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Local Lines

The Basketball club intend hold a dance on Jan. 14.

Mr, W. A. Urquhart is at New Westminster this week.

Charles Duncan arrived home last night from McGill college Vancouver.

The City Council will meet on Monday evening next. This will be the last regular meeting this year.

Mrs. Powley, of Seattle, is the guest of Mrs. Chas. Callin. Mrs. Powley was formerly Miss Craig of this place.

The masquerade ball at Denman Island has been postponed until Dec. 22 on account of the dance being held at Comox on Friday evening.

The Wednesday evening motion picture show again had a good audience last night. The "Master Key" episode again being an interesting feature, interspersed with stirring scenes. The other films shown were also good. By the way, we notice by eastern papers that the first episode of the "Master Key" is being shown this week in "little old Dundas."

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Strayed—onto my premises at Kye Bay, a young red steer. Same will be sold to pay expenses of keep, etc., if not claimed within 10 days of this notice. Apply to J. Lawrence, Kye Bay.

For Sale—Team, wagon and harness, or exchange for cattle, Also 30 acres 1-2 mile from Grantham school, part cash, or exchange for anything of value. What have you to offer? Apply Box 8, Review Office.

Strayed—a short horned steer, red and white, mostly white faced, 18 months old, marked by piece cut out of right ear. Anyone knowing the whereabouts of same will be suitably rewarded. Last seen by Mr. Campbell's ranch. Please notify Geo. Davis, Union Bay.

Comox Creamery Butter
45c per lb. this week

The Mayor and Mayoress request the pleasure of the company of the Citizens of Courtenay and the Surrounding District at the Opera House, Courtenay on Tuesday Eve. December 28th to play Auction Bridge or Whist in honor of Pte. Perrott. Whist to start at 8.30 Dancing Music by Harmony Orchestra

Miss Alice Gibbons, returned to her home in Ladysmith on Monday.

The price of gasolene is steadily on the increase, 32 1-2c per gallon is the price now charged at the Ford Garage.

There will be no dance on Saturday night in the Opera House as the orcchestra are playing at a dance in the Ilo-Ilo hall Cumberland.

Everyone purchasing a turkey or goose at Cooke&Matthewson's will have a chance of securing a roast of beef free valued at $4. Attached to each turkey or goose will be number, and on Xmas. morning a drawing will take place when the holder of the winning number will be awarded the roast, which he can get at his convenience.

Presbyterian Church

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

Premier McBride has resigned and will go to London as Agent General for B. C. Hon. M. Bowser succeeds him.

H. S. Clements came over from Powell River by the Charmer on Sunday, and paid a short visit to Courtenay.

The ladies of the Sandwick Presbyterian Church intend holding a Christmas tree entertainment in the Sandwick church on Thursday December 23. An interesting program will be given and refreshments served; admission 25c.

Ald. Johns on left yesterday for Victoria. This is the second time Mr. Johnston has been away from the district since settling here about twentyeight years ago. His first visit to on side points occurred last Thursday when he journeyed to Victoria to consult his solicitors regarding the suit for libel instituted against him by the Mayor. Mr. Johnston is one of the fortunate old timers who have become wealthy by the rise in realty values, and were lucky to sell when boom prices prevailed. Mr. Johnston's last message just before leaving for the train was that he would undoubtedly be a candidate for mayoralty honors at the next election, and that he would prepare his platform for publication next week.

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Costly Words

"I'll give that waiter," said a customer in a quick lunch room, "an order that will simply paralyze him."

"What will you have, sir?" presently asked the waiter.

"Bring me," said the would-be tormentor, "some verulam and ova."

"Yessir." And the waiter, a seedy-looking man, went away with a twinkle in his eye, and returned with a large plate of something hot.

"Here, y'are," he said. "Eggs and bacon. In ordinary English a shilling, but in classic form three-and-six. 'Verba rebus aptare,' as we say at college. Anything else, sir?"—Tit-Bits.

Attacked by Asthma The first fearful sensation is of suffocation, which hour by hour becomes more desperate and hopeless. To such a case the relief afforded by Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Asthma Remedy seems nothing less than miraculous. Its help is quickly apparent and soon the dreadful attack is mastered. The asthmatic who has found out the dependability of this sterling remedy will never be without it. It is sold everywhere.

Irate Father—It's astonishing, Richard, how much money you need.

Son—I don't need it, father. It's the hotel keepers, the tailors and the taxicab men.

$100 REWARD, $100

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

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Wiping Out Military Persecution

The military spirit in Germany, war or no war, is always in command. The civil arm is imbued with it. The people themselves have become tainted by it, transformed from the mild-tempered idealists of an earlier day into conscienceless militarists. There are honorable exceptions, of course, but this is the rule—the vision of Germany in armor, subduing the world and enforcing the German method on her prostrate neighbors, has become with the German rank and file an ambition and a disease. When the Lusitania was destroyed, with hundreds of non-combatant men, women and children on board, the children of Germany had a half holiday.

In the Spanish inquisition thousands of helpless victims were turned over by the ecclesiastical arm to the civil arm, with the prayer that there should be no shedding of blood—and so they were burned at the stake. Today in Belgium we see the civil arm, in turn, disclaiming all responsiblity in the Cavell case and hiding itself behind the military arm.

But as religious persecution in the grosser forms of centuries ago has been wiped off the face of the earth, so military persecutions must be wiped off the face of the earth in the twentieth century.—Providence Journal.

Pain In The Back

Usually Comes from Muscular Rheumatism

Do not worry about a pain in the back. The worry will do you more harm than the pains. The cause of most backaches is muscular rheumatism, which is painful enough, but not fatal. Lumbago is a form of muscular rheumatism, so is a stiff neck. Sufferers from any form of rheumatism should keep their general health up to the highest standard by the use of a blood building tonic like Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, while taking good nourishing food, without too much meat. Proper nutrition and pure blood are the best means of fighting rheumatism. Rheumatism comes from an acid in the blood, build it up, strengthen the system, and drive out the poisonous acid that causes rheumatism. In this way sufferers have found complete recovery as is shown by the following case: Mrs. Samuel Childerhouse, Orillia, Ont., says:—"About three years ago I was greatly afflicted with a severe pain in the back, which I thought at first was due to kidney trouble. I tried a number of remedies but they did not help me any, in fact the pain was growing worse, and got so bad that I was quite unable to do my housework. I could not even sweep a floor. I was advised to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I am glad I acted upon the advice, for before I had been taking the Pills long the pain began to subside, and under the continued use disappeared entirely, and I have not since been bothered with it in any way. My husband was also cured of a severe attack of indigestion by this same medicine so that we both have much reason to be grateful for it."

You can get Dr. Williams' Pink Pills from any medicine dealer or by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for $2.50 from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

The twenty-fourth volume of the Canadian Ayrshire herd book, which has been issued by the Ayrshire Association, contains 3,429 pedigrees. The data have been compiled in the office of the National Live Stock Record, Ottawa. Reports are given of the annual meetings, a list of members and animals that have qualified for the Record of Performance. With nearly forty-five years of active service, the association now has its work on a sound basis, and is in a position to promote the best interests of the breed.

Many mothers have reason to bless Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator, because it has relieved the little ones of suffering and made them healthy.

An English tourist was recently spending a holiday in Scotland, when he met an old native. The tourist asked the man how old he was.

"I am one hundred," said the man.

"I rather doubt that you will see another hundred," said the tourist.

"Aa diana ken, mon," said the old man. "Aa'm stronger the noo than when I started the first hundred!"

Visitor—What's the new building on the hill yonder?

Farmer—Well, if I find a tenant for it it's a bungalow! if I don't, it's a barn.

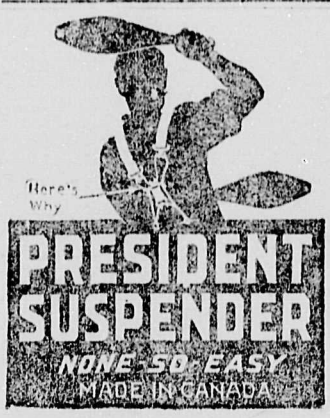
Canada's Resources

Sixth Annual Report of the Conservation Commission

Even casual reference to the annual reports of the commission of conservation indicates the wide range of interests with which the commission is concerned. In this respect, the commission's sixth annual report, which has just been issued, is no exception. Well informed discussions are given concerning Canada's resources in forests, fields, mines and streams and important papers are included on technical education, agricultural instruction, providing sanctuaries for birds and last, but by no means least, an important place is given to housing and town planning.

The address of the chairman, Sir Clifford Sifton, is an excellent summary of the commission's activities for the last fiscal year, and is, therefore, of value to the busy reader.

Although the war has hampered some aspects of the work of the commission, steady progress has been made in the matter of town planing.



