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## Wedding Bells

On Wednesday at 10.00 a. m., the wedding took place at St, Andrew's church, Sandwick, of Mr. Geo. W. T. Carwithen to Miss E. Whitman. The bride was attended by Miss L. McQuillan as bridesmaid, and was attired in white satin, trimmed with white chiffon and lace, with a veil wreathed with orange blossom. The bridesmaids dress was of light blue soft silk trimmed with pearl buttons and lace, and with a picture hat of black velvet. Beautiful flowers were carried. The bride was given away by by Mr. G. Bates, and the bridegroom had his brother as best man. A short address was given by the Vicar, and to the strains of fhe wedding march the happy pair left the church.

A very pretty wedding rook place at S. Andrew's church at 8 o'clock on Wednesday evening, when Miss Mabel Gurney and Percy Machin were joined together in holy bonds of matrimony. The bride looked very nice in a pretty shade of mauve trimmed with white. The bridesmaids, Miss Caroline Gurney and Miss Lizzie Gibson were very charming and tastefully attired in white muslin frocks and mop caps. The groom was supported by Mr. A. Kirby (who it is whispered felt very nervous.) After the ceremony a reception at Mr. Gurney's house was thoroughly enjoyed. Jimmy Parkin was in great fettle, and his quadrilles caused heaps of merriment. Mr. J. W. McQuillan proved quite a vocalist, and his "Maggie Murphy's Home," was heartily applauded. T. D. Smith gave a good comic song, and Mrs. Monahan's efforts on the piano greatly added to the enjoymeut. The large patry of friends stayed until the wee small hours, the brilliant moon flooding the peaceful valley for the journey home, tended to make a fitting end to a happy evening.

Born—On Tuesday, Dec. 21st., to Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Peterson, a son.

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 raast, which he can get at his convenience.

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For Sale—Two year old Holstein Bull. Apply, J. Crockett, lower road, Sandwick.

Strayed—a brindle heifer, small hole in one ear. Apply to Hugh Morrison, Lake Trail, Courtenay.

For sale, Australian stump puller will trade for small launch engine, must be good. Apply J. Caljouw, Bowser P.O., Vancouver Isle.

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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 Evg. December 28th to play Auction Bridge or Whist in honor of Pte. Perrott. Whist to start at 8.30 Dancing Music by Harmony Orchestra

## Local Lines

Miss Amy Kilpatrick is home from Braemar school for the holidays.

Mrs. Shillington of Lauder, Man. is visiting her sister Mrs. W. H. Kirkwood.

The Mock Parliament has been adjourned until the 1st Thursday in the new year.

## Turkey Supper

The ladies of the Presbyterian church intend having a Turkey Supper on the occasion of their anniversary on Tuesday Jan. 4. Mr. McBeth will do the entertaining.

## 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

## Annual Xmas Tree and Entertainment

The school children will present a cantata entitled Santa Claus Jr., in the Opera House on Xmas eve. There will a chorus of fifty voices, solos action songs, and dialogue. admission 25 cents.

A turkey is being presented to the holder of a numbered ticket at the picture show at the performances this week. Mike Glazbrook was the lucky one on Tuesday evening. Another will be presented tonight and one on Saturday night. All the school children of the district are invited to a free matinee on Saturday afternoon, Xmas. day, at which Mrs. Fechner will give a suitable present.

## Use Our Telephone

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't wait fpr the other person to start it.

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## Find Strange Tribes

### New Primitives Discovered in Siberian Wilds by University Expedition

A remarkable tribe of primitives who live in wigwams, live on meat, and consider reading and writing an accomplishment has been discovered in the wilds of Siberia by the Siberian *expedition of the University of Pennsylvania Museum.*

The first reports concerning this tribe, known as the "Tungus of Northern Siberia," were received recently from London, where the expedition is preparing a complete report of its 700-mile journey from civilization in very low temperatures.

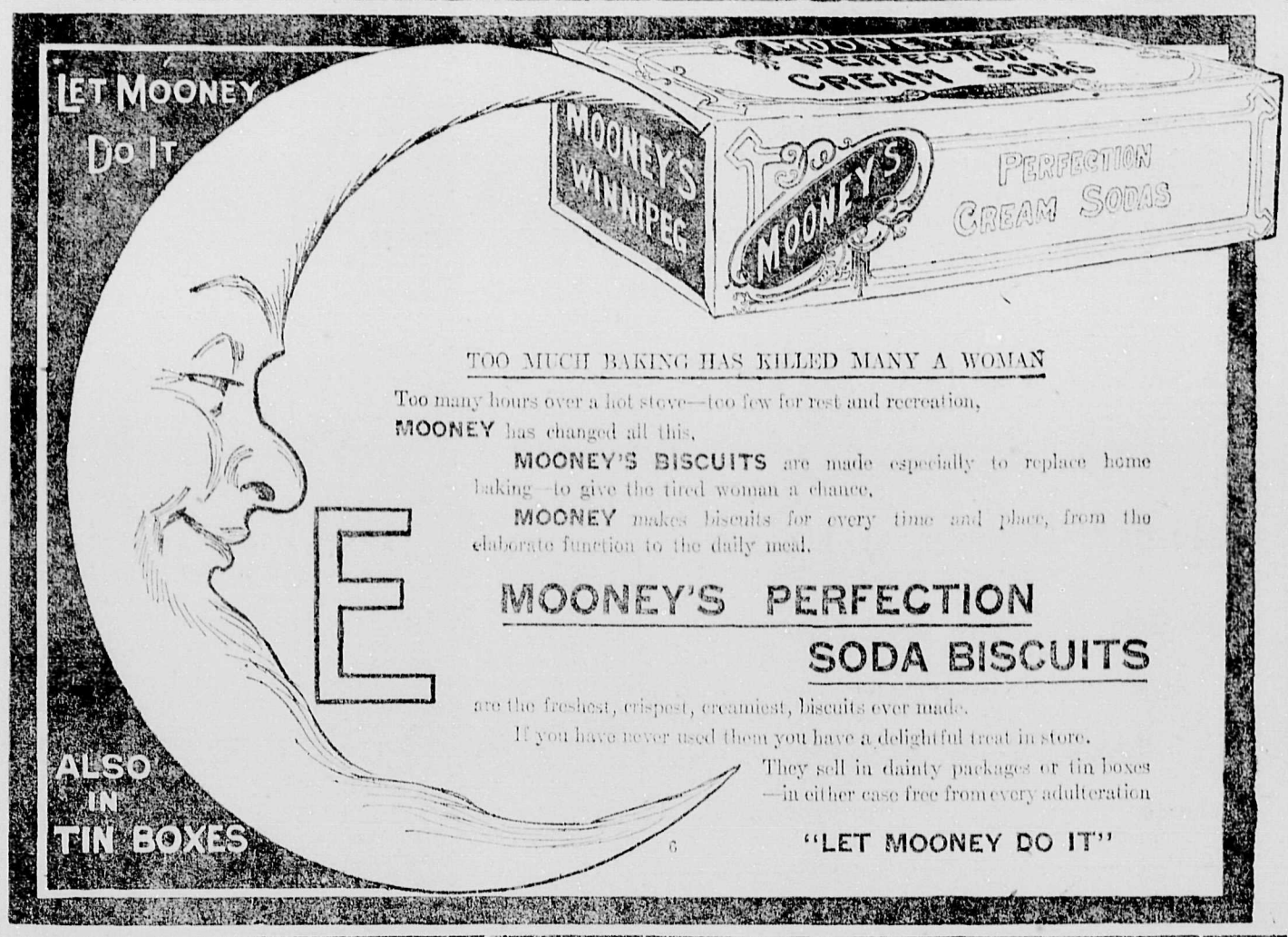
*The "Tungus" know nothing of an* outside world, says the report, and have no religion, save that they believe in certain good and evil spirits to be propitiated. They are Mongolians, and speak a highly inflected tongue, with a philosophy of life which is "eat much, laugh much," and, says the report, they live up to *this dictum. They are enormous* eaters, and are full of jokes.

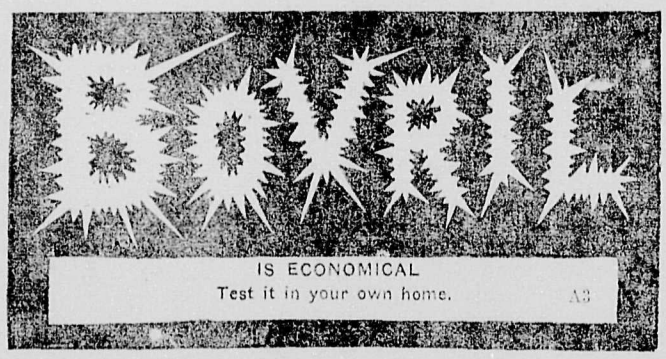
**Don't Submit to Asthma.** If you suffer without hope of breaking the chains which bind you do not put off another day the purchase of Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Remedy. A trial will drive away all doubt as to its efficiency. The sure relief that comes will convince you more than anything that can be written. When help is so sure, why suffer? This matchless remedy is sold by dealers everywhere.

"Some men have no hearts," said the tramp. "I've been a-tellin' that feller I am so dead broke that I have to sleep outdoors."

"Didn't that fetch him?" asked the other.

"Naw. He tol' me he was a-doin' the same thing, and had to pay the doctor for tellin' him to do it."

