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Local Lines

Mr. C. P. Dundas and family left last Friday for the Old Country.

Ralph Norton, for some time clerk at the Courtenay hotel, left for Vancouver on Thursday last.

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Housekeeping rooms to let. Apply Brown's furnitnre store, Courtenay.

Pool Room to Let—over Cooke & Matthewson's shop. Apply M. Perez, Courtenay.

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For sale at sacrifice price—1000 gallon tank. Fairbanks engine and pump, almost new. Apply Box B, Review office.

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Rhode Island Red Eggs
per Setting of 15
75 cents
Bruce Towler, box 132, Courtenay

Comox Creamery Butter
45c per lb. this week

Mr. Fred Parkin is very ill with the grip.

Born—On Friday March 17. to Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Hannay a daughter.

Born—At St. Joseph's hospital on Tuesday March 22, to Mr. and Mrs. J. McKenzie. jr., a son.

The Rev. Franklin Watson, late of Comox, is now ministering at Alberni, in charge of the English church there.

The 62nd Batt., which is well on the way to Europe by this time numbers among its officers two brothers of Capt. H. B. Mogg, one of whom, Lieut. Cyril Mogg was on the staff of the Bank of Commerce, a year or to ago.

The Vancouver Exhibition Association has appointed Mr. Colin F. Jackson, of Chittoe Farm, Grantham, as honorary vice president representing the Comox valley district Mr. Jackson will be pleased to recieve any communications relative to the work of the local farmers.

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. Evening service 7:30 p. m. All welcome

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Solid Oak Mission Dining Room Furniture
Large Oak Arm Chairs
Piano, Carpets,
Good Hunting Pictures,
2 Bureaus, Double Bedstead,
China and Kitchenware
Mrs. E. Allen
Happy Valley

D. Car-Hilton arrived home on Tuesday evening.

The 48th Batt., C.E.F., is now the 3rd Pioneers and with the 1st and 2nd Pioneers, is in France. It will be remembered that Capt H. B. Mogg with Privates Howard Ellis and John H. Milligan left with the 48th.

A splendid picture of Miss Mary Milligan was reproduced in the Victoria Colonist recently, shewing the popular young lady, now a nurse serving in Egypt, seated on a camel with a picturesque Arab in attendance.

There will be a hospital shower held at the home of Mrs. D Kilpatrick, Courtenay, on Thursday March 30th in aid of the 102nd Batt. hospital at Comox. All are requested to bring some small article useful in a hospital (suggestions of which can be seen in the windows of Messrs. McPhee & Morrison, W. G. Robertson and C. H. Tarbell's stores in Courtenay.) Tea and cake will be served at the nominal price of 10c, The band of the 102nd Batt. will be in attendance. All are welcome. Come and bring some small article which will add to the comfort of the men going to the front from the Comox Atlin district. Remember the date and bring your friends, Thursday, March 30, 3 till 6 p.m.

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Heard of Them From Her Brother

WHY MRS. MARCHBANK USED DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS

She Found Quick Relief and Now Recommends All Women Who Suffer as She Did to Use Dodd's Kidney Pills

St. Martin's, St. John Co., N.B.—(Special).—Mrs. Violet Marchbank, wife of a well known farmer living near here, is telling her neighbors of the splendid results she has got through using Dodd's Kidney Pills.

"My trouble started from a cold," Mrs. Marchbank states. "I had backache, my joints were stiff and my muscles cramped. I was irritable and always thirsty. My appetite was fitful and I felt heavy and sleepy after meals. Rheumatism was added to my troubles as well as headaches, and heart flutterings made me very anxious at times.

"I suffered for about two years and was far from being a well woman when my brother told me what great things Dodd's Kidney Pills had done for him and I made up my mind to try them.

"I sent and got three boxes and they helped me right from the start. I can recommend Dodd's Kidney Pills to all women who suffer as I did."

Every one of Mrs. Marchbank's symptoms was a symptom of kidney trouble. That is why she found such quick relief in Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Prohibition in Russia

Said to be Working Favorably Throughout the Empire

Writing of the result of prohibition in Russia, Mr. Waclaw Czerniewski writes in a British newspapers, from his own experiences as follows:

The Russian empire, the least educated and least civilized amongst the entente powers, first set an example in the restricting of the sale of drink.

It is worth noticing that the entire prohibition of alcohol in Russia did not met with any resistance, or even serious protest from the people. It is true that the liberty of the Russian press and the liberty of the expression of opinion in Russia cannot be compared with those of England.

In spite of this, however, recent Russian history gives ample examples of protests on various occasions from the people against government policy. The abolition of monopoly, and even the prohibition, have met with the approval of the whole Russian nation. The peasantry, the working classes, and even the well-to-do classes are blessing the decision of the Tsar.

The enormous difficulties of obtaining liquors produce their due result. The nation as a whole is compelled to be sober. The number of criminals, and even the total of diseases, instantly diminished to a great extent.

The peasantry, indeed the whole nation, is more and more prosperous. National feelings and aspirations grow ever deeper. The beneficial result of sobriety in Russia is particularly noticeable in the Russian army. Again and again I heard from Russian officers in the firing line the opinion that the Russian soldier is a much harder fighter than the German because he is always sober, his energy is not kept up artificially, and, consequently, it lasts longer than in the case of the Germans.

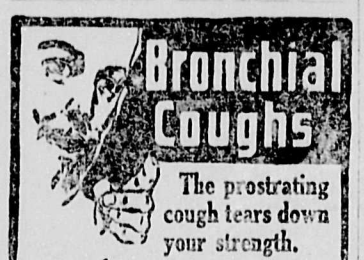
I can state on my own personal investigations in Galicia that by the Russian army in its advance and retreat no atrocities have been committed, although the German and Austrian press accused the Russian army of such misdemeanors.

It is quite possible that, when a million men are fighting, instances of theft and unjust verdicts on suspected spies may occur, but such events are extremely rare. And this attitude of the army can again be attributed to the sobriety of the soldiers

Sores Flee Before It.—There are many who have been afflicted with sores and have driven them away with Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil, which acts like magic. All similarly troubled should lose no time in applying this splendid remedy, as there is nothing like it to be had. It is cheap, but its power is in no way expressed by its low price.

Tommy—Father, what's the future of the verb 'invest?"

Father (a Congressman)—Investigation.



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The prostrating cough tears down your strength.

The clogged air-tubes directly affect your lungs and speedily lead to pleurisy, pneumonia, consumption.

SCOTT'S EMULSION overcomes bronchitis in an easy, natural way. Its curative OIL-FOOD soothes the inflamed membranes, relieves the cold that causes the trouble, and every drop helps to strengthen your lungs.

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Joffre Asks Civilians To Do Their Own Part

"If Frenchmen Keep Steady, We Shall Have Victory," He Says

General Joffre says that the essential thing now is for the civilians to do their part in holding them.

"If only the civilians will hold firm that is the essential thing," said the French commander-in-chief, to a deputation from the National Railroad Men's Union formed to help the war sufferers.

"If Frenchmen keep steady we shall have victory, not immediately, or even soon, but eventually."

The head of the deputation said: "There is one thing which encourages us above all others. It is that the commander-in-chief enjoys the confidence of everyone. People do not say 'General Joffre,' but 'our Joffre,' or 'Grandfather Joffre.'"

The general smiled, more deeply touched than he cared to show. Then he said gravely, "I have only one object, that is the salvation of the country? After that I shall disappear."

Convenient Kindling

A very good substitute for wood with which to start the morning fire is paper prepared as follows: In a tub of water lay in 40 or 50 folded newspapers. After they become saturated wring them as dry as possible without tearing. When dry they make very clean and convenient kindling.

HEALTH WRECKED THROUGH LA GRIPPE

It Generally Leaves the Patient Debilitated and an Easy Victim to Other Diseases

One of the foremost medical writers says: "It is astonishing the number of people who have been crippled in health for years after an attack of la grippe or influenza." The real danger from this disease, which sweeps over Canada every winter, is during convalescence, when the characteristic symptoms, the fever, the catarrh, the headache and the depression of spirits pass away. Grip leaves behind it weakened vital powers, thin blood, impaired digestion and oversensitive nerves—a condition that makes the system an easy prey to pneumonia, bronchitis, rheumatism, nervous prostration and even consumption. It is a condition that calls most emphatically for a tonic for the blood. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are a tonic especially adapted to meet this need as they purify and enrich the blood. They tone up the nerves and give vigor, strength and health to the debilitated system. Mrs. Howard D. Chaffey, Indian Island, N. B., says: "For several winters in succession I was attacked by la grippe which left me weak and badly run down. In each case I used Dr. Williams' Pink Pills with the most beneficial results. Last winter when the trouble was again prevalent I took the precaution of fortifying my system with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and escaped the trouble, while many of my neighbors were down with it. In fact I enjoyed the best of health all spring and feel sure this medicine will so fortify the system as to prevent the trouble."

These Pills are sold by all medicine dealers or may be had by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for $2.50 from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

"Here's a most wonderful thing. I've just been reading of a man who reached the age of forty without learning how to read or write. He met a woman, and for her sake he made a scholar of himself in two years."

The Man—That's nothing. I know a man who was a profound scholar at forty. Then he met a woman, and for her sake he made a fool of himself in two days."

Minard's Liniment Cures Garget in Cows.

"Is your husband a confirmed party man?" asked the smiling candidate.

"Laws, no! He's quit dancin', and don't even attend his lodge reg'lar," answered Mrs. Wayback.

Makes Breathing Easy. The constriction of the air passages and the struggle for breath, too familiar evidence of asthmatic trouble, cannot daunt Dr. Kellogg's Asthma Remedy. This the famous remedy which is known far and wide for its complete effectiveness even under very severe conditions. It is no untried, experimental preparation, but one with many years of strong service behind it. Buy it from your nearest dealer.

Must Confiscate Everything

The London Daily News prints the following order, alleged to have been issued by the German General Somner in Russia:

"Requisitions have been carried out too mildly. I therefore order that everything whatsoever found in requisitions, such as foodstuffs, blankets, warm coats, cattle, horses, sheep, goats, etc., shall be confiscated without delay.

"No prayers of the Russian population that part of such things be left to them are to be regarded. We are in an enemy country, and no humanitarian considerations have any value. There is more safety in taking than in giving."

"Mrs. Gladdigad's baby cried the other day, when she wanted to take it from the nurse a moment."

"Yes, the poor little dear is afraid of strangers."

Dust Bath for Poultry

A Dust Bath is Essential to the Health of Poultry

Finely screened coal ashes make the most effective sort of a dust baths for the hens. The fine dust penetrates the fowls' feathers, and coming in contact with lice serves to stop the breathing passages of these parasites, causing them to suffocate and die. Wood ashes are even better for this purpose, because the particles of dust are finer; but here again the lime is objectionable, since it tends to take the gloss off the plumage.