Discovered Chlorine

Chlorine, which in its liquid form the Germans are said to be using in their poison bombs, owes its discovery as an element, as well as its name to a British scientist, Humphrey Davy. It was in 1810 that he found the mysterious gas to be undecomposable into other elements. Should we decide to flatter the Germans by imitating them, there would be no difficulty in finding the chlorine. The earth and the air are full of it, in the form of salt. It would indeed be difficult not to find chlorine—in one or other of its combinations—wherever one tried, in earth, air or water; but it would be impossible to find it anywhere except in alliance with another element. Workmen who split up common salt—chlorine of sodium—in order to get the chlorine grow fat in the process, but as a set-off their teeth decay.

Minard's Liniment Cures Garget in Cows.

"You haven't any serious or organic trouble," said the young physician, cheerfully. "You're a little nervous and run down, that's all. Take more exercise, eat less, and forget your troubles." The hypochondriac snorted. "Young man," he demanded, his voice shaking, "how long have you been a doctor?" "I took my degree three years ago," answered the medico. "And I am an invalid of twenty-five years' experience. Who are you, to disagree with me?"

Miller's Worm Powders will eradicate the worm evil that bears so heavily on children and is believed to cause many fatalities. They are an acceptable medicine to children and can be fully relied upon to clear the food channels thoroughly of these destructive parasites and restore the inflamed and painful surfaces to healthfulness. They are an excellent remedy for these evils.

Wives Had Hobson's Choice

Some Germans were travelling in this country a few years ago, and one of the party, an eminent scientist, was asked what he thought of our railroad trains.

"Ach, dhey are wonderful," he replied enthusiastically, "so swift, so safe—chenerally—und such luxury in all dhe furnishings und appoindments. All is excellent excebt yon thing—our wives do not like dhe upper berths."

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CAPT. F. R. DESJARDIN.
Schr. "Storke," St. Andre,
Kamouraska.

The record of the British hospitals in this war is as follows: The wounded returned practically at once to the front, 54.5 per cent; sent away for convalescence, 24.5 per cent.; under more or less prolonged treatment in hospital, 17.4 per cent; dismissed from the army as incapable for further service, 1.46 per cent., dead, 3.48 per cent.

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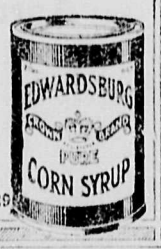

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The Fair One—Why, how did you come to fall on the doorstep?

The Boob—I didn't come to fall on the doorstep—I came to call.

Ermyntrude—I'm terribly worried. Dear Harold is coming home on leave, and he tells me he's captured seven Germans. Now I really haven't the faintest idea what to do with them.

RED ROSE TEA "is good tea"

MAGNITUDE OF BRITAIN'S TASK WHICH SHE PERFORMS SO WELL

EFFECTIVE WORK ALONG FAR-FLUNG BATTLE LINE

The British Army is Fighting Not Only with Beasts in Belgium and Northern France, but with Turks in Gallipoli, the Balkans and in the Far East—What the Navy is Doing

Surely the carping critics who think this is a good time to embarrass Sir Edward Grey and Lord Kitchener with flouts and jibes and sneers, do not realize the magnitude of the task Great Britain has set herself to perform, and is performing so well. Naturally, we expect nothing better from Britain's foes; the ignorant savages, who in their blindness bow down to the Kaiser. Britain's faithful allies have been unsparing in their tributes of admiration of her faithfulness to them and her splendid achievements up to the present time. The yellow press, the disappointed contract hunters, the cads with unsatisfied ambitions, and the political soreheads, who see in Britain's extremity a possible opportunity to advance their silly or petty fads, and at all events to keep themselves before the public enjoy an unseemly and unenviable monopoly of the snarling business. Look at the length of Britain's far-flung battle line. The critics only see the comparatively short but desperately contested front held by the British troops in Belgium and France. More sane observers see Britain engaged upon a battle front extending all around the world. The British Navy has prevented France from being blockaded, and saved both England and France from invasion by sea. Today it is still protecting the British and French shores, blockading the North Sea coasts of Germany, Sweden and Denmark. It has reduced the submarine warfare of the war zone to insignificance; it is effectively guarding the Suez Canal and Egypt against a very real danger; it is assaulting the forts of the Dardanelles, holding the treacherous King of Greece in check; keeping the second biggest navy in the world in innocent desuetude. It has swept the high seas of German shipping and paralyzed German commerce. All the German colonies but one have fallen to British arms, and that one is failing. The British army is fighting not only with beasts in Belgium and Northern France, but with Turks in Gallipoli, the Euphrates valley, on the Turco-Egyptian border, and in the country back of Aden. It is landing troops in Greece to go to the aid of Servia. Soon the British troops will have to go to the rescue of the American missionaries and their converts in Armenia. Ordinarily this is a task that would be undertaken by the United States, but as matters now are, this might be embarrassing to the Teutonic friends of Mr. W. J. Bryan and Mr. Henry Ford, and so tend to "prolong the war."

Anyway, up to the present time only about half a million Armenian men have been murdered and a few hundred thousand Armenian women ravished and converted to Mohammedanism by the Turkish allies of their most Christian Majesties of Austria and Germany, with the tacit consent of those august monarchs. Even a protest from Washington might save a few of the American proteges in Armenia; but nobody knows how Herr Balin, Count Bernstorff and others of the same kind would take it. They might be quite annoyed, or, on the other hand, they might be provoked to derisive laughter.

The task at Gallipoli is not nearly so simple as it looks. The peninsula is long and narrow, so narrow that a comparatively small force can hold it a long time against a much bigger one. It is a question of time and exhaustion in men and resources. The treachery of King Ferdinand has done much to postpone the capture of Constantinople and so to prolong the war; but the capture is only postponed.

General Greene, of the U.S.A., in a lecture before the New York State Historical association the other day, estimated the war strength of the allies at 7,940,000 and of the enemy at 5,260,000. He places the losses of the allies at 4,167,000, and of Germany, Austria and Turkey at 3,830,000. How long can each side keep up? The general says the total population upon which the allies can draw is 739,000,000, as compared with 155,000,000 who owe allegiance to the Kaiser, Francis Joseph and the Sultan. The end is not yet, but it is sure, in spite of all that our enemies can do abroad, and our traitors can do at home.

In the meantime British diplomacy has its hands full from United States eastward to the Far East. British statesmanship is grappling with industrial war and financing all civilization for the war; and the "nation of shopkeepers" is still getting a fair share of the world's trade.

How Japan Helps

Count Okuma, Premier, Tells Correspondent All Possible Aid Will be Rendered Allies

While Japan will be unable to send troops to the European theatre of war she will gladly assist the entente allies as far as she can financially, and lend them the support of her arsenals according to Count Okuma, the premier, who was interviewed at Tokio by the Paris Matin's correspondent.

"There was talk last November of Japanese forces fighting in Europe," Count Okuma is reported to have said.

"To have done that we should have had to send 400,000 men expecting to lose 200,000 of them and replace them with 200,000 more. We have not the necessary transports for we should have wanted 2,000,000 tons of shipping, and our commercial fleet aggregates only 1,000,000. In the face of these figures, Great Britain and France understand the impossibility of operating

"Our sympathies being as strong as ever, we should wish to give France our financial support at least, and thus perhaps hasten the end of the war. Japan is not a great financial power, but we have certain resources. We have just covered twice over a government loan of 30,000,000 yen ($15,000,000) and that probably would make the issue of a second loan difficult, but to prove our sympathy for France we would be happy to give our aid, however modest.

"The impossibility of sending troops westward does not prevent us from giving the allies naval and military support. Our arsenals are mobilized as in times of war. We play also the role of sentinel in the Far East preventing our enemies from fomenting revolt among the warlike Mussulman people who might be tempted to profit from your difficulties. We are doing everything necessary to guard against damage to the Trans-Siberian railway whereby our supplies reach Russia. The principles back of all Japanese action is that while our allies are fighting we shall not allow them to be attacked from behind."

Kaiser's Vaulting Ambition

"The State?" said Louis XIV. "It is I." France settled that claim more than a century ago. We settled it more than 250 years ago. But it survives in Germany in the twentieth century, and has brought Europe down into the abyss, filled millions of homes with mourning and plunged every nation into a bottomless ruin. "There is only one master in this country," says the Kaiser. "That is I. Who opposes me I shall crush to pieces."—London Daily News and Leader.

The Magic of Garlic

Has Been Proven to Have Magical Properties in the Treatment of Wounds

One of the most important medical discoveries of the war is the magical properties of garlic as an antiseptic. It has proved to be a tremendous boon to the wounded soldiers. The discovery was first announced in the Lancet by Dr. A. D. Serrell Cooke and Dr. V. Gabriel, two London medical men who introduced the remedy into Paddington Infirmary with remarkable results. Of the hundred cases treated there not a single failure was recorded. Most of these cases were of people in very weak health and with terribly infected wounds, and of infirm, old people who appeared to have no chance of recovery. Equally gratifying results have been obtained at the front. When applied to a wound the garlic stops the infection and heals the wound in an astonishingly quick time, where other antisepetics injure the tissues if used at the strength required to arrest the infection. The juice gets the infection under control within forty-years hours, even in the worst cases.

