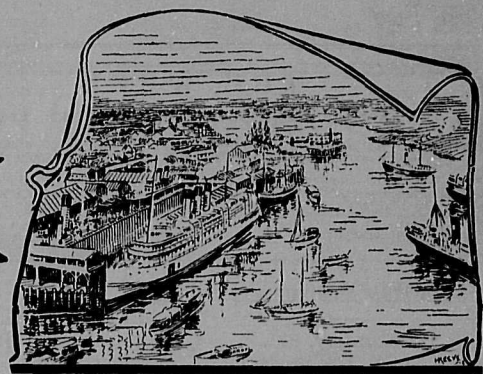


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Efficiency

GERMANY could not win the war by "strafing" England. Neither can the Allies win by "strafing" Germany—Dr. Hughes, in his splendid address delivered in Victoria last week emphasized German efficiency. He did not over-emphasize it. Time will prove that while we may deery everything else German, we shall have to endorse her policy of National and Imperial efficiency. The tremendous fact of 1915 is not that eight civilized nations are at war; it is that one nation is holding four or five others that should, singly, be equally powerful. And Germany is doing this because its people have been trained from the cradle to be efficient in everything they attempt; in commerce, music, art, philosophy, family life and education they are as efficient as they are in war. In everything we have better opportunities than the Germans, and do not equal them in any achievement of a material character. On their worn out land they raise two bushels to our one; the world is threatened more by German efficiency than by German militarism. If the Germans force us to learn efficiency, in order to combat them, then the present terrible war has not been in vain. Let us equal the Germans in everything, except war; and in that, if they continue to carry militarism beyond the danger point. We want advice as to German efficiency, we need not go abroad for it; we need not apply to the Statesmen; but get it from the quiet and simple German immigrant, who prospers more than a native rival who has better opportunities. The history of an efficient man begins in the cradle, and it is not neglected while he is in school, or while he is learning his trade. The mere appropriation of money will not create an army and navy. Before we can become as efficient as the Germans, we must get rid of a hundred foolish habits the Germans do not have. A great and powerful army is the result of efficiency; without it, an army becomes a mob that will destroy itself. The good soldier has been a good boy, trained by good parents; he has been a good citizen, properly trained by a proper public sentiment. If adventurers made good soldiers, the Mexicans would have the greatest army in the world. Is not the question of home life, and the early training of our children at the very foundation of National efficiency? We deplore corruption and graft in public affairs, and each party appeals to the Electorate to remedy the evil by simply changing the control, forgetting that we cannot make public affairs more efficient until families and communities become more efficient. In the suburbs of Seattle there lives a German woman whose garden is the wonder for miles around. She makes a living on a little plot of ground that her Yankee neighbors devote to weeds. Her children "mind" her, and her management of them includes modesty, industry, politeness and decency. She has the best children in the neighborhood; they are always in demand for good positions. This little incident tells how we must learn German efficiency: Statesmanship cannot point the way. The thoughtful and earnest address of Dr. Hughes will not have been delivered in vain if it serves to direct the attention of the parents and teachers of Victoria to a subject which more than any other throws light on much that we cannot understand and more that we cannot explain in the great war.