Coal ashes should be used freely on the floors of poultry buildings, for they will penetrate cracks and crevices, and will assist in destroying mites and will asist in dissipating noxious odors, and in improving conditions generally. Still another advantage: large quantities of the cinders will be eaten by the birds as grit, and will contribute some of the mineral nutrients. Small bits of coal will be eaten also, and will be digested.

Dust removed from a road during ry weather, which is only an annoyance to travellers, will be found beneficial in the dust boxes. Every poultry farm should have a supply on hand for winter use; for, unless dirt floors are used, these artificial means of supplying the fowls' toilet requisites must be provided. A dust bath is quite as essential to the well being of poultry as is the regular soap water variety to the human.—The Nor'-West Farmer.

A Pleasant Purgative.—Parmelee's Vegetable Pills are so compounded as to operate on both the stomach and the bowels, so that they act along the whole alimentary and excretory passage. They are not drastic in their work, but mildly purgative, and the pleasure of taking them is only equalled by the gratifying effect they produce. Compounded only of vegetable substances the curative qualities of which were fully tested, they afford relief without chance of injury.

"Cannon to the left of them, cannon to the right of them, cannon behind them volleyed and thundered."

So quote the enthusiastic war correspondent. But the censor cut out this passage:

"Can't be giving away the positions of our artillery," commented he sagely.

INFLUENZA Catarrhal Fever Pink Eye, Shipping Fever, Epizootic

And all diseases of the horse affecting his throat speedily cured; colts and horses in same stable kept from having them by using **Spohn's Distemper Compound.** 3 to 6 doses often cure; one bottle guaranteed to cure one case. Safe for breed mares, baby colts, stallions, all ages and conditions. Most skillful scientific compound. Sold by the bottle or dozen. Any druggist or delivered by manufacturers.

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War claims less than 3% of surplus

THE EXCELSIOR LIFE INSURANCE CO.

Head Office—Toronto

N.B.—Write for Memo Book and Circular.

German Casualties Total 2,535,768

Harold J. Tennant, parliamentary under-secretary for war, announced in the house of commons recently that the total German casualties, as published in the Berlin casualty lists to date, totalled 2,535,768. Of this number, he said, 588,986 were killed.

The war under-secretary said the German wounded and missing numbered 1,556,549, while 356,153 men had been taken prisoners. In addition 24,080 Germans had died from various causes.

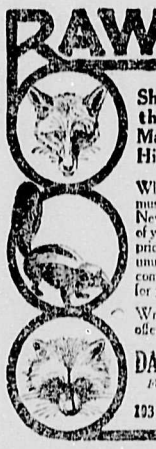
The figures as given out by Mr. Tennant, embrace the entire German army.

The publisher of the best Farmers' paper in the Maritime Provinces in writing to us states:

"I would say that I do not know of a medicine that has stood the test of time like MINARD'S LINIMENT. It has been an unfailing remedy in our household ever since I can remember, and has outlived dozens of would-be competitors and imitators."

Wifey—The next doors had a snow-shovel come today.

Hubby—Great! I was afraid we'd have to buy one of our own.



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Write for our price list and special offer.

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Fastest Growing Raw Fur House in New York

193 W. 27th St. New York, N. Y.

18,207 Houses are Burned by Teutons

A despatch from Havre says that a report has just been issued by the Belgian government giving the number of houses in the various provinces of Belgium, which, the report says, were burned by the Germans.

The following figures are given:

Brabant, 5,281; Liege, 2,703; Antwerp, 1,800; Malines, 1,718; Dinant, 2,232; Namur, 1,710; Phillipeville, 1,301; Huy, 255; Verviers, 581; Waremme, 16; Turnhout, 40. The total is 18,207.

The figures for Flanders are not yet obtainable.

For the GIRL WHO is THIN

It is all very well for fleshy people to admire a slim figure, but no girl likes to be referred to as "thin as a match" or "flat as an ironing-board."

Thinness means that the tissues are not properly fed and nourished. It indicates a tendency towards anaemia, which must be overcome in its early stages. You may eat plenty of food, but you are losing weight, and with it reserve force. The blood has got thin and watery.

It is usually the nervously energetic girl or woman who wears herself down by worry and anxiety, until the nerves become irritable and the form emaciated.

This condition never rights itself, and for this reason you must seek external assistance, such as is found in Dr. Chase's Nerve Food. This treatment should not be confused with fat-forming, oil-composed preparations. It is rather a true tonic, which sharpens the appetite, improves digestion and restores richness to the blood. Through the medium of the blood it feeds and nourishes the starved cells and tissues back to health.

Under this restorative, upbuilding treatment the angles disappear, and the form is rounded out to healthful proportions. The new tissues formed are strong and firm, and give to the body the buoyancy and vigor which makes you look well and feel well. Nervous headaches and indigestion disappear, and you feel again the joy of living. You can prove the benefit obtained by noting each week your increase in weight.

50 cents a box, 6 for $2.50. All dealers, or Edmanson, Bates & Co., Ltd., Toronto.

Dr. Chase's Nerve Food

Dr. Chase's Recipe Book, 1,000 selected recipes, sent free if you mention this paper.

ALLIES WILL NOT CONSIDER PEACE UNTIL COMPLETE VICTORY IS WON

PEACE OUTLOOK APPEARS DARKER THAN EVER

One of The Leaders of The Permanent Peace Movement Who Has Made a Study of The Situation Is Convinced That The Germans Are Ready to Quit But Not So The English or The French

Baron Adelsward, ex-minister of finance of Sweden, now a member of the Swedish rigsdag and one of the outstanding figures of the movement in Europe which seeks to pave the way for permanent peace, recently toured the countries at war, conferring with such men as Premier Poincare in France.

"I regret to say that the outlook appears darker during recent months than at any time since the war began," said Baron Adelsward. "I do not believe there is the slightest chance of peace at the present time or in the near future.

"In England," he continued, "I found among officials and the people at large that they look upon the war as just beginning. They recognize now that they were not ready for war at the outset and lacked men and munitions. But now it has taken firm hold of the whole people that the war is a tremendously serious question, and they feel they are only now beginning an effort adequate to the huge task before them. So that it is useless to talk peace to them when they are firmly convinced they are just beginning the war.

"In France there is indignation at the mere mention of peace, and the whole country is united in the policy of carrying on the war with the utmost energy.

"But in Germany there is undoubtedly a very strong public sentiment for ending the war. I have made four trips through Germany since the war began, and have observed the gradual growth of feeling that the war should end. This was most marked during my last visit, and extended to all classes, men and women exclaiming: 'My God! Who would have thougnt this terrible war would last so long?' The statement of the German chancellor that any effort by Germany's enemies appears to be designed to calm the public feeling in Germany in showing that the government is ready for peace, but cannot realize it through the opposition of the allies.

"There is, too, a significant and rather ominous attitude among the German people of being ready to criticize men in high places—even the highest. Such a thing would not have been thought of a short time ago, but now it is general.

"For instance, men who direct large forces of employees were recently discussing the serious conditions arising from the war. 'The responsible ones will be punished,' said one. 'But the —— is responsible, and will he, too, be punished?' 'Yes, I mean him, too, he is the one,' was the reply.

"And this is very typical of the way the ordinary people are talking, and it is a condition which might have the gravest consequences. And yet," Baron Adelsward added, "it is a mistake to think that Germany is exhausted and will be forced to peace through sheer exhaustion. She has many resources still, and can fight for a long time."

Baron Adelsward visited Aldershot, the great military rendezvous of England, also the grand fleet in one of the ports of Scotland, and later conferred with Premier Asquith and other British leaders.

"The British fleet in reality has three points of concentration," said he, "and we visited the main point, where most of the great battleships are gathered. It is a most impressive sight, not only of strength, but of alert readiness."

Turning to the question of permanent world peace, Baron Adelsward said:

"It should be understood we have no concern in seeking to end the present war. That, of course, is highly desirable, but it has nothing to do with our movement, and the belligerent government are firmly determined to deal with the question of peace in their own way. But our aim of an enduring peace is the same whether the war lasts one year or ten years—we must prepare the way, study the practical methods, and mold public opinion together, preventing another world disaster such as the present.

"We have met some discouragement and opposition from some of the allied governments, on the theory that we were urging a premature peace. But that is not the case, and in talks I have had with some of the leading officials I have shown them that our movement is in truth seeking the same end that the allied forces fighting in the trenches are seeking—an honorable peace which will be lasting and will be a guarantee of future security to them and to the whole world."

"But what practical step can be taken to insure world peace?" Baron Adelsward was asked.

"The most practical means, it seems to me," said he, "is to make a reality of the Permanent Court of Arbitration of The Hague, giving it an actual existence, and a strong controlling force in the regulation of international affairs. It is a great deal that all civilized governments have already agreed to it in principle. But it remains to give this principle the definiteness of a practical, working, judicial tribunal—a real world court, actually in session, with international jurists representing the various countries actually in attendance, considering and determining international litigation with the same systematic regularity and finality that state courts consider their cases, and with branches taking an active part in conciliating and mediating national disputes, so that nations will come to look to this international body as the one competent and prepared to act with authority and finality.

"The reduction of armament and other peace measures will follow naturally, once the great essential—a world court at The Hague—is realized. As to 'freedom of the seas,' I fear that part of the program will have to be abandoned, as it is a war measure and has no logical place in a plan for international peace. It appears to have been proposed largely as an appeal for German support, but it is obviously out of place."

Referring to the attitude of Sweden in the present war, Baron Adelsward said:

"The sentiment of the Swedish people is one of absolute neutrality. Naturally there are groups, and this has created the impression that Sweden is favorable to the Central Powers and opposed to the Allies. But that is not the case, taking Sweden as a whole and without regard to groups or factions. So that when Mr. Asquith asked me as to the attitude of Sweden—not as to individuals or groups, but Sweden as a whole—I was able to answer him that Sweden was absolutely neutral, and that the impression of her favoring the Central Powers was unjustined by the facts."

How Russians Fought In The Mountains

Men Marched Shoulder High Through Snow, Firing Rifles as They Went

Difficulties experienced by the Russians in the Caucasus are described in an officer's narrative received at Petrograd:

"For weeks," said the narrator, "our column at the summit of a mountain, 11,000 feet high, east of Erzerum, was exposed to blizzards, which buried shelters fifteen feet under drifts, and blew huts to pieces. Our position was most critical when at length we were ordered to march. A hurricane of furious proportions was raging when we began to descend the snow clad precipices. The men marched in single file and forced their way shoulder high through the snow, firing their rifles to guide those behind them. Uniforms became sheets of ice, and masks of ice covered our faces. Guns were lowered on ropes, but not a man was lost. We had our reward in the panic which our unexpected appearance produced among the Turks."