The medical properties of garlic were well known in our grandmothers' days, and no garden was considered complete that did not make provision for medicinal herbs, including garlic. But the medical lore of women has almost died out. While travelling in France recently an army doctor found an old peasant woman carrying a bunch of garlic. She said she rubbed pieces of garlic on sores and found that they cured them. Native apothecaries in India effect cures by using it as a plaster. Garlic is a popular article of diet in Southern Europe, and its pungent flavor may be detected any day when passing through the foreign quarters of our cities. The discovery of its antiseptic properties has enhanced its value. English druggists now order it by the ton where formerly they only stocked small quantities. The juice costs about six cents an ounce. It is obtained by crushing the vegetable. The juice is then filtered, diluted with three to four parts of distilled water, and applied to the wound with a syringe.—Toronto Globe.

The United States navy has dropped the term "helm" and will in the future use the unmistakable word "rudder." Instead of the old-fashioned command, "Starboard your helm," the new direction will be, "Right rudder." The old phrase sounds more "nautical," but quickness of comprehension and action are nowadays essential, and picturesque terminology must suffer.

"Would you like some views of the hotel to send to your friends?"

"Sir," said the disgruntled guest, "I presume it will be better for me to keep my views to myself."

The British Spirit

United States Citizen Writes of His Impressions After a Year in England

In a letter to the New York Tribune a citizen of the United States writes of the "British Spirit" after an experience of a year's residence in London as follows:

"It was painful leaving there, when everybody we knew, all the nation, is suffering untold anxieties, incredible woe, making sacrifices of blood and treasure, enduring all things in silent, magnificent patience, with unflinching courage. To come over here and be safe, to get out of the stress and strain, seemed to me to be like sneaking away from friends in distress, almost cowardly. How kind our friends all were—bidding us a cheery good-bye and a happy home-coming—and the formula so often and so earnestly repeated, 'Come to us again in happier days.'

"I would not have forgotten the experience of the past year; I would not have missed the opportunity of seeing England in her time of trouble; nothing could make up to me the loss of that great privilege. I do not exaggerate when I say that the year in Great Britain was the most intensely interesting and inspiring year of my life since that year so long ago when the Civil War was ended and our country remained undivided. It was wonderful to witness the ennobling of England, the splendid fashion in which that nation consecrated itself to the maintenance of all the grand and great ideals that have made her mighty and worthy of praise in her long past. And, oh! how I envied those who were privileged to work for her—and I could do nothing but sit and hold my breath and look with streaming eyes—fists clenched—and pray for her success.

"Our last night but one in London was the night of the Zeppelin raid. I wouldn't have missed having that experience. There were seven women in my cousin's house during the 25 minutes of bomb dropping, and air-gun firing, and many of the reports made the windows rattle. But none of the seven exhibited the slightest trace of fear or nervousness. I do not exaggerate. And yet they were real women, and I imagine any or all of them would have climbed up onto the piano if a mouse had entered the room. And it was so all over London.

"And these are the people whose subjugation is regarded as a possible thing by the butchers of Belgium and the murderers of the Lusitania's women and children! May I suggest an explanation of the besotted fury of the Germans against the British, and of their desire to turn the British Islands like Belgium, into a pit of agony and shame? It is the explanation given years ago by a wise British publicist, writing on Bismarck's hatred. Bismarck, he said, felt his inferiority to an English gentleman and it made him writhe. That is what is the matter with the Germans.

"They hate the British because every time they come in contact with a member of the race they feel their inferiority in everything that spells breeding, taste, the social decencies, the point of honor. It bites like acid through their dirty vanity and they itch for revenge, the revenge of physical violence and spiritual torture. It is amusing as well as disgusting to see them trying to explain away their 'scrap of paper' hypothesis and to see the man Lissauer essaying foolish regrets for his gutter-song of 'hate.' They have no regrets for wrong done. But they are beginning to realize what decent people think of them and their vanity squirms again as they once more sense dimly their ingrained inferiority."

Alien Enemies in Canada

Canada has just concluded taking a special census of the alien enemies in the Dominion, with the result that there are shown to be 165,775 subjects of countries at war with England residing in Canada. That is a considerable number, considering that the population of the Dominion is only eight millions. Nevertheless, the Dominion remains calm, representative comment being that they must be a well behaved lot to have given so little trouble. Certain it is that half that number might have caused Canada much worry and expense although the result upon the war would have been negligible. Similarly, if the Canadians had been less reasonable there might have been an outburst of spy mania, and boycott and persecution for accident of birth, apart from conduct in the enemy's country. Incidents of the hostilities upon which it is possible to speak agreeably are so rare that it is worth while to make note of them when they occur.—New York Times.

Returned With Interest

A horse, the property of a Chicago man, which was recently stolen, after the lapse of a few days, turned up at his proper home, drawing a spick-and-span wagon and proudly wearing a brand-new harness, says the Horse Lover. Inquiries by the owner of the horse for the proper owner of the wagon and harness have evoked no response, which, upon reflection, is not so inexplicable.

When did a stolen automobile ever come home with a new motor or a new set of tires? What stolen aeroplane has flown back to its owner's hangar with a new set of planes? Of course, not all horses accomplish this feat of coming back with the spoils. Most of them lack opportunity by not being stolen. Also a majority of the stolen ones are driven at top speed to a neighboring State and there "swapped" for any personal property that is obtainable. Up to the present time we have not heard of any motor-car manufacturer claiming this kind of efficiency for his product.

FOREIGNERS ON THRONES ARE THE BANE OF BULGARIA AND GREECE

NATIVES LED TO DESTRUCTION BY OWN RULERS

That Bulgaria, Following the Example of Turkey, Should with Eyes Wide Open Have Submitted to the Lure of the Kaiser, is a Marvel to Mankind

General satisfaction is expressed at the discovery that the allies are not disposed to make with Bulgaria the fatal mistake which a year ago helped Germany to play her game with Turkey as a pawn.

Immediately after commencement of war grave suspicions were aroused by the action of the Porte. The allied powers, probably thinking it incredible that Turkey should commit the suicidal act of throwing in her lot with Germany and Austria, contented themselves with offering sound advice. It was not till Nov. 5 in last year that Great Britain declared war against Turkey. Meanwhile Germany, having a free hand, utilized the interval by flooding Constantinople with officers, military and naval, who took over charge of the Turks' army and fleet. They erected, manned and armed the elaborate fortifications of Gallipoli that have cost so much to the allied armies. Profiting by experience the civilized powers served Bulgaria with an ultimatum having a run of twenty-four hours, promptly following up its termination by landing an Anglo-French expeditionary force at Salonika.

That Bulgaria, following the example of Turkey, should with eyes wide open have submitted to the lure of the Kaiser, is a marvel to mankind. He seems to have the paralyzing power of the octopus which, stretching forth a tentacle right or left, seizes an unresisting victim. His plan is simple, identical in its operation at Constantinople and Sofia. To both he promised on the conclusion of the war large tracts of other people's lands. That, of course, assumed that he would come out of the fight conqueror, arbiter of the fate of four nations—Great Britain, France, Russia and Italy, not to mention Japan. Of course, his dream, involving payment of vast indemnities by the subject nations, may be realized. On the other hand, it may not. In such cases, Turkey and Bulgaria will have to share with Germany and Austria the heavy penalty of disturbance of the peace of the world.

The pitiful thing is that on the way to ruin the people, Turks and Bulgars are being led to the slaughter house by their rulers in opposition to their own desires. The Turks have been driven into a conflict with which they had no concern by a set of men pampered and bribed by Berlin. They are at least natives. The King of Bulgaria, like the King of Greece, is an alien, of German lineage. The King of Greece, who withstands the national desire to join the allied powers, a Dane by birth, is married to a sister of the Kaiser. To the simple mind it seems incredible that interlopers, neither of supreme capacity, should be able to balk the wishes of a nation.

An officer invalided home after the battle of Hulluch tells me he was surprised at the result of the magnificent advance of the British forces on the German lines. During prolonged duty in the trenches he closely studied them and had sorrowfully arrived at the conclusion that they were impregnable. As we know, that was a view confidently shared by the Germans. What achieved the apparently impossible was the terrific fire kept up day and night from British batteries. There is now no shortage of supply, whether of guns or of ammunition.

The first evidence of the new state of things is seen in this successful attack, resulting in an important advance of the British and French position. There is, he said, no prospect now of relapse into the former condition of affairs. The consequence is that the forward movement will be continued till the Germans are driven out of France and Flanders. While in a quietly determined manner and speech this high authority, fresh from the scene of conflict, is thus hopeful, he does not overlook or minimize the danger and difficulty ahead. The Germans are on the homeward march. But they will make it, at least, to begin with, exceedingly slow, taking heavy toll from the driving force in the rear.

