arrange that the farmer shall be provided with cheap capital through land credit banks such as most progressive nations already have, and it can lessen the cost of transportation, as well as teach the newcomer what to do and what to leave undone in the cultivation of his land.

The great problem of restoring to useful productive occupations a very considerable proportion of Canada's adult male population will be upon us before many months. What are those in authority doing to face and solve it?—Toronto Globe.

## Brutal Treatment of Russian Prisoners

### Germans Tie Them to Bench and Lash Their Bare Bodies

The following story of German treatment of Russian prisoners is printed by the Russky-Slovo of Moscow, which sent a correspondent to the occupied parts of Poland, where he spent two months. The story comes from a Russian prisoner who escaped from a German prison.

This man was made a prisoner in Fay, and interned with a lot of others in Posen. But in the words of the prisoner:

"One day the sergeant said to us: 'Take pickaxes and spades and come along with us.'

"'What are we to do?' we asked.

"'Dig trenches,' he replied.

"'It is better to die, comrades,' said our non-commissioned officer, 'than to break our oath of fidelity.' 'Yes, yes,' we shouted, 'we will not fight our own people.'

"The Germans then tried to force us, but we lay down and fought and struggled. Finally the sergeant said, 'I'll teach you a lesson.' A wooden bench was brought in and we were lined up against it and our hands and feet tied. They took four of us at a time and beat us with sticks over our bare bodies. This was done in the presence of the townspeople, who wept and called out, 'Enough, you beasts.'

"A Catholic priest in his surplice blessed us with his crucifix."

## Battle 7,000 Feet Up

### Dizzy Heights on Which the Battle Rages in the Alps

Those familiar with the most noted of Alpine heights will follow the Italian campaign with intense interest.

The Italians fighting in the Trentino have gained a real success in the capture of the Col di Lana, north of the Dolomites, which gives them control of a main road running southwest ti Trent. Lately the Italians attacked on the summit of the Salesci ridge (about 7,000 feet high), a pivot of the enemy's defence consisting of a redoubt and a number of contiguous trench works.

The enemy's lines of defence having been wrecked by artillery, the infantry charged them with the bayonet and carried them taking prisoners 277 Kaiser Jager (Alpine troops), 9 of whom were officers. 8 machine guns, and much war material.

Along the Isonzo front the Italian troops renewed their attacks and carried positions in the Plava sector and on the Podgora heights. Four hundred and eighty prisoners were taken. In the Carso progress was made along the northern sloops of Mount San Michele and towards San Martino del Carso.

All of these names are very familiar to those who travel, or are interested in what has been for years the great holiday playground of Europe.

## Pro-German Papers in U. S.

### Still Coming to Canada, Says Prof. Riethdorf, and He Declares They Are Badly Informed

Prof. F. V. Rietndorf, late of Woodstock College, who is presenting the case of the allies among Canadians of German birth and descent in Western Ontario, is indignant that German-American newspapers still find their way to Ontario, and spoke of the misleading statements they contained.

"Up to fifteen years ago," said he, "German-Americans were looked down upon by German officialdom and called traitors. William II. saw the mistake and realized that these immigrants had become influential, and consequently changed his policy. Prince Henry's visit was the first step. Prior to 1900 German newspapers in the United States attacked and criticized German militarism freely. This has changed. The editors were invited to Germany by the Kaiser and entertained royally by him, Hermann Ridder especially. As a result they became and are today more outspoken in approval of everything German than the most outspoken Prussian Junker papers.

"After the outbreak of the war Ridder, in his Staats-Zeitung, published daily a column in English, The War From Day to Day,' which was bombastic, full of generalities and false statements, showing gross ignorance of history. While expressing conviction in Germany's ultimate victory, between the lines there can be seen his fear that if the war lasts another year or two there will be another story.