WAR LOSS NOW NEAR THE 15,000,000 MARK

Total Killed in World's Struggle is 2,990,000; Wounded, 9,830,00

The gross casualties of the war to Jan. 1, 1916, reached the enormous total of 14,960,000.

These figures have been computed from statements of the losses by Great Britain and her allies and estimated in the case of the Teutonic allies.

The number of killed is estimated at one in every five of the gross casualties and prisoners at one in every seven.

Upon this basis, it is found that the total killed number 2,900,000; prisoners, 2,140,000; and wounded 9,830,000.

The estimate of the gross casualties suffered by each nation is:

Russia—4,000,000.
Germany—4,000,000.
Austria-Hungary—2,800,000.
France—2,300,000.
Great Britain—560,000.
Italy—300,000.
Belgium, Serbia, Bulgaria and Turkey—1,000,000.
Grand total—14,960,000.

In the Balkan war of 1912-13, 350,000 men were killed of the 1,250,000 engaged. In the Russo-Japanese war 550,000 were killed of the 2,500,000 engaged. There are now at least 21,000,000 men under arms in the differen theatres of the war.

Importance of Archangel

Russia's Present Great Port of Entry and Exit

"There has probably never been a more noteworthy expansion in the trade of any particular port in such a short time than has occurred at Archangel during the last year (says the American Commercial Attache at Petrograd in a report to his government).

"From a comparatively unimportant port about a year ago, dependent chiefly upon its sawmills and fishing fleet for prosperity, it was suddenly become one of the most important ports in the world, rivalling even New York in the number and tonnage of ships arriving and departing between about May 1, and the close of ice free navigation.

"At the time of my visit in August about 120 large steamers were in port, and about 300 had arrived since May. An immense number of boats and barges are also engaged in river and canal navigation, many of them carrying as much as 2,000 tons each; these have been diverted largely from the lower Volga river traffic.

"Larger preparations than ever are being planned to meet the traffic for next spring, and it is hoped that the facilities may then be sufficient to take care, with reasonable promptness, of the enormous business that has developed.

"If Archangel were free from ice during the winter it would be one of the finest ports in the world, since it has sixty to seventy miles of river frontage available for ships drawing up to 23 feet. Moreover, through the magnificent system of inlaid waterways with which the Dwina River is connected, it is possible to ship freight from Archangel by water to nearly all the principal towns of Russia. During the spring especially, when there is high water in the rivers and canals, there would seem to be no reason why nearly all the immense amount of freight arriving could not be distributed through these interior waterways.

"Archangel has become one of the most important wheat exporting ports of the world; apparently much of the wheat formerly exported from Black Sea or Baltic Sea ports is now shipped from here. In August it was said that about 1,000,000 poods (18,000 short tons) was lying in port, while 15,000,000 or 20,000,000 poods (270,000 to 360,000 short tons) had been shipped since May."

Two Striking Facts

Nothing, as a matter of fact, is more striking than the manner in which our export trade has steadily continued to improve throughout a period when the army was continually expanding; and the success with which new sources of labor, and especially that of women, have been tapped is a standing triumph for our industrial organization. Nor can it be pretended that the possibilities in this direction have yet been fully realized.—London Daily Telegraph.

END OF THE WAR APPROACHING GERMANY SHOWING THE STRAIN

ENEMY TRYING TO CONCEAL REAL WEAKNESS

Frederick Palmer Predicts The Fall of Germany in The Not Distant Future, and Reasons That All Indications Point To Gradual Collapse of The Enemy

(Frederick Palmer in Colliers)

The Prussian system has not yet undergone the final test.

Is Germany winning with probably 1½ million men dead or crippled for life? Is she winning when she does not know how she is going to force peace? Can she win if he cannot continue her offensive when spring comes? Can she win if she must accept the defensive?

While it sometimes seems that we in America know more about Germany than about any of the warring countries, we really know less. The object of every nation in this war has been to let the neutral countries know only what they wanted them to know. In this, too, Germany has excelled. Japan learned her tactics from Germany, and Japanese tactics were the same in the Russo-Japanese war. Japan had fought herself to a standstill at Mukden, but she gave the impression to the whole world that she was capable of further advance and that at Portsmouth she could almost make her own terms In five months after Mukden she had made no provision for another offensive—a secret which she was able to keep. The last blow she had struck had put her on her face in the mud, but with her face toward the enemy—thanks also to the German system.

England's new munition factories have only begun to supply shells. The maximum American and Japanese output will not be reached until February or March. With spring the allies will have for the first time a real superiority in guns, men and material, on the fighting line. Germany still has four million fighting men and Austria three million. France must have close to four million, England more than three million and Russia three million, not counting her unorganized reserve. Thus the allies will have a speriority equivalent to the British new army.

If Germany is going to continue her offensive where can she strike? Can she undertake another offensive against Russia when in May the French cover all the front line trenches in the west with shells and undertake an offensive with five times the artillery power of Champagne and Loos? If the German, with all his strength, failed to get a knockout in the spring of 1915, can he hope for it in 1916? For he must have a knockout in order to win. At least one of his opponets must be counted out.

Russia, which he hoped would be the first of all the countries in Europe to submit, has the least reason. For *the Slav to yield to the German now* would mean German domination of Europe and the eclipse of Slavdom. This the farseeing Russian leaders realize. So do the mass of the Russians. They are fighting for racial life. In order to gain a separate peace with Russia, Germany would at least have to evacuate Russia and Poland as well. Though she has made Russia suffer more than she has suffered this does not mean that she is winning.

To win, Germany must beat the immense new British army. She must beat the 1917 class of recruits which in November, France has not yet called *to the colors. She must win in* some kind of a decisive victory at arms—or lose; must succeed in wearing down the allies' resources and men by attrition instead of the allies wearing down hers.

Germany insists that she is winning. She tells her people that she is. But have you ever looked through the German papers for copies of letters by French or British soldiers, or of letters *from her relatives at home, which* suggested any thought of yielding? Yet with every batch of German prisoners captured scores of such letters are found in their possession. The German soldiers are showing the strain. Their efficiency is decreasing; that of England and France increasing. And, make no mistake, those snake lines on the map, indicating German soldiers on the soil of the allies, have been burned into the brain of every Englishman and Frenchman.

Suppose that all next spring and summer Germany throws herself against those lines of steel in vain. Suppose that a line of steel is across *her path in the Balkans as well as* in Flanders and in Russia. For if she extends her lines in Serbia and Bulgaria she needs correspondingly more men to keep them intact. Suppose that, instead of being able to take the offensive, she uses her magnificent railroad system for rushing bodies of troops here and there in order to halt the offensive of the allies—what will be the effect then upon German sentiment? What would have been the effect on Japanese sentiment if the Russians had held out for another year and let the Japanese stew in front of their army?

When Lord Kitchener told the min*isters of the British cabinet* that the war would be long they were sceptical. But now they know that he knew what he was talking about. He counted upon winning the last battle. That is the battle that England has always had to win, and usually has won, though we reversed the tables in the American revolution.

She has always started in confidently, only to be beaten at first because she was not ready. But you may be sure the amazing brain trust which governs Germany, which knows how to inflame its own people to its purpose, which unites great military leading with very skillful statecraft, is never going to give the world a sign that she is losing.

The one chance that Germany has of winning is the chance that gave Japan victory. Though beaten, she may keep her secrets so close, conceal her wounds so well, that she will give the appearance of victory and deceive her enemies into compromise. But if the allies keep on for another eighteen months, and if they hold together, there is no doubt that Germany will be beaten. And if their money lasts! Watch and see if it doesn't. The allied troops may never get to Berlin; they may never cross the Rhine none of them may again enter *East Prussia. But it will be Germany* that will have to sue for terms because she is in a state of siege.

Even rebellion in India, of which Germany so fondly dreams, could not change the event. The British hold the sea. They have the superiority in dreadnoughts, and battle cruisers whose guns can smash anything above water. The methods they used in holding down the submarine campaign in the North Sea ought also to serve in the Mediterranean.

Germany is in the position of a man who strikes for want of air, for want of room. He lunges this way and that with the craving for breath for his *lungs and space for his limbs.* He pushes the wall back a little, but it is still there, dashing his own blood back in his face. He breaks through one door, but there is another beyond. The mental strain of such a battle is as severe as the physical. Next summer, if Russia comes back strong, and Turkey and Bulgaria are tamed, the walls will begin to fall in on the Germans.

Food Scarce in Germany

Many Articles of Food Have Gone Too High in Price For Hun People

Despite assertions in the Reichstag that the German food supply is ample, the press continues to print denials of these assertions and to give indications of the ever-increasing pinch of hunger. The Berliner Zeitung says:

"It is difficult to imagine that things could grow worse just now without some crowning disaster. The masses of the people are hungry all day long, many articles of food having reached a price wholly beyond their reach. Hunger renders the people sullen and deprives them of all joy in victories. The children are underfed, pale, and wan looking, like faded flowers.

"The extent to which the fall in birth-rate occupies the attention of the government was shown at the meeting of the People's Welfare association of Berlin, where a representative of the Prussian ministry of the interior stated that the government was fully aware of the importance of the question."

"In the meantime we are informed that the military authorities have forbidden meetings convened to discuss the high cost of living."

The Vorwaerts, the Socialist paper, makes a strong protest against the attitude of officials, who continue to exhort the poor to economize.

"For the midday meal," it says, "one must not arrange matters according to his wish, taste, or habit, but must select the cheapest foods. He must not eat red cabbage, if green cabbage is cheaper. You are not to stiffen yourself with belly cuts of pork, if it is cheaper to eat sour potatoes.

"Butter is scarce and dear. Cheap lard is not to be had. You are advised to hold over water in which sausages have been boiled, which is desired as an extraordinarily nutritious fluid, rich in fat. This fluid, with plain boiled potatoes, is enough for an entire meal.

"One must break the habit of eating bread, butter and sausage for supper. If more cabbage or sauerkraut is cooked for dinner than is required, what is left over warmed up and served with steaming, mealy potatoes, tastes better than fresh boiled.

The official Wolff Bureau recently sent out manifestoes urging the people to avoid wastefulness in the use of flour and bread.

Commenting on this, the Post, the Conservative organ, says:

"It cannot be pointed out in language too strong that wastage at a time when we are fighting for our very existence is a crime against the fatherland."

Going North on Exploring Trip

Captain Joseph Bernier, the Canadian Arctic explorer, has announced that he will start next July on another two years' exploration trip in the frozen regions. Captain Bernier will sail on his own ship the Guide. Captain Bernier had made more than one attempt to reach the North Pole, on one occasion reaching 84 degrees north. *He took a prominent part in the Perry-Cook controversy,* vigorously supporting the claims of Dr. Cook as the discoverer of the North Pole.

"The man I marry must have commonsense," she said blushingly.

"He won't," replied he bitterly.