What puzzles the officer is the neglect of the Germans to adopt the strategy that proved successful in the case of the British and the French. As Belgium learned more than twelve months ago and as the Russians have been taught afresh within the last five or six weeks, Germany alone among the combatant nations has not been hampered by insufficient supply of gun and shells. Presumably, indeed in accord with information acquired at headquarters, she has for months and at her command munitions equal in calibre and quantity to those which Sir John French made such effective use. Why did she not turn them on the British trenches and work there the havoc later wrought by British guns upon German trenches? That is a mystery my friend could not fathom. Knowing his German, he surmises that it conceals facts revelation of which would be exceedingly useful at British and French headquarters.—Sir Henry Lucy in the New York Sun.

Heir of Millionaire

Street Waif is Adopted by American Capitalist

Sometimes there's a lot in a name. Take the little four-year-old lad who a year ago was Austin McCleary. That was his name at midnight of September 12, 1914, when, abandoned, he was picked up by a policeman from the steps of St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York.

Until the other day he had not even that name, for the authorities had substituted "John Roe" and the number "104," when they placed him in St. Christopher's Methodist Episcopal Home at Dobbs Ferry.

He is now Finley Jay Shepard, adopted son of the well known Helen Gould Shepard, and heir to their millions. From existence as a ward without parents in a semi-public home, he has jumped to one of the most distinguished names in the United States, and to a future which holds only the desirable.

Mrs. Shepard saw the boy on one of her frequent charitable visits to the Dobbs Ferry establishment, and became fond of him. She took him home and her husband was captivated. In him they saw the solution of the problem of loneliness which hung about their magnificent place at Irvington. They made every attempt to locate the child's people, who were supposed to come from Philadelphia. The quest failed, and now they have been given legal possession of the youngster as their son. Experts say he undoubtedly comes from a good family and that he has an unusually bright mind.

Guns Soon Stop the Bombs

An officer of a Highland Territorial battalion at the front, writing on the effect of big gun fire, says:

One hears a tremendous crash, and then a cloud of white smoke and chalk rises in our trenches, caused by the explosion of a German trench-mortar bomb or an aerial torpedo. Five or six of these come over, and then far behind us we hear a comparatively low crack and a rumbling sound resembling a railway train in the distance.

This sound passes overhead, and soon we see a tremendous black-and-white cloud rising among the German trenches. The sound of the explosion comes a few seconds later. When others arrive, all near the same place, the German trench mortars stop immediately, and we realize the moral and real effect of high-explosive shells of large calibre.

Jews in Russia Face Starvation

London Meeting Called to Aid Victims; Hears Details of Agony and Suffering

At a meeting held in London on behalf of the fund for the relief of Jewish victims of the war in Russia it was announced that there were 1,500,000 Jews starving in Russia.

Leopold de Rothschild presided and Lord Swaytholing, Chief Rabbi Hertz, Israel Zangwill and other prominent Jews, were present. Rabbia Hertz declared the task before those raising the fund is vast and urgent. The response to the appeal for funds from the British Jews he said was not nearly adequate mainly owing to their ignorance of the real state of affairs. For nearly a year there had been a sinister silence in the general press, broken only occasionally by a sneer at the Jews on the part of the preachers of race hatred and apologists for reaction.

The Jews, he added, were face to face with a tradegy unparalleled in the history of Jewish agony. The Petrograd authorities, Rabbi Hertz concluded, expected 1,000,000 pounds ($5,000,000) fund from British Jews and only 60,000 pounds had been raised. He said the present call was for sacrifices and self taxation.

Shipping Unfinished Cattle

Mr. G. T. Willingmyre of the Dominion department of agriculture, has been visiting different points in the west and calling the attention of farmers to the loss from exportation of unfinished cattle to the United States. These animals are shipped from Winnipeg and other cattle centres to the big packing plants of the States, and when they arrive there they are in such poor condition that the price they bring is very low compared with what good cattle bring. This matter is considered to be very serious and an effort will be made to educate the cattle growers to the advisability of keeping their cattle where they have such abundant grazing facilities, so that when they reach the live stock markets in the United States they will bring the highest market prices.

Enforce Silence in Public Places

The minister of war has sent to the military government of Paris and Lyons and the generals commanding the military districts of France large placards reading: "Keep silent; be careful, the enemy is listening."

It is ordered that these placards be placed in railway trains and street cars and other public places.

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So far there seems to be a great dearth of candidates for municipal honors. There is only one candidate for Mayor in the field, and Ald. Kerton so far is the only member who has announced his intention of seeking re-election. Ald. Leighton might stand if necessary and it would not require a great deal of persuation to induce Mr. Jas. Aston to stand in Ward 2 and Mr. Parez is spoken of as a possible candidate in Ward 2.

Victoria Notes

With recruiting proceeding for the 88th. and 104th. Battalion, in addition to the Bantam's Battalion and Motordriver's detachment, the number of men serving the Empire is being augmented. Wounded are arriving almost daily and invariably receive a hearty welcome. It is up to the people of the Island to see that they now receive congenial and suitable employment.

In spite of the depression of which so much has been made, the local stores are doing a roaring business in preparation for Christmas. It was practically impossible to be attended to on Saturday, so great was the crush, and thousands were buying and paying cash for what they bought.

The war is curing many ills which were hampering the province. The abuse of credit was one of them.

City Council

The City Council held a short special meeting on Monday evening for the purpose of discussing the financial situation and the advisability of moving the city offices.

All the members were present except Ald. Robertson.

The clerk stated that it would require about $1,050 to pay the accounts already due or accruing due; and besides this there would be about $800 for teachers salaries, etc. against which there was the Government grant, the E. & N. Railway taxes, outside school taxes and licenses, which amounted to $1,500. The bank had signified its willingness to lend the city $500 to tide them over, and the finance committee were instructed to interview the bank and arrange for the loan.

Ald. Leighton said the proposed new premises would be close to the city scales.

The clerk said the rent would be $15 per month. There was not room in the passage for a cell. Mr. Fechner would take out the shelving etc. The council would have to do all other fitting up.

Ald. McNeil thought the matter should be left over for the next council to decide. It looked as though the present council were trying to "slip one over" on the new council by leasing new premises. Ald. Johnston expressed himself of the same opinion, and it was finally left over for the new council to select their own chambers.

The Clerk stated that it took too much of his time to look after the scales. N. Boden was appointed to look after them for a month, his renumeration to be one half of the receipts.

Court of Revision

The Court of Revision then met, and several names were added to the roll, none being struck off. It was then moved by Ald. Leighton, seconded by Ald. Kerton, that the Voters' List be accepted as amended, and the Clerk was ordered to have 100 copies printed.

There are 425 names on the list, about half of which are available for voting. The election takes place on Jan. 13.

Liberty and Comox

Ye chields o' honour, men o' grit,
What care na for the Huns a whit,
Ye're wanted sair doon i' the spit
Tae sign the gree
Ye'll stan' by Geordie an ne'er quit
Until ye're on the spree.

The Wanton Willie, King o' Grace,
Gif no o' heaven, the ither place,
O' airmies brags he hands the Ace
Ower a' the earth.
Aiblins mak him change his face
When on his hearth.

This blasted monsterance sae eevil,
An' wha' o' God can preach an' sneevil
Oat o' a job has chased the deevil
Wi' hellish mirth,
An' a' the Warl put on a sweevil
Tae greet his birth.

Then bring tae mind puir Belgium's lot,
Her ruined houf, her empty pot,
Her lif's bluid drained by bluidly sot
An' conquest micht,
An' let them fin' the hand ye've got
Tae hand up richt.

I'm tauld the Captain they hae fand,
O' this new Corp to take command,
Nae better sojer i' the land
Tae lead the way,
He's proved by deed, he'll by ye hand
Tae victory.

The bonnie lasses o' this vale,
Will think o' men ye are the wale,
They'll see that aye ye socks are hale
Sowewhar i' France,
And send ye presents thro' the mail
Thay'll gir ye dance.

Ye busky boys o' North tak tent,
Ye brawny chields o' Settlement,
For sake the lonely furrow bent—
For Geordies cause,
Allied in airms wi' honour blent
An' freedom's laws.

Ye brither Scots get sojer's coats,
O' kilts, they tell me they have lots,
An' show Auld Willie, the Land o' Oats
Has Bruce's breed,
As ower their heid the lion floats
They'll win or deid.

Ye Irish loons an' English blokes,
Ye Canuck's come on in yer flocks,
Forget yer dollars an' yer stocks
An' real estate;
Gi for Moloch gets ye by the hocks,
Whit then yer fate?

Noo lads, I hope ye see wi' me,
Yer duty's plain as ye maun see,
Nae Martyr are ye ca'd be
Like John Knox;
Be up an' feght for Liberty
An' Comox.

—SCOTIA

Christmas Services

Christmas Day. Holy communion 8:30 a. m. S. Andrew's Church Sandwick. Matins and holy communion 11 a. m. S. John's Church Courtenay.