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### Export of Cotton Products Restricted

The Dominion government has issued an order prohibiting the exportation of all manufactures and products of cotton, dressed and undressed furs to foreign destinations in Europe other than France, Russia, Italy, Spain and Portugal.

Cotton waste remains prohibited to all foreign destinations.

"Mica Ban" is being manufactured by some United States factories. It is used for concrete facing work to produce rock effect.

**Don't Persecute your Bowels**

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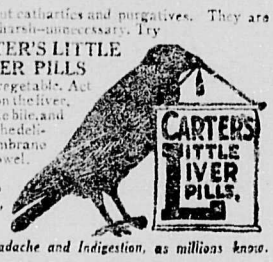


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### What is Germanism?

Germanism is a great criminal conspiracy, a sort of Black Hand or Camorra, all of whose members work secretly, relentlessly, unscrupulously for a common end—the enslaving of the world (writes Mr. Hebert Vivian in the New Witness). Every German—from the highest to the lowest—is a born spy, regarding espionage as one of the prime duties of citizenship. When the Kaiser travelled abroad he *had to keep his eyes open and report* all he saw, just as though he were a common waiter or barber.

## CHILDHOOD AILMENTS

Constipation and indigestion; colic, worms, colds and simple fevers, and *all the other minor ills of little ones* can be promptly cured by Baby's Own Tablets through their action in regulating the stomach and bowels. Concerning them Mrs. H. H. Mills, Haldimand, Que., writes: "I have found Baby's Own Tablets of great service in relieving my little one of constipation and stomach trouble." The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

In that remarkable book, "Government and the Will of the People," which Dr. Delbruck, the successor of Treitschke, published on the eve of the war, he declared the gospel of Prussian despotism with ruthless candour. He dismissed government by the "will of the people" as a vain ideal. There was no such thing, he said, as the will of the people. Legislatures were only representative of the oligarchies which were in control of the party machinery, and though parliaments might be useful for criticism they could not exercise sovereign power. The temple of the state, in a word, was not the parliament, but the barracks, and the problem of government was not, who elects parliament? but, "Whom does the army obey?"—London Daily News and Leader.

No man or woman should hobble painfully about because of corns when so certain a relief is at hand as Holloway's Corn Cure.

Uncle Shadrach had held down the job of pumping the organ at the First Presbyterian Church for a score of years. A new organist had come, and a member of the church asked Uncle Shadrach what he thought of the newcomer. "Well, sah," answered Uncle Shadrach, "Ah, doan' wan' to brag, but Ah kin pump mo' pieces 'n he kin play, sah."

### Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria.

It is known that there are still at large in London, Eng., at least 6,000 Germans, naturalized and otherwise. Now that Zeppelins visit London is it to be doubted that these death-dealing monsters have been guided upon their way by some of these 6,000 or more of enemies within London's huge area, asks a London newspaper.

### Breed, Feed and Care

There are three things that must be considered to build up a herd of good cows. First, breed, then feed, then care. No matter how well bred a cow may be, unless she is properly fed, fed according to her requirements and individuality, she will not do as she should. Then if she is well bred and well fed and not properly cared *for, she is still a failure.* She must be kept comfortable, quiet and contented. She needs good light, good air, plenty of water and kind treatment. Good cows are not developed by harsh treatment. If she expects a whack by a milk stool or fork handle when she is approached is it any wonder she is nervous and kicks? If on the contrary *she never knows fear and as you sit* down to milk her she thinks you are the best calf she ever had, you can figure that kind treatment pays in dollars and cents, or from any point of view.

### Prairie Market For Lumber

The farmers of the prairies spent little money last year in buildings and other improvements which could be deferred. Their wheat crop was almost a failure, and the psychological influence of hard times in the towns affected those farmers who were in a position to build houses and granaries and barns and sheds. The lumber market in the wheat provinces has not been good for two years, but this year's crop will encourage the farmer to make himself and his family and his cattle more comfortable by using for building purposes some of the money that is pouring in.—Vancouver News-Advertiser.

Penelope—Did the play have a happy ending?

Percival—How should I know?

Penelope—You saw it, didn't you?

Percival—Yes, but the hero and the heroine married each other.—Judge.

## CHANGE

*Quit Tea and Coffee and Got Well*

A woman's tea and coffee experience is interesting: "For two weeks at a time I have taken no food but skim milk, for solid food would ferment and cause such distress that I could hardly breathe at times, also excruciating pain and heart palpitation *and all the time I was so nervous and* restless.

"From childhood up I had been a tea and coffee drinker and for the past 20 years I had been trying different physicians, but could get only temporary relief. Then I read an article telling how some one had been helped by leaving off tea and coffee and *drinking Postum and it seemed so* pleasant just to read about good health I decided to try Postum.

"I made the change to Postum and there is such a difference in me that I don't feel like the same person. We all found Postum delicious and like it better than coffee. My health now is wonderfully good.

"*As soon as I made the shift to Postum* I got better and now my troubles are gone. I am fleshy, my food assimilates, the pressure in the chest and palpitation are all gone, my bowels are regular, have no more stomach trouble and my headaches are gone. Remember I did not use medicines at all—just left off tea and coffee and *used Postum steadily." Name given by* Canadian Postum Co., Windsor, Ont.

Postum comes in two forms:

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**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.

## MATCH SPECIALTIES

We have been making matches for 64 years now—Domestic and every other kind.

Some of our specialties are "THE GASLIGHTER" with a 4½ inch stick—"THE EDDYSTONE TORCH" for outdoor use—"WAX VESTAS" for the smoker, and other varieties.

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### PAPER FROM HIS OLD HOME TOWN

When the evenin' shade is fallin' at
the endin' of the day,
An' a feller rests from labor smokin'
at his pipe o' clay,
There's nothin' does him so much
good, be fortune up or down
As the little country paper from his
ol' home town.

It ain't a thing o' beauty an' its print
ain't always clean,
But it straightens out his temper
when a feller's feelin' mean;
It takes the wrinkles off his face an'
brushes off the frown,
That little country paper from his ol'
home town.

It tells of all the parties an' the balls
of Pumpkin Row
'Bout who spent Sunday with his girl
an' how the crops 'll grow.
How it keeps a feller posted 'bout
who's up and who is down,
That little country paper from his ol'
home town.

Now, I like to read the dailies an' the
story papers, too,
An' at times the yaller novels an'
some other trash—don't you?
But when I want some readin' that will
brush away a frown
I want that little paper from my ol'
home town.

—The Scoop.

### Minard's Liniment Cures Colds, &c.

Four professors of the Euphrates *American College founded by American* missionaries at Harpoot, Armenia, were horribly tortured by the Turks before being put to death. The hair and moustache of one professor were pulled out by the roots. The nails of another were pulled out with pincers. Seven-eighths of the students were deported, killed or exiled and the *young girls carried away to harems.*

Doctor—How do you feel, Colonel, when you have actually killed a man?

Colonel—Oh, not so bad. How do you?—Punch.

### The Value of Birds in Forests

*Birds attain their greatest usefulness* in the forests, because the conditions there closely approach the primeval.

Forest trees have their natural insect foes, to which they give food and shelter, and these insects in turn have their natural enemies, among the birds, to which the tree also gives *food and shelter. Hence it follows* that the existence of each one of these forms of life is dependent upon the existence of the others. But for the trees the insects would perish, and but for the birds the trees would perish; and, to follow the inexorable laws of nature to the conclusion of their awful vengeance, but for the trees the world *would perish.—The Value of Birds to* Man, by James Buckland.

Miller's Worm Powders attack worms in the stomach and intestines at once, and no worm can come in contact with them and live. They also correct the unhealthy conditions in the digestive organs that invite and encourage worms, setting up reactions that are most beneficial to the growth of the child. They have attested their power in hundreds of cases and at all times are thoroughly trustworthy.

### Cable Railways For Wounded

An ingenious arrangement is being used by the French in the hilly country of the Vosges, in order to transport their wounded. Cable lines are slung over all the rough portions of the journey and over places where it is impossible to make a road.

Special Red Cross cars or trucks are used on these wire lines, each truck carrying one man and being long enough to let him lie down in comfort while being transported. The speed with which a severely wounded soldier can be taken to the base by these cable railways has saved many a French soldier's life.

### Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper.

An old railroad ticket issued in 1869 was presented to the conductor of a train which runs between Reading and Harrisburg, Pa. The ticket called for a first class ride from Reading to Harrisburg. According to the story of the man who presented the ticket, it was purchased from a man living in Blair county, who had migrated to that section. He said he paid twenty cents for the ticket and saved thirty-nine cents on his investment. The conductor examined the ticket carefully, accepted it, and forwarded it to the office of the general passenger agent.

For voicing anti-British sentiments two more publications, the Irish Voice of Chicago, and the Narodni List, a Croatian paper of New York, have been excluded from the mails under the provisions of the War Measures Act.

# GERMANY NOW AT BREAKING POINT UNDER HEAVY STRAIN OF THE WAR

## HAS RESOLVED INTO A QUESTION OF HOLDING ON

### The Distinctive Military Quality of the British is Their Ability to Hold on, and in the Face of Repeated Reverses, to Live Up to Their Ancient Reputation of Winning Out

A neutral who professes some knowledge of military history asserted the other day that Berlin was never able to win more than one great fight in any of her wars, but that it always happened to be the last one. Beneath the exaggeration of this opinion may be discerned the distinctive military quality of the British, namely, their ability to hold on, and in the face of repeated reverses to come cheerfully and confidently in the final grapple, where they have been successful ever since there was a British nation. In the present war it has been made plain that the British race has lost none of its nobler qualities, and there is doubt in no quarter as to the final issue of the war. This war has come to be a question of holding on, and bitter and desperate though the fight is, our people are entitled to a knowledge of the fact that in Germany the pressure of the war is becoming daily more pronounced. A correspondent of the New York Herald at Zurich, who has been travelling in Germany, finds that a great change has come over the people in the past six months.

