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Local and Personal

Wednesday is St. Patrick's Day.

Poultry netting? See Jackson's ad.

R. M. Reid returned on Sunday from his trip to Spokane.

Easter is only three weeks distant—and election day four of them.

Saturday, March 20th has been fixed upon as "clean up" day for Creston.

A smoking concert under the auspices of the band is a possibility for April.

The Ladies Guild of Christ Church meets this afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Parish Hall.

The Farmers Institute received another car of baled hay this week—from Cline, Alberta.

Eggs were down to low water mark yesterday, when they were retailing at 25 cents a dozen.

A small party of Creston Indians went east yesterday on a beaver hunting trip in the Moyie country.

Mrs. S. A. Davis and children left on Wednesday for Bonner's Ferry, Idaho where they will reside in future.

The Bishop of Kootenay will be here on Sunday to consecrate Christ church and conduct a confirmation service.

Hats are prettier and cheaper than ever. Come to Mrs. M. Youngs sixth spring millinery opening, March 18, 19 20, 3 to 6 p.m.

Mr. Matthews, who is holding down the ranch a little to the east of Mayor Little's, put in part of his 1915 potato crop on Monday.

Ernest Parker, mail clerk on the Medicine Hat-Landing run is home for a short holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ned Parker.

Word reached Creston this (Friday) morning that Ed. Lupton, who was taken to Cranbrook hospital yesterday had died during the night.

Rev. E. Bull was a Nelson visitor the early part of the week, a guest at the reception tendered Bishop Doull on his first visit to Kootenay's metropolis.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Mawson left on Saturday for Estevan, Sask., where they will reside for a few months. Mrs. Mawson will visit her sister at Weyburn for a few days en route.

Ed. Lupton was a passenger east on Thursdao, to Cranbrook, where he will enter St. Eugene Hospital. He is suffering from a rather severe attack of stomach trouble. Rev. F. L. Carpenter accompanied him.

Before planting seeds go to the Mercantile store and take your pick from Rennie's, Steele-Briggs, D. M. Ferry's or McKenzie's seeds. All sold at catalogue prices. Headquarters for Mammoth and Red Clover seed.

The pound district is again to the fore, as per announcement in another column. The area included in the district extends east to W. Crawford's, west to the K.V., north to the Sherwood ranch and south to W. Gobbetts.

Hats off to the Black Minorcas! Pollet & Higginson have 19 of them. Their February output was 370 eggs or a daily average of 13. For the first week in March they had a snowing of 16 eggs per day. But on Sunday last all hands were on the job and the day's work resulted in an output of 19 perfect specimens of hen fruit.

Davy Dow was at home to a party of friends at the Dow home on Friday night on the occasion of his birthday, three tables participating in a lively session of progressive whist, at which the premier honors fell to Miss Zalla Johnson and Lionel Forrester, and the tail-end trophies to Miss Katherine Heald and Norman Trotter. There were refreshments, of course, and the evening was thoroughly enjoyed—the vote being unanimous that Pat did the honors gracefully all through.

DUCK CREEK

Wilmer claims to have sent one-twentieth of her male population to the war. That is a pretty good showing, but she has nothing on Duck Creek, which has sent one-eighteenth of her male population.

Jess and Clark Stettler were visitors to Duck Creek Tuesday, looking over land.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Mathews, Alice Siding, paid Duck Creek a hurried call on Sunday.

Mrs. Butterfield is spending the week in Creston, the guest of Mrs. W. B. Embree.

J. E. Grady of Spokane arrived here on Monday to spend a short vacation with his parents.

Mrs. M. Hagen was a Creston caller on Tuesday. O. J. Wigen was also at the metropolis the same day.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Pease and little daughter, of Alice Siding, spent Sunday at Duck Creek, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Johnson.

Billy Johnson left on Tuesday for Macleod, where he has secured employment for the summer. Baby Carl will also leave in a few days.

48th Battalion, The Willows, Victoria, B.C., is the address that will find any of the Duck Creek boys serving with the Third Contingent.

Don't forget the big dance at Grady's store on Wednesday night. Everyone's Irish on that night, so come and have a good old Irish time. Gents 50c. Ladies free.

A. Johnson has the kind of chickens that pay dividends. They are supplying him with two eggs a day a piece. [Our high regard for truth will force you to believe this.]

When questioned by our special correspondent as to why he was leaving such a beautiful country as this, especially at this season of the year, Baby Carl said he was sick of all these fool hens in this country and was going east to try and capture a prairie chicken. Alice Siding, what do you know about that.

With reference to Mr. McBean's hummingbird's nest, having carefully examined it, we have decided to have nothing to do with it, as we feel confident no self-respecting humming bird from this burg would turn out such an unworkmanlike job. We would imagine it is the product of Erickson or Alice Siding.

In future the train will not stop here for every joker who gets out and waves a fin. The C.P.R. is supplying us with a little red and green flag which will be stuck up on the platform whenever anyone wishes to board the train. The postmaster will be in charge of the flag and he will always be glad to do the honors, so ask him.

Philip Butterfield, who is serving with the 3rd contingent, in a letter to his mother says: "You may tell Creston that they gave us the best send off of any village, town, or city along the line. Although our members were augmented to 300 by the time we reached Victoria, at no place was the cheering so loud, long, or enthusiastic as at Creston.

The Conservative Association went in to session as soon as the fruit meeting adjourned and a most successful meeting was pulled off. Several very important resolutions were drawn up and passed, including one forwarded to the association by the Willow Point association asking the government to put a high tariff on American apples, is as to afford more protection to Canadian growers. This resolution was unanimously endorsed. "Be alive" is the motto of Duck Creek Conservatives.

A very satisfactory meeting of the Co-Operative Association was held on Saturday night, in the Association's office at the depot. The principal business was the collecting of orders for clover, fertilizer, spray, etc. The result amounted to 310 pounds of clover, over a ton of fertilizer and half a ton of nitrate of soda. This was considered as very satisfactory. There followed a general talk by members on spraying and the growing and marketing of crops. A notice re the meeting of fruit growers at Creston on March 15th was read and a large number announced their intention of attending and arrangements were gone into for transportation.

Provincial Election Polling Day ? ? ?

A provincial general election is almost in full swing. On Monday, Lieutenant-Governor Barnard dissolved the legislature and granted leave to the McBride Government to appeal to the people for a renewal of their confidence. April 10 was named as polling day, but owing to a mixup over voters' lists that date has been cancelled.

In announcing the election the premier stated that he deemed it imperative that the country should be consulted in respect to the policy which the government proposes pursuing to meet the present situation. He said in part:

"The government of which I have the honor to be leader will appeal to the electorate for another endorsement at its hands on its general record, but more particularly for the reason that it purposes in the future attacking vigorously and courageously those features of provincial development which though already initiated are still incomplete.

"The legislation laid before the House at the session just closed relative to the matter of aid to the agricultural industry is an earnest of the determination of the government to grapple in a specific way with some of these problems, and as well indicative of the line of policy which I shall advocate in respect to other important matters of provincial development and conservation.

A feature of the dissolution of the house was the announcement that Hon. Price Ellison, minister of agriculture and finance, has resigned his portfolio, which will be filled after election day.

In this contest Creston electors will be called upon to help choose a representative for Kaslo riding—the 1915 Redistribution Bill having detached the Valley from Ymir. The bill has materially changed practically every riding and incidentally increased the legislature from 42 to 47 members.

Briefly stated the Kaslo riding extends east to Goatfell, south to the international boundary, north to Howser, and on the west it follows the Summit to the headwaters of Midge Creek to Kootenay Lake, though Proctor and Balfour go into Trail—the new name for what is left of Ymir.

While it is just a little early for the stratogists to figure out how the riding should swing on polling day, taking the vote cast at the centres in the new Kaslo riding at the previous election, there is a pretty general opinion that all of the parties have better than a fighting chance, though the depression in mining will affect the Socialist vote, naturally.

All the parties are busy on the preliminary work necessary to arranging nominating conventions and by this time next week at least one of the candidates should be in the field.

Whether Neil McKay, the late member for Kaslo, will again seek the nomination is not announced. He is not living in the constituency consequently it is felt that in the best interests of the party in a fight in a doubtful electoral district a resident candidate is preferable. Of course, if he decides to run and can capture the nomination he will undoubtedly get the hearty support of the party.

Contrary to Rev. G. W. Blake's Sunday evening discourse on the text "Most men will proclaim every one his own goodness, but the faithful man who can find him?" prospective party standard bearers are yet a little backward in coming forward. However, the parties have some really good material here from which to select candidates and, no doubt, with a little persuasion some of them will master their native modesty before many hours and announce their willingness to carry the banner of their grand old party to victory—real, moral, or educational, as the case may be.

CANYON CITY

R. J. Chambers had the bad luck to lose a fine brood sow.

J. Carfra is reported not quite so well as when we wrote last.

Miss Whitehead and Miss Turner were Creston visitors on Saturday.

Robins have been seen most everywhere in these parts for the past ten days.

The Canyon City Lumber Co. is doing a lot of slashing on the Yale property.