Sunday, December 26. Mattins and Holy communion 11 a. m. S. Andrew's church. Children's service 3:00 p. m. S. John's church. Evensong 7:30 p. m. S. John's church.

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Ladies' sweater coats in two tone silk, also hand knit sweater coats with cap to match, in all shades

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Silk blouses in plain tailored habitus, silk in white only at $4.50. Silk and silk crepe blouses from $3.75 to $12.50. Black silk blouses in messalene and Peau de Sol silk from 3.75 to 8.50

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Ladies silk and silk mixture umbrellas with straight or crooked handles and sterling silver mounts from 1.50 to 6

Xmas. Gifts
Suitable Xmas. gifts in photo frames, albums, handkerchief cases, pin cushion, wool knit and fancy felt slippers, mufflers, fancy silk and motor scarfs, fancy chinaware and hand painted vases. Special value in electric reading lamps with hand painted shades

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Dec. 15	Corinthian		St. John	London	—	$60.00	$33.75
Dec. 17	Cymric	White Star	New York	Liverpool	—	$ 0.00	$33.75
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COMOX

F. Willoughby has taken a position with A. B. Ball

Where is J. LaForest? He has not been seen since about September 25th.

A. B. Ball has secured the contract of supplying the soldiers with groceries etc.

Mr. J. R. Miller, of Little River is a patient at St. Joseph's Hospital.

Bishop McDonald, of Victoria, spent four days at St. Joseph's hospital last week. He had been on a visit to Alberni.

Alex. Peterson's many friends at Headquarters will be pleased to learn that he has so far recovered as to be able to go on a visit to Vancouver. He expects to be back for Christmas.

The annual school concert and dance take place on Friday night

A number of spring salmon have already been caught in the bay.

The little Red Cross Workers dance has been postponed from Dec. 31 to Jan. 7. These busy little girls deserve the hearty support of the public in their laudable efforts to do their bit for the comfort of the wounded soldiers.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell, of Nanaimo, are here attending Mr. Robb, whose condition shows no improvement.

Mesdames Hunter and Planta left for their homes at Nanaimo on Monday.

Service at St. Peter's on Sunday at 11 a. m. and at Lazo at 3 p. m.

Mrs. Cyril Piercy has just heard from her brother who is in British East Africa. This is the first word that has come from him in eight months. He has not been allowed to communicate anything to outside friends. Just says he is well, and has everything he needs.

H. S. Clements, M. P., was a visitor in town for a few minutes on Sunday.

At present there are thirty-four soldiers, besides twenty-five engineers at the recruiting barracks here. One company of men are busy building a dam across Brooklyn creek to furnish a water supply for the men on the Spit. The water will be conveyed across the bay through wooden pipes supported on pontoons. Another portion of the men are packing lumber from the water's edge to the places where the barracks will be built. The lumber is towed down from Kilpatrick's mill at high tide and left on the shore and is carried up when the tide recedes.

One of our citizens says that he and his wife were talking together about the necessary demise of their faithful retainer "trusty tray." The dog evidently understood that his doom had come, and so unbeknownst he trecked for friends some ten miles away and refuses to return to his Comox friends until times are better. Maybe he is taking out an accident policy

No condition so low but may have hopes, and none so high but may have fears.

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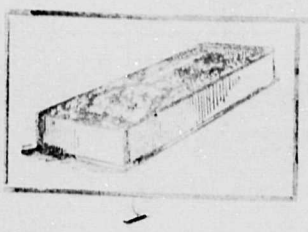

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Letter To The Editor

To The Editor Courtenay Review.

Dear Sir:—In a letter which was written by me and which was published in The Courtenay Review on the 21st of October, 1915 I referred to the action of the Mayor in connection with the proceedings at a meeting of the council held on the 11th of October, 1915, when a resolution was proposed on the subject of a letter which I had written to the council requesting permission to move the sidewalk opposite my place back to the street line. In the letter which was published in your paper I referred to an amendment moved by Alderman Kerton to the proposed resolution of the council which amendment was in the following words, "That Mr. Johnston be given permission to move the sidewalk back to the street line." I said that on that amendment being put, two votes were in favor and three against it but nevertheless the Mayor had called it a tie, and that I immediately protested that the vote was not a tie because the Mayor had not raised his hand and consequently could not be considered to have voted. The Mayor replied "I raised my hand a little, do you want me to put it right up." Nevertheless the Mayor did not raise his hand at all that I could see and there were a number of witnesses who can verify my statement on this question. When I wrote the letter I was under the impression that the Mayor could only vote in the same manner as the Aldermen, namely a show of hands, and that inasmuch as he had not raised his hand in support of the amendment that he could not be considered to have voted. I am now informed that the declaration by the Mayor that the vote was a tie was equivalent in law to a vote by him in favor of the amendment. If I had been aware at the time that this was the legal effect of his action in declaring the vote a tie I would not have published the statement which appeared in your paper

I wish therefore to express in this public way my regret for having inadvertently misunderstood that at law although the Mayor did not raise his hand to show he had voted, his declaration that it was a tie was equivalent to his vote making it a tie.

I therefore apologize for having criticized the Mayor.

Yours truly,
JOHN JOHNSTON,
Lake Trail, Courtenay Dec, 14, '15

Editor Review,

Dear Sir:—We are pleased to state that we have 100 per cent. more patrons on our books than for corresponding time last year. In spite of this increase we are at present unable to supply demand for butter, and had this morning to send telegrams explaining that we were sold out and could not forward this morning's train.

You will admit that this position is pleasing "these dull times"?

Yours respectfully,
COMOX CREAMERY ASS. LTD.
per R. U. Hurford, Sec,
Courtenay, Dec. 13, 1915.

Editor Review,

As there will be brought before the patrons and shareholders of the Comox Creamery Association for their consideration at the Annual General Meeting a number of resolutions affecting shares, a few remarks concerning same and the reasons may be of interest.

In the first place a large number of the original shareholders have left the district, which, with changes caused by deaths has left too small a percentage of shareholders among those who actually support the Association.

Also the Agricultural Act of 1915 has many advantages over the old act under which the Creamery was incorporated and it is the policy of the Creamery to so arrange its share capital and bylaws as to be able to come under this heading.

The patrons will be asked to take two or more shares of $100 each and to pay 20 p. c. of par value on each share taken. Arrangements will be made so that any member wishing to do so, can pay a small sum monthly. As it will be the policy of directors (with the approval of meeting) to so conduct the Association that it will become a direct advantage for a patron to become a shareholder, the result should be that the Comox Creamery would have the direct backing of the majority of the patrons who would become shareholders. The directors are anxious to bring the Association on a more up to date and stronger footing, to have shares owned by patrons, to take advantage of 1914 Agricultural Associations Act, and they hope to receive the support of the district.

Original shares will be made transferable into new certificates and credit will be given at par valve of $10 for each old share so transferred.

Yours respectfully,
COMOX CREAMERY ASS. LTD.
per R. U. Hurford, Sec.
Courtenay, Dec. 13, 1915.

Red Cross Entertainment

The much talked of "Rustic" concert and dance took place on Friday evening and was a success from the rissing of the curtain to the last strains of the home waltz. A very noticeable feature, which others might well follow, was the promptness with which the play commenced, and the seasonable hour the dance ended. The refreshments were ample and daintily served, and everybody got the right change back.

A full house greeted the performers, and the net proceeds were $102.90.

The artistes had practiced thoroughly for some weeks and gave a very creditable performance of "Old Acre Folk."

R. M. Halliday's impersonation of the old fashioned, long headed Deacon was good; while Miss Edith Piercy sustained the part of the deacon's wife in excellent style. Her reference to the hole Courtenay would be in when she installed electric light, waterworks, etc., was particularly good. All the other artistes in the piece accredited themselves very well.

A laughable sketch "The Cowboy and his horse" by R. B. Prendergast, assisted by Watkinson and Woods, kept the audience in good humor.

The Harmony Orchestra kindly gave their services for the performance, which added greatly to its effect.

Should the "Rustics" decide to give another play in the future they may be sure of a royal welcome and a bumper house from Courtenay.

Following was the cast of characters:

The Deacon.....R. M. Halliday
Deacon's wife.....Miss E. Piercy
Deacon's son.....E. H. Watkinson
Deacon's daughter Miss M. Piercy
The Squire.....R. Grant
Squire's daughter..Miss L. Woods
The housekeeper...Miss Robertson
The Country boy.....E. Woods
The Stranger...R. B. Prendergast
The Constable.....B. Grant

The Cowboy and His Horse, R. B. Prendergast, assisted by Messrs. Watkinson and Woods

Financial statement of proceeds of entertainment.