He hears talk of quitting; the uppermost word is not victory, but continue to hope for victory. Nevertheless, it is peace they desire above all things. Their fighting spirit is not rising, even though the tide of their armies' victories shows little sign of turning. On the surface the people are with the government and no open criticism of the Kaiser appears; but underneath he finds a growing discontent with the continuance of the war, which the Germans had expected to be over before now. Every month that passes takes its heavy toll of German lives and imposes fresh hardships upon the masses of the people. The newspapers are now venturing to publish letters from the front which discourage the notion that the German soldiers are supermen. Germans in the trenches are allowed to inform the people at home that bravery and military resourcefulness are not exclusive German characteristics, and even to rebuke those who continue to madly cheer for the war.

He says that the recent peace demonstration ordered by the Cardinal Archbishop of Cologne would have been impossible six months ago, and though the actual procession was frustrated at the last moment by the authorities, they feared to interrupt the preparations which had preceded it, knowing very well that the Archbishop represents the feeling in the Rhine provinces and in other parts of Western and Southern Germany, where the majority of the people are Roman Catholics. For months past the archbishop has been advocating peace, and when he announced that upon September 26 there would be a procession in Cologne of those in favor of ending the war at once, thousands of Roman Catholic clubs and societies prepared to take part in it. The authorities hesitated to interfere until it was announced that the Socialists were to participate, when they forbade it on the ground that it would lead to disorders. So the demonstration was cancelled but nobody has ventured to rebuke the archbishop, who continues his demands.

It is the rise in the cost fo living, and especially in the price of food, that increases more than anything else the growth of war weariness. A remarkably outspoken comment on the food question which appeared in the Socialist Vorwarts was as follows:

"One of the most dangerous deceptions perpetrated during the war is the pretence that Germany, although cut off from all her oversea supplies, can feed her own population. The fact is that the population of Germany cannot be properly fed by products of her own country. The war has proven beyond all doubt that it is impossible to produce enough articles of nourishment or to raise a sufficient number of cattle to feed the German people without foreign assistance. It is true that we shall be able to hold out for some limited time, but only at the cost of the health and strength of the nation, now being undermined by systematic deprivation and underfeeding."

From another source it is learned that the great textile industries of Germany are stagnant. This is caused by a lack of raw materials, and means that not only are hundreds of thousand of people out of employment many of whom, of course, are serving as soldiers, but that there is increasing difficulty in supplying the forces with clothing. The government is being called upon to provide for the idle men who are not fitted for military duties or public works, to furnish temporary financial assistance to those without means and to keep the insurance policies of all of them in force until the end of the war. The German goverament may be able to solve this problem, as it has solved others in the course of the past fifteen months, but it is in the position of a tiring horse obliged to face one fence after another, each higher than the one before. Pressure from within and from without increases, and while such enterprises as Germany is now conducting in Serbia may temporarily cheer the people, it does not lessen unemployment, reduce the cost of existence to the masses of German people, nor does it lessen the terrifying lists of dead and wounded which stare the readers of newspapers in the face each morning.

## The Best Country

### The Best Grain in the World and the Fattest Cattle Are Products of Western Canada

Western Canada does not only grow the finest grain and grasses on the American continent but it also produces the best range cattle. This is evident from the fact that Maunsell Brothers of Macleod have topped the Chicago market in this respect for three years in succession.

A few years ago when Seager Wheeler of Rosthern, Sask., won the world's prize for wheat at the International Dry Farming Congress and W. J. Glass of Macleod was second, we thought it was a wonderful thing. The west has been winning so many agricultural prizes and we have got so used to it that an achievement such as that of Maunsell Brothers passes almost unnoticed.

The most satisfactory aspect in connection with the splendid showing made by Western Canadian agriculturists is not that they win prizes and break records once and then relax their efforts, but they keep it up and continue to lead the continent each successive year. All of this goes to show that we have the best agricultural land in America. We grow the best grain, we raise the fattest cattle, We have the ideal mixed farming country.—Calgary Herald.

Sunlight is one of the best and cheapest disinfectants at our disposal, and we should take advantage of this fact at every opportunity. In the construction of barns or shelters of any kind for animals, ample provision should be made for the admission of the maximum amount of sunlight. Southern exposure is desirable, that is, having the majority of the windows facing the south. The warmth thus provided in cold weather is desirable, and much of the excessive heat in summer can be avoided by providing suitable curtains or screens.

One day little Flora was taken to have an aching tooth removed. That night, while she was saying her prayers, her mother was surprised to hear her say: "And forgive us our debts as we forgive our dentists."

Caution children not to play with matches, and warn them of the danger of bonfires to both life and property.

## Was Friend of Kaiser

### General Hunter, Second in Command of the British Troops at Gallipoli, Saved Life of Kaiser

General Sir Archibald Hunter, second in command of the British troops at Gallipoli, was a favorite of the German Emperor before the war, having once saved the Kaiser when a horse attached to a carriage in which he was driving in Scotland became unmanageable. The Emperor paid the Scotch soldier particular attention and gave him a standing invitation to visit Berlin.

The Kaiser must have heard with chagrin that the recent successes in the Anafarta region were due largely to Hunter's direction.

Hunter first made his name in Egypt. In Wolseley's Nile expedition, Hunter captured one of the most truculent Dervish chiefs with his own hands, and carried him off in a gunboat in the very teeth of the tribesmen.

Hunter had fourteen years of the desert and the Nile Valley, and his bravery in all the fighting was a byword with the black troops whose adored leader he was. When the ill-fated gunboat El Teb turned turtle in the fifth cataract, Hunter had a narrow escape, being struck in the side by the bridge rail as he leaped overboard.

Lord Kitchener has much to thank General Hunter for. But for the latter's prompt warning on one occasion Kitchener might never have lived to see the consummation of his work. K. of K. and his staff were inside the enclosure of the Iron Mosque at Omdurman about sunset when a shell burst above the heads of the party.

A second and a third shell came, and then a great number more—and in dashed Hunter who had ridden through the enemy to get to his chief. "These are our own shells, sir!" he cried. "We can't stay here for we cannot stop them."

"Well, gentlemen," said Kitchener, "it would be a pity to be killed when the day's won; we had best move away."

Hunter has been called the most popular man in the British army.

A lantern should always be hung up, specially in the barn or stable. It should never be set on the floor, where it may be easily tipped over.

## In A Nutshell

### About One Hundred Million Dollars Spent Annually on Liquor in the Dominion

As prohibition of the liquor traffic during the war is being earnestly discussed let us briefly consider whether such action is necessary and whether the people would favor it.

About one hundred million dollars are spent in drink every year in the Dominion. Even if it did no harm it would be the part of wisdom to save that large sum especially during the war. But when we consider that it does do much harm and entails so much further expense it seems needless to discuss it.

In England and the United States it is conceded that ten per cent. of all deaths are caused directly or indirectly by drink. If we adopt one-half of that percentage for Canada it gives us about five thousand deaths caused by drink in Canada every year. Where there are so many deaths there must be a much larger number who are more or less injured by it. We shall certainly be within the mark if we say that ten thousand persons are killed and injured every year by drink.

It has been shown in several places that it costs about five times as much as the revenue received from the traffic to care for the paupers, orphans and criminals it causes.

It has also been shown that if the money spent in drink were spent in useful articles, it would give employment to eight times as many persons as are engaged in the manufacture of liquors.

Reports from many places show that the burden of taxation is greater in wet than in dry towns. In some places the tax rate is double. The saving in police expenses alone is more than the license fees. These statements are not mere theory; they have actually occurred in many places and the prosperity following prohibition confirms them.

So much for the needed prohibition even in peace times, but do the people want prohibition? In Ontario they have voted on three different occasions by large majorities in favor of prohibition and there is no evidence that they have changed their lines.

Again nearly three-fourths of the municipalities of Ontario have adopted local prohibition of their own accord and are so well satisfied with it that not one has repealed it in the past five years, notwithstanding all the efforts of the powerful liquor traffic.

A strong indication of the trend of public opinion is found in the fact that a number of our best papers and magazines refuse to carry liquor advertisements into the homes of their subscribers.

It will be asked when all these are in favor of prohibition who are they that are against it and I answer the liquor interest and the barroom brigade. The liquor interest is composed not only of the manufacturers and sellers of liquor, but all those who make profit out of the business, either directly or indirectly.

This is only a partial survey of the question.—H. Arnott, M.B., M.C.P.S.

## Investigating Northern Alberta Nickel Deposits

### Vicars and Maxim Have Sent Expedition Which May Last Two Years

According to the Mining and Scientific Press of October 30, an important expedition is being conducted in Northern Alberta for the purpose of investigating the nickel deposits said to have been found in the Fond du Lac district, east of Lake Athabasca. The item is as follows:

"The British firm of Vicars and Maxim has sent an expedition into the Fond du Lac country, east of Lake Athbasca in Northern Alberta, to investigate the nickel deposits understood to occur in that region. The party, consisting of twenty-five engineers and a large number of assistants and laborers, is in charge of H. V. Bordier, who went to England some time ago in order to interest capitalsist in the district. The expedition left Edmonton three weeks ago, and as every effort was made to keep its object a secret, little was known of it until it was well on its way. The explorers will remain in the country from well over two years, and took with them $50,000 worth of machinery and $10,000 worth of provisions. The total cost will be about $100,000."