Tom Hickey shot the first deer secured on the special licenses issued in this district, one day last week.

In the hustle for shareholders for the Fruit Growers Union, F. Knott succeeded in selling $200 of new stock in this section.

The fine weather has started the ranchers clearing land. Smoke is noticeable these days—coming from the different hot houses.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Mawson moved to Creston on Friday last and left the next day for the prairies, where they will spend the summer.

Owing to some at present unexplainable mixup the pruning school scheduled for here the last week in February has not yet been held.

ALICE SIDING

A. J. Collis paid Nelson a business visit last week.

J. Boydell spent a couple of days in Nelson the latter part of the week.

Pruning and ploughing occupies the attention of most of our ranchers these days.

The fortnightly "hop" of the Social Club is scheduled for tonight, with Scotty Todd master of ceremonies.

There will be quite an exodus of young men from here to prairie points as soon as agricultural activities commence there.

J. H. Webster of Wetaskiwin, Alberta, who has purchased the Corbett ranch, is expected here next month to take possession.

Mr. Noble of Cranbrook, who owns the property west of W. Corbett's, spent the week end on his property, returning Monday.

In view of the provincial election on April 10 some of our people are wondering whether they will have to go to Duck Creek or Creston to poll their vote.

Fred Haggart, who is with the Third Contingent at Victoria, has been heard from. The boys are all well and getting to like the soldiers' life. It was a little rough at the start however. First night Fred slept on the floor with his ear for a pillow and one blanket; the second night he had a straw tick (with no straw in it) along with his ear and one blanket, but the third night and ever since things have been "jake."

The King of Belgium has issued a decree calling to the colors all bachelors between the ages of 18 and 25, and all men who have married since November.

At no time this winter did Nakusp have it colder than 10 above zero. Sleighs had to be discarded fully a month earlier than usual.

For February the telephone line at Nakusp shows an increase in business of 60% when compared with the same month a year ago.

Penticton Farmers Institute is stocking its members up with enough poison to kill 9,200 gophers or pocket molen.

Dramatic Club Prepare Comedy

For their 1915 offering the Creston Dramatic Club will present the breezy English farce comedy "Facing the Music" in the Auditorium on Monday evening, March 22nd.

It is a thre-act laugh-a-minute farce, dealing with the domestic life of Rev. John Smith, John Smith, the Mrs. John Smiths, some of their relations, also a theatrical lady. Things start to happen with the rise of the curtain—when Rev. John Smith enters the wrong flat—and from thence on till the fall of the curtain in the last act the "doings" come thick and fast and are just as funny as they are numerous. The cast is as follows:

Rev. John Smith, - - W. McBean
John Smith, - - - Roy Staples
Dick Desmond - - - F. V. Staples
Col. Duncan Smith (John Smith's uncle, - - - A. Palmer
Sergeant Duffield - - D. Allan
Mabel, Rev. Smith's wife, Mrs. Attridge
Nora, John Smith's wife, Mrs. Carpenter
Miss Potheringay, of the Bijou Theatre, - - Miss Palmer
Mrs. Ponting, John Smith's housekeeper - - - Miss Trotter

The different parts are in good hands, and under the stage direction of H. Leonard a finished amateur production of this popular comedy is assured. The costumes are particularly striking and to afford the affair the correct setting special scenery is being painted.

The sale of seats commences on Monday, the plan being at the drugstore. Reserve seats 75c., general admission 50c., children 25c. The net receipts go to the Red Cross funds.

ERICKSON

Miss B. Mawson of Creston was a Sunday guest of Mrs. Stanley.

Mrs. Rose and Mrs. Watcher of Creston were visitors here on Sunday.

G. Cartwright has been ploughing this week in his field. Spring is here.

Speers & McCreath loaded another car of posts this week. Moving slow but sure.

Mrs. J. W. and Miss Jessie Dow of Creston were Erickson visitors between trains on Wednesday.

Mr. Cotterell is preparing in ample time to handle the big 1915 fruit crop. He is erecting a packing shed.

Owing to Bishop Doull's visit to Creston on Sunday there will be no Church of England service here that afternoon.

The new desks arrived for the school on Saturday, and were promptly installed, Four brand new scholars were in attendance on Tuesday.

It looks like spring to see all the greenhouses steaming up these days. There will be something doing soon around here; the orange trees are nearly out in bloom.

Holders of special permits to shoot deer should keep their eye on the Erickson district. A local rancher reports seeing a couple of them cross the road while homeward bound from Creston last week.

Walter Hall received word from his son, Will, who is at Victoria with the Third Canadian Contingent, that the Creston recruits had all passed the final medical examination there and were expecting to get down to real hard drilling this week.

W. Levesque had an accident on Saturday night that might have had a serious termination. While driving through Erickson his horse became frightened at a calf by the fence and bolted going down the bank by E. Cartwright's house. As luck would have it nothing more serious happened than a broken rig and harness, and a few stumps loosened.

It is rumored that Timothy is to build a co-operative store at Erickson in the near future; in fact some of the material is on the ground now and the delay is due merely to the non-arrival of plans and specifications. It may be 14-story building, with basement, so we can see Creston over the hill and know when a traveller comes to town. It will be complete in 1924.

Her Vengeance

By Basil Tozer

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(Continued)

"Too lucky by half," said Hugh; "whenever we are in doubt what to do next, some unexpected stroke of luck happens to guide us on our way; it gives me the strangest feeling, as if some unseen hand were leading us to some destination we have no idea of. I wish we had not brought Delia with us."

"Nonsense," said Mr. Hetherington, in his robust way, "I am not afraid, if you are. As for Delia, I want to talk to you about her; do you really want to marry her, or is it just the money?"

"It is not the money," Hugh answered, flushing; "I do not think that either Delia or I care about the money."

"You do, of course, but Delia does not; she hardly understands the importance of money," said Mr. Hetherington in grave and rather regretful tones; "if I had forbidden your engagement, she would have been only the more st upon it. I decided to risk giving my consent in the hope of her tiring of you. She does not seem to have done that," he added thoughtfully, "but what I did not anticipate is that you appear to be getting tired of her first."

"I am not tired of her," said Hugh, quickly and uncomfortably.

"Do you want to marry her?" asked Mr. Hetherington.

"No," said Hugh frankly.

"I wish I knew what you were up to," said Mr. Hetherington, looking at him with almost a touch of awe; "you have something up your sleeve, but what it is I can't quite see. And to think I once thought you were a quiet, slow, honest, trustworthy sort of chap who would make an admirable head cashier for me Lord! what an escape I have had."

"Have you?" said Hugh, wondering whether to regard himself as complimented or insulted."

"But I am going to speak to you candidly," said Mr. Hetherington, "and I can tell you, in the first place, that if you don't want to marry Delia you have been going the very worst way to work. If you had made violent love to her, she would very likely have quarrelled with you by now. As it is, you have only puzzled and piqued her by your attitude of indifference. Unless you change your method, or she does get bored with you, or something else happens, she will be getting seriously and earnestly in love with you. And if ever Delia falls really in love with any one, it will be a serious matter. Delia flings all her energies into her passions, and while hitherto that has shown itself chiefly in exaggerated tempers and wilfulness, I have always felt that if she did fall in love with any one before I could get her interested in more sensible things, such as money making and winning a high position in the world, that there would be the mischief to pay. So I just give you warning that if you are not careful, Delia, in place of the fancy for you she has at present, will be getting a passion for you."

"Ugh," said Hugh, shivering, "I mean—I wish you wouldn't talk like that, uncle. It's—it's—disconcerting, by Jove!"

"I am warning you," said his uncle gravely. "I have been watching you and Delia pretty closely and I don't believe you care two pins for her, and I believe her first fancy for you that I thought would die out quite quickly is strengthening into something deep. If you are thinking of any other woman—as I have thought sometimes—you had better not let Delia guess it. She would poison her, you know."

"By Jove!" said Hugh, "I do believe she would, and as he spoke he thought of Eira, and her pale face and her deep and searching eyes, and it struck home to him with a conviction of absolute certainty that what his uncle said was true.

If Delia guessed, there was in her wild and unrestrained nature all the elements of a great tragedy

"So think about what I have said," continued his uncle. "I wanted you to come with us because I thought the more Delia saw of you the sooner the quarrel would come. But that has been a failure. "Sometimes," added Mr. Hetherington, with a deep sigh, "I almost wish I were a poor man—money brings with it may troubles."

"It does indeed," said Hugh, "and it strikes me that may be very forcibly brought home to us very soon. Had we not better go in and see if Delia has come downstairs yet?"

"Don't mention this man, Dodd, to her," said Mr. Hetherington quickly, "it may be advisable to leave her if we have to go to see Noah Siddle; and if she knows where we have gone she may insist on following us."

Hugh nodded, thinking this precaution wise, and they went back into the dining room, where they found Delia sitting amazed in her chair, on her countenance an expression of the most absolute astonishment; while over her hair and down her face trickled milk from a jug that had apparently just been emptied over her head. Opposite to her sat Mr. Tom Waters, continuing his meal, his face as grave and composed as previously, but with a certain redness about one ear which suggested much to Hugh. As they entered, Delia lifted her hand—but very slowly, and as no longer quite certain that this hand was still her own or that she knew what to do with it—and wiped away some of the milk that had trickled into her eyes.