German Spy Danger

Officers and Soldiers Warned Not to Discuss Naval or Military Matters

A warning to be on their guard for German spies has been sent out to all officers in Canada by the department of militia in regular orders. It is as follows:

"It is strictly forbidden to disclose to unauthorized persons any information with respect to the movements, numbers, description, condition or disposition of any of the froces, ships, or war materials of his majesty or any of his majesty's allies, or with respect to the plans or conduct of any naval or military operations by any such forces or ships, or with respect to any works or measures undertaken for, or connected with, or intended for the fortification or defence of any place, or any information of such a nature as is calculated to be or might be directly or indirectly useful to the enemy.

Commanding officers are directed to promulgate the foregoing instructions and to see that they are fully explained to all ranks on parade by officers commanding squadrons, batteries and companies, and other units. In doing so they may derive assistance from the accompanying:

No officer or other member of his majesty's forces should, in any circumstances, discuss with, or give any information to, any unauthorized person whomsoever upon any naval or military subjects; any attempt by strangers or others to obtain such information should be immediately reported.

No officer or other member of his majesty's forces should discuss any naval or military subjects in the presence of strangers.

"There is reason to know that there *are enemy agents, male and female,* at work in every grade of life, capable of speaking English fluently, and posing frequently as officers, sailors, soldiers, salesmen, or advertisers. Members of his majesty's forces should be constantly on their guard against such agents.

"Those on leave in the United Kingdom from the front or from the fleet should be particularly on their guard against enemy agents. These people frequently endeavor to make the acquaintance of officers and men (either by correspondence or gifts) with the intention of offering them further hospitality on their return to the United *Kingdom, and so of extracting* valuable information from them, or supplying misleading information to them in the interests of the enemy."

The war, however long it lasts, must be pressed till victory is absolutely assured, and we must do our best and utmost. Seeing, however, that ample food supplies are essential to success, it is unwise to carry the drainage of men to the extent of endangering the production of the Dominion. We must set our faces like flints against all attempts to end the war before the enemy is completely overthrown.—Wellington, New Zealand.

Mrs. Peck—They've talked over 2,500 miles by wireless. I wonder if you could hear me that far away, Henry?

Henry (wistfully)—I wonder.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 1916

The Utilities Committee of the City Council have drafted an agreement which they now propose to have an engineer and lawyer patch up, and then they will present it to the Company for their approval. The Company will object, as they are one of the parties to the agreement, and have a right to help make the agreement, and then the whole thing will have to be done all over again by the lawyer and engineers, this piling cost upon cost to the citizens. The Committee at least should exercise some business acumen and get the basis of agreement settled between the city and company before rushing into costly legal expenses. Another thing we might point out, it is not the city who is seeking the franchise it is the Compa y, and it is up to them to present the agreement, and the council to see that its interests are properly safe-guarded. The fact that the Aldermen are clothed with a little brief authority is no reason why they should eagerly rush to spend the citizens money in law costs. Ald. McKenzie's attempt to have a few dollars spent in making absolutely necessary improvements to streets in the orchard received scant attention, but when it came to spending five or six times the amount in useless law costs, all the aldermen fell in with the scheme.

The City Council has at last got the Pound By-law signed and registered, and hereafter it will be unlawful for any horses or cattle to roam the city streets night and day at their own sweet will. It is likely that provision will be made for family cows to pasture on the side streets in the doytime, but they must be taken in at night. Viscious or unruly ones should not be allowed on the streets at any time.

If material is so scarce as some of the Councillors would like us to believe, would it not be advisable to have all the tin cans, ashes, and other rubbish dumped into the hole on the roadside near the Builders' Supply, and then cover it with earth, This would solve the garbage du nping ground for this season at least, and save the city some money, perhaps enough to make the orchard streets passable.

A number of cases of measles were discovered among the soldiers at Comox last week, and the whole camp was immediately placed in quarrantine by the officers, and the patients and those exposed isolated It is hoped that the disease will be checked before it becomes general among the soldiers.

Notes By The Way

Manitoba has voted two to one in favor of prohibition after a stiff fight between the opposing parties The soldiers were in favor of the measure and gave majorities for it. The whine has been raised that the "man in the trenches" is being wronged because of the referendum being taken in his absence. The Manitoba soldiers have given this statement the direct lie.

It will be remembered that the Premier announced his intention recently of framing a prohibition measure for British Columbia, framed upon that of Manitoba. The omen is a good one.

B. C. potatoes are still going eastwards, to the prairie and as far as Ontario. Many thousands of tons are moving, and this should benefit all growers.

Eggs have been as low as 29c a dozen in Victoria recently. While American and Chinese eggs (really unfit for food) can be sold as "local ranch" eggs, the poultrymen of B. C. will not get a fair price for what they produce. The remedy is to mark each egg, and if the B. C. poultrykeepers made a practice of doing so the buyer would soon purchase only marked eggs, and those from B. C. would get the preference.

A recent recruit for the 103rd Batt. (Timber Wolves) in Victoria happened to be a soldier who left with the 30th Batt and who enlisted again upon recovering from injuries which had necessitated his being invalided home.

Recruiting in Victoria continues steadily, and day by day, familiar faces disappear only to re-appear in the King's uniform. The "native son" and the "British Islander" alike are doing their share.

The Oriental has got to go. The labour men in Vancouver objected the other day to their employment in hotels under license, and were heartily supported in this by the Mayor of Vancouver. Further steps are now to be taken.

What is the matter with the term "workingman"? The anti-prohibitionists have not even raised the threadbare cry about "taking the beer away from the pore workingman." But then, they got it in the neck from Manitoba the other day. "Number one hard."

When the workingman, by the way, ceases to patronize Oriental tailors, barbers and storekeepers, who displace white workingmen in those lines of business, he will be in a much better position to fight encroachment of Orientals in mines logging camps, etc. There are it is said 6,000 Orientals who will not return to Canada until conditions improve. If the working man withdraws his patronage right now that number could be considerably augmented, and once out of the country—?

It is estimated that the fleece of more than one billion sheep would be required supply the clothing for one year to the armies now in the field, and yet, Mr. J. W. Woods, the retiring president of the Toronto Board of Trade says the world's muster of sheep falls short of this number by two hundred and fifty million, Where the wool is to come from, both for army and for ordinary commercial use, looks like a problem.

The high price of wool makes one wonder why women on farms don't take more interest in sheep raising, especially in British Columbia, where the winters are not severe.

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CUMBERLAND

According to the census last year Pennsylvania had 7000 women farmers, the majority of whom owned the land on which they worked.

In Georgia, during the last three years the number of women farmers has more than doubled. The majority of women go in for raishogs, cattle and foodstuffs, leaving the cotton planting to the men.

I promised last week to tell you the reason of the enormous increase in spirit while beer has enormously decreased in the first 6 month's trial of the new Saskatchewan Liquor Act. I felt sure this newact would prove as big a farcial play as "Charley's Aunt" and make a cat laugh. The Prohibs are sore that they have been outwitted by the man who before this new act took his drink of beer in the bar, now gets rolling drunk in his own home, and this accounts for the decreased police court cases of drunkenness; but the most serious side is what a farmer's wife fsom Saskatchewan who recently spent a few weeks here told me, with tears in her eyes, that since the closing of the bars her husband buys whiskey at the Government dispensaries in flasks, which he brings home in his pocket, but since he cannot do this with a quart of beer he has become a regular soaker. Wot's more her sons have copied their father's ways and she curses the day she listened to the hot air talk of the well paid Prohibs agent, who has such a good time running around the country, travelling first class parlour car and smoking a good big cigar—it has led to family quarrels and she's sorry to say the language used is something awful, making her home miserable, and if the act is not altered she's afraid it will drive her to drinking also, and this is why she came here to see some of her relatives for a few weeks change and rest. She further told me that conditions with her neighbor were even worse; the husband gets his whiskey in kegs from an outside province because its cheaper than the bottle stuff the dispensaries at at home sell, and he has it smuggled amongst his box of groceries. He invites his neighbors, and the noise and the shouting can be heard for miles, especially about 2 o'clock in the morning when they have the last partidg glass and sing that good old song, "I won't go home 'till morning."—Critic.

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The regimental badges for the 102nd are most appropriate, artistic and distinctive. Inscribed on the regulation maple leaf is a classical Indian's head surmounted by feathers, in profile, with the number of the battalion, "102," and North British Columbia" in scroll under "G. E. F."

There are still vacancies for a few first-class men in the ranks.

The Race Track Committee will not hold their next dance on Friday evg., March 31st,

CITY OF COURTENAY

A Special meeting of the Board of License Commissioners for the City of Courtenay will be held in the Municipal Office on Saturday, the eighth day of April, at the hour of 7.30 o'clock, p. m.

W. A. W. Hames,
C. M. C.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that all Dog Licenses must be paid on or before the First day of April. Any dog found running without a tag after that date will be summarily dealt with.

W. A. W. HAMES,
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Courtenay, 13th March, 1916.

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TO-NIOHT

H. J. Knott will Speak

Mr. E. Allen of Happy Valley has rented his farm to Mr. H. McCourt, a farmer from the prairies. Mr. Allen intends to enlist and Mrs. Allen and the family will return to England until after the war.

The Black Box still continues to draw record houses at the opera house every Thursday night. On Saturday nights special feature films are shown which interest and delight large audiences

Mrs Kilpatrick has received the following letter from the Prisoners of War Department of the Vancouver Red Cross branch, with reference to the proceeds of the minstrel entertainment :

"Thank you very much for your most splendid contribution to the prisoners of war fund, you must indeed have had a very successful concert to have realized $81.08, such a sum as this will provide food for many of our men. Please convey the thanks of our committee to all who helped and say how very grateful we are.

Sincerely yours,
VIOLET E. SILLITOE,
Ghairman Red Cross Society."

The K. of P. dance which was to have taken place on Tuesday evening, has been postponed until next Tuesday evening.

One hundred and twenty-one trout were caught in the slough alongside the Comox road on Sunday by local desciples of Isaak Walton.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Cairns left for Victoria yesterday morning to see their son Robert who expects to leave for the Old Country shortly with the army medical corps.

Hugh McCourt and family from Sedgwick, Alberta, have arrived in town, and intend making their home in the district, Mrs. McCourt is a daughter of Mr. R. Willoughby.

On Friday last Rev. E. P. Laycock had the misfortune to fall off a box while pitching hay in his barn, and fractured two ligaments and broke a bone in his ankle. He is resting as easily as can be expected The accident will cause his temporary retirement from active work for some time to come, for which his many friends are extremely sorry.

Canadian Collieries Will Buy Fleet of Ships

Vancouver, Mar. 13.—The Canadian Collieries in order to handle the increasing business with South America, United States and Pacific coast points will soon be in the market for a fleet of ships which number three or four at the start and be increased as business demands, according to the announcement made today by Henry F. Flewing of New York, one of the directors of the company, who is now on the coast.