"These articles were signed by him up to his death, although he was not in a physical condition for some time to have been responsible for them. One of his young sons, who continues the articles under his own signature, must have been responsible for them long before the death of his father. This young man is the American-born son of an American-born father, for Hermann Ridder was born in New York. He knows no more about German conditions in Germany than a schoolboy of twelve years of age, and he is now the editor of the leading German newspaper on the American continent, trying to instruct persons of German blood in Canada and the United States.

"It is a pleasure to me to see three leading New York papers, the Times, Evening Post and World, edited by Messrs. Ochs, Villard and Pulitzer, all of German descent. Villard even being a native German, doing their share in the interes. of the allies."

### Canadian Battalions Total 145

A hundred and forty-five battalions have so far been authorized in Canada for overseas service. Of this number, ninety battalions have been fully recruited. Forty-seven batteries of artillery have been authorized, and forty-three raised. In regard to mounted troops, twelve units have been raised. At the present time there are roughly 57,000 troops in France, 55,000 in Canada, and 50,000 in England.

## The Farmer's Lot

### Usually the Success Attained on the Farm Compares Very Favorably With That of the City Dweller

In conversation recently with a well-to-do farmer he complained to us mildly regarding his lot. "My wife and I," he said, "have been thinking of selling our farm and going to some section where land is cheaper and buy a farm or quit farming as we find that we must work hard early and late to make interest on our investment and a reasonable profit or labor income."

We said to him, "You came to your present farm with very little capital, didn't you?"

"Yes," he replied, "we had but little when we began farming and we now own our place and a good herd of cattle. We live well, and can afford about all the things we desire. But our work is confining. We must be on hand every day in the year and good help is often hard to get."

"Did you ever stop to consider," we queried, "that any man who is successful and accumulates something for a rainy day or old age must apply himself closely to his work. The man in the office, store, or shop may not be confined to his job as many hours a day as the farmer, but when you consider the things he must do around his home and in various other ways, the successful man in the city works as many hours per day as the successful farmer. If you will look about you and note the income of those you know in the city, how many of them have done as well as you have? How many of them own their own homes and have them paid for? How many of them hold jobs or do work that you would prefer to yours?"

"Well," he said, "I hadn't thought of it in that light or angle before."

He could think of a few who, perhaps, were doing better, but the many were not as fortunate as this farmer. We have often thought if every farmer could fully understand the struggle of the city folk and know their life as they know it, their work as they find it, that the farmer would be more contented and satisfied with his lot. The grass looks greener and more inviting on the other side of the fence and the other fellow's lot is likely to appear easier and more satisfying than ours. The trouble is, we do not know the other fellow's job, his struggles, and disappointments.

We should remember that happiness cannot be created by money or position, nor can it be found by looking for it. If you think it can, look about and see if people of wealth and good positions are all happy and if those who have sought happiness through a life of ease have found it. True happiness comes only through doing useful work, rendering a useful service, and by the possession of useful knowledge. The farmer who does not understand and appreciate the wonders of nature or take any interest in his farm work, except the dollars which he can gather, will find little happiness. His lot is drudgery. But the farmer of knowledge and understanding gets enjoyment out of making plants grow; out of seeing animals develop; out of the birds of the field; out of the rising sun to its restful glow of evening; and out of the stars as they come forth in their nightly sparkle. The lot of such a farmer is happiness.

### Inspected the Regiment

The commanding officer of a certain regiment was much troubled about the persistent untidiness of one of his men. Reprimand and punishment had proved to be of no avail.

A brilliant idea struck the colonel. Why not march the man up and down the whole line of the regiment and shame him into decency?

It was done. The untidy warrior, who hailed from the Emerald Isle, was ordered to exhibit himself and march up and down the entire regiment, and the men were told to have a good look at him.

After the ordeal was over the unabashed son of Erin halted, saluted the colonel, and said in the hearing of the whole corps:

"Dirtiest regiment I iver inspected, sor."