"Good lord! what's this?" cried Mr. Hetherington.

"Oh, pa!" said Delia feebly, and the look of amazed bewilderment that she wore seemed even to increase in intensity. It was evident there was no longer anything in the whole universe of which she was now quite certain.

But Mr. Waters continued his meal with relish and solemnity.

"Will you kindly explain?" said Hugh, speaking to him.

Waters recognized the threat in the coldly polite tones that Hugh used, and his own hand fell at once, as though by accident, on the pocket in which he carried a pistol.

"The young lady and I have been getting acquainted," he said.

"But—" began Hugh.

"Be quiet, Hugh," said Delia, wiping her face and blinking her eyes.

"I insist—" began Mr. Hetherington in loud tones.

"Papa," said Delia, "shut up!"

"It was only a little bargain between me and the young lady," said Waters amiably, taking his hand away from his pistol, as he began to understand that neither of the two Englishmen was armed. "She came down and asked where you were, and I said I didn't know. She told me to go and hunt you up, and I said I was otherwise occupied. She said what she thought of me, and I said nothing at all, which I know was mean, and I apologized for it, being well aware nothing could have been more calculated to make any female real mad. So she up and caught me a clip on the ear, and I offered to bet that if she did that again I would empty the milk jug over her head. She did it again, and I won my bet, and now we are acquainted we shall be real friends, I hope."

"Shall we, brute?" cried Delia with a sudden spasm of rage, and seizing the coffee pot she hurled it clear at his head.

But Mr Waters had a quick eye, and dodged; and before Delia knew that her own attack had failed, he had snatched up a dish of syrup and clapped it on top of her head.

"We are getting real intimate, we are," he said genially, resuming his seat.

Delia jumped up, hesitated, looked round her with a wild air, and then burst into tears and rushed out of the room.

"Your daughter, sir?" asked Mr. Waters of Mr. Hetherington; "I admire her spirit, and am thankful she don't wear rings," and he felt his ear thoughtfully, the one whose color seemed lately to have increased in tone.

"I'll swear she is mad," gasped Hugh; "I'll swear she is."

"Not at all," said Waters indignantly, "she is simply a fine, high-spirited young lady, and clear grit all through, and if you dare say a word aginst her, just come out on the vacant lot behind this hotel, and I'll chew you up in about two minutes, so there won't be enough of you left to sweep the sidewalk down with."

As Hugh was about twice Mr. Waters' weight, this was a sufficiently valourous offer; the more so as, since Waters had assured himself that the others were not armed, he had not given the least hint of his own possession of a loaded pistol in his pocket. But Hugh, after staring at him for a moment in sheer surprise, could not repress a laugh.

"Confound your cheek," he cried. "are you pretending to be her champion, when you have just been deluging her with milk and treacle?"

"That was only our little way of making friends," said Waters calmly; "though I am glad that coffee pot wasted its sweetness on the desert air over against the wall of the room. Is the young lady often like this?"

Hugh hesitated, and Mr. Waters sighed deeply.

"I was hoping it was a privilege reserved for me," he said disappointedly; "may I ask if she has ever hove a coffee pot at you, sir?"

"Why, no," admitted Hugh, "never."

"Then I am still one ahead of you in her friendship, sir," said Mr. Waters, brightening up, "and I shall make a point of endeavoring to see her again. I never met a lady who impressed me more favorably on first acquaintance," he added, feeling his ear again.

Hugh looked at Mr. Hetherington, and shrugged his shoulders helplessly, and they returned to the verandah.

"I am sure she is mad," declared Hugh; "no sane woman could behave like that in a public hotel."

"Much she cares about its being public," retorted Mr. Hetherington. "I remember once she knocked a man's top hat down over his face because he had been making eyes at her, and that was on the Brighton Pier. I had better go up and see if she is all right."

He went upstairs accordingly, but found Delia's door locked, and could get no answer when he knocked. Certain sounds of splashing suggested, however, that she was engaged on no doubt necessary ablutions; and somewhat relieved in mind, Mr. Hetherington went down again to join Hugh, and set out with him to keep the appointment with John Dodd.

CHAPTER XX.

Mr. Hetherington's Plan

As they passed out of the hotel, and along the sidewalk towards the drug store Dodd had pointed out to them, Mr. Hetherington turned to his nephew, and said:

"Hugh, do you remember this Dodd said he had come to meet two negroes who were to assist Siddle?"

"Yes," said Hugh, "I remember. Why?"

"Nothing, nothing," replied Mr. Hetherington, but it was evident that he was thinking deeply.

At the drug store—the chemist's shop, to give it the name Hugh and Mr. eHtherington used for it—they paused and looked round, and at once saw Dodd, apparently waiting for them at a little distance. He made them a slight sign to follow him, and turned off down a side street, where, past half a dozen or so of scattered frame houses, one came soon to the open prairie.

When the wooden sidewalk merged into the open prairie, and they were at some distance from the nearest house, Dodd paused, and the two Englishmen joined him.

"Say, now," he began abruptly, "do you mean that about the $10,000?"

"Certainly," replied Mr. Hetherington.

"How much down?"

"$500."

Dodd held out his hand, and Mr. Hetherington took from his breast pocket a bundle of bank bills, extracted five for $100 each, and handed them to Dodd, who took them, looked at them, and put them in his own pocket, and then suffered his features to relax into a broad smile.

"Sir," he said, "I like you, and I like your way of doing business. I have worked for Noah Siddle long enough, and he has never once treated me white and square like that. I don't believe he has it in him. Sir, I shall be proud to work for you."

"Very good," said Mr. Hetherington, "and if we succeed you shall have the rest of the money quite as promptly. Now, about that paper that was stolen from me. I suppose this Noah Siddle has it?"

"Yes," said Dodd, "and he is starting to experiment with it as soon as the two niggers I am waiting for have arrived. It is something so almighty private, seems he can't trust his own folk. He will be good and mad they ain't come, for I was to return tonight, so as he could see them first thing in the morning."

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Older than the Grand Trunk

Canadian Express Co. is About to Celebrate Its Fiftieth Anniversary

Within a few days, the Canadian Express Company as such, will celebrate its fiftieth anniversary, letters patent having been granted to the forwarding company under this name by the federal government early in February, 1865. The original name of the company was the British American Express, established in the early '50's, when it operated stage lines during the winter months, supplementing these with steamboat connections during the months when water navigation was possible.

The Canadian Express is therefore actually older than the Grand Trunk System, on which it operates today, although the Grand Trunk was the second railway opened on this continent. As early as 1858 a branch office had been opened in Liverpool, and for many years this was the only express company with headquarters in America having offices in Great Britain. Today, with European headquarters at 17 Cockspur street, London, it has branch agencies at Liverpool, Birmingham, Manchester, Glasgow and Antwerp. With thousands of employees, 9,676 miles of railway lines and inland water routes are served, including the entire system of the Grand Trunk, the Grand Trunk Pacific, the Canadian government railways, and the Central Vermont. Since October 1, 1911, when M. C. M. Hays, then at the head of the company, became chairman of the board of directors, the president has been Mr. John Pullen, formerly assistant freight traffic manager of the Grand Trunk.

Germans Forbid Discussion of War

The correspondent of the Telegraf at Seizaete, in the region near Ghent, says that the Germans have issued proclamations forbidding the inhabitants to discuss the war, under penalty of a heavy fine or long imprisonment.

"Some of the inhabitants have already been punished," he says. "In fact, the prisons are filled, not with ordinary criminals, but with citizens who have unwittingly been guilty of some infraction of the numerous German proscriptions."

Murphy, the foreman, was sent to the railroad office to report a slight accident in the gang repairing the track. He was handed a blank and got along all right until he came to the space headed, "Remarks." After staring at it a while he becokened to the clerk.

"What's the matter, Pat?" asked that official.

"Well, sor," said Murphy, "ye see it was Bill's big toe he hit wid th' hammer and it wudn't luk well for me t' write down th' raymarks Bill made."

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Seed Improvement

Interest in Agriculture Could be Stimulated Through Help of Rural Schools

Can the rural school help to promote a more active interest in pure seed? In answering this question before the Canadian Seed Growers' association, Professor S. B. McCready, nature study department, department of education, Toronto, said, that the possibilities in this diretcion are very great. The Pupils' Progress club idea, which has had such a great development in the United States, is taking hold in Canada as well. Under this scheme, a number of the older children organize into an Oat club, a Potato club, or an Alfalfa club. The teacher does not need to be an expert. She supplies enthusiasm and direction, letting the pupils, to a very large extent, teach themselves.