The Golden West

"Hon. Geo. A. Bell, of the Province of Saskatchewan, gave out the following figures the other day re Saskatchewan's crop; Wheat, 183,000,000 bushels; oats, 130,000,000 bushels. The wheat crop he estimates at 100,000;000 bushels greater than the 1914 crop, and the oat crop as double that of 1914, and a corresponding increase in the yield of other grains.

The C.P.R. and Hudson's Bay Company, who are large holders of land in the Prairie Provinces, report a revival in land sales for the last six months of 1915, and they predict that 1916 business will double the sales of 1915. This is clear evidence of the improvement in business conditions.

As the time of land speculationis over, these increased sales speak for an increasing production of farm products and more consumption of lumber."

Anglican Services

Sunday, March 26, 3rd Sunday in Lent.

S. Andrew's church, Sandwick, no service.

S. John's church, Courtenay, Sunday school at 3.00 p.m. Evening Prayer 7.30 p.m.

The Ven. Archdeacon Collison will make this district his headquarters for the time being, and will conduct regular services at S. Peter's church, Comox, and also at some of the mission centres in the local parishes.

There will be a celebration of Holy Communion on Sunday morning at Lazo at 11 o'clock.

A meeting will be held in the Agricultural hall at 8 o'clock tonight (Thursday) under the auspices of the People's Prohibition Party. at which Mr. J. Knott, of Victoria, Rev. T. Menzies will speak. Questions of vital importadce will be discussed. The public are cordially invited to attend.

The Bishop of London and the Canadian Soldier

Preaching at the Memorial Service for the Canadians who fell in the earlier part of the war, the Bishop of London spoke eloquently of Canada's contribution to the cause, and the following extract is sufficient to make one wish for the sermon complete:

"It was a terrible moment when our gallant French allies, naturally not expecting a species of human deviltry in warfare the like of which has not been seen for thousands of years, were overpowered by the fumes of noxious gasses, which Germany among other nations had pronounced illegitimate in warfare."

"It was, then, at this awful moment in what has all through been a very tremendous 'Day of God,' when the French had been overpowered by the poisonous gas, that the manhood of Canada was tested and came out as pure unadulterated gold.'

"Who could tame these children of the prairie? They had drunk in freedom with their mother's milk, they were children of the free, and would have been fathers of the free and gladly they flung down their lives rather than that the juggernaut car of German deposition should crush underfoot the freedom which they loved better than life

"Here fell six thousand gallant gentlemen' must be written in letters of gold over certain woods and salients in Flanders; here Goliath met David; here the would be overweening, blustering buily of the world met Canada."

Killed By Snag

Gus. Olafsen. a Norwegion, aged 26, and single, was killed at Camp No. 2, of the Comox Logging & Railway Company, last Thursday. Coroner Bickle, after viewing the body and examining witnesses decided that the death was purely accidental, being caused by a falling snag. The funeral took place from Sutton & Kirkwood's Undertaking parlours to the Presbyterian Cemetery.

New Westminster Markets

The following were the quotations at the NewWestminster market on Friday last, Some of the best hindquarters of beef brought but 10c per pound, and the average price of potatoes was $17 per ton. Local apples were $1 to $1.25 per box.

Ducks, young, per pair	24 to 28
Ducks, dressed, per lb	30
Ducks, old, live weight	15 to 19
Chickens	17 to 20
do dressed	24 to 26
do Spring	20 to 22
Potatoes perton	$16 to $18
Potatoes, per sack	$1.00
Onions per sack	$2.40
Cabbega per sack	$1.00
Carrots, per sack	80c
Turnips per sack	75c
Beets per sack	75c
Eggs, retail	24 to 25
Eggs, wholesale	21 to 22
Eggs, Duck	$100
Butter, retail, per lb	40
Butter, wholesale	32
Steer beef in carcass	9 to 10
Beef, hindquarters	12
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The Premier and The Liquor Traffic

Speaking to the Prohibition deputation at Victoria last week Mr. Bowser said, "We with yourselves, feel that the question of prohibition is not only a serious one, but one which must be grappled with by this government. There is no argument on the question of whether or not any man has ever been improved by the consumption of liquor. Morally, materially, bodily, or in point of view of the happiness of his family relations liquor has not benifited any man" And let every man say "Amen."

Production and Economy

Lord Kitchener, speaking in London recently, said:—"As a reprentative of the army in the field I want to appeal, on their behalf, to the civilian army at home. Whether the army in the field, which is entirely dependent on the civilian army for food equipment and munitions, can get those things in sufficient quantities depends absolutely and entirely on whether every man and woman at home shows the utmost energy in production and utmost economy in consumption."

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The Mystery of the Ravenspurs

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(Continued)

The woman asked the question mechanically. She knew perfectly well what the reply would be; she knew that she had been discovered at last, and that the murder of Voski had been turned to good purpose by Tchigorsky. And she knew now who her new ally, Ben Heer, really was.

"Dr. Voski," Vera exclaimed. "I have been hearing all about Lassa and a certain Princess Zara, who seems to be a dreadful wretch. But I fear that I am exciting you. And you haven't drunk your tea."

The woman gulped down her tea and then fell back on her bed, closing her eyes. She wanted to be alone, to have time to think. Danger had threatened her before, but not living, palpitating peril like this. Vera crept away and the woman rose again, but she could not get from her bed.

Passionate, angry tears filled her eyes.

"That man has beaten me," she groaned. "It is finished for good and all. But their revenge will not be of long duration."

CHAPTER LVI.

Marion Comes Back

The police had more or less taken possession of Ravenspur. They were everywhere asking questions that Tchigorsky took upon himself to answer.

As he had expected, the note carried by Vera and deposited in the farmhouse garden had been found on one of the bodies. The inspector of police was an intelligent man, and he fell in with everything that Tchigorsky suggested.

"Of course you can't read this book," said the Russian, as he handed over the fateful diary for safe custody, "but there are one or two Oriental scholars in London who will bear out my testimony. Have you any doubt?"

"Personally, not the least," the inspector replied. "You say it is impossible for that woman to get away?"

"Absolutely impossible. She is safe for days."

"Then in that case there is no need to arrest her. That will have to come after the inquest on these men, which we shall hold tomorrow. And what a sensation the case will make! If I had read this thing in a book I should have laughed at it. And now we must have a thorough search for those electrical appliances."

It was long past dinner-time before the police investigations were finished. Aided by Tchigorsky a vast amount of mechanical appliances was found, including the apparatus that was to do so much harm to the Ravenspurs, and which had ended in wrecking the schemes of their arch-enemy."

"Inquest at ten to-morrow, sir," the inspector remarked to Ravenspur. "I am very sorry, but we shall not trouble you more than we can help."

Ravenspur shook his head sadly. He was not particularly versed in the ways of the law, but he could see a long case ahead; and he was beginning to worry about Marion. It was nearly ten o'clock now and the girl had not returned.

It would be a sad home-coming for the girl, but they would all do what they could for her. Everybody appeared to be duly sympathetic except Ralph, who said nothing. Tchigorsky seemed to have obliterated himself entirely.

Geoffrey had retired to the billiard-room, where Vera followed him. They started a game, but their nerves were in no condition to finish it. Cues were flung down and the lovers stood before the fireplace.

"What are you thinking about?" Geoffrey asked.

Vera looked up dreamingly. She touched Geoffrey's cheek caressingly. She looked like one who is happy and yet at the same time ashamed of her own happiness.

"Of many things, pleasant and otherwise," she said. "I am still utterly in the dark myself, but those who know tell me that the shadow has lifted for ever That in itself is so great a joy that I dare not let my mind dwell upon it as yet. To think that we may part and met again, to think—— But I dare not let my mind dwell upon that. But what has Mrs. May to do with it?"

Vera was not behind the scenes as yet. Still, within a few hours the thing must come out. What the family regarded as a nurse had been procured for the invalid, a nurse who really was a female warder in disguise, and Ravenspur had sternly given strict orders that nobody was to go near that room. He vouchsafed no reason why; he gave the order and it was obeyed.

Then Geoffrey told Vera everything. He went through the whole story from the very beginning. Vera listened as one in a dream. Such wickedness was beyond her comprehension. Awful as the cloud was that had long hung over the house of Ravenspur, Vera had not imagined it to be lined with such depravity as this.

"And so that inhuman wretch is Marion's mother?" said Vera. "The child of a creature who deliberately murdered a husband and tried to destroy his family so that she could get everything into her hands! No wonder that Marion has been a changed creature since this Mrs. May had been about! How I pity her anguish and condition of mind! But had Marion a sister?"

"Not that I ever heard of. Why?"

"I was thinking of that other girl, the girl so like Marion that you were talking about just now. What has become of her?"

Geoffrey shook his head. He had forgotten that most mysterious personage. It was more than likely, he explained, that Tchigorsky would know. Not that it much mattered. The two were silent for some little time, then a peal of laughter from the drawing room caused them to smile.

"My mother," said Vera. "I have not heard her laugh like that for years. Does it not seem funny to realize that before long we shall be laughing and chatting and moving with the world once more, Geoff? I should like to leave Ravenspur and have a long, long holiday on the Continent."

Geoffrey stooped and kissed her.

"So you shall, sweet," he said. "We can be married now. And when we come back to Ravenspur it will be the dear old home I recollect in my childhood's days. Vera, you and I shall be the happiest couple in the world."

They went back to the drawing room. Here the elders were conversing quietly yet happily. There was an air of cheerful gaiety upon them that the house had not known for many a long day.

Gordon Ravenspur was impressing upon his father the necessity of looking more sharply after the shooting. The head of the family had before him some plans of new farm buildings.

It was marvelous what a change the last few hours had wrought. And the author of all the sorrow and anguish was upstairs guarded by eyes that never tired.

"How bright and cheerful you look," Vera said. "It only wants one thing to make the picture complete. You can guess, dear grandfather."

"Marion," Ravenspur said. "Marion, of course."

"She will come back," Ralph murmured. "Marion will return. We know now that no harm could come to the girl. I should not wonder if she were not on her way home this very moment."

Half an hour passed, an hour elapsed, and yet no Marion. They were all getting uneasy but Ralph, who sat doggedly in his chair. Then there was a commotion outside, the door opened, and Marion came in.

She looked pale and uneasy. She glanced from one to the other with frightened eyes. It was easy to see that she was greatly moved and, moreover, was not sure as to the warmth of her reception. But she might have made her mind easy on that score. All rose to welcome her.

"My dear, dear child," Vera cried. "Where have you been?"

Vera fluttered forward and took off Marion's cloak. All seemed to be delighted. Marion dropped into a chair with quivering smile. Ralph had felt his way across to her and stood by the side of her chair.

"I fancied I had made a discovery," she said. "It occurred to me perhaps —— But don't let us talk about myself. Has anything happened here?"