The Economic Condition of Germany

NOW that Peace terms are being widely discussed, it will be well to consider fully the present economic condition of Germany and the effect which this is bound to have on the attitude of that country towards peace. We know the attitude of the Allies, it is one of determination to carry the fight to a finish. This position has been re-stated by representatives of all the great Powers, and there can be no question that it truly reflects the attitude of the people. We may, however, be living in "a fool's Paradise" with respect to the internal conditions of Germany, upon the severity of which we are relying for the ultimate termination of the War. While economic pressure will help us, and while the strangle hold of the British Navy is every day increasing that pressure it would be a great mistake to suppose that the War can be determined anywhere than on the battle field. According to the best information available it would be an equal mistake to suppose that Germany is within measurable distance of economic collapse. Any slackening of effort which we may have felt inclined to justify on the ground that supreme effort might not be necessary had better be abandoned. No doubt there are many conditions favourable to an optimistic outlook on our part. For instance, since the operation of the Order in Council of March last, practically the whole of Germany's outward trade has been cut off. It is doubtful if the total is more than five per cent. of what it was when the War broke out. But this is the severest blow which has been dealt at Germany, for today, instead of a restricted Germany with all her own economic resources either lost or paralysed, she has gained enormously in resources from her foes. She is today in possession of the richest industrial area of France, of the greater part of Belgium and of no inconsiderable part of Russia, and nearly the whole of Serbia. Eighty per cent. of the normal output of coal in Belgium is being mined for German use, and similarly the Germans have availed themselves of the labour of other conquered industries. As far as munitions of War are concerned, there are no symptoms of failing. Take the most important material, steel, the latest available figures from the returns of the Association of German Iron and Steel Masters, show that Germany has more than doubled her output of steel since the War began. In August, 1914, it was 500,000 tons, last July it was 1,100,000. The magnitude of this increase will be better realised when it is pointed out that the British output of steel in times of Peace never exceeded 600,000 tons per month. As to the food ques-

tion, the general consensus of opinion is that while Germany is hampered by the blockade and deprived to a large extent of imported foods she has abundant sugar, which is a good substitute for fat, and a record potato crop. As has been repeatedly pointed out, by those who know, Germany is suffering more from defective distribution of food stuffs than from actual shortage. It is probable that her financial position has been widely misunderstood. While it may be possible to criticize her methods of financing from a scientific standpoint it cannot be denied that as long as the people are willing to acquiesce, it answers the purpose. The system has placed in the hands of the Government credits sufficient to command supplies, and in the fourteenth month of the War Germany has succeeded in raising a third War Loan on \$3,000,000,000. It must never be forgotten that the successful financing of German credit has been made possible by what is regarded in Germany as the success of German arms. To summarize these facts may not sound very cheering, but have we not ever since the War broke out been too much disposed to shut our eyes to the real facts? If one half the success had attended the military operations of the Allies as has been chronicled in the Daily Press, their armies would long ago have been at Berlin and Vienna, instead of conducting a defensive warfare on at least six battle fronts. Instead of counting blindly upon a German economic collapse as an easy solution of the problem of the War, let us take it for granted that Germany will be able, in spite of many difficulties, to carry on economically for a very long while yet. Let us also remember that if the worst happens in the Balkans, and at the moment of writing it looks like happening, Germany may soon gain another most valuable door for her own trade, which will relieve her of some of her existing economic difficulties. The outlook justifies the belief that the necessity for increasing our efforts in recruiting and in the manufacture of Munitions of War was never so great as at the present moment, and that it cannot too often be reiterated that the War will be won on the Battle field.

An Inspired Orator

THOSE Victorians who took advantage of the opportunity to hear Canon Gould at one or other of the meetings which he addressed in Victoria during his recent visit must have realized what oratory means, and must have felt their heart warmed by the sincere, simple, forceful, presentation of the truth which came from his lips. Canon Gould rendered a great service to the community by shaping his various addresses to the needs of the times. On Sunday afternoon in the Royal Victoria Theatre he gave an outline of the Oriental aspects of the War, which has not been approached by anything presented. His analysis of the Oriental character, of Turkish traditions and beliefs, and of the attitude of the Mohammedan peoples was as cheering as it was incisive. Canon Gould spoke with authority, having lived and laboured among these people for many years. He said, and said truly, that the miracle of the War was the refusal of the Mohammedans to recognize it as a "Holy War," and the action of the Sultan of Turkey in refraining from the proclamation of a "Jihad." On Sunday night he preached a sermon just as optimistic in tone as his address of the afternoon, but one which plumbed profounder depths of human nature and brought his audience face to face with the central and most vital truth of Christianity. Such sermons are badly needed these times. In days of fear and horror, when at times the stoutest heart quails, it is well that strong leaders should take us once more to the mountain tops and give us a wider vision of the happenings of the world than we get through the cramped columns of the press, or the narrow confines of the Bulletin boards. In these times we are all stretching out hands of faith. We may not all be blind, but sometimes our vision is clouded. We are apt to think that the Eternal verities have been submerged when it is only our vision that is befogged. Approaching the truth from a very different standpoint, Canon Gould has reached the same conclusion as Dr. Oliver Lodge, that the exercise of faith may still appeal, and not in vain, for "help from on High."