### Expresses Sympathy with Cause

Sympathy for the allies was expressed in a declaration of the new Portuguese cabinet. The ministry declared it would abstain from all party politics, and adhere strictly to a national policy, adding:

"The government will make strong efforts to execute the laws passed by parliament upon the subject of the attitude of Portugal in the present war, safeguarding thus the dignity and interests of the nation, lending co-operation to right and justice defended by England and her allies, whom the Portuguese people assured of their full moral sympathy at the beginning of the war and several times since then."

### Japan and the War

But the great part Japan has played in the Far East in the present war is not yet realized. Her power has been exercised against Germany in many ways, and the chances are that with a Japanese-Russian alliance the Germany of post-bellum time will never again secure a foothold in the Far East.—Ottawa Citizen.

Arrivals of Canadian invalids from the hospitals of England and France are expected to number 150 per week for the next three months. This means that within that period practically two thousand invalids will have to be provided for by the Dominion hospitals commission.

# THE PROTEST OF A TIMID NATION WILL CARRY BUT LITTLE WEIGHT

## COL. ROOSEVELT DENOUNCES A PACIFICIST POLICY

### He Declares that the Criminal Responsibility of Germany for the Hideous Crimes Against Civilization Must be Shared as Well by the Neutral Nations

"A nation too timid to protect its own men, women and children from murder and outrage and too timid even to speak on behalf of Belgium, will not carry much weight by 'protest' or 'insistence' on behalf of the suffering Jews and Armenians," says Colonel Theodore Roosevelt in a letter to Dr. Samuel P. Dutton, secretary of the American Committee for Armenian and Syrian Relief.

The letter, which was made public by Dr. Dutton, is a vigorous denunciation of the U.S. policy in the present war. Colonel Roosevelt says that "as long as this government proceeds, whether as regards Mexico or as regards Germany, whether as regards the European war or as regards Belgium, on the principles of the peace-at-any-price man, of the professional pacificist, just so long will it be as absolutely ineffective for international righteousness as China itself." All of the "terrible iniquities" of the last sixteen months can be traced, says Colonel Roosevelt, to the initial wrong of which Belgium is the victim, and the "criminal responsibility of Germany must be shared by the neutral powers, headed by the United States."

The Colonel says: "We have refused to do our duty by Belgium; we refuse to do our duty by Armenia, because we have defied peace at any price, because we have preached and practised that evil pacificism which is the complement to and the encouragement of alien militarism. Such pacificism puts peace above righteousness, safety in the present above both duty in the present and safety in the future.

All of the terrible iniquities of the last year and a half, including this crowning iniquity of the wholesale slaughter of the Armenians, can be traced directly to the initial wrong committed on Belgium by her invasion and subjugation; and the criminal responsibility of Germany must be shared by the neutral powers, headed by the United States for their failure to protest when this initial wrong was committed.

"For all of this the pacificists who dare not speak for righteousness, and who possess such an unpleasant and evil prominence in the United States, must share the responsibility with the most brutal type of militarists. The weak and timid milk-and-water policy of the professional pacificist is just as responsible as the blood-and-iron policy of the worthless and unscrupulous militarists for the terrible recrudescence of evil on a gigantic scale in the civilized world.

The crowning outrage has been committed by the Turks on the Armenians. They have suffered atrocities so hideous that it is difficult to name them, atrocities such as those inflicted upon conquered nations by the followers of Attila and of Genghis Khan. It is dreadful to think that these things can be done and that this nation nevertheless remains "neutral not only in deed but in thought," between right and the most hideous wrong, neutral between despairing and hunted people, people whose little children are murdered * * * and the victorious and evil wrongdoers.

"Scores of our soldiers have been killed and wounded, hundreds of our civilians, both men and women, have been murdered or outraged in person or property by the Mexicans, and we have not only taken no action, but have permitted arms to be exported to the bandits who were cutting one another's throats in Mexico and who used these arms to kill Americans; and, although we have refused to help our own citizens against any of these chiefs or these bandits, we have now and then improperly helped one chief against another.

"The failure to do our duty in Mexico created the contempt which made Germany rightfully think it safe to go into the wholesale murder that accompanied the sinking of the Lusitania, and the failure to do our duty in the case of the Lusitania made Germany, acting through Austria, rightfully think it safe to go into the wholesale murder that marked the sinking of the Ancona.