In one school they have two clubs, a Domestic Science club for the girls, and a Potato club for the boys. The practical work is done at home. At stated times, they meet and discuss matters. The boys, in their corner of the room, have a little meeting on potato growing. One boy reads an original composition; another an extract from some published article. Catch the interest of the boy or girl in some one or other of the vast number of subjects that may be taken up, and afterwards he will teach himself. Get him interested, and you cannot keep him from reading and studying everything relating to the subject. Instead of becoming dissatisfied with home and school, and wanting to go to the shanty, the store or the factory, he finds his attention engrossed by things at home. He works better, too, at his other studies.

Imagine, if you can, what would be the result if every rural school had a little piece of ground on which to demonstrate hardy alfalfa, or some of the O.A.C. No. 21 barley, and that sort of thing. Not only the children, but the whole community would benefit. It is being done, too. Last year, in Kent county, a school plot sown to O.A.C. No. 72 oats, produced at the rate of 110 bushels, while the maximum crop of the farms of the district was about 50 bushels. Near Chatham, school boys growing Wisconsin No. 7 corn beat the whole county in yield.

In the high school, too, the teaching of agriculture may be made to fit with the work of the association. The scheme is similar to that followed in the public schools, that is, the instruction is based on the project that the pupil carries on at home. Supposing fifteen of the older boys in a high school would like to take up crop improvement. They organize as a branch of the association. There would be no compulsion. Some might want to grow, select and improve a grain, clover, alfalfa or mangel seed; others to test and introduce a new variety. If so, that is the work they would carry on at home as their project. It would not take many years, by this means, to bring on a few thousand of the best trained crop improvers. It is being done. Five high schools have commenced the work. Last year at Guelph there was a class of twenty-one school teachers training for it. The chief thing is for the people to understand the scheme and to want it.

Farmers do not understand what is meant by teaching agriculture. They think that it is teaching farming. "I can teach my boy all the farming he needs to know; I don't see how the school teacher can teach him anything about farming." Such men have the idea that farming is ploughing, harrowing, seeding and harvesting. That never was the idea involved in the teaching of agriculture. Success in farming is dependent not upon these manual operations, important and necessary as they are. The thing that makes for happiness and success is the ability to reason well, to observe closely, to read about your work, to be interested in it, and to want to improve it. The object is to lead children to think about farm life, to be proud of farm life, and want to read about farm life and farming operations.

We have apparently come to a place where all the out-of-doors was left out of a child's education. The idea of education had narrowed down to a thing which you could get only inside of four walls, with the teacher, the blackboard and the book. Nature study is a protest against the artificialities of school work. It is an effort to naturalize school work; to bring the school out of doors, realizing that the things the child comes in contact with every day make a basis for education of the soundest kind. So we have come to a scheme of teaching agriculture through work with plants and animals and soils and weather. This is the natural and the sensible way the way in which the race has, as it were, been taught agriculture.

Many other subjects of importance are dealt with in the report of the tenth annual meeting of the Canadian Seed Growers' association, obtainable from the department of agriculture at Ottawa.

"What is your name, little boy?" inquired the kindergarten teacher of her pupil.

"I don't know," said the little boy bashfully.

"Well, what does your father call you?"

"I don't know," still more bashfully.

"How does your mother call you when the griddle cakes are done?"

"She don't call me," beamed the new pupil; "I'm there already."

With reference to the use of abundant negatives, a correspondent of the London Chronicle quotes the inquiry of the navvy looking for work: "I say mate, I s'pose you don't know nobody what don't want nobody to do nothin', do yer?"

PRESIDENT SUSPENDER
NONE SO EASY

Veteran Sailors

Three Employees of the C.P.R. Who Have Retired After Long Service

When the car ferry Ontario, flagship of the river fleet of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, tied up at midnight one Saturday in January at Windsor, three veterans of the lakes, in the persons of Captain James Carney, Chief Engineer Alexander McDonald and Engineer Robert Craig, went into retirement and joined the superannuated list after serving the company since the Ontario was placed in commission 25 years ago.

Captain Carney and Engineer McDonald have been shipmates more than 40 years. Craig is their junior in service with the Canadian Pacific, but has had nearly as much experience on the lakes as his two veteran companions. Captain Carney was born at Oxford Mills, Ont., in 1849. When 15 years old he began sailing. In 1866 he enlisted to fight against the Fenians. He never saw any fighting, being quartered at Sandwich. For his services he was given a medal and 160 acres of land. The year 1869 saw him a member of the crew of the steamer Florence. Then for 17 years he was mate and master on the Grand Trunk car ferries Lake Michigan and Great Western. When he became an employee of that company, Engineer McDonald became his shipmate, and up to Saturday night they never have been separated for more than twelve hours during their friendship of 42 years.

In the long period of service the three veterans have given their company, no accident has occurred that cost their employers one cent for damages, although hundreds of thousands of cars, and millions of dollars' worth of merchandise have been ferried across on the Ontario. Captain Carney never has had a day off in 30 years. During that time he has been on duty 12 hours out of 24 each day.

Chief Engineer McDonald was born in Montreal 68 years ago. At an early age he was apprenticed to the engineering firm of John Garthchie at Dundas, Ont. During 1868-9 he was engineer of a tug on the Detroit river. He served on the steamer Dresden, running between Detroit and Wallaceburg, under Captain Watson in 1874. Then he became acquainted with Captain Carney.

Of the three veterans, Engineer Craig has had the career of most varied experience. Born in Sligo, Ireland, in 1847, he emigrated with his parents to Canada at an early age. From 1853 to 1865 the family lived in County Perth. When the American Civil War was declared Craig went to Detroit and enlisted in the Eleventh Michigan Cavalry, commanded by Col. Brown of St. Clair. He fought in several small engagements against the rebel forces of General Morgan. When the war was concluded he commenced sailing. He was employed on the Detroit passenger boats until he was engaged by the C.P.R. company 18 years ago as the assistant of Engineer McDonald on the Ontario. From 1876 to 1882 Mr. Craig was a member of Windsor's police force. He receives a pension from the United States government for services in the Civil war. He is the father of 10 sons and three daughters.

Dwarf Girl Made to Grow

A physician of Rochester, Ind., has come into fame locally by the treatment of Harriet Ross, 15, of that city, who has been dwarfed since birth.

The girl, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Omar Ross, is unusually bright. She was greatly grieved by childish taunts about her size, and pleadings to her parents to take her to specialists resulted in trips to large cities, where the best medical aid was enlisted but to no avail.

Then her case was turned over to a local physician, who discoveerd that her dwarfed condition was due to the fact that she was minus the thryoid glands that scientists know to be responsible for the growth of the human family. Then dangerous operations were started, the physicians making regular injections of thryoid serum taken from the glands of healthy sheep, and now, after several months' treatment, the girl has actually grown several inches, gaining at such rapid strides that it is expected she will ultimately be of medium height.

Turkey Not Turkish

It is probably too late to change the name of that somewhat overrated fowl—the turkey, its name, however, is less important than its price, which is rising. He has no connection whatever with the country of his name, for he arrived with the Spaniards from the discovery of Mexico, and by 1541 was on the ecclesiastical table—but no more than "one in a dish," as Crammer enjoined. His native place is in the west, not the east, and you would find it very difficult to procure a turkey in Constaninople.—London Chronicle.

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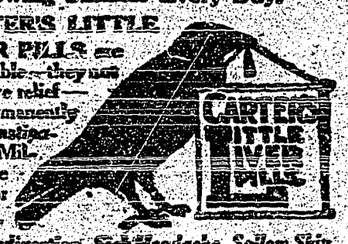

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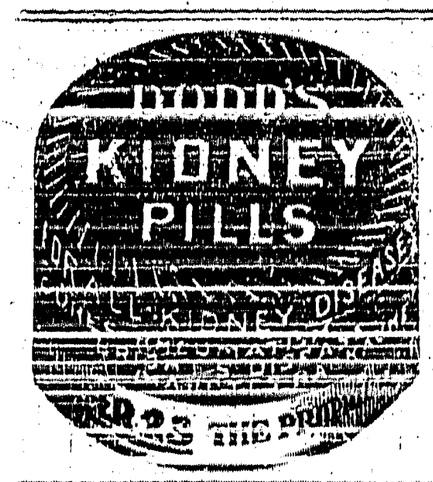

Does Not Apply to Canada

Prohibition of Export of Certain Goods Published

Considerable alarm in industrial circles has been occasioned by publication in January number of the Postal Guide of a long list of commodities, the exportation of which from Canada is said to be prohibited to all destinations. The list is headed by the following:

"By royal proclamation, which has been published in the Canada Gazette, it is declared that all orders issued heretofore concerning the exportation of goods from Canada are revoked and it is further declared that the exportation of the following goods be prohibited to all detsinations."

The list contains several hundred items, including nickel ore, nickel and ferro-nickel, heavy boots for men, oil of all kinds, bags, sacks, copper, rope, raw rubber, etc.

A further list includes goods whose export is prohibited to all countries save those of British connections. These include wheat, flour, animals and certain other important commodities, which form a large part of Canada's trade with the United States.

Inquiry instituted into the publication has elicited the information that a royal proclamtion dealing with prohibited goods from the United Kingdom and published as such in the Canada Gazette has been mistaken for a Canadian order-in-council. So much is plain from the second clause of the proclamation where exportation is prohibited to all destinations abroad "other than his majesty's dominions, colonies, British Indian territories, under British portection, Cypress, the Channel Islands, and Egypt. Had the proclamation applied to Canada, Great Britain would have been among the exceptions.