Too Much Laxity

THE WEEK is in receipt of a communication from a well-known citizen, whose name is a sufficient guarantee for its reliability. He claims that there is too much laxity on the part of the authorities in safe-guarding the public interest. He illustrates the statement by two incidents. One occurred in the early months of the War, when two well-known Victoria gentlemen, in order to win a bet, bluffed their way through the Naval Yard at Esquimalt, visiting the work shops, going on board a Man of War, and in fact seeing everything they wanted. They had no permit and no letters of introduction, nor were they required to give their names, they just did it on their "check". Last week two well dress strangers visited James Island in a private boat, they inspected the chemical works, where high explosives are being made for the Government, they went wherever they liked, were treated with a courtesy which would be extended to Princes, and finally went away leaving the officials in ignorance of who they were, where they came from, and what was their business. To this day no one knows, and although there is no particular reason to think so, it is quite within the bounds of possibility that they were German spies. Yet in view of these facts the Military guard has been withdrawn from James Island, as well as from many other points in the Province. This is being done in pursuance of a policy laid down by the Militia Department; but when that policy was announced, it was said that the men taken off guard would be attached to Overseas regi-

ments, and their place taken by others who were not fit for active service abroad. This has not been done. The Week would like to know why it is not possible to replace them by some of the returned soldiers, who are quite well enough for such light duty. The present proposal voiced in a despatch which appeared in Friday's Colonist to pay the men off as soon as they are able to leave the Convalescent Home or Hospital will not meet with popular approval. Every returning soldier must be taken care of, and the "taking care" means that everything must be done for him while he is sick, and occupation found for him as soon as he is fit. This cannot be left entirely to a voluntary committee, and The Week maintains that the first and most obvious duty of the Government is to assign such of the men as are fit to light military work. Incidentally it is still possible to weed out a great many able bodied men who are working for the King and themselves at the same time.

Land Settlement

THE COLONIST is devoting a good deal of space these days to the subject of land settlement. In addition, the Board of Trade has appointed an Agricultural Committee. Special point is given to these deliberations by the necessity for making provision for returned soldiers. In every country there is a strong desire to increase land settlement, and a strong conviction that if properly organized the thing may be done after the War on a very large scale. It is certain that public opinion is undergoing a marked change on the subject of immigration, and the class of immigrants who will be acceptable. In Canada there will be a determination to attract as many British settlers as possible. In order to insure this, attention will have to be directed to the formation of Communities. The isolation of the farmer has been one of the greatest drawbacks to British settlement on the Prairies. This fact is recognized in many countries, and is being overcome by the establishment of organized communities. The town of Harrington, Washington, is in the centre of a famous wheat section, but you see no farm houses in the vicinity; the farmers live in town. Along the roads we saw many six and eight-horse teams hauling two wagons loaded with wheat in sacks. The country around Harrington looks like Australia; in Australia, also, you see teams of eight horses pulling two wagons loaded with wheat in sacks. In Japan, in India, in Russia, and in several other countries, the traveler notes that the farmers live in villages, instead of every man living on his eighty, or quarter, or half section, as is the custom in Canada.