"The invasion of Belgium was followed by a policy of terrorism toward the Belgian population, the shooting of men, women and children; the destruction of Dinant and Louvain, and many other places; the bombardment of unfortified places, not only by ships and by land forces, but by aircraft, resulting in the killing of many hundreds of civilians—men, women and children—in England, France, Belgium and Italy; in the destruction of mighty temples and great monuments of art, in Rheims, in Venice, in Verona. The devastation of Poland and of Serbia has been awful beyond description, and has been associated with infamies surpassing those of the dreadful religious and racial wars of seventeenth-century Europe.

"Such deeds as have been done by the nominally Christian powers in Europe, from the invasion of Belgium by Germany to the killing of Miss Cavell by the German government, things done wholesale, things done retail, have been such as we had hoped would never again occur in civilized warfare. They are far worse than anything that has occurred in such warfare since the close of the Napoleonic contests a century ago. Such a deed as the execution of Miss Cavell, for instance, would have been utterly impossible in the days of the worst excitement during our civil war."

## One-Tenth of Horses At Front Have Died

### Most of These Killed in Battle—How Canadians' Animals Are Cared For

Statistics furnished by the Remounts and Veterinary Branch of the Militia department show that so far only 10 per cent. of the Canadian horses at the front were killed in battle. There are now approximately 5,000 horses with the Canadian army corps in France, each infantry division having 6,250 horses.

The horses of a division are taken care of by twelve veterinary officers and one mobile veterinary section of twenty-seven men.

The mobile section takes care of the horses in the firing line. The slightly wounded or indisposed beasts are cared for and returned to the front. If, however, the troops are on the move, all injured horses are immediately collected and sent in groups back to railhead, from where they go by train to the nearest veterinary base hospital. When they become fit for duty they were sent to the regiment depot, where they are reissued for further use.

Horses which in previous wars and in civilian life would be destroyed at once are taken in and treated so successfully that in due course they become fit for duty in the firing line. It is interesting to note that of six hundred and seven horses sent on one occasion to the field veterinary hospital only twelve died.

Wounded horses are immediately given first aid. Any horse that can walk is rushed back to the mobile section or field hospital, his wounds are carefully treated, and every care given him.

When these horses are being hurried away to the hospital fresh horses are being constantly brought to the front to replace them.

During the second battle of Ypres, when the Canadians were pressed to their utmost, at no time was the supply of horses diminished at the firing line. As casualties occurred among the battery and transport horses reinforcements were rushed through the storm of bursting shells to take their places. Although our guns were within three hundred yards of the enemy there never was a waggon or gun lost. Cases of horses with ten bullets in them have been known to report complete recovery within a very few weeks; in fact, some wounded horses have been back to the line within a week.

It is interesting to note the war horses' diet. They are fed three times a day, and get an allowance of eighteen pounds of hay, twelve pounds of oats, eight pounds of straw, or in lieu of this four pounds extra hay and two pounds of oats, or any other fodder procurable of equal food value, malt, sugar, beets, vegetables, etc.

The Canadian horses are reported to be rolling in fat since they have gone to France.

## A Grim Story

### Pathetic Scene Witnessed In a Railway Carriage in Germany

"Vorwarts" vouches for the following story, and publishes it without comment:

"The other day a woman travelling from Bremen to Oldenburg had a terrible experience. In the compartment into which she mounted, two young girls and a man accompanying a woman were already seated. The woman began almost at once to count on her fingers, 'one, two, three,' repeating these words at short intervals. The two girls tittered and made remarks to one another about the extraordinary behaviour of the woman. Every time the woman counted her three fingers the girls, without thinking that probably there was something behind her strange conduct, renewed their giggling.

"The man who accompanied the woman, irritated at their silly laughter, turned to them with the remark, 'You will perhaps cease your stupid giggling when I tell you that this is my wife, and that she has lost three sons in battle. I am taking her to an asylum.'