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Physically, Ascension is a desolation of extinct volcanoes and lava fields, but the prevailing fresh south-east trade winds make its climate very healthy, and a sanitorium built on Green Mountain, which dominates the island, is a refuge for men invalided from the coast of West Africa.

Discovered on Ascension Day, 1501, (thence its name), the island was uninhabited until the British government occupied it as a military station in 1815, during the confinement of Napoleon in the island of St. Helena, 800 miles to the south.

Now it is under the direct control of the admiralty, and is under rigid discipline, being ruled by a resident naval officer, exactly as if it were a man-o'-war anchored in mid-Atlantic, with a "crew" of about 400 naval officers and families, seamen, marines and the sturdy Grain Coast "Krumen," who are such excellent laborers and sailors and the best surf-boatmen in the world.

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"Yes, sir," said the culprit meekly.

"Well, what did it say?"

"I dunno. I was too polite to read any more when I saw the first word was 'Private.'"

Drove Off the Blackbirds!

Gunner Cyril Lewis, who is eighteen years old, realized the dream of his life by being in the thick of the fighting at the Aisne.

In an interview at the American Women's Red Cross Hospital at Paignton he said:

"Our gun became bogged in a trench. We dug, tugged and heaved at it in vain. We had to rest, worn out, but returned in the afternoon.

"We had a warning that the enemy's artillery fire would soon be on us, and we were just going to abandon all efforts to reclaim the gun when several shots came over us. They were from three Germans, in ambush in a wood.

"This might have ended fatally for us, but our blacksmith said he was not going to be beaten by 'blackbirds' in a bush.

"He rode right away, shot one dead, and disabled the others, while we rescued our gun. He has won the V.C."

Minard's Liniment Cures Colds, etc.

"Well," replied the physician when his wife asked him for money, "I hope to cash a draft soon, and then—"

"Cash a draft? What draft?"

"The one I saw Mr. Oldtown sitting in this morning."

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What a German Told Earl Grey

Presiding at a meeting of the Royal Colonial Institute, London, to hear an address from the Earl of Meath on the training of the new armies, Earl Grey, in the discussion that followed alluded to observations that had been made as to the German envy of the British empire.

By way of emphasizing what had been said, his lordship mentioned what a German had told him, "that deep at the bottom of every German's heart is the desire to take from England the empire that you are not strong enough to hold. In the opinion of the German people, you are rotten through and through. You are such in sordid sloth and sensuality, and we mean to take from you, some day, the empire which is ours by right."

He thought it likely that idea of the British nation may have received some change. It rested with us to complete the conversation, and to raise up a new nation and a new world on principles and ideals which would bring an ever-increasing measure of prosperity and nobility to the people of the earth.—Alnwick (Eng.) Guardian.

BABY'S BATTLES

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Smoothing It Out

A young Parisian, noted for his grace and readiness as a second in many duels, had been asked by a friend to accompany him to the mayor's office and affix his signature as a witness to the matrimonial ceremony.

He consented, but when the scene was reached awkwardly forgot himself.

Just as the mayor was ready for the last formalities he broke out, to the astonishment of all parties, with the remark:

"Gentlemen, cannot this unhappy affair be arranged? Is there no way of preventing this sad occurrence?"

Ethel used to play a good deal in in Sunday school, but one day she had been so good that the teacher said in praise:

"Ethel, my dear, you have been a very good girl today."

"Yeth'm," responded Ethel. "I couldn't help it. I dot a 'tiff neck."

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Caused by Tea and Coffee

Physicians know that drugs will not correct the evils caused by tea or coffee and that the only remedy is to stop drinking it.

A doctor says:

"I was a coffee drinker for many years and often thought that I could not do without it, but after years of suffering with our national malady, dyspepsia, I attributed it to the drinking of coffee, and after some thought, determined to use Postum for my morning drink. (The effects on the system of tea and coffee drinking are very similar, because they each contain the drug, caffeine).

"I had the Postum made carefully according to directions on the pkg. and found it just suited my taste.

"At first I used it only for breakfast, but I found myself getting so much better, that I had it at all meals, and I am pleased to say that I have been relieved of indigestion. I gained 10 pounds in 4 months and my general health is greatly improved.

"I must tell you of a young lady. She had been in ill health for many years, the vital forces low, with but little pain. I wrote her of the good that Postum did me and advised her to try it.

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Too Much War News

Importance of Titanic Struggle Not Fully Appreciated by Unthinking Class

Certain light minded persons seem to have criticized New York papers for devoting so much space to news from the theatre of war. It is doubtful, however, if any intelligent reader with anything approaching an adequate conception of the importance of this titanic struggle in history and in human affairs deplores the fact that space is given to every item of significant news concerning the war. It is not only the most terrible but the most momentous drama enacted on earth since our planet rolled formless and void in space. Tens of thousands of books will be written on it in centuries yet unborn, and when it lies as far in the past as the war of Troy, or as Marathon and Salamis lie behind us now, it will still be regarded as the crucial point in human history and the chronology of mankind may be dated from this year 1914 when an old order perished and a new age or dispensation began on earth. It is our privilege, far removed from the maelstrom of woe and in a land which obtains the fullest narrative of events as they occur, to watch this drama of the ages unfolded and to live through events of which the future will read in fascinated horror.

A dozen cables, a thousand wires and the whole ambient ether are throbbing with the story of the vials of the wrath of God that are being outpoured on the world; yet child-minded people complain that their papers tell too much about it. They had better go out in their back yards and play horse with the children, or at all events keep the evidence of their mental vacuity out of sight and out of the public prints.—Rochester Post-Express.

In a Scotch country church the other Sunday during the sermon a baby began to cry, and its mother immediately picked it up and began to carry it towards the door.

"Stop!" the minister cried out. "Don't go away. The baby is not disturbing me."

The mother continued her way to the door with the very audible remark, "Oh, 'e ain't, ain't he? But you're disturbin' of him!"

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The Daily Mail's Copenhagen correspondent says he learns from Hamburg that one of the new German super-submarines has just concluded trial runs in the bay of Heligoland and that she proved well suited for the purpose for which she was constructed. This giant submarine, the correspondent adds, is of the type that carries supplies for three months, which does not necessitate her putting into a port or having recourse to the parent ship.

Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria.

The Size of Canada

Sir Robert Borden, dealing with the dimensions of the Dominion of Canada, recently asked his audience: Do you realize how great a country Canada is? If you could pivot Canadan upon its eastern seaboard, it would cover the northern part of the Atlantic Ocean, the British Isles, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Holland, Belgium, the northern part of France, the entire German empire and a considerable part of European Russia, and a man who lives in Halifax, Nova Scotia, is a thousand miles farther away from Victoria, British Columbia, that he is from London.—Westminster Gazette.

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"I can't stay long," said the chairman of the committee from the colored church. "I just came to see if yo' wouldn't join de mission band."

"Fo' de lan' sakes, honey," replied the old mammy, "dat come to me. I can't even play a mouf-organ."

CHAPPED HANDS AND COLD SORES

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"The spots on my face and neck were so plainly visible, especially if I scratched them, that I avoided the folks in the house to hide my disfigurement. Every time my body became over-heated my clothing irritated the rash so much that it was impossible to keep from scratching the parts. Over two weeks of torture and sleepless nights I suffered.

"Knowing from experience that Cuticura Soap and Ointment were good I sent out to the drug store for some. I followed the directions and in a few days I noticed the rash was less; the spots began fading. In ten days I was completely well." (Signed) Mrs. John Lamb, June 11, 1914.

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Suggests a Change

In times of trouble more trouble comes. Early in the month it was announced that the pay for government road work this year would be cut down to $2 per day, and now comes a proposition from one J. W. Ford of Edgwood to the Nelson board of trade asking that body to urge upon the government the advisability of having roadwork done by contract rather than by day labor.

He considers government day labor on roadwork "the greatest obstacle today in the path of agricultural progress in the province." He quoted instances where the burden of having to pay as much as $8 per day for the hire of a man and team of horses had to be borne by intending settlers to have their land cleared, and intending settlers would not and could not pay such a price.

This came about, he claims, through the fact that the government paid $7.50 per day for the hire of a man and team of horses on roadwork. When a man was asked to do legitimate clearing work he would quote his price for the work at $8 per day, for he did not feel inclined to work for less in this case.

Mr. Ford also claims that the knowledge that three months' roadwork at good pay is obtainable does not tend to encourage initiative among the agriculturists who are satisfied to get government work and let their ranches lie idle. It was always possible for them to get a few months' work and a few deer for winter meat and then they considered themselves "jake" for the winter.

Mr. Ford states that in the Arrow Lakes district there had been a great trend toward legitimate farming since the beginning of the war than during the nine or ten years preceding it. The farmers were beginning to see where they would have to settle down to business on a sound basis.