A Button

IF any reliance is to be placed on the despatch sent out from Ottawa yesterday, the Minister of Militia has under consideration the issue of a badge or button to serve the purpose of the Khaki armband. A number of designs have been submitted to the Government, and the one most likely to be adopted is a small button bearing the Royal Crown. The use of the buttons will be restricted to men who have offered themselves for service, and have been rejected on grounds of physical disability, to men who are over the age of enlistment, and to expert munition workers engaged in the production of munitions for the Allies. This is excellent, and The Week is not a little gratified at the probability of the adoption of a system which it recommended more than a year ago, even before the subject was under discussion in England. The sooner the "button" is available for use, the better. There are some men in Victoria who have suffered from the unjust suspicion that they were physically fit, when as a matter of fact, no doctor would pass them. On the other hand, there are not a few who will find their true level when they either have to procure a button or "sign up." Among them are some for whom the way has been made financially easy, but who have not yet felt disposed to "walk in it."

Making Political Capital

IT is a pity that the local press did not give a correct report of the final proceedings in the case of Mallory vs. McDonald. The Times was the only paper represented in Court, and it omitted to state that His Honour Judge Lampman gave a full verdict for McDonald, and ordered Mallory to pay the costs. It furthermore omitted to state the Mallory's Counsel abandoned his claim to all the papers except four, and that the Judge found that these four belonged to McDonald and ordered their return. It was McDonald's Counsel and not Mallory's who first suggested that he would be quite willing, having secured the verdict, for all the papers to remain in Court for three months. These may appear little things to the Times, but they have a bearing on the attitude of the Judge towards the case, and however much political expediency may justify the attempt to make political capital out of everything, it can hardly justify the suppression of a verdict and a misrepresentation of the facts. As a matter of fact the whole thing is another "mare's nest" which reflects little credit upon those who are responsible for stirring it up. No self-respecting party would be willing to associate with a man of the Mallory type, even for political purposes.

THE Convalescent Hospital at the Navy Yard is badly in need of about ten or a dozen chairs for the use of the returned soldiers, who are recuperating there. Our citizens have responded generously to all requests for "comforts" for the Front, and no doubt they will be equally ready to contribute comforts for the back. Anyone willing to spare a "superfluity" for this purpose, please telephone the matron of the Convalescent Hospital.

William Blakemore.

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WILLIAM BLAKEMORE.....President and Editor

PROHIBITION AND SUBSTITUTE

Courtenay, B.C.,
Dec. 6, 1915.

Editor The Week:

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 Workingman's Club instead—this to be conducted on similar lines to the Public House Trust Co.'s Hotels in England, fit for the costermonger or a Duke,—well furnished with comfortable chairs, tables and pictures—well cooked meals, with whiskey, beer, tea or coffee as drinks—good music and a game of 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 to air my grievance through your valuable columns, and I now wish to express my admiration for the Hon. Richard 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 men of which I am one. We want, and must have, our club, same as the rich. With us it will not be a case of accepting Hobson's Choice, the meaning of which I find is not generally known—"Hobson's Choice" means the compulsory acceptance of the thing offered, is an English proverbial phrase which had its origin in the circumstance of the hiring out horses by a Cambridge Innkeeper named Hobson, who compelled each customer to take the horse which stood nearest the stable door "that or none."

Now in regard to alcoholic drinks to be served 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. to be dropped, and nothing but Barley and Hops grown in the Province to be used—this would increase agricultural production at the same time make a genuine food and drink. The very best of Beer could be brewed for 25 cents a gallon, and this sold at 5 cents per half pint would show a very handsome profit, but in order to do this it would be necessary for the Government to revert back to Dickens' Days, and issue licenses to those who would run their own Inn 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 be the very ideal for brewing the best of Beer, the chief essentials being good, well grown barley and hops, but both must be bright in colour—this brings to my mind that in the rainy years of 1879 and 1880, in the Old Country, when the crops were ruined, I saw in the railway sidings at Barton on Trent cars loaded with Californian 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.

The first and only time I heard that beautiful king fisher bird, the "Laughing Jackass" was some years ago in the back woods, outside 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 whisky bought through blind pigs. My first impression of the laugh of this bird was that it was that of a human being laughing at the foolishness of this bunch of inebriates, 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 alcoholics entirely.

Yours truly,
WM. IDENS.