Receipts	
Proceeds of concert.....	$ 76 75
Proceeds of dance.....	36 00
Sale of refreshments.....	16 55
	$129 30
Payments	
Orchestra and hall.....	$ 15 00
Lights.....	2 00
Printing.....	5 25
Stage expenses.....	1 30
*Cash to Bank Red Cross Fund.....	105 90
	$129 30

R. B. Prendergast, Sec.
R. M. Halliday, Treas.

*The above amount of $102.90 has been deposited to the credit of Red Cross account No. in the Royal Bank of Canada, Courtenay
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CHAPTER XLIV.

Still Nearer

He entered as coolly and easily as if he had been doing this kind of thing all his life, as if he had the full use of his eyesight.

"I can't see you, but, of course, you are there," he said. "Tchigorsky sent me because he cannot come himself. The jade he calls mistress has need of him. Muffle yourself and follow me. Not too closely."

Geoffrey was only too glad of the opportunity. He passed under the shadow of the rocks until he gained the path to the head of the cliffs and here Ralph paused.

"We are safe now," he said. "You can remove your disguise and cross the terrace. There is not a living soul in the castle at present."

"All the servants are on the beach, then?"

"Every one of them, both male and female, which is a flattering testimony to your popularity, Geoffrey. I opine that they will be pleased to see you in the morning. By the way, have you concocted a plausible story to account for your escape?"

"I haven't," Geoffrey admitted with a smile. "I preferred to leave it to the greater talents of Tchigorsky and yourself. I have no genius for fiction."

Ralph muttered that the matter might be safely left in their hands, and then they entered the deserted castle and made their way to Ralph's room. Here the two doors were closed and Ralph sat down silently over his pipe.

"Is anything going to happen?" Geoffrey asked.

"A great deal during the next hour or two," Ralph replied. "But it is impossible to forecast, and you will see it all for yourself in good time. I can't do anything until I have heard further from our friend Tchigorky."

Half an hour passed in dead silence, and then there was a rapping on the window. When the casement was thrown open, the head of Tchigorsky appeared. He was clad in Oriental robes and had made his way upwards by climbing the thick ivy that grew on that side of the house. He nodded to Geoffrey.

"I told you we should meet again," he said. "I have just ten minutes to spare. A cigarette, please."

Geoffrey handed over the cigarette. "Have you discovered it all?" Ralph asked.

"I have discovered nothing," Tchigorsky said calmly from behind the cloud of smoke. "At present I have not the remotest idea which way she will strike."

"Ah, she is in one of her suspicious moods."

"When she trusts nobody. Quite right. All I can tell you is that she is coming here presently. She is well aware that there is not a soul in the house. She knows that this state of things is likely to last for some time. She will come by and by, and with her she will bring some great danger to the house to Ravenspur. What form that danger is to take I cannot say. But I shall find out."

The last words come from Tchigorsky's lips with a snap.

"But she will want confederates," said Geoffrey.

"She may or she may not. She is a woman of infinite resource. Nobody knows what mischief she is capable of. If she brings me along, I may be exceedingly useful; if she leaves me behind I shall be more usefully employed in going over her papers and documents. You see, I know the language. But, be that as it may, this is going to be an eventful night."

Tchigorsky finished his cigarette and rose to go. He had few instructions to leave behind him, and these few were of at exceedingly simple nature. All that Geoffrey and Ralph Ravenspur had to do was to watch. They were to keep their eyes open and be largely guided by events. And there were to be no lights.

Half an hour passed before Ralph rose and softly opened his door. For a little time he threw the casement wide open. As Geoffrey drew a match from his box Ralph laid a restraining hand on his arm.

"No more smoking," he said. "I purposely opened the casement to sweeten the air of the room. My dear boy, you do not want to betray us with the smell of fresh tobacco. The enemy would take alarm at once."

"I had forgotten," Geoffrey murmured. "How stupid of me!"

Again silence and painful tension of the nerves. Presently below came the soft fall of a foot, and then a noise as if a human body had come in contact with some object in the dark. There was the scratch of a match, and a ball of flame flickered in ghastly fashion in the hall.

"The foe is here," Ralph whispered. "Go and look over. Your rubber-soled boots are in the corner. Put them on."

Geoffrey did as desired. He crept along the corridor until he could look down into the hall. There he saw a woman—a woman who wore short skirts and a closely fitting jacket. She had a small lantern in her hand, the light of which she seemed to lower or heighten by pressing a stud.

Behind her came the two Orientals, who carried a small but heavy brass-bound box between them. This, at a sign from the woman, they deposited on the floor.

As far as Geoffrey could judge neither of these men was Tchigorsky. He could catch the sound of whispered conversation, but the words conveyed no meaning to his ears. The two discussed in a language he did not understand.

A hand was laid on Geoffrey's arm. He turned to see Ralph by his side. The latter bent over the balustrade listening with all his ears. Down below the brass box was being opened and the contents were placed upon the floor.

The contents looked like machinery, but it was machinery of a kind that Geoffrey had never seen before. There was a small disc of hammered copper, and to this was attached a number of what seemed to be indiarubber snakes. At a sign from the woman the two Asiatics picked up the box and its contents and started away toward the kitchen.

Noiseless as they were, Ralph heard them. He clutched his companion's arm.

"They have gone," he whispered. "In which direction?"

"They have moved off towards the kitchen?" said Geoffrey.

"Good! This thing is turning out exactly as I expected. They had something with them?"

"Yes, a thing like a copper octopus with indiarubber tentacles. They have taken it with them. A most extraordinary affair."

"It will be more extraordinary still before it is finished," Ralph said grimly. "Follow them and report what you see. Take good care not to be seen. Unless I am mistaken they are going down to the vaults and are planning a coup to do for us all tonight."

Geoffrey crept silently down the stairs. Then he made his way swiftly along the passages until he came to the cellars. Then the steady blowing of a current of fresh air told him that Ralph's suggestion was right. Down he went until he came to the channel leading to the vaults.

But he was cautious. He peeped down. Below him were three figures, and once more they had spread out their queer apparatus. By the side of it were two large glass-stoppered bottles, such as one sees in a laboratory, receptacles for acids and the like. They were tightly tied over the stoppers.

The woman picked up one of them and removed the parchment. Before she drew the stopper she donned thick glasses and a mask for her face, the two Orientals doing the same. They were evidently dealing with some very dangerous poison.

The stopper was removed and a few spots of the acid dropped on the copper disc. A white smoke arose, which, small as it was, filled the air with a pungent odor. Almost immediately the acid was wiped off and the odor ceased. Only just a whiff of it reached Geoffrey's nose, but it turned him faint—giddy for an instant.

What was going to happen next?

CHAPTER XLV.

Baffled

Geoffrey had not long to wait. From where he was standing he could see down into the vault perfectly well. He would have been better satisfied had he understood what those people were talking about, but their words conveyed nothing to him.

On the floor of the vault the queer-looking machinery was spread out, and to the ends of the indiarubber tubes wires were attached. No sooner had this been accomplished than the woman, after giving some rapid instructions to her allies, left the vault. She was so quick that Geoffrey barely had time to conceal himself behind a pillar before she passed him.

The woman was masked and disguised beyond recognition, but Geoffrey had no need to be told who she was. He knew that he was in the presence of Mrs. May. And, despite his knowledge of her cleverness and resource, he found himself marvelling to see her display so fine a knowledge of the house.

The woman passed along, dragging a number of fine light wires after her. The other ends of the wires were attached to the queer-looking apparatus in the vault.

Mrs. May went along the passages, along the corridor, and up the stairs as if she had been accustomed to the house all her life. Surely she must have been here many times before, or she would not have exhibited such fearless confidence. The idea of the black, gliding figure creeping about the house in the dead of night filled Geoffrey with loathing.

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The civilization of a country is to be judged not by its military law, which is a blanket covering almost everything, but by the way that law is enforced. Technically war progresses; morally it is atavistic, and no nation can without shocking and angering the world do all that it is entitled to do under letter of military law. It is three centuries since England stopped killing women for the offence of which Edith Cavell was guilty. Is that a measure of the degree to which German militarism is out of touch with the progress of the civilized world?—Springfield Republican.

New 1,000 Miles Australian Railway

Already 300 miles of the 1,000 miles of railway across Australia, recommended by Lord Kitchener during his visit to the Commonwealth, for strategical purposes, has been built, and it is expected that the line will be finished by the end of 1916.

"Who is that fellow eulogizing 'this grand and glorious republic?'"

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Keep Your Insurance Policies in Force

One of the most regrettable occurrences in connection with the conduct of the business of life insurance is to receive advice direct from the widow or some other member of the family, or from the company's agent, that a person has died who was a former policyholder in the company, but who has allowed his policy to lapse.

That this does not infrequently happen is only too evident from the many letters containing such advice received by all insurance companies.