## The German Way

### A Sample of the Brutal Severity of the Huns

The brutal severity of the German military authorities is again exemplified in an apparently well authenticated story that has come here from the United States. A young German had come over to New York and established himself in business some years ago. When the war broke out he wrote his fiancee in Germany that he should return and join the army, but he would suffer great loss in a business way. She replied advising him not to go, as they both had brothers fighting at the front. As the war became more desperate he wrote again expressing a still stronger inclination to return.

In reply came another letter from the young lady again advising him not to go, and stating that the members of both their families who were in the army, had been killed.

At the bottom of the letter was a note from the military authorities stating that the writer of the letter had been executed that morning for treason in counselling a German not to return to fight for his country.

# VICTORY FOR CAUSE OF ALLIES IS AS CERTAIN AS THE SUNRISE

## GERMANY IS BEATEN BY BRITAIN AT EVERY TURN

### Sir Arthur Conan Doyle Writes an Article for the United States Press, and Strongly Combats the View that the War to Date has been Unfortunate for Great Britain

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle has written for the U.S. press a vigorous article, in which he combats the view that the war to date has been unfortunate for Great Britain. He scores the British for their national weakness of self depreciation; and proceeds to say in part:

"Yet in our heart of hearts we are as certain of victory as that tomorrow's sun will come, and a dispassionate survey will satisfy any student of history that no great war in which our country has ever been engaged has been marked in the same space of time by such triumphant successes as those of the last fourteen months.

"Our troubles have been those of our allies; our victories have largely been our own. Germany can make a good showing up to date against the coalition. Against Great Britain she has been beaten at every turn.

"Consider what we have done in this short space of time and compare it with the opening of any of our greater wars. In our war against the French Republic, it was nearly two years after its inception that Howe's victory gave us a gleam of success. In the great war against Napoleon it was again two years before Trafalgar ended the fear of imminent invasion and twelve years of very varying fortunes before he won through.

"Now, look at the work of fourteen months. We have annexed the whole great German colonial empire, with the exception of East Africa and a district in Kameruns. We have swept the German flag, both imperial and mercantile, off the face of the ocean; we hae completely sterilized her fleet; we have repelled her serious submarine attack; played our game so skilfully that the flux of time shows us stronger, not weaker, in comparison.

"We hae conquered Mesopatamia from the Turks; we have completely repelled their attempted invasion of Egypt; we have helped to save Paris; we have, with French and Belgian assistance, but mainly by our exertions, stopped the advence on Calais, inflicting a loss of several hundreds of thousands upon the Germans; we have, by our intervention at Antwerp, helped to extricate the Belgian army.

"Finally, and greatest of all, we have raised an enormous volunteer army, which is large enough to turn the scale between the European forces and we have converted ourselves, with wonderful adaptability, into the great factory and munitions store of the allies.

"That is our story, and if any cannot see that it is a wonderful one, he is not merely a pessimist, but blind.

"What have we to put on the other side of the account? I am dealing for the moment with large results and not with details. Where have we failed?

"In the whole world our most severe critic could only point to one place, the Dardanelles; but have we failed in the Dardanelles?

"I believe that if we should never force the straits the enterprise has none the less been worth the undertaking. We have lost 100,000. How many have the Turks lost? Certainly not less.

"We have held up a great body of their best troops, who would otherwise have been operating against us on the Egyptian and Mesopotamian fronts or in the Caucasus against the Russians. General Ian Hamilton has taken the pressure off General Maxwell on the one side and General Nixon on the other.

"But the greatest of all the results from the Dardanelles expedition is that it has united us with Russia as nothing less could have done. She cannot now say, as she might have said, that we thought only of our own empire. We have spent our blood and our ships in trying to force the gates which close her in. When the episode remains a historical reminiscence, like the passage of Admiral Duckworth in 1907, this great result will still remain.

"Again, one sequel which may prove to be of vital importance may spring from the Dardanelles. It is our operation there and the consequent danger to their ally which has drawn the central powers on to their southern advance.

"The immediate result of this has been to bring into the war the Serbians, who for nearly a year had been practically neutral, and so to be supplied by the Germans with men and munitions. It is tapping a fresh vein in a body which is already slowly bleeding to death.

"What have they to gain there? Putting aside all megalomaniac visions of an advance upon India, what is their practical goal? Should they overwhelm Serbia it will go to our hearts, but will make no difference in the war, since Serbia had, as I already remarked, been obliged to rest upon her oars for many months.

"What next could they advance upon? Constantinople, with a strong allied force entrenched upon their flank at Saloniki? Would the Turks really welcome an army of Bulgars and other hereditary enemies marching into their capital at the expense of her hereditary friends?

"And if we assume everything and suppose them at Constantinople, what then? How will they cross the Egyptian desert and meet the quarter of a million whom we could line up on the Suez canal? What will it profit them to be strong in Asia Minor by the time that attrition has worn them down east and west and the ever thickening allied lines are pushing inward for Berlin?

"The more steadily one goes at these fantastic fears the more they spread into mere phantoms of the imagination. The gains of the German expedition are shadowy and distant, the losses are immediate and obvious, and it is the Dardanelles pressure which has drawn them forth.

"Not only have we nothing to reproach ourselves with and a great deal upon which to congratulate ourselves in actual war, but we have, as it seems to me, made remarkably few mistakes.

"Beforehand, thanks to the firmness of Mr. McKenna (first lord of the admiralty, 1908-1911) in the matter of eight great ships and the driving power of Mr. Churchill (first lord from 1911 to 1915) in the year immediately before the war, our navy was ready as it had never been before for a supreme struggle.

"Of the four army corps, which are the most that we had ever thought of sending abroad, two and a half were in time for the first clash and the others followed. We played our part as we said we would play it, and we won our game, so far as we can count gains and losses between Germany and ourselves.

"If Mr. McKenna and Mr. Churchill put us in a strong position upon the water, Lord Haldane (ex-war secretary) forged the weapon which was to do such great service upon the land—the British military machine as we and the Germans know it. The splendid territorial army, the officers' training corps which has been of such vital service, the conversion of the expeditionary force into a practical reality—all spring from his clear and far-seeing mind.

"When one remembers his long defence of the territorials, the gibes to which he and they were subjected; the ridicule with which his assertion was met that they would have time after the outbreak of war to make good troops before taking the field, and when one sees how entirely his forecast has been borne out, one does not know which is the more surprising, his foresight or the ingratitude and perverseness of so many of his fellow countrymen.

"Future generations will, I think, look upon Lord Haldane as one of the saviors of the country.

"After the outbreak of the war we have also been extraordinarily fortunate in our leaders. If one searched backward through the glorious files of British history one could not pick out a man who was so fitted by nature and training for the supervision of such a war as Lord Kitchener.

"His cold, mathematical brain, his power of thinking in terms of the year after next, his enduring, inflexible will and power; his freedom from politics—all of these qualities make him an ideal leader in such a war.

"And what collaborator in Mr. Lloyd George, who supplies exactly what a soldier lacks—the touch with the democracy, the power of the burning word, acquaintance with practical conditions of British life.

With such men at home, and with our leaders on sea and land, from Admiral Jellicoe and Field Marshal French downward, we can surely face the future with a light heart.

"Our troubles never have really been our own, but have arisen from the fact that the secret preparations of the central powers have made them for a limited time more powerful on land than their neighbors. The margin of strength which is wanted, we have to supply. By a miracle of organization and national spirit we shall be able to do so.

"We take our history morning by morning and often the morning seems a dark one. It is not thus that it is written hereafter. We see every swirl and backwater, but the man of the future will see only the main current of the stream.

"There is no use then for pessimism, but rather good reason why we should be on our knees thanking the Power that guides our destiny for evident proof that Great Britain still has the old clear brain to plan and the old strong arms to strike."

### German Paper Fearful of Defeat

Owing to the high prices of food in Germany, neutrals are leaving that country for Switzerland Under the heading "Can We Hold Out?" the Neue Zeitung of Strassburg, says:—"Hardly had we crossed the threshold of the second year of war when with the question of bread settled another anxiety faces us, namely the dearness of the first necessities in the matter of food. Will our enemies succeed in defeating Germany by famine?"

The rank and file of employees must be made to feel that satety work is their work, just as much as it is of their superiors in directive positions.

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A happy Christmas to all our readers. In extending this time honored greeting we do so sincerely and deliberately. We remember that last year there were many who could not bring themselves to utter the words, so incongruous did they seem, But in spite of all the ills and misery, pain and suffering, mourning and sorrow, the war—the world's greatest war—cannot destroy the fact of the Incarnation of the Redeemer of the world whose birth we commemorate during the festival of Christmas. If the present stress were to justify anything but a happy festival, we would ask whether war is so much worse than lust and crime, greed and selfishness, which have existed as long as Christmas, and for thousands of years before the Nativity. The present war only concentrates the sins of a rebellious world, and Christmas points us to the Hope, the silver lining of that and all other dark clouds, the Little Child who came to lead us to better things, and Who will. It is in the faith of the promise, and possessing the comfort that the promise gives, that people will wish one another this Christmas-tide, a Happy Christmas. If we may do so, we plead for a sober and a deeply religious observance too that shall be utterly unselfish and full of sacrifice Yet, in this year of grace, 1615, we desire to drive home that glorious promise, "Peace on earth, goodwill towards men."