"It was terribly quiet in the carriage."

### Canadian Mounted Rifle Brigade

A Canadian Mounted Rifle Brigade is being organized at the front by converting four regiments of cavalry into a brigade of infantry. There will be drafts from the 3rd C.M.R. and the Fort Garry Horse.

Col. MacDonnell, of Winnipeg, is the probable brigadier, and the officers under him will be Col. C. A. Smart of Montreal, and Col. Sissons, of Winnipeg.

## Card of Thanks

To my many good friends who so loyally stood by me in the recent election, and to the Electors of the City who have shown their confidence in me by electing me Mayor of Courtenay, I wish to express my appreciation and my heartiest thanks.

It will be my constant endeavor to act always for the best interests of the City, so that the Ratepayers may be justified in the confidence they have reposed in me.

D. KILPATRICK

Courtenay, January 19, 1916

## Card of Thanks

To the Electors of Ward 1

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I wish to offer you my sincere thanks for your loyal support and confidence by returning me at the head of the poll last Thursday, and beg to assure you that I will, in the coming year, endeavour to show you that your confidence has not been misplaced.

Yours respectfully,

FREDERICK W. KERTON

Courtenay, January 19, 1916

## Card of Thanks

I desire to sincerely thank the Electors for their support and confidence in electing me as Alderman at the Election on Thursday, and can assure them that I will do my best to serve them efficiently.

W. J. CARROLL

Courtenay, January 19, 1916

## Card of Thanks

I herewith tender my thanks to my friends who supported me at the polls last Thursday, and for their confidence in electing me as Alderman for Ward 2 for the ensuing year.

R. U. HURFORD

Courtenay, January 19, 1916

## Card of Thanks

I wish to thank the Electors of Ward 3 for their support at the polls last Thursday in Electing me as Alderman for the year 1916.

JAS. E. ASTON

Courtenay, January 19, 1916.

## Card of Thanks

I wish to thank the Electors of Ward 1 for their support at the polls on Thursday last, in electing me to the position of Alderman.

P. LEO ANDERTON

Courtenay, January 19, 1916

## Card of Thanks

I desire to sincerely thank the Electors for their support and confidence in electing me as School Trustee at the Election last Thursday.

JOHN R. SUTTON

Courtenay, January 19, 1916

## Card of Thanks

I wish to thank the Electors of Ward 3 for their support at the Polls on Thursday and the public of Courtenay and surrounding district for electing me to the position of School Trustee.

WM. DUNCAN

Courtenay, January 19, 1916

## Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Comox Co-Operative Society will be held in Agricultural Hall, Courtenay, on

**Tuesday, February 8th. 1916**

at 8 p. m. At the same time and place a meeting of the creditors of the above Society will be held to hear the report of the directors for the last six months, and to make arrangements for the future carrying on of the business.

W. DUNCAN
Chairman, Board of Directors.

## Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the patrons and shareholders of the Comox Creamery Association Ltd. will be held at the

**Presbyterian Church Basement**

**Thursday, January the 20th**

at 8 p. m.

as some questions vitally concerning the dairy interests of the District will be brought forward. It is earnestly hoped that all the milk producers will make a special effort to attend.


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# Letter to The Editor

Courtenay, January 17, 1916

Editor 'The Review"

**A Synopsis of this Letter is:**

1. Industries and Watered Stock Limited Companies.
2. What is the Courtenay Board of Trade doing?
3. Germany's system for the industrious working man the best, wiping out the watered stock company sharks.
4. If the Bowser Cabinet will support this ticket the Brewster party will have to take a back seat for some considerble time
5. Should the working man wish to state his views I'll act as his secretary without remuneration and they can meet any evening at my office.