"Much," Ralph cried. "Great things—the mystery is solved."

"Solved?" Marion gasped. "You have found the culprit?"

"The culprit is in the house. She is Mrs. May. I prefer to call her Princess Zara and yet again I might call her Mrs. Ravenspur, wife of the late Jasper Ravenspur. Marion we have found your mother."

Marion said nothing. Her head had fallen forward and she sat swaying in her chair. There was a hard yet pleading look in her eyes. Ralph bent down and drew her none too tenderly to her feet.

"The she-wolf is yonder, the cub is here," he cried. "Are you going to speak or shall I tell the story? Speak, or let me do so." Ravenspur sprang forward angrily.

"What are you doing?" he cried. "To lay hands on that angel—"

"Ay," said Ralph, "an angel truly, but a fallen one—Lucifer in the dust."

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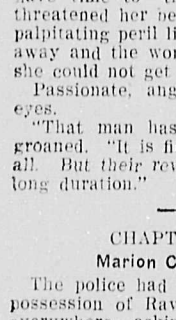

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Babies of Northern France

The Way Germans Treat Inhabitants of Invaded Districts

In view of the proposal to send condensed milk to Teuton babies, I would like to give the following translation of the trustworthy account of conditions in the North of France as stated by a young woman who succeeded in escaping from her home in the department of the north, June 16 last:

"In our invaded departments people die of starvation. At B., one of the villages of the north, great misery has been experienced for a long time. The municipality has found it impossible to pay anything to the wives and children of the mobilized men.

"To each person was distributed from the beginning of March to May 15, 140 grams (about 5 ounces) of a horrible black bread, unpalatable, very soggy and bitter, which spoiled quickly and rapidly became covered with green mold. The ingredients which the Germans furnished for the manufacture of this bread were a mixture of rye flour, horse chestnuts, potatoes, etc.

"The Germans took all milk, eggs, butter, also cows and horses. Everything belongs to them. It is forbidden to leave the village, even to go to the fields, without a passport. Every three months the village pays a war tax of 16,000f., but it will soon be impossible to pay this tax as money is becoming so rare.

"At W., the Germans have searched all the houses and have requisitioned wines, flour, cotton, brass, cows, etc. They give the owners notes payable after the war."

It would seem that the Germans know how to provide milk and cows—when they have need of them. But who takes care of the babies in the invaded districts?

Indian Bands Respond Nobly

The Indians of Canada who gave last year some $16,000 to the Canadian Patriotic fund, are again responding nobly to this year's call. Recent acknowledgements of subscriptions received by the minister of finance contain donations from 13 Indian bands in various parts of Canada, aggregating $3,900.

"Thy Neighbor as Thyself"

Willy—Ma, may I have Tommy Wilson over to our house to play Saturday?

Mother—No; you make altogether too much noise. You'd better go

How to Save Your Eyes

Try This Free Prescription

Do your eyes give you trouble? Do you already wear eyeglasses or spectacles? Thousands of people wear these "windows" who might easily dispense with them. You may be one of these, and it is your duty to save your eyes before it is too late. The eyes are neglected more than any other organ of the entire body. After you finish your day's work you sit down and rest your muscles, but how about your eyes? Do you rest them? You know you do not. You read or do something else that keeps your eyes busy; you work your eyes until you go to bed. That is why so many have strained eyes, and finally other eye troubles that threaten partial or total blindness. Eyeglasses are merely crutches; they never cure. This free prescription, which has benefitted the eyes of so many, may work equal wonders for you. Use it a short time. Would you like your eye troubles to disappear as if by magic? Try this prescription. Go to the nearest wide-awake drug store and get a bottle of Bon-Opto tablets; fill a two-ounce bottle with warm water, drop in one tablet and allow it to thoroughly dissolve. With this liquid bathe the eyes two to four times daily. Just note how quickly your eyes clear up and how soon the inflammation will disappear. Don't be afraid to use it; it is absolutely harmless. Many who are now blind might have saved their eyes had they started to care for them in time. This is a simple treatment, but marvellously effective in multitudes of cases. Now that you have been warned don't delay a day, but do what you can to save your eyes, and you are likely to thank us as long as you live for publishing this prescription. The Valmas Drug Co. of Toronto will fill the above prescription by mail, if your druggist cannot.

Big Commonwealth Army

300,000 Australasians Will be Under Arms Next June

One of the first official acts of the new prime minister of Australia, Wm. M. Hughes, has been an announcement that a fresh army will be furnished by the Commonwealth, and that this army will number 50,000 men. "This further contribution," said Mr. Hughes, "will bring the total number of men supplied by Australia by next June to something like 300,000 men. It is to be understood that the principle of voluntary enlistment is to be adhered to. No requests had been made to the Commonwealth by the imperial government for more men. The offer was quite spontaneous. I have not the slightest doubt that the necessary men will be forthcoming. These will form new units, and are independent of the quota of 9,500 a month necessary for reinforcements.

A government appeal will be made by mail to every man in Australia within the military age group based on the recent war census—that is, single men from 18 to 44 years.

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"Devils from Ireland"

Private Rennard, 1st Inniskilling Fusiliers, in a letter to his uncle, published in the regimental journal, says:

"The old Turks are nearly fed up with war, but the Germans won't let them hand in their guns. The other day the Germans had a band in the trench, and the first thing we heard was them striking up the old tune 'Fifth Royal Irish.' A few shells from a gunboat were dropped in their midst, and in a second you could see nothing but brass instruments and German heads and legs flying in all directions in the air. There were a large number of our regiment killed in our last engagement, and that makes about four times we have been in a death trap. It is very hard on us, but we are always in the front, no matter what is doing, and we can't be kept back when we start.

"The Turks run when we get near them, and they don't like the men with the casties (the Inniskilling badge) in their caps. Their officers, who talk good English, call us the 'devils from Ireland.'"

How a Windbreak Pays

Just as "a dollar saved is a dollar earned," so soil moisture saved from evaporation is equivalent to rainfall. Studies made a few years ago in Kansas and Nebraska showed the value of the windbreak in preventing evaporation.

It must be admitted that windbreaks occupy space that could be profitably devoted to agricultural crops, and that the roots of the trees and their shade render a strip of ground on either side of the windbreak relatively unproductive. Yet efficient windbreaks undoubtedly do more good than evil, reducing the velocity of the wind and, therefore, the loss of soil water from evaporation. It seems from investigations made by the United States forest service that the greater yields of field crops and apples behind the protection of a good windbreak are enough to warrant every farmer in the prairie states in planting windbreaks.

"They tell me that your wife is one of the cleverest women in town."

"So I hear."

German Women and Peace

Strong Evidence of a Feeling of Revolt Against the War

A letter in the "Berlinger Tageblatt," under the caption "German Women and Peace," contains evidence of the revolt against war. Ellen Paasche, the writer of the letter, sharply contradicts the assertion that the Germans had to break with so many evil habits contracted by indulgence and luxury in time of peace that a long war, as compared with a short one, had distinct compensations. "It is impossible for me," she exclaims, "to describe my feelings, as I find that Dr. Schrimacher has no word for the horrors of war." The letter continues:

"There are people who held, and still hold, that it was entirely necessary, but it is to be hoped that all these nevertheless say to themselves: Never again, never again, must there be so much sorrow and so many tears in the world. It is through my faith in this sentiment that I am convinced that the peace movement will grow tremendously in Germany after the war. And who are more suited to carry on that work than the women? Are those of us who have children playing around us to sacrifice them, too, in twenty years' time? Let us be done with all half-way measures; let us reflect upon the fundamental causes of the war; and all who have something to lose in another twenty years, let them live not for the moment alone, but help disseminate the conception of peace as something no more a fanasty than temperance, or housing reform. Let those mothers who have nothing more to lose, from whom the war has taken everything, think of and help the rest of us, so that we may be spared the necessity ever of experiencing their sorrow and grief."

The Present Condition of War

So far, militarily, the Germans have won—it would be mere moral cowardice to deny it; on paper, they claim the reward. The forget that paper means nothing nowadays, that the war was fought over a "scrap of paper," that Bernhardi's law—annihilation—holds good for us as well as for the Germans, and that until one or the other side is defeated peace is neither on object nor a desirability. The Germans set out to compel the subjection of Europe. They themselves have taught Europe to fight; they have given Europe her reason and her inspiration. Today that reason is ours. It is we who have caught the inspiration of war. It is we who are preparing to fight predatory Germany with the means and principles of Bernhardi. "In war only decisions count," he wrote. It is so. It will be so in this gigantic upheaval of the nations. And it is this condition of war which the Germans have called up and which threatens ultimately to engulf them.—Austin Harrison in the English Review.

New Wireless Device

A new device in wireless telegraphy the invention of Dr. Branas, a Spanish professor, is to be tested between coast stations of Spain and the United States. The Spanish government has requested the American authorities to send trial messages. The new apparatus is said to increase greatly the effectiveness of wireless transmission beyond a distance of 5,000 kilometres.

Unless American manufactures who have started laboratories since the war began, soon come to the rescue some Canadian factories will be faced with a dye famine. Ottawa factories are hit hard. Soon they will come to the end of their resources, and if the supply from the United States does not increase, they will be placed in an unprecedented position.

England is Curtailing Luxuries

The London Weekly Despatch says that the government has decided on drastic steps as regards the importation of luxuries. "It may be safely stated," says the Despatch, "that in a week's time there will be no imported luxuries whatever. Certain necessities will still be admitted, as for example, bananas, for the poor, but inpensive imported fruits for the rich will be barred. Wasteful motoring which is everywhere seen, is to be stopped because it is using up shipping, which brings petrol and rubber. The importation of pulp and paper probably will be cut down 40 per cent."

"Remember," said the Sergeant, "no one is allowed to dismount without orders."

Murphy was no sooner in the saddle than he was thrown to the ground.

"Murphy!" yelled the Sergeant when he discovered him lying breathless on the ground, "you dismounted."

"I did."

"Did you have orders?"

"I did."

"From headquarters?"

"No, sir, from hindquarters."

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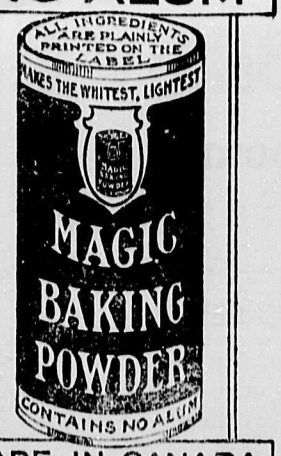

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Post Office Not Much Affected by The War

Increase Reported in Almost Every Branch in the Service

The war has not affected very adversely the business of the post office department, according to the annual report tabled in the house by the Hon. T. Chase Casgrain.

There have been increases all along the line—in letters sent, in rural mail routes, money order and savings bank offices.