While few will be inclined to disagree with Mr. Ford that under the contract system more road should be built for the same money than is the case under government supervision, we fail to see where the change would lessen the demand for teams and laborers. If the roads have to be built the men and horses will be required—and the political associations will see to it that all contracts for government roadwork contains a proviso that the day's pay for men and teams is pretty much on a par with prevailing wages for that class of work.

So long as there is opportunity close by to make a few dollars per day in cash money, paid at the end of every month, there will be found a class of rancher who will forsake the land temporarily; some of necessity, in order to get some cash to make a pressing payment, and others who are really only ranching as a sideline—at least until such time as work by the day is no longer convenient.

The Nelson board of trade secretary may as well waste paper basket Mr. Ford's excellent communication. Not for many moons will any government seriously consider any such memorial unless the ways of political parties change wonderfully and anyway the change from government to contract roadwork would not improve matters with the rancher who works on the theory that a dollar in the hand is worth two in the potato patch, or three in the poultry house.

Pretty Well Fed

In view of the many hardships the British soldiers are having to endure, particularly in the trench campaigning, it is pleasant to have the assurance that the man in the ranks is fed, and with unfailing regularity if there is any means of approach to him—and he gets enough and a bit more.

Here is the way the "grub" served out averages per man. daily:

1¼ lb. of fresh meat, or 1 lb. preserved meat.
1¼ lb. of bread.
4 oz. of bacon.
3 oz. of cheese.
4 oz. of jam.
3 oz. of sugar.
½ lb. of fresh vegetables, or 2 oz. of dried.
⅝ oz. of tea, coffee or cocoa.
2 oz. of tobacco or 50 cigarettes weekly.

This is a pretty good bill of fare, and it is a scientific one. It has been determined that 4,500 "calories" are needed to keep a man at his best with "hard service" each day, the measure of "hard service" being a 20-mile march. The above ration provides 5,000 calories. It is interesting to know that cheese affords more calories than meat, the relation being as 7 to 4. It is said the French regard the British as "furious eaters."

Kaslo For Ours

The Redistribution Bill was brought down at Victoria on Thursday last, and as THE REVIEW predicted the Ymir riding has not disappeared in fact, though it has been reduced in size, will henceforth be called Trail constituency, and will comprise all the towns on the west bank of the Columbia River from the international boundary to the lower end of Arrow Lakes.

Amongst the territory clipped off the old Ymir riding is the Creston Valley. For at least the next five years we will be included in Kaslo electoral division which includes all the towns in the Kootenay Lake region from the international boundary northward, including Howser.

While most of us would have preferred to remain in Ymir there is at least one advantage in the shift to Kaslo. The present representative of the riding, Mr. McKay, makes his home at Victoria. This little detail may not have been considered of much importance by the Kaslo riding as it existed before the present redistribution, but from now on aspirants for the Socialist, Liberal or Conservative nominations will do well to take notice that Creston Valley wants the M.P.P. for the constituency in which it is situate to live in his constituency—no non-resident need apply.

Having adopted this policy, the field is open to all competitors. Mr. McKay, of course, is at liberty to have his name placed in nomination at the party convention, but in view of his preference to live anywhere but in the riding Creston Conservatives, at least, will be doing the riding a favor, and Mr. McKay no injustice, in securing the party nomination for some gentleman who has sufficient liking for those he represents to make his home amongst them.

As to the other parties they do not appear to be under any obligation whatsoever to previous standard bearers in Kaslo and their sailing is easier in this regard than with the Conservatives.

All the parties have some likely-looking candidates in the Valley, and might we suggest that when it comes time to choose delegates for the different nominating conventions that such delegates be lined up for one particular Creston Valley candidate for each of the respective parties.

In the 1915 redistribution Trail had one of its citizens an M.P.P., and now we have a Trail constituency. Next redistribution lets try and have a gentleman from Creston representing us at Victoria—and a Creston constituency looks tolerably safe.

THE REVIEW is assured there are enough votes in the Valley to warrant the nomination of a local man. Certainly this is the growing end of the riding—another good reason for the member being resident hereabouts. We have plenty of M.P.P. material for half a dozen candidates; let's don't get squabbling amongst ourselves and miss this golden opportunity.

Methodist Ladies Present Comedy

The members of the Methodist Ladies' Aid made their debut as dramatic entertainers on Thursday evening last when they put on the two-act comedy "Afternoon Tea in Friendly Village, 1862," in the Mercantile Hall. Owing to the disagreeable weather only a fair sized crowd was in attendance.

The first act portrays Mrs. Kelly entertaining two old school friends, Mrs. DeVere and Mrs. Barton, residents in a distant town, and who is also favored the same afternoon with a call from two neighbors, Mrs. Goodsense and Miss Jane Skinning—the latter a rather pronounced man-hater; the curtain being rung down at the close of the customary showing of the family album.

The second act is also at the Kelly home, the hostess on this occasion doing the honors at a quilting bee, the usual routine of which is disturbed by the unexpected arrival of two city folk Mrs. Vernon and Mrs. Good, the act concluding with some old-time songs and recitations.

The more prominent parts were in the hands of Mrs. Hickey as Miss Jane Skinning; Mrs. Maxwell, who was Mrs. Kelly, the hostess; and Miss N. Reid, one of the city ladies, who all handled their lines admirably. They were ably supported by the other members of the cast who, though filling lighter roles, were important factors in rounding out the finished production the playlet received. Those taking part were:

Mrs. Kelly, hostess,	Mrs. J. Maxwell
Mrs. Barton } Visitors	" G. Cartwright
Mrs. DeVere } Visitors	Mrs. St. Jean
Miss Jane Skinning,	Mrs. T. Hickey
Mrs. Goodsense	Mrs. F. Knott
Thomas' wife	Mrs. Truscott
Mrs. Vernon } City Ladies	Miss N. Reid
Mrs. Good } City Ladies	Mrs. W. Crawford
Mrs. Hicks,	Mrs. E. Cartwright
Mrs. Rundle	Mrs. Attridge
Mrs. Bond	Mrs. F. Smith
Mrs. Jacks,	Miss E. Smith
Mrs. Lane,	Mrs. Cherrington
Mrs. Donnelly	Mrs. Goodwin
The Deacon	F. V. Staples

Those who favored with selections at the after-quilting musicale were Miss E. Smith, who favored with "Silver Threads Among the Gold," and Mrs. Knott who sang "When you and I were Young, Maggie." Miss Gertrude Knott contributed a literary number, "The Ladies' Aid did the Rest," all the numbers scoring decided hits.

As a curtain-raiser the ladies put on a short musical programme to which Mrs. Maxwell contributed a recitation, "Jim and I"; Mrs. F. Rose sang "Dolly's Revenge"; Mrs. Knott, "The Brook"; Miss Knott, "Blue Alsatian Mountains." Two other popular numbers were given by the Swedish trio, Messrs. Jonson, Swanson and Manberg, and five members of the Creston band obliged with a musical selection also. Mrs. Attridge was accompanist for the vocalists.

The family album feature was a winner. The subjects were all living pictures, though only the head and shoulder were on view—through an oval contraption with green background. Some of the notables presented to the admiring gaze of the school friends by Mrs. Kelly were:

Grandmother Hicks—Mrs. Miller.
Grandfather Kelly—J. G. Smith.
Mrs. Josiah Higgs—Miss N. Reid.
Josiah Higgs—F. V. Staples.
Mr. Kelly's sisters—Caroline (Miss L. Cartwright), Mary (Miss Jennie Nicholls), Jane (Mrs. G. Cartwright).
An Old Beau—Alf. Palmer.
Mary Ann Smither and her son, Joram—Mrs. Cherrington and Master Jim Cherrington.
Mary Kelly's four boys, Bob and Denzel Maxwell, Henry Brown, Percy Boffey.
Niece Arabella—Mrs. F. Smith.
Jake's wife—Miss G. Knott.

In the staging of the playlet none of the details were overlooked. Mrs. Kelly's parlor had a decidedly cheerful appearance; the furniture, curtains, draperies, etc., were all nicely arranged, while the costumes of all taking part were a decided factor in making the entertainment a success.

THE REVIEW is asked to extend the Aid's hearty thanks to all those who assisted in any way in the entertainment, also the Mercantile Co. for the use of the hall for rehearsals, and to Miss Lena Cartwright, who supervised the production of the play.

NELSON

The grant to the public library this year is $300. In 1914 the vote was $200.

Eggs were back to 35 cents a dozen on the Saturday market, which was largely attended.

The firemen had but three alarms to answer in February. Two of them were for chimney fires.

The Doukhobors are investigating the clay deposits at Fairview suburb with a view to starting a pottery.

Bishop Doull made his first visit to Nelson on Sunday. St. Savior's church was far too small for the crowd at the evening service.

A board of control, consisting of Mayor Malone and six other citizens—two of them ladies—are now in charge of the public market.

Nelson postoffice yielded $29,039.21 of revenue last year—standing fourth in the province, $172,399.76 was sent out of the city in money orders.

Nelson hotels and liquor stores contributed $300 to the federal treasury for the war tax stamps necessary to cover their stocks of wines and champagnes.