PICTURES BY CANADIANS

The illustrations in The Canadian Magazine for December are particularly attractive. Apart from the full-page reproductions of pictures by well-known painters there are drawings by Dorothy Stevens, who recently won the Canadian Government's travelling scholarship of one thousand dollars, and by Harry W.

Moyer, J. Hubert Beynon, with several excellent war-time pictures by Marion Long. The illustrations accompanying Estelle Kerr's article on "Those War-Time Jig-Saw Toys" are novel and decidedly clever. The make-up of the entire number is highly creditable.

Don't fail to see "THE ETERNAL CITY". Hall Caine's masterpiece at the DOMINION THEATRE all of next week.

LAME UNDER THE HAT

What's-the-matter with Henry Ford? Scarcely Kaiser—Hardly Lord, For the bloomin' God of war Wouldn't ride in Henry's car.

What's-the-matter with Henry Ford? Harriard and harpischord. Sure, the Kaiser set the pace, Now, he wants to save his face.

What's-the-matter with Henry Ford? Slightly balmy, so-help-me-Gord. Cannot fill his new chapeau, Pas de Calais—pas de l'eau?

What's-the-matter with Henry Ford? When he strikes the Gare du Nord, Jen sais pais—Tonnerre du ciel, Henry's catching—catching Hell.

What's-the-matter with Henry Ford? Cannot pay his bed and board, Losing all his woolly-woo, All his bloomin' business too.

Get this, Henry, Lunatic!—"Exnihilo, nihil fit." Grab Jane Addams by the hand, Whirls't the ebbing glass holds sand. Wheels were made to fit on motors. In your case 'tis "locomotor." 'Enry, 'Enry, take a tumble, Preach, but practise to be humble. DANVERS OSBORN.

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Dated this 16th day of November, 1915.

GEO. FORTIN,
HENRY FORTIN,
B. L. ROBERTSON.

VICTORIA LAND DISTRICT

District of Saanich

TAKE NOTICE that Daniel Woodward, of Brentwood, B. C., intends to apply for permission to lease the following lands: commencing at a post planted on the southwest corner of that parcel of land known as the north-east 33 by 139 feet of Lot 16 of part of Section 12, Range 1, West, South Saanich; thence westerly a distance of 80 feet; thence northerly a distance of 66 feet; thence easterly a distance of 80 feet to a point on high water mark distant 50 feet from the northwest corner of the said parcel of land; the said point being situate on a continuation of the northerly boundary line of the said parcel of land; thence southerly, following the shore line at high water mark, to the point of commencement, containing a quarter of an acre more or less.

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Cream and Sugar Set—Royal Crown Derby. Reg. \$8.00; now...\$6.00

Gold-Filled Brooches and Bar Pins, reg. \$1.50; now...25c
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Vase, reg. \$3.00; now...\$1.50
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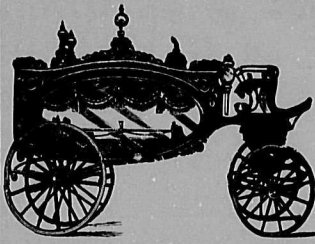
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F. A. Devereux, Agent.
Dated October 14th, 1915.
Oct. 23 Dec 18

MINERAL ACT

(Form F.)

Certificate of Improvements

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Where located: On Bugaboo Creek. TAKE NOTICE that I, L. N. Anderson, R.M.D. No. 1, Royal Oak, B.C. Free Miner's Certificate No. 94280 B.C. intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 85, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 12th day of November, A.D., 1915.
Nov. 20 Dec. 11

L. N. ANDERSON.

SYNOPSIS OF COAL MINING REGULATIONS

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Applications for a lease must be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or Sub-Agent of the District in which the rights applied for are situated. In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections, or legal subdivisions of sections, and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be staked out by the applicant himself.

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of \$5, which will be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of \$10.00 an acre.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

Deputy Minister of the Interior, W. W. CORY.