## To The Spirit of Christmas

By Louella C. Poole

Once more the Blessed Day has come
To soothe the hearts of Christendom;—
Like some cool hand that's pressed
Upon the fevered pulse of pain,
The Christmas Spirit comes again
To quiet our unrest.

Forgot awhile are grief and loss,
The brooding cares that irk and cross;
From farthest sea to sea,
From northern lands of ice and snow,
To where the rose and jasmine blow,
The Holy Mystery.

Its influence benign outspreads;
On bended knees, with low-bowed head.
With myrrh and spices sweet,
Fit recognition we would make,
Our alabaster boxes break
In tribute at His feet.

O holy, blessed Christmas-time,
Of perfumed censer, pealing chime,
Thy fairest gifts, we pray,
In boundless measures, full and free,
Bestow on those across the sea,
So sore their need today.

The old and frail forget them not;
And those about whose lives are wrought
So much of hope and prayer—
Our little ones, the coming race—
Bestow on them they tenderest grace
To grow in wisdom fair!

Sweet Yule-tide, of thy fulness bring
Peace unto hearts now sorrowing,
And unto great and small,
To man, bird, beast—to all that live—
Thy richest benediction give,
Thy happiness to all!

Municipal matters are not warming up very fast. George Leighton is the only one who has definitely announced that he will be in the running since our last issue. There are rumors that D. Cudmore may seek honors in Ward 3, and that P. L. Anderton will be candidate for Ward 2; while J. Sutton and Ald. McKenzie are also spoken of as a possible team in Ward 2. But if anyone other than these three or four previously mentioned have any aspirations they are keeping it strictly "under their hat." We venture to suggest that the following gentlemen would make an ideal council for next year, and if they can be prevailed upon to accept nomination, will have the support and confidence of the electors.

Mayor, D. Kilpatrick; Aldermen: Ward 1, F. Kerton, G. Leighton, Ward 2, M. Parez, N. H. Boden. Ward 3, W. Duncan, H. Beadnell.

For School Trustees to replace those retiring, if they do not seek re-election, we would suggest F. Kerton and Ald. Robertson.

## Christmas Services

Christmas Day. Holy Communion 8:30 a. m., S Andrew's Church Sandwick Matins and Holy Communion 10:30 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 p. m., S. John's Church. Evensong 7:30 p. m. S. John's Church.

There will be Divine Service in the Mission Church on Christmas Day at 10:30 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.

## Victoria Notes

By the terms of the recent miltary order all saloons in British Columbin and the Yukon are placed out of bounds for soldiers in uniform between 9.30 p. m., and noon the next day. The infraction of this order will doubtless be visited with heavy penalties, but it is a penalty that the same restrictions cannot be made applicable to the whole community. After all, liquor is a doubtful luxury, and certainly no necessity; other luxuries have been curtailed by the inexorable law of necessity and is high time that the use of liquor should be curtailed by the law of the land. But the military order is the first step in the cause of progress.

Now that Comox is to be the mobilization centre of the 102nd. Battalion, it would be a gracious act if the ladies of the valley could make and present the battalion with their regimental colours. The Daughters of the Empire preformed a similar action for the 88th Regiment in Victoria, and the raising of the Comox-Atlin Battalion will certainly rank high in the history of the Valley.

In order to stimulate the consumption of potatoes the Agriultural Dept. at Victoria has issued a booklet containing fifty receipes for cooking the homely "spud." Some striking information is given concerning the nutritive value, and some interesting comparisons are given between one pound of baked potato and such things as eggs, soup, chicken, etc., There is evidently far more in the potato than most people are aware of. and the longevity of the Irish race is quoted as an instance of the valuable service the potato renders to mankind. The booklet may be had for the asking, and the Women's Institute should certainly get a supply


## Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway

**Christmas and New Year Excursion Rates**
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Ladies' neckwear in the latest novelties in muslin, chiffon and crepe de chenes, hand embroidered collars and collarettes, silk and silk crepe ties in plain colors and fancy mixtures at popular prices

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Ladies' long kimonas in all shades in fancy embroidered cotton crepes, also silk komonas silk lined and silk embroidered and quilted silk komonas from $2.50 to $12.50

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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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This is a sample lot of exceptionally good values in silk and muslin hand embroidered dresses from $1.25 to $4.50

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**Silk Blouses**
Silk blouses in plain tailored habitua, 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 Soi silk from 3.75 to 8.50

**Umbrellas**
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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Of all kinds, wool, fur and kid

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## School Report

Primary Department,—
Pupils enrolled, 40.
Average attendance, 36.
Intermediate Department,—
Pupils enrolled, 27,
Average Attendance, 25.
Senior Department,—
Pupils enrolled, 24
Average attendance, 22.

The following pupils in the senior room have attended every day this year. Thomas McQuillan, Harry Radford, Leila Carroll, Jean Menzies, Henry Crawford, Claud Ployart, Edith Fitzgerald.

The marks obtained in the weekly examinations held in November and December are as follows:—

Advanced Course. Total 600.

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| Thomas McQuillan | 374 |

Preliminary Course. Total 700.

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| Leila Carroll | 517 |
| Ethel Sutton | 483 |
| Annie Carroll | 470 |
| Harry Radford | 465 |
| Evis Slaughter | 459 |
| Kathryn Glazbrook | 391 |
| Lila Boden | 389 |
| Norman Janes | 370 |
| Wilfred Moore | 366 |
| George Millard | 257 |
| Gordon McQuillan | 123 |

Senior Fourth Class. Total 600.

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| Mary Hodgson | 437 |
| Thomas Menzies | 421 |
| Minnie Leighton | 412 |
| Melly Robertson | 395 |
| Claud Ployart | 383 |
| Jean Menzies | 358 |
| Edward Boden | 316 |
| Edith Fitzgerald | 314 |
| Mary Sutton | 304 |
| Henry Crawford | 260 |
| Walter Trautman | 254 |
| Hugh Forde | 155 |

One pupil of this class is transferred to the Junior Fourth Class.

Emma V. Danard.

At the last session of the Superior School on Friday afternoon, the pupils made a presentation to their teacher Miss Leila Carroll read a choicely worded address, and Miss Jean Menzies presented Miss Danard with a handsome leather encased fountain pen. So secret had been their plotting, that Miss Danard was completely taken by surprise. In a few words she thanked them for their kind regard for her in wishing to make a presentation and also congratulated them on their good taste in the choice. The pen is a fully guaranteed Birks fountain pen, and has a wide band of gold on which is engraved the monogram "D." The smile that mantled Miss Danard's face on viewing it attested her sincere pleasure, and if it should remain throughout the year, it may be construed as "all on acconnt of the pen."


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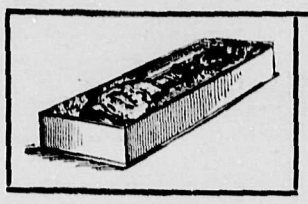

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### The Present Condition of the Canadian Egg Market

For the first time in a number of years eggs have taken a very prominent place in Canada's export trade. This is largely due to the unprecedented demand for eggs on the part of the British market and the fact that British dealers have shown a marked preference for Canadian eggs over United States eggs and a willingness to pay a distinctly higher price for them.

So great, in fact, has been the demand that Canadian dealers have shipped practically all of the available Canadian storage product to the Old Country. As a result there is not in Canada at the present time, sufficient eggs in storage to supply home consumption until fresh receipts in appreciable quantities begin to come in.

Quantities of eggs from the United States, however, are being imported into Canada, some in bond for export, but the larger part to take the place of the Canadian product exported. On account of the keen demand for Canadian eggs above mentioned, United States eggs can be laid down in Canada at the present time, duty paid, at several cents per dozen less than the price at which Canadian eggs are selling, for, for export and they should be procurable by the consumers accordingly.

On the other hand the Canadian market at the present time is very firm for Canadian "specials" new laid, the production of which is not enough in most instances to supply the demand at local country markets. This means that high prices will have to be paid in consuming centres in order to draw a portion of these supplies from local points Producers may therefore definitely expect reasonably high prices during the period of low production for fresh gathered eggs that will grade "specials."

The question has been raised as to whether the phenomenal demand on the part of the British market for Canadian eggs will continue. This depends entirely upon the quality of Canadian eggs exported. Canada has tremendous possibilities as an egg producing country. The poultry industry is at present but a mere fraction of what it might be. It remains, therefore, for those most most interested in the development of this trade to make the best possible use of their present opportunities, and by careful supervision of the quality of Canadian eggs going forward to pave the way for an extensive and profitable export trade in the future.


# Masque. Ball

A Masquerade Ball, under auspices of the Courtenay Race Track Committee will be held in the

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Friday, Dec. 31

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## The Mystery of the Ravenspurs

By Fred M. White

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(Continued)

At the same time, he did not neglect his opportunities. He followed swiftly and silently until he came to the main corridor on the first landing. Here, to his surprise, the woman turned into one of the bedrooms, the room used by the head of the house. She closed the door behind her.

What to do next? But Geoffrey was not long in doubt. Ralph was standing by his side, a dark lantern in his hand.