It's recognized on all hands that the future of B. C. hinges upon more industries, and with this in view the Executive of Victoria and Vancouver Board of Trade are working hard to get them started before the war is over, but I am sorry to say—for what reason I don't know—the Courtenay Board of Trade Executive is not moving a peg in this or any other direction just now. If they don't soon get busy I shall have the writer's clamp expounding my views—based on 55 years business experience and having travelled the greater part of the world on business and not pleasure—on matters of the utmost importance to the whole province of B. C. through the medium of the Victoria and Vancouver newspapers. The following appeared in "The Week" on the 15th inst:

**"Industries and Watered Stock Limited Companies**

Courtenay, B. C., January 11, 1916

Editor 'The Week'

Sir,—This being an industrial, as well as one of the best spots on Vancouver Island for agriculture, the recent conference, as reported in your issue of the 8th inst,, between Mr. Flumerfelt, Minister of Finance, and the representatives of the Banks with a view to their future co-operation in loaning money for industrial enterprises has given us great pleasure, and whilst heartily thanking Ms, Flumerfelt for the business a titude he is assuming, we sincerely hope that he will recognize the importance of urging the banks to discontinue loaning money to watered Stock Limited Companies, on debentures or financial assistance in any shape or form. Its a well known fact that the majority of these companies, after running 2 or 3 years, either fail to pay a dividend to the ordinary stock holders, or close down altogether, the assets being only sufficient to satisfy the debenture holders. There are many typical instances of Watered Stock Cos., where directors seem to have ignored the truism that honesty is the best policy, and that the truth will out, knowing that in the crude state of our laws in regard to joint stock companies, they could take the chance they did to make hundreds of thousands of dollars—it's to these 'get rich quick' gentlemen that the honest workingman appeals to Mr. Flumerfelt to give a black eye. Much as we dislike to copy the Germans, there is no doubt their system which made them past masters in the industrial world, is the remedy. With them there's no such thing as Watered Stock, its nominal capital being invariably the actual capital, any intangible assets being wiped out at the earliest possible moment, out of undeclared profits. The companies are controlled by managers and not by Board of Directors, who fix the dividends, apportion the reserve, in fact, arrange the whole balance sheet. These managers, as a rule, own no shares. They receive small regular salaries, and divide a share of the profits, but their total remuneration is enormous, running into thousands a year. If this system could be adopted with us, the honest, industrious worker would come into his own, and there would be an incentive for him to study and use his brains, besides which it would restore confidence with outside investors, and the banks would eventually benefit more than they can ever hope to do under the present system".

To the above I have replied to 'The Week' as follows:

"At a meeting of our league held this evening a resolution was passed thanking you for affording us the opportunity of stating through the medium of your valuable columns what in our opinion would do the greatest good to the greatest number of the industrious working men and that is undoubtedly the "German system" in which we are supported by a British Cabinet Minister "Runciman" who according to the 'Province" for the 13th instant introduced this very same question in the House of Commons for the first time two days after my letter of the 11th instant was mailed you. He said every endeavor must be made to induce the British banks to do more assisting of trade enterprises on the 'German system'. The London Daily Telegraph describes Mr. Runciman as a most alert and business like Minister who ever held office, and England is preparing to consider great trade issues not as shuttlecocks for party strife but with the sole view of the Empire's interests. In the face of this it would be a waste of time replying to the various questions set forth in the "Colonist" of 9th instant as to what would be 'the best cure for the disease of "over capitalization" of joint stock companies except it is to suggest that the Government tax all alike so high that the "wild cattter" would pause before seeking registration, and the bona-fide businnesses could be run on the German system. The workers in this district are very optimistic that if the Bowser Cabinet we'll support them in this ticket they'll very soon come into their own and the Brewster party will have to take a back seat for some considerable time."

If Mr. Editor I'm not trespassing too much on your valuable space I should like to tell the working men of Courtenay and district that until we get the Working Man's Club, where we can have a chat over a nice glass of beer or a decent cup of tea or coffee. Should any of them wish to give expression to their views on this or any other business question, my office, for say a dozen, is at their disposal any evening and I'll act as their secretary without remuneration.

Yours truly,

WM. IDIENS,

Secretary Citizens' League, Courtenay, B. C.


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