In the number of letters the estimated increase is 13,197,000. While this is less than for the last ten years, it is a good showing in view of the war.

No statistics are given with respect to the parcels post, but the report states that the system "has been successfully conducted during the year and its great and growing popularity has demonstarted that it supplies a public need.

"As the parcels post reaches every point throughout the country its facilities are greater than those afforded by services operated by private companies and its rates are lower."

Rural mail routes have increased by 695 and more than 37,500 additional boxes have been erected. 475 new post offices were established and 93 closed, the latter mainly on rural mail routes.

Savings in the postal banks total $39,995,406, which is a decrease of $1,595,880. During the year 2,437,776 letters went to the dead letter office.

Germans Use Jerusalem as War Base

One of the missionaries who has recently returned to Rome states that an English colleague, who was with him in Syria and who has probably now returned to England, saw very important preparations at Jerusalem and Jaffa, for an expedition against Egypt under the direction of German officers.

A double track railway line has been constructed from Damascus to Jerusalem and Ghaza and some distance beyond the ancient frontier line of Turkey and Egypt to the Isthmus of Suez. Jerusalem is transformed into an armed camp, defended by trenches and containing 100,000 men. All the convents have already been converted into hospitals, with Turkish and German staffs, and the inhabitants are under strict supervision.

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Mrs. E. Cutler, St. Lazare, Man., writes: "I have used Baby's Own Tablets for the past ten years for my five children and can truthfully say there is no medicine to equal them." The Tablets regulate the bowels and stomach, cure constipation and indigestion, expel worms and make teething easy. 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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The British Way

The force which Sir Horace Smith-Dorrien will command will be largely composed of Boers, the men against whom he fought fifteen years ago. That is the way of the British empire. That must be its way if it is to endure. Differences disappear in face of a common danger. The British empire means liberty, and all its peoples rush to arms when their liberty is threatened.—London Daily Express.

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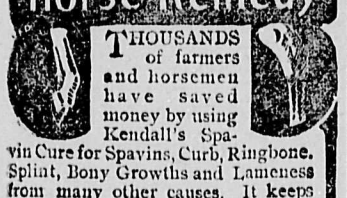

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Drug Fiends

Moral Degredation Which Results From the Drug and Liquor Habit

That alcohol is a habit forming drug is denied by no one but its devotees. Its denial would be useless because every one knows men who have become the victims of the alcohol habit that cannot break away from it. Nothing is more pathetic than to see some of these men trying to break off the habit, suffering untold tortures and failing time after time until they give up in despair and plunge in deeper than ever, in hopes of ending their misery.

Morphine is also a habit forming drug, but it is very little used compared with the various alcoholic liquors, because it is not pleasant to the taste and because the habit of treating to a dose of morphine has not become popular. Its action is very similar to that of whiskey or brandy. In moderate doses it dulls the sensibility to pain and in large doses causes a stupor resembling profound sleep. Like alcohol, once the habit is fully formed, it is almost impossible to break off. Men who make a specialty of treating the drug and alcohol habit, tell me that it is easier to cure permanently a morphine fiend than an alcohol fiend. That is probably due largely to the habit many have formed of urging their friends to drink. The day is not long passed when some would take it as an insult if you refused to drink their dope. Both these drugs have the effect of blighting the moral sensibility so that a drinking man will do or say with perfect indifference what he would have shrank from with horror before he acquired the habit. Examples of this we have had in plenty of late, when men stoop to the most despicable acts, utterly indifferent to the need or fate of their country. Anyone who has studied the question knows that much of this moral degradation has had its origin in drink on the part of the person or his ancestors. Morphine and alcohol are both poisonous drugs and both have the tendency to affect the higher moral centres first.

It is dreadful to contemplate the power which the traffic has acquired. In England, France and Germany they have defied the government and the war office to do more than slightly curtail their business. In Sweden, the people voted a hundred to one in favor of prohibition, but they did not get it. In Ontario, people have voted by large majorities on three different occasions in favor of prohibiting the traffic. Not only that, but resolutions and petitions almost without number, have poured in to the government, begging that the bars be closed. On the other hand, no one but a quiet deputation of liquor dealers have asked that the business be allowed to continue. But that deputation seems to have more influence with governments than the votes of the people, the resolutions of the most important bodies and all the petitions that have been presented, humbly pleading that the great evil be stopped.—H. Arnott, M.B., M.C.P.S.

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Too Many Aviators

Supply of Men For Royal Naval Air Service Far Exceeds Demand

The naval service department has been informed by Sir George Perley, acting Canadian commissioner in London, that Canadians arriving in England have been applying for commissions in the Royal Air Service, and that, in order to avoid disappointment and unnecessary expense, the admiralty desires it to be made known generally throughout Canada that only candidates selected by the director of the Canadian naval service can be entered. Admiral Kingsmill is director of the Canadian service. In this connection, it may be added, said an official of the department, that the naval service department has entered the full quota of men for the Royal Naval Air Service, which the admiralty wanted to obtain, and until a further call is made by the admiralty for men for this service, no more men can be used. The schools in Great Britain are understood to be full to overflowing at present with pupils. As soon as any more Canadians are wanted the department will make known the fact through the press.

Holloway's Corn Cure takes the corn out by the roots. Try it and prove it.

Want Canadians For Patrol Service

The department of naval service has issued a call on behalf of the British admiralty for men from Canada for service in the auxiliary patrol (motor boat) service.

Those who will be accepted must have a thorough knoweldge of high-power internal combustion engines, and be accustomed to running motor boats. The total pay is $2.55 per day for sub-lieutenants, $2.07 for chief motor boatmen and $1.34 for motor boatmen, with separation allowances added in the case of the two latter. Applications are being received by Admiral Kingsmill, director of naval service for Canada.

A Second Jellicoe

A new story of Sir John Jellicoe is told in the Christian World.

"A small boy, the son of an officer on the admiral's flagship, was taken up to Scotland to see his father, and while the little fellow was up on deck Sir John Jellicoe came up and talked to him.

"He asked the boy his name, and then said: 'Do you know what my name is?' The little boy did not know, and the admiral explained that his name was Jellicoe.

"'Oh,' was the small boy's answer, 'I have a rabbit named Jellicoe at home.' And the admiral went off chuckling."

Painful Swellings Reduced Muscular Strains Ended

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If you have any muscles that are strained and weak, that are frequently subject to rheumatic pains; if you have any painful swellings that refuse to go away—get busy with Nerviline. This is the very sort of trouble that Nerviline is noted for curing quickly. "I have proved Nerviline simply a wonder in reducing a hard, painful swelling. It followed an injury I received in my left leg and caused me great pain and discomfort. The muscles were strained and sore, and no other remedy gave the ease and comfort I got from rubbing on Nerviline. There is a soothing, pain-relieving power about Nerviline that touched the root of my trouble. Nerviline reduced the swelling, it destroyed the pain, it brought my limb back to perfect condition." The experience of Mr. Bowen, whose home is in Middlesex, is not unusual. Thousands are proving every day that muscular pains of every kind, chronic rheumatism, lumbago, neuralgia and sciatica will yield to Nerviline when nothing else can possibly cure. Nerviline is an old time family pain remedy, used used nearly forty years with great success. The large family size bottle costs 50c., trial size. 25c., at all dealers.

The Boys at The Front

Field Comforts Lessen the Rigors of a Winter Campaign

Two of the most characteristic features of this war, as distinguished from other wars, have been trench warfare and winter campaigns.

From time immemorial, winter has been the great pacificist. Those young enough to remember their Caesar will recall the inevitableness with which the Roman General, at the first touch of frost, led his troops into snug winter quarters (Hibernia).

When Wellington held the lines of Torres Vedras, winter imposed an involuntary truce. The great Napoeon met with disatser on his winter campaign in Russia.

Today, however, the winter campaign is perhaps, from the point of view of the soldier, the greatest horror of modern war. Night and day, in frost and sleet, our soldiers in France, have to mount guard. Winter is to them an even more implacable foe than the German.

Moreover, few civilians understand what a trench is. We talk glibly about the trenches, but wo do not realize that a trench is a ditch full of mud and slime—the most unfit of all places for human habitation.

The trench is bad enough in summer, but in winter it surpasses anything that Dante conceived in his inferno. The only way to defeat this infernal combination of winter and trench is to supply the soldier with an abundance of "Field Comforts;" socks, mittens, mufflers, wristlets and belts to keep his body warm; and tobacco, mouth organs, gramophones, books, pipes and hosts of other things to keep up his spirits.

Every time we hear the winter wind whistle in the lanes, we should think of our troops on active service and make a contribution to their walfare.

Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper.

"It was very romantic," said his friend. "He proposed to her in an aeroplane."

"Yes?" murmured the listener, encouragingly.

"And she accepted him in the hospital."

CAUSES TROUBLE

People Slowly Learn the Facts

"All my life I have been a slave to coffee. I kept gradually losing my health, but I used to say 'nonsense, it don't hurt me.'

"Slowly I was forced to admit the truth and the final result was that my nervous force was shattered. (Tea produces about the same effects as coffee, because they both contain the drugs, caffeine and tannin).

"My heart became weak and uncertain in its action, and that frightened me. Then my physician told me that I must stop drinking coffee or I could never expect to be well again.

"I thought of Postum but could hardly bring myself to give up the coffee.

"Finally I concluded that I owed it to myself to give Postum a trial. I got a package and carefully followed the directions, and what a delicious, nourishing, rich drink it was! Do you know, I found it very easy to shift from coffee to Postum.

"Almost immediately after I made the change I found myself better, and as the days went by I kept on improving. My nerves grew steady, I slept well and felt strong and well balanced. Now the old nervousness is gone and I am well once more."

It pays to give up the drink that acts on some like a poison, for health is the greatest fortune one can have. Name given by Canadian Postum Co., Windsor, Ont.

Postum comes in two forms.

Postum Cereal—the original form—must be well boiled. 15c and 25c packages.

Instant Postum—a soluble powder—dissolves quickly in a cup of hot water, and, with cream and sugar, makes a delicious beverage instantly. 30c and 50c tins

Both kinds are equally delicious and cost about the same per cup.

"There's a Reason" for Postum.
—sold by Grocers.

About Kronstadt

Strongly Fortified Island That Guards Capital of Russia

Kronstadt, the island that guards Petrograd, is the most strongly fortified place in the northern empire. The fortifications on the island were begun by Peter the Great in 1703, after the dispossession of the Swedes. Kronstadt is the port and outpost defence of the Russian capital, the seat of the Russian admiralty, and the first naval station of the Czar.

The older "three decker" forts of Kronstadt, five in number, repulsed the Anglo-French fleet during the Crimean War. These redoubts today, although mounting modern ordnance, are largely obsolete, but powerful forts and sunken batteries have been installed to keep peace with the development of the naval strengths of neighboring states. The defensive works of the island and adjacent shores have been carried out on an extensive plan, much of it being done according to the specifications of Todleben; modified and brought up to date by succeeding engineers.