"Where did she go?" he whispered.

"You heard her, then?" asked Geoffrey.

"Of course, I heard everything. I see with my ears. Naturally you guessed who she was. But what room did she go into?"

"My grandfather's."

"So I expected. But she means to visit all the rooms in turn. You need not be afraid; she will be there for some minutes. What do you see outside?"

Geoffrey made a close examination with the lantern.

"I see a tangle of small wires on the floor," he said. "They come up from the vaults."

"Where they are attached to a queer looking instrument?"

"Yes, yes. I see you know all about it. One of the wires runs under the door into the room where Mrs. May is engaged."

"And where she will be engaged for some time," said Ralph. "Move that book ladder and look over the fan light."

There were books on high shelves in the corridor, and a light librarian's ladder close at hand. Geoffrey propped this against the door and looked in through the open fanlight. All the bedroom doors had fanlights at Ravenspur.

The lantern slide was on the dressing table and, standing on a chair by a fireplace, was Mrs. May. She had pinned the thin wire to the wall cunningly, and had turned the end of it into a plate that stood on the mantelshelf. From a flask she poured a little white powder into the plate.

This was done, she seemed to be satisfied. Geoffrey whipped the ladder away and the woman emerged from the room. Once more she went along the corridor with firm, resolute step, and the air of one who knows what she is doing and has a definite object in view.

From one bedroom to another she went, leaving a wire in each until every room occupied by one of the Ravenspur family had been visited. Geoffrey's room was the last. When she had finished here she took up a pair of scissors and tapped the wire. Outside the door Geoffrey and Ralph could hear the noise distinctly.

Ralph's jaws came together with a click.

"The key is outside your room door," he whispered. "Turn it."

Geoffrey wondered, but he hastened to comply. The key turned with an ease and silence that testified to the fact of its having been carefully oiled.

"What does it all mean?" Geoffrey whispered.

"She is going to test her machinery," said Ralph with a chuckle. "And she is going one step farther to her own destruction. Listen."

Again came the faint tap, and then down from far below the purring jar of electrical apparatus in motion. There was silence inside the room for a moment and then Geoffrey saw the handle turn. It was turned softly at first, then more quickly, and finally it was tugged as an angry child snatches at a toy.

Ralph chuckled. The diabolical mirth seemed to come deep from his throat.

"She is trying to get out," Geoffrey whispered.

"Of course she is," Ralph replied. "But not quite yet."

The lock was rattling loudly by this time; there was a half angry, half frightened muttering from within. And then there came a long piercing, wailing scream, as if of a woman in the last agony before death.

Geoffrey would have started back, but Ralph restrained him.

"No, no," he whispered violently. "It is all right; everything is turning out splendidly."

"But she is a woman and in deadly peril, uncle."

"I know it, lad. Five minutes more and that fiend will be beyond further mischief. She has been trying the effect of her infernal contrivance and will be hoist with her own petard. She is scared to death. She imagines she has fastened herself in and can't get out."

"But this is murder," Geoffrey cried.

"I dare say some people would call it so," Ralph replied coolly. "As a matter of fact, there never could be homicide more justifiable than to let that woman perish there. Still, we are not going to do anything of the kind. When those cries cease, and you hear yonder wretch fall to the ground, then open the door and drag her out."

The cries were coming wildly from behind the door; there was a hammering on the panels. The cries rang through the house, they reached the Asiatics in the vaults and the latter fled in terror into the night.

Something had happened, but what it was they did not care. They had only themselves to think of.

In spite of his strong nerves, Geoffrey shuddered. It was horrible to be alone in that grim house of tears, waiting in the darkness, opposed by grim horrors and, above all, to have that note of agony ringing in his ears.

Would it never stop? Would the time to act never come? Geoffrey would have interfered in spite of everything but for the fact that Ralph was gripping his shoulder in a grasp that at any other time would have been painful.

Suddenly the noise ceased. There was a moan and the soft, crushing fall of a body. Ralph's face blazed up instantly.

"Now," he cried, "there is no time to be lost."

Geoffrey darted forward. He had the door opened in an instant. Mrs. May lay still and white on the floor. The atmosphere of the room seemed to have vanished. It was intolerable to breathe there; air there was none.

As the door fell back the room filled as with a sudden strong draught. Geoffrey dragged the unconscious figure into the corridor.

"Will she die?" he gasped.

"No, she will not die," Ralph said coolly. "Had I intended her to die I should not have allowed you to open the door. Pick her up and throw her on one of the beds in the spare room. She will require no attention, but she will not attain consciousness for some hours. And, after that, she will be useless for a day o two. You need not worry; our scheme is working out splendidly. Pick her up."

Ralph indicated the still figure with brutal indifference. He would have shown more consideration to a sick dog. Geoffrey complied, and presently made the woman as comfortable as circumstances allowed.

Geoffrey had hardly done so before there was a light footfall in the corridor, and Tchigorsky appeared, still in disguise.

"I gather that things are well," he said. "Just now I met that she-devil's accomplices fleeing as if the Father of Lies was behind them. She was trapped, eh?"

Ralph nodded and chuckled.

"In Geoffrey's room," he explained. "When she was testing her apparatus I had the key turned on her. And she couldn't get out. I let her remain there as long as I considered it safe to do so, and her yells must have alarmed her confederates. Probably they have fled, leaving things intact."

"Probably," said Tchigorsky. "I will go and see."

He was back again presently, a pleased expression on his face.

"Nothing has been touched," he said. "I have removed the wires, in case of danger. We have the lady more or less under our thumb."

"What was she doing?" Geoffrey asked.

"It is an appliance for exhausting air," Tchigorsky explained. "You take a powder and place it on a hot plate. Directly it begins to burn it draws up the air. The thing has been known in the East for thousands of years. Mrs. May applied electricity to give her greater scope. A plate of the powder was to be heated in the room of everybody in the castle when asleep.

"A few minutes and the thing is done. Then the wires are withdrawn and gradually the different rooms fill with air again. The burnt powder leaves no trace. Then you are all found dead in your beds and nobody knows how it is done. The wires are easily drawn back to the battery and the whole thing is destroyed."

Geoffrey shuddered.

"What a fiend!"

### CHAPTER XLVI.

#### Nearing the End

It was some time before any one spoke. Geoffrey was turning the whole matter over in his mind. He was still puzzled.

"I don't understand it," he said. "Of course, I follow all you say, and I see the nature of the plot intended to end us all in one fell swoop. But why do you want to have that woman under the roof?"

"Because so long as she is under the roof she is comparatively harmless," Tchigorsky explained. "The princess is hot and vengeful and passionate, but she has her vein of caution and will take no unnecessary risks. She will be bewildered and will not know whether she had been suspected or not. The more cordial to her you are the more suspicious she will be. Of course, she will make up some plausible tale to account for her intrusion, and, of course, you must pretend to believe it. It will be impossible to move her for a day or two, and here I come in.'

(To be Continued)


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## Forest Nurseries

#### Future Timber Supplies Are Being Provided For Through Replanting

The state of New York has planted on state lands, up to the end of 1914, over four and a half million trees, enough, at the rate of 1,200 trees per acre, to reforest nearly 3,800 acres of land. From the state nurseries there have been sold to private landowners, for reforestration purposes, over thirteen million trees, while more than two and a quarter million have been furnished free of charge to state institutions.

In Canada, similar work, though on a somewhat smaller scale, is being done by the provincial nurseries at St. Williams' Ont., and Berthierville, Quebec. Similarly, the Dominion Forestry Branch has a large nursery at Indian Head, Sask., and another is in process of preparation at Sutherland, Sask., from which nursery stock will be available during 1916. The number of trees shipped from the Indian Head nursery has steadily increased from over two and a half millions in 1910 to about three and three-quarter millions in 1914. These trees are distributed among farmers throughout the prairie provinces, mainly for shelterbelts, woodlots and the beautification of grounds around buildings.—C.L.

#### Protect the Implements

The business ability of the farmer is in no way more clearly indicated than by the condition of his tools. Allowing his machines to remain in the field where last used or uncovered in the barnyard results in quick decay. Nothing so injures machinery as exposure to the weather.

If an implement shed is not available, the machines should be assembled where they can be covered with temporary roofing, to keep off the snow and ice.

Roofing is cheap. Any farmer can erect a frame work to carry a roof. The two sides whence the storms approach should be closed. The protection thus afforded will amply repay the owner, while as an additional advantage, he will be able to utilize spare time in cleaning and painting his implements when close at hand and protected, which he could not do were they scattered over the farm.

General Botha has seen with his own eyes how the Germans treat the African natives. "I have been filled with disgust and horror," he said recently, "to find how little value is placed on the life of a native by a German." Well, if white men are imprisoned, massacred and tortured on mere suspicion, as in Belgium, what can one expect in German Southwest Africa? It does not surprise us to learn that the Huns killed 21,000 Hereros at one time or another in the colony.—Vancouver World.

## School Garden Exhibitions

#### A New and Interesting Movement for Benefit of School Children

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

Of course, everybody knows that many competitions in garden products and the like, for the special benefit of school children are nowadays conducted by connection with the regular fall fairs under the auspices of wideawake agricultural societies, and the value of these "junior fairs" is recognized by all.