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At The Street Corner
BY THE LOUNGER

My attention has been drawn to a paragraph appearing in the daily press to the effect that a series of subscription dances are to be held at the Alexandra Club during the coming winter. I could hardly believe my eyes when I found that the Committee consists of Military and Naval Officers. I suppose it requires considerable assurance, even on the part of a Lounge, to question the good taste of those who propose to hold a series of functions of this kind, under existing circumstances, but I cannot help feeling that there is something wrong about it. I suppose it is always difficult to "draw the line." There are many things not wrong in themselves which become wrong under certain circumstances. Probably the young officers and the forlorn maidens need cheering up, and the gaiety of the dance affords the necessary relief, but I cannot help seeing an incongruity between the "revelry by night" and the tale of sorrow which each mail brings to some Victoria home, and the shadow which the message casts on some Victoria hearth. I say nothing of the waste of money which could be so much better applied to other purposes. It is the lack of proportion, the failure to sense the feelings of others, which strikes me as appalling. Whether we think of the brothers, fathers, husbands and sweethearts of many of the girls who will be at these subscription dances and think of them fighting in the trenches, exposed to deadly peril, or whether we think of those who have returned injured for life, and whose very premature protest against ill-considered gaiety, I cannot help feeling that the least reflection would have led the committee to abandon their project and substitute some practical means of extending a little additional comfort to their dear ones at the front, or a little additional sympathy to the darkened homes in our midst.

I notice that a few of our most esteemed citizens have established a branch of the Anti-German League, the motto of which is "No German Labor, no German goods, no German influence! British for the British." This is excellent. I shall certainly hold up both my hands and send in a dollar to the Honorary Secretary to acquire membership. All the same, I think it would be an excellent thing if the aims and objects, as well as the policy, of this Union were more fully explained. The parent society at home has issued a circular which forms the basis of the organization. That circular lays down some stringent regulations, everyone of which I heartily endorse. At the same time I doubt whether even the members of the Committee are prepared to push them all to their logical issue. One is that German Property throughout the British Empire should be seized and devoted to reducing the burden on the British people caused by the War. If the committee is in earnest we should first go to the Provincial Government and demand that this principle be applied to all German holders of property in B. C. Another provision is that all persons of enemy origin shall be removed from public offices, and from the enjoyment of civic or other honours. Here again both Federal and Provincial Governments will be required to dismiss a number of persons in this Province. Other admirable suggestions are to restrict the sale of German goods, to prevent the employment of German labour, and to repatriate at the end of the War all Germans who have been interned. It is all very well to put these things on paper, but I should like to see the committee taking some steps now in the direction of complying with these regulations. I am sure everybody is tired of "pious resolutions," scores of which have been evoked by the War, and with such a strong committee there should be no difficulty in "doing" as well as "talking."

Let me congratulate the management of the Superfluties Sales on their resolve to continue selling by auction exclusively. There was a suggestion made to dispose of goods by private treaty. The result of this week's sale shows that to make such a change would have been a great mistake, the auction is fair to everybody and fair to the fund, and after all, the latter is the chief consideration. If the sales are held weekly they will become an institution. People will acquire the habit of going and then their permanent success will be assured. Neither the donors nor the Red Cross fund can complain

of the price realized, and in any event there is the side of popularity to be borne in mind. If people realize that there are bargains to be had, they will patronize the sales.

COLUMBIA

"Turn of the Road," a powerful five act drama, a Vitaphone Blue Ribbon feature, with Virginia Pearson and Joseph Kilgour in the leading roles, will be presented on the films of the Columbia Theatre next week. This strong play carries the theme of the devoted wife whose husband has been led into infatuation of the temptress, an old school chum of the wife, who has taken advantage of the friendship to ensnare the husband, an elopement takes place, but is stopped short by reason of an automobile accident in which the temptress is badly injured and deprived of her reason. Sometime afterwards a fire takes place in the home, where the injured woman has been taken, and during the progress of the fire the lives of the wife and the convalescing temptress are in jeopardy. The husband happens on the scene, and as he has to act quickly and apparently only one of the women can be saved, owing to the progress of the fire he is forced with the necessity of making an immediate choice, either of saving the wife or his paramour. The husband's better part asserts itself and the "Turn of the Road" takes place. He realizes his false position and pledges himself to start anew to regain his wife's good esteem and become a loyal husband.