The island on which Kronstadt stands, lying nearly in mid-channel at the head of the Gulf of Finland, is the front door of Russia. It is so situated as to make the bombardment of the capital impossible before the passage of its forts and batteries. The island is twenty-one miles west of Petrograd, and stretches for eight miles east and west, in the midst of the pocket-like gulf. Altogether, the island leaves little in the way of military supremacy to Heligoland and Gibraltar.

Minard's Liniment Cures Colds, etc.

Lighting Indoor Rifle Range

One of the most important problems connected with indoor range shooting is lighing. Incorrect light on the target produces eye strain, poor scores and grouchy shooters. The result to try to obtain is, of course, the best possible imitation of daylight shooting conditions. I do not like the usual method, which is to use comparatively low power lights, placing them close to the targets in such a way that the target only reflects light to the eye. The result optically is to expand the iris of the eye, reducing the ability to see both sights and targets clearly and rendering the eye susceptible to blur caused by the glare.

Lately I have been shooting on targets which are illuminated by a two-hundred watt nitrogen-filled bulb placed about three feet in front of the targets and four feet above them. Looking down the range is like looking down a dark alley way into a court yard flooded with sunlight.—A. P. Lane in Target Tips.

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When the Movie Was Open

"I don't believe there is any great use in your going to the Majestic, Mr. Sellers, for it probably won't be open tonight," said the landlord of the Black Bull tavern in reply to a request for information regarding the whereabouts of the temple of the movies. "You see, this is prayer meeting night, and it is most always closed on prayer meeting nights, same as 'tis the nights when the Rebeccy Lodge gives an oyster festival, or the Lyceum Course is going on, and the nights once in a while when the young people meet to trip the light fanatic toe, and the rare occasions when the Sock and Bustin' Coterie present a drama. And, of course, too, it is closed when a Congressman or any big bug that-a-way makes a speech here."

"Well, in the name of wonder! When is it open?"

"On every other night but them I have mentioned, except, of course, Sundays, and when it storms."

Rudyard Kipling Praises Russians

Rudyard Kipling has sent the following message to the Russian people on the occasion of the Russian New Year:

"Like you, I look for peace, but not before our common work is done; power built on arrogance disciplined, and evil taught that there is a good other than its own lust.

"We who have borne our part as your allies and shall bear it to the end will never forget with what inflexible fortitude and sacrifice Russia has laid the foundation for a day full of reckoning.

(Signed). "Rudyard Kipling."

Advance in Cleansing of Wounds

Dr. Pierre Roux, director of the Pasteur Institute, announced to the French Academy of Sciences that a remarkable advance in serumtherapy had been made as the result of a discovery by Dr. Bassuet. By this method, it was possible to cleanse automatically, Dr. Roux said, wounds which hitherto had resisted treatment.

"Was your bachelor's supper a success?"

"A success! Wonderful! Why, we had to postpone the wedding for two days!"—Life.

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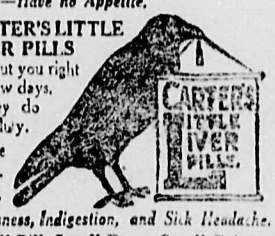

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Technical Education Postponed

Technical education in Canada and methods by which it could be advanced were the subject of a lengthy investigation and elaborate report a few years ago by a federal government commission.

The recommendations have never been acted upon. It is not intended to do anything by way of legislation on the matter this year, not only because the sensational program is confined to war measures, but also for the reason that the war may produce entirely altered industrial conditions throughout the country.

The worms that infest children from their birth are of two kinds, those that find lodgement in the stomach and those that are found in the intestines. The latter are the most destructive, as they cling to the walls of the intestines and if not interfered with work havoc there. Miller's Worm Powders dislodge both kinds and while expelling them from the system serve to repair the damage they have caused.

Visitor—We are getting up a raffle for a returned soldier. Won't you buy a ticket?

Miss Innocence—Mercy, no! What would I do with him?

"Did you count your change before leaving the window?"

"No."

"Then we can't rectify mistakes."

"I'm glad of that. I found, after I got away from here that you had given me $5 too much."

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Where the huskies howl, and the north light glow,
And the cold wind sweeps o'er the virgin snow.
We'll show Kaiser Bill what we can do,
For we are the men of the Hundred and Two;
Men of the North are we.

Chorus—Men of the North are we, are we,
Men of the North are we.

From the salmon rivers so clear and wide,
Where the seine nets gleam on every tide.
We'll show Kaiser Bill, etc.
Chorus—

From the halibut fishing and deep cod lines;
From the lumber camp among the pines.
We'll show Kaiser Bill, etc.
Chorus—

From the lonely shack where the bright gold shines;
From the narrow trail and the copper mines.
We'll show Kaiser Bill, etc.
Chorus—

From the plow, and the saddle, and the swift canoe;
From the pick, and the flume, and the prospect, too.
We'll show Kaiser Bill, etc.
Chorus—

From the cariboo's home and the grizzly's lair;
From snowshoe, deadfall, trap and snare,
We'll show Kaiser Bill, etc.
Chorus—

Where the bull moose bells, and the reindeer prance;
We're going off to "Somewhere in France."
To show Kaiser Bill, etc.
Chorus—

From Atlin's rivers to Comox Bay,
We're off to the front; now hear what we say;
We'll show Kaiser Bill, etc.
Chorus—

City Council

The City Council met in regular session on Monday evening.

The minutes of the last meeting and adjourned meeting were adopted as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

From clerk of City of Duncan re salary of city health officer.

From Major Rothnie, stating that the officers would be pleased to receive any subscriptions for the band, and reaffirming the offer that if at all possible the instruments would be engraved and returned to the city on demobilization, if the city paid for the 18 instruments.

From Clarke & Stewart, of Vancouver, stating that they would be pleased to give quotations on any city printing if samples were sent.

From the Good Roads Machinery Co. offering the city several road scrapers, etc.

R. P. Vigors wrote asking if the city had a bylaw to keep loose horses off the street.

From C. P. Dundas, stating that as he was leaving for England he could not act as city solicitor.

The following accounts were received and referred to the finance committee for payment if found correc :

J. Hannay	$ 1.50
City clerk	9 60
Clarke & Stewart	1 15
Telephone	7 10
W. G. Robertson	75
R. Creech	2.00
G. Endall	30.00
Electric Light Co	144.95

Ald. Carroll, for the sanitary committee, reported that it was the opinion of Fishery Inspector Beadnell that garbage could not be dumped in the salt water. He however was going to write to the superintendent and report later. An acre of land could be purchased from Mr. Towler, outside the city limits, for dumping grounds. The matter will be taken up at some future meeting.

Ald. Hurford, for the utilities committee, presented the following synopsis of electric light agreement which it was decided to have an engineer and lawyer put into shape and then present to the company: The company to be given a 20 year franchise, and if the city bought them out in five years to pay them a bonus of 30 per cent. on the cost of the plant; if in 10 years 25 per cent. and if in 15 years 20 per cent., and at the end of 20 years the company were to cease to do business and to remove their poles and equipment from the streets of the city.

The mayor pointed out that it would be as well for the city and company to agree on the terms before incurring any expense, and stated that the company would not agree to take their poles and equipment down at the end of twenty years, whatever they might do with regard to the rest of the agreement.

Ald. Kerton reported that the culvert put in by Mr. Endall was satisfactory to the board of works. A railing had been erected at the hole near Aitken's bakery, as there was not enough material handy to fill it with.

Ald. Aston said plenty of material could be got off the next lot if applied for. He also thought that the lumber for the job should have been delivered at the works. It did not look very dignified to see a white man at one end and a chink at the other packing boards through the city at 35c per hour.

Tenders for erecting the new city hall were received from Albert Kerton $395 and J. Thomson $375. The tender was awarded to Mr. Thomson.

R. Creech offered to haul and spread 50 loads of gravel at $1 per yard. The tender was accepted; the work to be done within a month after notification.

Ald. Kerton drew the council's attention to a deep hole near the railway crossing on the Lake Trail

Ald. Aston said that Victoria street was in a bad way, owing to a ditch and culvert being blocked. A few hours work would save a lot of expense later.

The board of works was instructed to look at these places and if necessary have them fixed up at once.

Ald. McKenzie wanted to know why the soldiers were debarred from coming to Courtenay.

Ald. Hurford brought up the matter of the number of drunken men on Sunday, and wanted to know if the police commissioners had done anything in the matter.

The mayor informed him that the police commissioners had at once taken steps to have the men looked after. They had got the liquor at Cumberland the night before, and the guards from Comox came and took them away as soon as possible.

On motion of Ald Kerton and Anderton it was decided to appoint a medical health officer for a year at $100 per annum. After a lot of discussion Dr. Montgomery was appointed to the position.

Ald. McKenzie wanted to know whether the city was paying for the light used in Dr. Morrison's rooms used by the soldiers. Mr, Woods explained that he had deducted the amount of light usually used by the Doctor from the amount and billed him with it.

Ald. McKenzie also objected to paying 20c per month metre rent, and asked if the city could not purchase a metre. Mr Woods replied that it would not pay the city to do so, on account of inspections, etc.

The committee reported that it had been decided to purchase R. M. Allan's safe.

The council then adjourned.

Our citizen W. Idiens, who now signs as "Critic" because the people call him one, tells us that although we say that it pays to advertise he dosen't need to pay because the altercation between the Prohibs and the Editor of "The Week" has led to him coming under the notice of fifty thousand people as an effective businesslike worker. See Willoughby, the Courtenay tailor, if you want proof of this and get one of the Prohib circulars "Daniel Come to Judgemen," at the same time don't forget Idiens if you have any business in his line.—Critic.

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TAKE NOTICE that the undersigned intends to apply to the Board of License Commissioners at their next sitting to be held on the 8th day of April, 1916, for a license to sell intoxicating liquor by retail under Subsection 3 of Section 290, of the "Municipal Act" in that certain store or shop situate on the ground floor, of those certain premises, situate on Lot 4, Map 311, Townsile of Courtenay, formerly known as Peocey's Drug Store, on Mill Street, in the City of Courtenay.

JOHN R. JOHNSTON,
Applicant

Dated this 8th day of March, A. D. 1916.

LAND REGISTRY ACT

IN THE MATTER of an application for a fresh Certificate of Title to Sections Twenty-six (26) and Thirty-five (35), Comox District, British Columbia.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of my intention at the expiration of one calander month from the first publication hereof to issue a fresh Certificate of Title in lieu of the Certificate of Title issued to Reginald Terry Carwithen on the 6th day of November 1871, and Numbered 372A, which has been lost.

Dated at the Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., this 2nd day of March 1916,

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