It may be news to some of our readers however to learn that this autumn there have been held or are yet to be held nearly a hundred other fairs of which such competitions are the special feature. In many cases these school garden exhibitions are undertaken by teachers' associations, but in many other cases private individuals and various organizations interested in linking up the school with the industrial interests of the community have given financial assistance and helped in many other ways. Agricultural societies, grain growers' associations, home makers' clubs, municipal councils and boards of trustees have done much good work in this connection. Fifteen or twenty agricultural secretaries have been particularly active and successful in arranging exhibitions for the schools in the particular municipalities in which they are engaged. Special mention should be made of Mr. J. N. Pratt, agricultural secretary for Lost River Municipality, whose work in this direction during the past summer has been invaluable.

In some instances an exhibition is held for the pupils of a single school as a fitting culmination of the year's work in nature study, elementary science, school gardening and agriculture. One by-product of this work is the training in civics which the children receive in connection with the fairs. As a rule a school parliament, school municipal council or a garden club is organized, the members of which are given certain responsibilities and thus early in life receive practical education for public service.

The prizes given at school garden exhibitions vary from university scholarships, silver cups, medals, books, garden tools, diplomas and money to some simple recognition such as badges or ribbons. When a teachers' association is responsible for the exhibition it is usually held at the time of the local educational convention and thus the work is brought prominently before all the teachers of the association.

The directors of school agriculture, appointed by the Saskatchewan department of education have outlined a policy respecting school garden exhibitions for the whole province and during the winter a circular is to be published giving particulars. It is probable that the societies or committees in charge of the exhibitions will be registered through the department of education and that assistance will be given by means of suggested rules, prizes, free services of judges for exhibitions and by other means which are yet under consideration.

It is a good thing. Help it along!

"Madam, your husband says we can count on him for his support."

"Well, that's more than I can do, the lazy, good-for-nothing thing!"

Thirty-six heirs to British peerages have been killed in the present war.

## Organization of Canadian Units

#### First and Second Divisions at Front With Other Corps Total About 50,000 Men

Additional details have reached Ottawa regarding the composition of the Canadian forces at the front and in training in England. The new Canadian army corps is composed of the first and second divisions, which are complete in themselves, and the corps troops, which consist of Lord Strathcona's Horse, the Royal Canadian Dragoons, two brigades of Canadian Mounted Rifles, the Royal Canadian horse artillery, the Royal Canadian regiment of infantry, the 42nd Montreal battalion and the 49th Edmonton battalion. The corps would thus total approximately fifty thousand men. General Alderson, as already announced, commands the corps. Among those attached to his staff is Major C. H. L. Beatty, D.S.O., a brother of Admiral Sir David Beatty. Included in the Canadian training division in England are the troops of the cavalry depot, the reserve brigade of field artillery, the Eaton machine gun brigade, Canadian engineers' training depot, four brigades of infantry, the army service corps' training depot, various hospital and Canadian army medical corps units, army veterinary units, ordnance crops units, a postal detachment and other small but important details.

The cavalry depot is in command of Lieut.-Col. R. W. Patterson of the 34th Fort Garry Horse. Lieut.-Col. R. W. Rathbun, 9th Canadian field artillery brigade, is in command of the 6th reserve field artillery brigade, which forms the Canadian artillery depot of the training divisions. The Canadian engineers' training depot is in command of Lieut.-Col. J. Houliston, Halifax, N.S. For their more effective administration and training, the reserve infantry battalions of the Canadian training division have been organized into four new reserve brigades. They are constituted as follows: Seventh infantry brigade, headquarters at St. Martin's Plains, Lieut.-Col. Maynard Rogers, brigade commander; 8th infantry reserve brigade, headquarters at East Sandling, Col. J. P. Landry, brigade commander; 9th brigade, West Sandling, Lieut.-Col. E. C. Ashton, brigade commander; 10th brigade, Shorncliffe, Lieut.-Col. H. J. Cowan, brigade commander.

Where Italians are fighting Austrians at from 7,000 to 10,000 feet above sea level, ordinary gun sights are useless, because in the rarefied air of such altitudes shells and bullets travel further than at sea level, where sights are usually tested. Italian mountain guns therefore have specially compensated sights, for war has never been waged so far up in the air before.

#### German Atrocities Museum

A despatch to Reuter's Telegram Company from Petrograd says:

"The German atrocities museum was opened here recently. It contains a large number of photographs of mutilated soldiers whose wounds are alleged to have been caused by explosive bullets, and also tables of statistics of five thousand cases of atrocities investigated by the special commission of inquiry into German atrocities, by which the museum was established."


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#### Guard Patriotic Fund

A resolution was passed by the executive committee of the National Canadian Patriotic Fund recommending that the government take more drastic action in respect to the punishment of deserters, and that officers commanding regiments and units now being mobilized be held responsible for the accuracy of casualty returns.

The national executive is advising all branches throughout Canada to refuse to render assistance to the dependents of soldiers who have deserted or have been dismissed for causes other than unavoidable illness.

#### Unsafe Lanterns

The season of shortened daylight brings its own peculiar fire dangers. One of these is the use of the lantern about farm buildings. Of recent years, owing to competition, a low-priced lantern, which is a serious fire menace, has been placed upon the market. Instead of being securely screwed on the oil reservoir, the burner is simply slipped on, with the result that, if the lantern is upset, the burner comes off and the oil is allowed to run out upon the lighted wick. The result is either an explosion or a serious blaze, and unless speedily checked, damage to life and property


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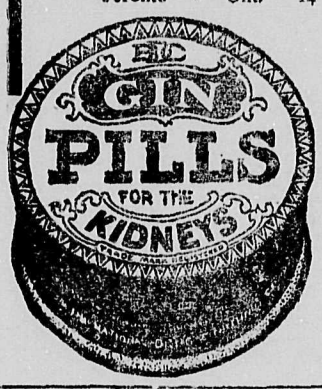
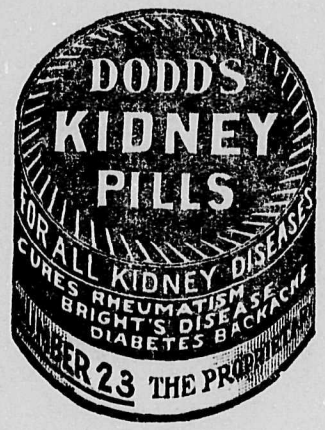



### The Lives it is Costing

For the past two months the British forces, fighting on a front of less than sixty miles, have lost on an average 2,200 men a day. What, then, are the daily losses of Germany on a thousand miles of front, along which actions are continuous? There can be nothing clearer than that the losses admitted by Germany, which amount to two and a half million men, are only about 60 per cent. of the actual losses. No wonder the German people are "praying for peace" as one of their fire-eating journalists, Max Hardon, now admits.—Toronto Mail and Empire.

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## The Farmer

### He Is the Man Who Has the Final Say in the Feeding of the Nation

I do not want to deal with this subject more than in a passing way, but I would like to point out, gentlemen, that after all, whatever you may do for agriculture, there must still be much of loneliness and isolation and tragedy for the man who tills the soil, in a country like this of Canada. No great success, or permanent success, of course, can be reached without knowledge of the basic facts which underlie what one might call the scientific side of agriculture. The man who is happy in his task, can take a keen delight in it, or make a great success of it, must be able to link his efforts with the great forces of nature that contribute to the success that he otherwise could not achieve. . . . The farmer, after all, stands for the necessities. In the great household of nature, the farmer stands at the door of the bread room, and weighs to each man his loaf. He has the final say in this thing.—Hon. Martin Burrill, before the Ottawa Canadian Club.

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"I can, Miss Mary!" exclaimed a small boy named Tommy, excitedly wriggling his hand.

"All right, Tommy," responded the teacher. "You may tell the class."

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### Target Practice on Mt. Calvary

War respects places as little as persons is proved anew by the apparently trustworthy report from the Holy Land of target practice on Golgotha or Calvary by the Turks.

Years ago not a few persons resented the railway from Jaffa to Jerusalem as a commercial intrusion on regions of sacred association; but what is to be said when the walls of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre tremble with the concussion of high explosives?

When the Kaiser made his now famous pilgrimage in 1898, and left a statute of himself in the likeness of a Crusader on the Mount of Olives, it was not expected that after a few years in the "reversed crusade" the alliance of Giaour and Moslem would give the Turks license for gun play amid the treasured relics of the life of Christ on earth.

### Fixing Food Prices in Russian Capital

The minister of the interior has drafted specific measures to combat the abnormal prices of foodstuffs in Petrograd. They will be carried into effect shortly.

The main object is to insure the conveyance of foodstuffs to the capital in such abundance as to obviate the necessity of compelling purchasers to await their turn to buy small quantities.

First War Fan—Well, what are the Russians doing?

Second War Fan—Well, they put the Czar in the box and shifted the Grand Duke to right field.

### Mount Robson

We are asked to say after whom Mount Robson is named. No positive answer can be made to this, except that it was not named after the late John Robson, at one time premir of this province. It bore the name long before Mr. Robson entered public life. The best information available, so Mr. Fleet Robertson tells us, as the result of his investigation, is to the effect that it was named after an employee of the old Northwest Company. We shall be very glad to hear from any readers who can throw any light upon the question.—Victoria Colonist.

### Minard's Liniment Cures Garget in Cows.

Among the passengers on a train on a one-track road in the middle west was a talkative jewellery drummer. Presently the train stopped to take on water, and the conductor neglected to send back a flagman. An express came along, and before it could be stopped, bumped the rear end of the first train. The drummer was lifted from his seat and pitched head first into the seat ahead. His silk hat was jammed clear down over his ears. He picked himself up and settled back in his seat. No bones had been broken. He drew a long breath, straightened up, and said: "Well, they didn't get by us, anyway."