Here is a case in point, illustrated by a letter written by Mr. C. D. Rodgers, resident agent at Vancouver to the Imperial Life Company, Toronto:

J. K. Pickett, Esq.,
Manager, Imperial Life,
Toronto, Ont.

Re Policy 15015, A. K. McLennan, lapsed:

Dear Sir,—About a year ago we were doing our best to locate the above policyholder and have him pay his premium which fell due 1st September last, but our efforts were unsuccessful in locating Mr. McLennan. I now beg to advise you that Mrs. McLennan called at the office today, stating that her husband was dead, and she was wondering what shape his policy was in. I was very sorry indeed, to advise her that the policy had lapsed, also showed her copies of letters where we had been doing our best to get in touch with her husband advising him that if his premium due September 1st, was not paid his policy would lapse on 26th November.

Yours truly,

C. D. RODGERS,
Life Manager.

It happens often that a woman, on the death of her husband, is left without any means of support. Her duties have not fitted her to meet the problems of making a living for herself and her children. Poverty and privation stare her in the face.

No man has any excuse for subjecting his wife to such a future. Whatever he earns, a part of it should be invested in life insurance to guarantee her some adequate provision in event of his death.

Sudden change of health also in many cases deprives the family of much needed assurance which the assured has allowed to lapse, and which in the fancied security of perfect past health he felt confident of reviving whenever it suited his convenience. The company is frequently compelled, however reluctantly, to decline an application for revival, owing to the fact that the policyholder is unable to furnish evidence that he is still an insurable life.

Scholarships in Agriculture

Successful Students Selected in Rural Municipalities for Courses at College

Eight pupils from rural schools in the province have already been selected as winners of the Saskatchewan College of Agriculture scholarships donated by line elevators with headquarters in Winnipeg operating country elevators in Saskatchwan.

The scholarships are for $100, and will be spread over two years, $50 for each year. They must be used within four years, otherwise the amount of money allowed each scholar will revert to the scholarship fund.

Following are the scholars who have been selected: Willington Simpson, Auvergne Municipality No. 76; Fred Hextall, Chester Municipality No 125; John Cameron, Big Stick Municipality No. 141; Eyrel Gordon, Sliding Hills Municipality No. 273. Annie Flodstedt, Millington Municipality No. 249; Eldred Schroeder, Lost River Municipality No. 313; Joe Waters, Douglas Municipality No. 436; Donald McMurphy, Mervin Municipality No. 499.

In the case of boys, the course will be the agricultural course of the college; in the case of girls, the domestic science course. The eight scholars who were successful obtained their scholarships in competitions at the Junior Fall Fairs, which were inaugurated this year by the agricultural secretaries throughout the province in conjunction with the department of agriculture of the provincial government.

The competitions were those advised by the department, and in each case the winner received a high percentage, and a fact worthy of notice is that two children of non-English speaking parents won in competition against English-speaking students. Of the other six, two of the children were from a non-English speaking mother, showing the great advance of the pupils, of whom it has been said that it was difficult to obtain a high standard of development, particularly in patriotism.

The competitions where the points were obtained were as follows: Live stock judging, 100 points; best halter-broken colt, 100 points; grain judging, 100 points; identification of plants and seeds, 100 points; collection of 50 plants and seeds, 100 points; best exhibit of grain grown under enterprise No. 9, 100 points; best ten ears of corn under enterprise No. 8, 100 points; best three sheaves, 12 stalks each, enterprise No. 7, 100 points; best peck of potatoes; enterprise No. 6, 100 points; collective exhibit, four kinds of vegetables from school garden, 100 points; flower display from school garden, 100 points; best pair of crate-fattened spring chickens, 100 points; three one-pound prints of butter, 100 points; three loaves of bread, 100 points; girls' sewing competition work, one buttonhole, 100 points; three minute address on any agricultural subject, 100 points; composition of 300 words, 100 points.

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The workman looked up.

"Money," he replied.

"Money!" ejaculated the amazed wayfarer. "And when do you expect to strike it?"

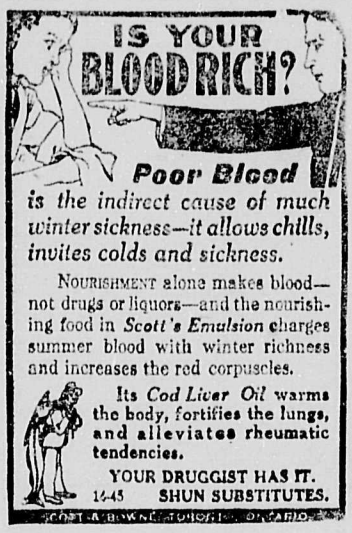
"Saturday," replied the workman, and resumed operations.

Sergeant Doolan—Halt! You can't go in there!

Private Mulligan—Why not, sir?

Sergeant Doolan—Because it's the Colonel's tent.

Private Mulligan—Then what are they doing with 'Private' over the door?



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General Sir Wm. Otter, who is in charge of internment operations, has made a trip of inspection of the camps in Northern Ontario and Quebec. Conditions were found most satisfactory. The aliens employed there are giving no trouble, but doing good work and they have demonstrated the agricultural suitability of the land being turned into model farms. A large crop of potatoes was raised, but unfortunately was spoiled by rain.

It is probable that the population of the internment camps will be increased considerably this winter by Bulgarians. The registration of them is now in progress and any that prove to be dangerous or suspicious characters will be interned.

A new camp is being established at Banff, while the one at Field is being enlarged. Most of the western aliens will be interned at these centres during the winter.

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On July 16, 1439, an act was passed by the British parliament forbidding kissing owing to the pestilence raging over England and France. That is the only enactment passed against kissing in Great Britain; but in several countries there are stringent regulations against kissing in public.

The Bavarian State Railways forbid kissing on their railway system, and the New York Central Railway Company now build in connection with every new station a "kissing gallery" or elevated platform, where passengers are requested to take leave of their friends, and kiss to the limit of their emotion.

One of the French railway companies two years ago promulgated a bylaw by which kissing was added to the list of things banned, but the physicians of Milwaukee about the same time went a step further, and prepared a bill for the absolute suppression of kissing on the ground of the practice being a menace to health.

"Honesty is the best policy," said the ready-made philosopher.

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"Every man in Europe is now a soldier; England is the only land that has not taken to arming the people. Drive England into a corner and tomorrow every man is a soldier. There may be jealousies between her colonies, but if it came to extremities, the colonies would allow no hair of England to be touched. Even India, which was formerly a danger, has shown that England's enemies are her enemies."

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Unparalleled Baseness

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SURGICAL MAGNETS.

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Lauds Russ Temperance

The editor of the Russky Slovo, who has made a personal tour of the roads on which there is a great congestion of refugees from western Russia, writes of the terrible conditions prevailing.

"But," he adds, "we have to thank the work of public organizations, the mild autumn with late rains, and the temperance of the people for the fact that the crisis is passing without grave disturbances. To temperance more than to any other factor is due the heroic calm which the homeless wanderers are pursuing their melancholy pilgrimage."

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Prohibition Results in the Stimulation of Every Branch of Legitimate Trade

The Vindicator has the following:

"As a matter of sheer common sense we know that if the liquor business were abolished the people would buy more of farm products, more of clothing, more of flour, more of meat, more of every commodity than they now purchase.

"The experience of no-licence cities has ever shown that where the saloons are closed men buy more cigars and tobacco in spite of the frantic effort made by the liquor business within the past few months to persuade tobacco dealers and growers that it is to their interest to fight prohibition.

In fact, outside the liquor business there is not a single industry, line if trade or business the interests of which would be adversely affected by prohibition. The cooper will not make whiskey barrels or beer barrels, but the demand for flour barrels will be much greater. The manufacturer of saloon bars will find his market gone, but will find a bigger market for home furniture opened. The man who builds buildings for liquor selling and liquor making will build factories and homes. The man who makes beer and whiskey bottles will make milk bottles

All this is determined by the simple rule that the people are going to buy the things they want, the necessities, comforts, and luxuries of life and that their buying will be enormously increased when the liquor traffic stops robbing them."

When a brewery in West Virginia was closed it was converted into a packing house, which immediately gave employment to ten times as many men as the brewery had ever done.—H. Arnott, M.B., M.C.P.S.

Schedule for Consumption of Meat

German newspapers publish the schedule prepared by the German federal council in pursuance of the decision to restrict consumption fo meat. This schedule as forwarded by Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent, follows:

"Mondays and Thursdays—Restaurants shall offer no meat, such as fowl or dishes cooked in lard, bacon or drippings.

"Tuesdays and Fridays—Butchers shall sell no raw or cooked meats.

"Thus far the federal council has placed no restrictions on cooking of meats in homes."

"Saturdays—Pork shall not be sold."

"Would you like some views of the hotel to send to your friends?"

"Sir," said the disgruntled guest, "I presume it will be better for me to keep my views to myself."

TURN OVER TIME

When Nature Hints About the Food

When there's no relish to food and all that one eats doesn't seem to do any good then is the time to make a turnover in the diet, for that's Nature's way of dropping a hint that the food isn't the kind required.

"For a number of years I followed railroad work, much of it being office work of a trying nature. Meal times were our busiest; and eating too much and too quickly of food such as is commonly served in hotels and restaurants, together with the sedentary habits, were not long in giving me dyspepsia and stomach trouble which reduced my weight from 205 to 160 pounds.