The board of trade has refused to endorse the action of the Women's Institute, which favored boycotting city stores that handled American apples at times when B.C. fruit was available.

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Whereas under the provisions of the above Act, application has been made to the Lieutenant Governor in Council to constitute the area comprised within the following boundaries at Creston, a Pound District, namely, Commencing at the S.W. corner of Lot 525, and following a line in an easterly direction to the S.E. corner of Lot 525, and continuing easterly to to the S.E. corner of Sub. Lot 15, thence north to the N.E. corner of Sub. Lot 17, thence westerly to a point on the east line of Lot 524, thence in a northerly direction to the N.E. corner of Lot 524, thence west to the N.W. corner of Lot 524, thence south to the point of commencement.

Notice is hereby given that (30) days after the application of this notice, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council will proceed to comply with the application, unless within the said time objection is made by eight (8) proprietors in said proposed district in Form A of the Schedule of the said Act, to the undersigned.

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CRANBROOK

Eleven recruits to the Third Contingent were Presbyterians.

According to the Herald Cranbrook's first robin arrived on March 4th.

Cranbrook vital statistics for February: Births, 20; marriages, 1; deaths, 1.

The Sunshine relief society netted $140 on the raffle of a Holstein calf donated to the society.

The provincial government has appropriated $41,000 for roads and bridges in the Cranbrook district this year.

Constable Collins has received instructions to prosecute anyone operating a car on the streets without a 1915 license.

For 1914 the local postoffice did a total business of $15,418.70. It stands eighth on the list for this province as a revenue producer.

Cranbrook's forty-six recruits for the Third Contingent each received $5, a pipe, half a pound of tobacco and some cigarettes prior to their departure.

T. Williams, of the Reliable Egg Farm had a hatch of chicks on February 3rd. On February 28th he had a perfect hatch of 12 chicks out of 12 eggs.

To avoid the expense and delay of a lawsuit the six aldermen comprising the city council have resigned. Mayor Bowness is in full charge of the city until an election is held.

Herald:—This spring will witness the bringing out of some antiquated automobiles that probably never would otherwise have had gasoline in their veins again but for the panic.

Herald:—N. A. Wallinger, government agent, is calling the attention of parties carrying special licenses to kill deer to the fact that they have expired and should be turned in.

The government dairy commissioner has written the Women's Institute telling them that unless the public market is more liberally patronized it would have to go out of business.

Vernon assessor's roll shows the total assessment for 1915 to be $4,109,341.

Kelowena Farmer's Institute is arranging to start a creamery this year.

Only three out-of-town rinks showed up for the curling bonspiel at Greenwood last week.

The revenue of Grand Forks postoffice last year was $6,716. At Greenwood the figures were $3,451.

The Enderby Egg Circle have signed up a contract with the C.P.R. dining car department to supply 60 dozen egg per week.

F. W. Terry has been appointed license collector and dog catcher at Revelstoke. He gets 50 cents for each dog destroyed.

During the year ending March 31, 1914, money orders were issued amounting to a total of $129,191.02 in the Slocan district.

At a joint meeting of the Fernie board of trade and city council a strong committee was named to wait on the C.P.R. to have Fernie made the end of the Kootenay valley run—instead of Bull River.

Our B. C. Budget

Only forty-two telephones are now in use at Kaslo.

Kaslo's apple-packing school attracted but eight pupils this year.

Mike Rossi has been granted a wholesale liquor license for Blairmore.

In future only permanent residents will be given civic work at Fernie.

Grand Forks has sent sixty-five men with the three Canadian contingents.

Government road work commenced in the Grand Forks district last week.

Trail council is passing the necessary by-law to ensure a pure milk supply.

The robins have arrived at Blairmore and spring is expected any day now.

Fernie will give the city engineer and some other officials a ten-day lay off this month.

Armstrong is borrowing $2,500 to erect a domestic science and manual training school.

There are said to be between 200 and 300 cases of mild smallpox in Nelson and the Kootenays.

The Provincial government has granted $,500 to augment the water system in Greenwood.

Prospects look favorable for a resumption of operations at the Greenwood smelter next month.

Kaslo riding is to secure the sum of $36,000 to devote to road, trail and bridge work during the year.

One-twentieth of the population of Windemere mining district is said to have enlisted for active service.

Between February 25th and March 2nd nine births were reported at Trail. Six of the new arrivals are boys.

The vital statistics for the city of Cranbrook for February are as follows: Births, 20; marriages, 1; deaths, 1.

This year the appropriation for roads in the Greenwood riding is $19,800. It is $28,000 for Grand Forks.

Fine young lambs, some nearly a month old, are to be seen in the Wanneta valley. One flock owner has already 85.

Fernie trustees want $15,000 for school purposes this year. The amount is practically the same as asked for in 1914.

Fernie spent $58.15 for relief in February. There were 33 applications for help but only five were given assistance.

The C.P.R. has closed its up-town telegraph office at Rossland. In future all business will be handled from the depot.

It is estimated that since the outbreak of the war over eight hundred men have left the Okanagan for active service.

The electric light plant at Mirror Lake is in operation again, after being out of business since the middle of January.

A 70-foot addition is being built to the Kaslo wharf. Two steamers will now be able to berth comfortably at lowest water.

Kaslo council declines to supply the city hospital with free electric light in return for free treatment for municipal indigent patients.

The secretary of the Elko Board of Trade is receiving more applications for land than in any previous years, from the prairie provinces.

The Provincial Teachers' association which was to convene in Revelstoke during the Easter holidays will not convene this year on account of financial stringency.

During the month of February the Okanagan Saw Mills at Enderby shipped out 54 cars of lumber, and with the orders now on hand they expect to reach 100 carloads this month.

Vernon News:—Travel on the S. & O. train is very light these days, there being fewer passengers on the incoming trains from Sicamous this spring than has been the case for several years.

According to the Miner the Rossland station is so overcrowded that during the rush hours some of the other employees have to back out into the baggage room to give the ticket sellers room to operate.

Fernie Free Press:—Kenneth Corson Collector of Inland Revenue, had $250 worth of war tax stamps sent here and they were all used up by the hotel and liquor men in stamping their wines. The druggists will next be called upon to stamp their proprietary medicines, perfumes, etc. when a much larger call will be made for war stamps.

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NEWS OF THE WORLD

British Columbia

Vancouver imported more than a car per day of American apples during February.

The Redistribution Bill provides for 47 members in the legislature. There are 42 at present.

Among the officers chosen for the Third Contingent is Lieut. W. Garland Foster, a former editor of the Nelson News.

793 horses have been purchased in the province by the Dominion militia department. $131 was the average price for the lot.

The 1914 fishing catch was worth $13,891,398—a decrease over the preceding year owing to a light run of sockeyes in Northern B.C.

The new redistribution bill provides a salary of $1,500 for the recognized leader of the opposition, in addition to the regular sessional allowance.

More land is in wheat around Vernon now than there was in the whole Okanagan valley in 1913. One big ranch alone has 500 acres in wheat.

A Vancouver company is being organized to build and operate a fleet of lumber ships in the hope of capturing a big slice of the 200,000,000 feet Australian lumber trade.

Canadian

2,106 families are receiving aid from the Patriotic Fund in Manitoba.

Since the war broke out the issue of Dominion notes has increased almost $55,000,000.

Three thousand men are wanted next month for construction work on the Hudson's Bay Railway.

Owing to the increased area under cultivation a serious shortage of farm help is feared in the Northwest this harvest.

6,000,000 Chinese eggs were imported into Canada last year. Just now Victoria merchants are buying them at 14c. per dozen.

The Dominion government has purchased and controls 42,742,840 bushels of wheat for the purpose of supplying seed grain for the western farmers.

British & Foreign

A scarcity of potatoes has existed in Berlin since the middle of February.

Holland has forbidden the export of sheep, canned meats and various meat products.

The German losses in killed, sick, wounded and missing is now placed at 3,000,000.

German papers are urging that each person limit himself to the consumption of one egg every fifth day.

The sum of $2,000,000 has been collected in tolls by the Panama canal in the first six months of its operation.

There are 450,000 men of Irish birth or decent in Great Britain who are of military age and 125,000 of them have already joined the army.

The four purchasing agents, who have been buying horses, mules, and food supplies in the western states for the British war office, have been recalled.

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The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lessee may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of $10 an acre.

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The rapidity with which the acreage in this state has increased is due largely to the efforts of the Better Farming association which was organized three years ago. As striking proof of this the increased alfalfa acreage is largely in the counties which had representatives of the state association.

From the number of inquiries concerning seed and the proper method of preparing the soil, the indications are there will be thousands of additional acres put in alfalfa in the coming spring.

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She Was In Bed For Seven Weeks

THEN DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS CURED MADAME BERUBE

Montreal Lady Tells How, After Four Years' Illness, She Found a Complete Cure for all Her Troubles

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Germans and the Cockney

A private of the South Wales Borderers writes: "A funny incident happened one day. We caught three Germans—an officer and two privates. The officer was a tall, brawny, handsome fellow measuring six feet. A little Cockney in our regiment approached the German officer, and said jocularly, never dreaming he would be understood:

"'For two pins I'd knock your blooming head off!'