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### Britain Will Brand the Fit and Unfit

A unique and picturesque scheme for labelling by means of khaki brassards bearing the royal crown those fit and unfit for military service was announced by the war office. Armlets which are now being prepared will be distributed soon to the following:

First, the men who enlist and are placed in groups waiting the call to join the colors; second, to men who offer themselves for enlistment and are found physically unfit; third, to those who are invalided out of the service as unlikely for medical reasons to become efficient again.

The armlets of each class will have a distinctive mark.

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An old Irish countrywoman, going to Dublin by train, stepped into a first class carriage with her basket and made herself comfortable. Just before the train started the guard passed along, and, noticing the woman and the basket, said gruffly:

"Are you first class, my good woman?"

"Sure I am, and thank you," she replied with a smile. "And how do you feel yourself?"

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### Pocket Wallet for Canadians

The Canadian War Contingent association, at the request of the National Service committee, Toronto, is distributing a pocket wallet to every Canadian soldier at the front and in England at Christmas containing writing materials. This idea of a general gift was adopted on suggestion from General Alderson.

## Diseases of The Nerves

### Are Due to Poor Blood and Only Curable Through the Blood

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In his book Dr. John Kerr relates many amusing stories of his adventures as an inspector of schools in Scotland during the past forty years.

On one occasion he was examining a class in mathematics, and put the following question to a boy:

"If a salmon weighed ten pounds and it was to be sold at twopence a pound, what would it be worth?"

The lad, who was the son of a fishmonger, replied:

"It wadna be worth a curse."—Tit-Bits.

### Squashed the Gossip

Residing in a little village is a lawyer who is famous for drawing wills, in which branch of business he has long enjoyed a monopoly of the country for miles around.

A few months since a wealthy man died. There was much speculation as to the value of the property, and the town gossip set about to find out the cts. He hunted up the lawyer, and, after a few preliminary remarks about the deceased, he said, rather bluntly:

"I suppose you made Brown's will?"

"Yes."

"Then you probably know how much he left. Would you mind telling me?"

"Not at all," the lawyer answered, as he resumed his writing. "He left everything he had."

## Forest Fires on H. B. Railway

### Large Areas Burned Over With Great Loss of Timber and Supplies

Large areas of forest have been destroyed this year by fires which have occurred along the Hudson Bay Railway, under construction for the Dominion government between Le Pas and Port Nelson, Manitoba. It is estimated that the burned area will total not less than 500,000 acres, causin a destruction of forest values amounting to $250,000, in addition to a heavy loss of game and fur-bearing animals. In some cases, considerable quantities of supplies belonging to railway contractors were also destroyed.

The country which the railway traverses contains considerable jack pine, spruce, black spruce and birch, averaging from 4 to 30 inches at the butt, along the rivers, creeks and lakes and also on the islands. All the high land has a fairly good average stand of timber, chiefly a reproduction from previous fires, which probably occurred about forty years ago. In the muskegs, the timber is, of course, stunted, on account of lack of drainage.

An attempt to prevent fires in this section has been made by the Dominion forestry branch, through the appointment of firerangers, but their efforts have been only partially effective owing to the defective condition of the fire-protective appliances on the railway engines, as well as to the carelessness or negligence of sub-contractors and of unemployed laborers tramping along the railway line.

The Hudson Bay Railway is not subject to the jurisdicition of the railway commission, but is under the direct control of the department of railways and canals.

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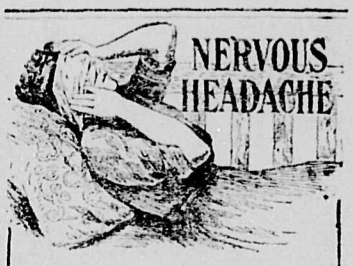
A special preacher, about to ascend the pulpit in a country church, was asked if he would like any special hymn to be sung to agree with his sermon.

"No, no," he replied; "as a matter of fact, I hardly know what I'm going to say until I am in the pulpit.

"Oh, well, in that case," said the vicar, "we had better have the hymn, 'For Those at Sea.'"

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## City Council

The City Council held their last regular meeting for this year on Monday evening. After the minutes had been read and adopted several communications were laid on the table.

ACCOUNTS

The following accounts were presented, and on motion were referred to the Finance Committee to pay if found correct.

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| John Thompson | 2.50 |
| E. H. Peterson, ditching | 15.00 |
| C. P. Dundas | 10.00 |
| Electric Light Co. | 51.76 |
| B. C. Garage (cars for band) | $8 |
| G. Millard (car to Comox) | $8 |
| R. Creech | 22.00 |

Mr. Johnston's request for refund of license was referred to the city solicitor for an opinion as to the legality of the refund. Ald. Johnston wanted it referred to an outside firm, but this was not entertained.

Rev. E. P. Laycock and the managers of St. John's church asked that the street at the side of the church be ditched and gravelled. The work was ordered done at the cost of $20.

Ald. Leighton, chairman of the Board of Works, reported that L. Berkley's contract on Grabble St hill had been completed to the satisfaction of the Board, and that a mound of gravel left to be used later on the street in the orchard.

Ald. Robertson introduced a by-law regulating the use of the City scales, which received its 1st. and 2nd. readings.

R. Creech was awarded the contract for filling in Duncan's gravel pit, at the price of $30. Two other tenders were received from D. Cudmore at $90, and L Alexander at $88.

Ald. Robertson wanted to know if the Council could take any steps to have extra help at the Post Office during rush hours. A couple of ladies had waited nearly half an hour fot their turn at the wicket and despairing of getting waited on before train time had asked him for a cheque.

Ald. Johnston said it was the people's own fault if they could not get money orders, everybody rushed to the wicket 10 minutes before closing time. Mr. Watchorne had explained very courteously that if the public would come a little earlier, or the day before, they could all be served promptly.

Ald, Johnston thought it was about time that that the city's books should be audited, and said he had asked Mr. Towler if he would undertake the job, and he had consented.

The Mayor said there were plenty of resident tax payers who needed the work, and when the time came to make an audit, the Council would select a man.

The. Clerk in answer to Mr. Johnston said that a yearly audit was necessary after the year's business had been finished.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. W. Idiens wrote that a lot of tin cans had been thrown on the street near the Builders' Supply corner. He asked that they be removed. In answer to the query as to who put the cans in the street Mr. Peterson said he did, and would continue to do so until the council provided a suitable dumping ground The Sanitary Inspector will take a look at the place, and if necessary order the removal of the tinware.

H. S. Clements M. P., wrote acknowledging the city's wire re aviation school He will do what he can to have it located here.

The Returned Soldier's Aid Commission wrote asking the Mayor to call a public meeting to organize a committee to look after the welfare of soldiers returning from the front.

Ald. Johnston deplored the expense the council had been put to at the last welcome. Ald. Robertson differed, saying we could not do too much for the men who had been away fighting the country's battle.

It was decided to call a public meeting shortly to dicuss ways and means to help returning soldiers.

An invitation from the Mayor and Mayoress to be present at an entertainment in honor of Pte. Perrott was accepted by the council and the clerk was instructed to reply accordingly.

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Greetings and best wishes for a happy Christmas!

The Sisters of St. Joseph desire to thank specially the Ladies of the Hospital Guild who have worked so hard to make the little society a success, and so faithfully attended the monthly meetings; also all the members for their generous assistance and frequent donations to the hospital. May God bless each one, is the prayer of the Sisters on Chrimas morning.

Mrs. Larcey, of New Westminswas a welcome visitor during the week.

The Superior General has come to spend the holiday season. The Sisters consider themselves highly honoured, as it is the first record in their community where the Mother General has been absent from the head home for Christmas.

Work has been light during the week. The few patients are convalescent.

The many friends of Master Eric Jackson will be pleased to welcome him home. Although still unable to walk without the aid of a crutch, Eric is planning a good time.

Anyone wishing to dispose of any books, papers, or magazines, would do a great favor by remembering the hospital.

W. C. King, late of H. M. C. S. Rainbow in a letter to a friend in Comox says:—It is only the fact that we have had the misfortune to have been blown up by one of those German Mines in the North Sea that gives me time to write to you now. We have had a most marvellous escape, almost a miracle thirty eight feet of the length of our ship (the stern part) blown clean away. Yet not a soul was injured, and no one lost, no one so much as scratched, but, of course we were all badly shaken. It happened at night during a strong S. W. gale, and of course losing our propellors and rudders, we were at the mercy of the waves. But one of our own ships took us in tow, and after a very anxious night we got safely into harbour next day.

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The Lazo school entertainment took place on Tuesday evening.

The Union Steamship Comoosin, came up for the loggers on Wednesday afternoon.

Col, Warden is expected here shortly.

R. Acton, of Hornby Island has taken a position with A. B. Ball.

The children's Xmas tree and entertainment was a decided success.

Messrs. Higgins and Ardley intend opening a billiard and pool room at the beginning of the year.

The box which contained the cake that was stolen some weeks ago was found by the detective near the watering trough on the back road. In a little while they expect to locate the cake.

"Scotia's" recruiting poem published in the last issue was much appreciated by the people hereabouts. One of our citizens wears a copy next his heart, and declares it to be the finest ever written. More from the same pen will find a welcome in Comox.

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