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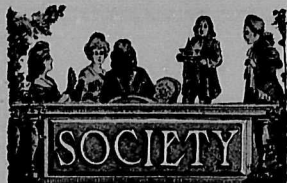
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A grand Military pageant and gymnasia will be held at the Horse Show Building on Thursday and Friday, December 16th and 17th. A very fine programme is being arranged, and a large and distinguished audience is expected to be present.

Mrs. C. A. MacKenzie, St. Anne Street, returned from Seattle on Thursday morning. While in Seattle Mrs. MacKenzie was the guest of Mrs. Charles Stimpson, "Highlands."

An entertainment will be given at the Oak Bay Theatre in aid of the Blue Cross Society on Friday, December 17th. The afternoon performance begins at 3:30 p.m., and consists of specially selected moving pictures, including the Blue Cross Film. The evening performance begins at 8 p.m., when a varied and very attractive programme will be carried out. Admission: afternoon, 10c; evening, 25c.

A gun donated to the Blue Cross Society is to be raffled shortly. Tickets at 25c each can be obtained at Fox's Cutlery Store, Broad Street, where the gun can be examined.

The Blue Cross Society has opened an office at 602 Broughton Street, where information regarding the work can be obtained.

The wedding will take place quietly today at 3:30, at St. Mary's Church, Oak Bay, of Miss Joyce Clayton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Clayton, Monterey Avenue, to Mr. Peter Egbert McCarter, of Victoria. After the ceremony the happy couple will honeymoon in the Sound cities.

Many friends will be glad to hear that Corporal Robert Meredith is expected home in Victoria. After spending five months in hospital, Corporal Meredith received his honourable discharge.

The usual Friday vaudeville entertainment at the Rex Theatre will be held tonight, yesterday being the opening of the hockey season.

An informal dance will be held at the Royal Victoria Yacht Club, Uplands, on Friday, December 17th, at 8:30 p.m. Special music will be provided on this occasion, and a large attendance is expected.

The little children of our soldiers will be entertained by the Women's Canadian Club on December 22nd. There will be a Christmas Tree with presents for all, and any gifts for this occasion will be appreciated. The committee will meet at the Alexandra Club next Tuesday morning to accept contributions in the way of toys and such things as are associated with Christmas for children.

Mrs. W. B. McMicking, 10 Linden Avenue, will not receive this season.

The Rotary Club will entertain some 250 Victoria children to a Christmas Tree, arrangements for which are now in hand.

Mr. L. Morris, of Vancouver, and Mr. P. E. Cahn, C. S. Restorer, are guests at the Westholme.

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That this is an imposition on the Government, the Service and the taxpayer.

That some months ago "Hornet" commented on the deplorable condition of the so-called hospital at Work Point barracks.

That there is more than a suspicion that a popular young Victorian, who recently died there suffered from lack of attention.

That such a conspicuous case ought to bring about a reform.

That the original "Lounger" of The Week is now doing "his bit" in the 102nd Battalion.

That his perseverance and pluck are beyond all praise, for few men with his physical handicap would have been so importunate.

That unless H. C. Hall can do better in Parliament than he did in Court this week, he will never be Premier.

That he must have had a thorough distaste for his unsavoury job in the Mallory Case.

That politics is a hard task master, and "needs must when the devil drives."

That for once M. B. Jackson was only a looker-on.

That he smiled broadly, as if congratulating himself that on this occasion he was not washing dirty linen for his party.

That General the Hon. Sam Hughes has guaranteed a Christmas dinner for all the soldiers. Who will guarantee one for the sailors?

That this might well come within the purview of the Local Branch of the Navy League.

That the Blue Cross Society is now established in quarters of its own on Broughton Street.

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