"There was little relish in any food and none of it seemed to do me any good. It seemed the more I ate the poorer I got and was always hungry before another meal, no matter how much I had eaten.

"Then I commenced a trial of Grape-Nuts food, and was surprised how a small saucer of it would carry me along, strong and with satisfied appetite, until the next meal, with no sensations of hunger, weakness or distress as before.

"I have been following this diet now for several months and my improvement has been so great all the others in my family have taken up the use of Grape-Nuts with complete satisfaction and much improvement in health.

"Most people eat hurriedly, have lots of worry, thus hindering digestion and therefore need a food that is predigested and concentrated in nourishment."

"There's a Reason."

Name given by Canadian Postum Co., Windsor, Ont.

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

Marketing Poultry Products

Co-operative Marketing of Poultry and Eggs in the West

While the activities of the live stock branch of the Dominion department of agriculture with regard to the organization of Co-operative Egg and Poultry Marketing associations have been largely confined to date to the eastern provinces of the Dominion, the need and opportunity for work of this kind in the western provinces has not been overlooked.

From the fact that co-operative marketing of poultry products was something new, it was thought advisable to thoroughly test out the practicability of the system before extending it to a wider area. Satisfactory results having been obtained in the east, arrangements are now being made to extend the work to the western provinces.

The new field to be organized will receive the benefit of the experience of men who have been associated with the co-operative work since its inception. Mr. T. A. Benson, who for the past three years had been in charge of the co-operative organization in Prince Edward Island, is being transferred to the province of Alberta to fill a position similar to that which he has held in Prince Edward Island.

Mr. J. H. Hare, who has had an extensive experience in this work, not only with the Ontario provincial department of agriculture, but also during the last two years with the commercial and marketing end of the work undertaken by the live stock branch, has been given general supervision of the Egg Circle work being conducted by the branch. Mr. Hare is now in the western provinces, and will devote the greater part of his time for the next year to directing operations here. For the present he will continue his activities principally to the province of Saskatchewan.

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Shells Destroy Marks on Graves

That the problem of marking the graves of soldiers who have fallen on the battle front is a difficult one is shown by an announcement made from the office of the British secretary of war and published recently in the London newspapers. The announcement says no special crosses can be received for transit and explains that known graves are marked by small wooden crosses treated with creosote to make them waterproof.

Most of the graves, explains the announcement, are within the range of the enemy's shell fire. So much is this true that most of the crosses are destroyed frequently and have to be replaced from a carefully kept register of the burial places as soon as the graves can be reached. Under those conditions the war office says it would be impossible to set up anything like permanent markers until conditions are more settled.

Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper.

Sanitation Saves the British Army

Britain's splendid sanitation and the unprecedented healthfulness of the British army is a saving feature in Britain's status in the present war, according to a statement by Sir James Crichton-Browne, an eminent medical authority.

"With a larger army in the field than ever before," he says, "the percentage of disease is lower than in times of peace."

Sir James called attention to the fact that although a million men had been rejected for physical defects during the first year of the war, these men all had been born from eighteen to forty years ago, in the days of imperfect sanitation, when disease was prevalent and went unchecked.

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"That is too bad!" responded the good woman as she began to give the man some food. "How did the laundry come to fail you?"

"It was this way," he answered, stuffing the food into his pocket, "she got tired of workin' and went home to her mother."

Applicant—I've got a head full of ideas, sir, that would come in handy in the management of your business.

Boss (to nearby clerk)—Here, Jack, take this chap down to the unloading department.

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"Yus; I never meant to break the chair."

Minard's Liniment Cures Colds, &c.

A novel suggestion for raising revenue following the war from alien enemies has been made in London. It is suggested that a poll tax should be levied in the case of every German, Austrian and Turk wishing to reside within the length and breadth of the British empire, a sum of at least $125 a year being charged for the privilege accorded.

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Sir,—Some two years ago I was attacked right and left because I could not see eye to eye with the Prohibitionists and urged the working man's club instead—this to be conducted on similar lines to Earl Grey's system in England, fit for a costermonger or a duke, well furnished with comfortable chairs, tables and bright pictures, well cooked meals with whiskey, beer, tea and coffee as drinks; music and games chess or dominoes if one wishes. Don't forget that under this system eleven millions of customers were served in ten years without a single prosecution. You kindly helped me air my grievance through your columns, and I now wish to express my admiration for the Hon. Mr. McBride in having the courage of his convictions that B. C., through the Provincial House, will do that which is thought best in regard to prohibition and not take Alberta, Manitoba or any other province as a pattern card. He no doubt believes his own judgment to be as reliable as theirs and content to make his own mistakes rather than theirs. I shall fight for the working man, of which I am one. We want and must have our club, same as the rich. With us it is not a case of accepting Hobson's choice, the meaning of which I find is not generally known. "Hobson's choice" is the compulsory acceptance of the thing offered, is an English proverbial phrase which had its origin in the circumstance of the hiring of horses by a Cambridge innkeeper named Hobson to take the horse that stood nearest the stable door, "that or none."

Now in regary to alcoholic drinks to beserved in our club, we should like to see an Act passed this coming session for all German methods in the brewing of beer in B.C. be dropped, and nothing but barley and hops grown in the province to be used. This would increase agricultural production and at the same time make a genuine food and drink. The very best of beer can be brewed for 25c a gallon, and this retailed for 5c per half pint would show a very handsome profit. To cut out the watered stock brewery and the fake they sell it would be necessary for the government to revert back to Dickens' day and issue licenses to those who would run thefr own inns with a malthouse and brewery attached; it would then be the survival of the fittest, the one who brewed the best stuff. B.C. seems to me to be very ideal for brewing the best of beer, the chief essentials being good, well grown barley and hops, but both must be bright in color. This brings to my mind that in the rainy years of 1879 and 1880 in England when the crops were ruined, I saw in the railway sidings at Burton on Trent cars loaded with California barley, a mile in length, which had been shipped round the Horn. It was as bright as silver. This was prior to the Germans introducing their substitutes, but history repeats itself.

B.C. being practically a new country, and only in the making, it should be an easy matter for the Government to come to terms with the few stock companies there are in the province, so as not to inflict a loss on the shareholders.

The first and only time I ever heard that beautiful king fisher bird the "laughing jackass" was some years ago in the backwoods in the outskirts of a village in Australia 300 miles from a licensed liquor town, where I came across a bunch of men sleeping off the effects of bad whiskey bought through blind pigs. My first impression of the laugh of this bird was that it was a human being laughing at the foolishness of theseinebriates, but on being told what it was I came to the conclusion that it was meant for the prohibitionist who entertains the notion that legislation will cut out Alcholics entirely.

yours truyly
W. Idiens.

Courtenay, Dec. 6, 1915.

GRANTHAM

There will be Divine Service in the Mission Church on Christmas Day at 11:30 a. m., and on Sunday the 26th there will be a celebration of Holy Communion at 9:30 a. m. and Evensong at 7:30 p. m.

All interested in the Grantham mission are requested to attend a cleaning bee on Monday next, or if the weather is inclement on the first fine day thereafter.

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Use our 'phone for sending in news items of interest. Don't think because you know a bit of news that everyone else knows it. By sending it to us we in turn may impart it to the world. Phone 59. What interests you is always sure to interest the readers of the Courtenay Review; and it will make the paper more interesting to you, as you can then read what someone else sends in. Don' wait fpr the other person to start it.

David Robertson who worked as a carpenter in these parts, and was one of the first to enlist for overseas service, has been a German prisoner until Dec. 7, when he was returned to England. He had one of his legs amputated, and in an interview said that he had no complaint to make of his treatment while in the German hospitais.

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A foolish woman will make a wise man appear ridiculous in more ways than one. It works the other way too.

The "Rustics" desire to thank all who kindly helped them by giving cakes, etc., also the storekeepers for their donations and all others who assisted on Friday last.

A man and two women named McMillan were caught by Constable Hannay this evening, selling laces, etc without a license. They were taken to Cumberland and ordered to take out a license, and pay the costs of the prosecution.

The Rev E. P. Laycock desires to acknowledge with thanks the gift of $3 for Belgium Relief from the Royston school children. Also $10.00 for sand bags and $1.00 for Church Army Red Cross work. These sums have been forwarded.

Look out for the grand masquerade ball on New Years' eve, under auspices of the Race Track committee. The Harmony orchestra will furnish the music. No orders having been left with Loggie Bros. for suits it will be necessary for home made cosutmes Liberal prizes will be offered. Look out for posters next week.

While going home on Wednesday evening last Mr. Matthewson, sr., was almost run down by an automobile, the driver of which refused to turn out in the least, although motioned to do so by Mr. Matthewson. Some day automobilists will learn that pedestrians have just as much right to the road as they have. Mr. Matthewson threatens to make an example of the next motorist who tries to run him down

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