"Imagine his surprise when the giant replied to the Cockney bantam in perfect English:

"'Don't! I can't help this war. Like yourself, I must fight for my country!'

"And we cheered him."

Diner—Waiter, why do you call this homemade bread?

Waiter—[illegible] the kitchen, sir.

Low Rate of Mortality

An official return showing the status of wounded at the various hospitals in France has just been issued, and indicates a surprisingly low rate of mortality. It shows that 489,733 wounded treated in the ambulances and hospitals between September 15 and November 30, of whom 54.5 per cent. have returned to the front, 24.5 per cent. are preparing to return after convalescence; 17 per cent. are still under treatment; 1.48 per cent. are permanently crippled for service; and 2.48 per cent. only have died.

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"On special duty?"

"Yes; they were taking me to the guard house."

No Interpreter

A military correspondent writes: "The fact that Gen. Joffre has no English and Lord Roberts did not speak French gave a pathetic side to the meeting. It was, I was told, a very curious thing to see the two great soldiers studying a map together, with hardly a word to exchange, yet quite able to follow one another's train of thought by pointing and by looks, so great a common background was theirs in military study. I may mention that Gen. French does not speak French with any ease."—Manchester Guardian.

What little boy in the class can mention a memorable date in Roman history? asked the teacher.

Antony's with Cleopatra! ventured one of the boys.

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GERMANS HAVE PREPARED TRIPLE LINE OF DEFENCE IN BELGIUM

PREPARED TO MAKE A DETERMINED RESISTANCE

Have Employed Six Thousand Skilled Engineers and an Army of Laborers to Construct Defences, which will Enable them to make Three Successive Stands

The correspondent of the London Daily Telegraph, writing from the Dutch frontier, describes Germany's triple line of defences in Belgium, where she will be able to make three successive stands against the offensive of the Allies. The writer has inspected many works of defense, which the authorities cannot hide. The work carried on at all fortified towns is well known as to its general points, and information gathered from all sources and sifted with care, the writer says, points to the following plan of campaign:

"It is held, once a resolute offensive is offered by the Allies both on land and sea, that the Germans will speedily be obliged to evacuate West Flanders. A study of the map of Belgium shows that the principal river in the west is the Scheldt, a broad and deep river, navigable for its entire course through the country into France. From the Dutch frontier through Antwerp up to Tamiz it is navigable to large sea going steamers, and after that for large barges. Its course from the estuary is, roughly, north to south, till the fortifications of Antwerp are passed, then it bears west to Ghent and from that city its course goes again southward. Between this part of the river and the coast and practically parallel with it flows the Lys, a river of little importance except in a wet season.

"From Ghent to the Dutch frontier, almost due north, is the recently-opened ship canal. The first serious defense is expected to take the line of this canal from Sasvangent, on the Dutch frontier, to Ghent, and to continue the course southward of the Scheldt, via Audenarde Tournai, (Mount St. Aubert, behind the town commands the country for many miles in all directions), Conde and Valenciennes. Then, via the reconstructed and formidable fortress of Maubeuge to Mezieres and along the line of the upper Meuse to Metz.

"The second line will probably be as follows:

"Starting in the west from the refortified and impregnable Antwerp and along the Scheldt up to Boom, it turns along the line of the ship canal to Brussels. Then southward along the line of the Charleroi canal into the headwaters of the river Sambra, and Charleroi and from there via the Sambre to the fortress of Namur and the middle Meuse. To those who know the country these two lines of defense appear impregnable, but the German staff has something else up its sleeve.

"Still taking Antwerp and the Ruppel as a starting point after passing Boom and following the river Dyle up to the city of Malines, an already fortified position guards the river, which runs between high banks, to the still more unhappy remains of Louvain, and from there, still taking advantage of the river Dyle, via Wavre to Namur, there runs an extremely scientific line of trenches, much of it in reinforced concrete.

"This forms a barrier not easily crossed. In front the ground is prepared with pitfalls, mined areas and other traps for the unwary, though as yet no wire entanglements have been made except near Namur, where whole woods have been sawed down with the trunks left standing about two feet high. There regular entanglements are prepared.

"The country along this line is undulating and advantage has been taken to prepare implacements for heavy guns. Since August six thousand skilled engineers, as well as a whole army of laborers have been working on these defences. The forts of Liege, Namur and Maubeuge were completed in September and those of Antwerp are also completely repaired.

"The third line, last mentioned, was completed in September and now has grown practically invisible. It is not considered likely that a line farther north will be prepared as the ground is very flat and marshy, but immediately behind the third line are very good roads and railways and it is an ideal terrain for a defensive campaign."

Canadian Fisheries

Fisheries of the Dominion Are the Most Extensive in Whole World

The annual report of the department of marine and fisheries emphasises the fact that the fisheries of the Dominion are the most extensive in the world. It likewise noted that the water in and around Canada contains the principal commercial fool fishes in greater abundance than the waters of any other part of the world.

The total marketed value of all kinds of fish, etc., taken by Canadian fishermen from the sea and inland lakes and rivers during the year ended March 31, 1914, amounted to $33,207,748.

This value falls short of that for the preceding year by $181,716. This is accounted for by the Sockeye salmon run in Northern British Columbia being smaller than usual, and the decrease in the value of halibut.

Of this total value the sea fisheries contributed $29,472,811; while the inland fisheries contributed $3,734,937.

The value of the fish catch by provinces was as follows:

British Columbia, $13,893,980; Nova Scotia, $8,297,626; New Brunswick, $4,308,707; Ontario, $2,674,685; Quebec, $1,850,427; Prince Edward Island, $1,280,447; Manitoba, $606,272; Saskatchewan, $148,602; Alberta, $81,913; Yukon, $68,265.

Horses Needed by Britain

Many of Those Bought For Second Contingent to be Shipped Now

The average life of army horses when put on active service at the front in Europe is only about ten days, and consequently the demand for remounts from Canada is steadily increasing. The war office is asking for increased supplies from Canada, and it is understood that a considerable number of the horses purchased for the second Canadian contingent are to be shipped at once to England. They will be replaced by further purchases from the farmers of Canada, under the direction of the purchasing committee appointed by the government.

Explosive Needles For Zeppelins

The French war office has now in operation an invention which seems to offer an excellent method of combating Zeppelins. The inventor is M. Antony Jacques, of Grenoble. The new weapon consists of a long needle carrying a small shell. These needles are very light, and so is the shell they carry. When the needle pierces cloth or any light substance—and not till then—it explodes the shell. Fired against a brick wall it is harmless. The needles are so small that a good quantity can be carried on an aeroplane. They can be fired from a very light gun, and when once they strike a Zeppelin and explode, they will also explode the gases contained in the envelope, and so destroy the whole machine. The invention came to the French war office after careful and [illegible] experiments made by the chief of the fire brigade at Grenoble.

Huge Air Fleet

Great Britain is Surprisingly Strong Strong in Matter of Aircraft

A letter to the Chicago Herald from London, contains the information that England is far readier than the world believes in the matter of aircraft. In spite of the secrecy thrown around everything relating to war preparations, it is an open secret in military circles that the British government has in its possession a number of Zeppelins and what are believed to be far more effective a lot of huge aeroplanes capable of carrying a crew of 21 men, and armed with a number of powerful anti-aircraft guns.

Prior to the war, the British army aeronautic service placed small confidence in the Zeppelins and decried the possibility that they could work much harm.

During the recent raid of Cuxhaven, the ease with which Zeppelins were driven off by the British seaplanes was pointed to as evidence of the non-value of the German crafts. But the British authorities apparently determined to be as well equipped in every respect as their enemies, acquiring dirigibles of the German type. The number of such dirigibles flying the British flag is not known, but it is said to be sufficient to make a decided impression when the strategic moment for their use arrives.

More faith is placed by British fliers in the enormous aeroplanes which have been constructed. These planes have been equipped with a special anti-aircraft gun, designed to take up the recoil when the gun is fired. The details of the armament of the latest craft have been kept secret, but enough is known to justify the statement that the vessels are the most formidable type in existence.

To Fight to the Bitter End

German Huns Begin to Talk of What Will Happen If Defeat Comes

Maximilian Harden, reviewing the war in his organ, Die Kukunft says:

"Beat us. Drive us into the sea, into the Rhine. Starve us to submission. We shall die honorably, die standing up with clean arms. We do not know whether we shall win, but we know we shall not end unworthily. We are conserving both our confidence and our nourishment for a very long struggle, yet in a year we may be using thorns and thistles for a time, instead of bread. We are quieter than in the first current of the war's enthusiasm, but not more cowardly; nor are we to be intimidated. In prayer we are ever joyful, and still hark to the German maxim, 'Rely upon thyself; then will thou never deceive thy self.'"

Over the porch of the Old South church at Boston is chiseled:

"Behold! I have set before you an open door, and under, on the door, is painted in emphatic letters: 'Positively no admittance.'"

Plans of the Allies' in France

Will Endeavor to Make the German Retirement General One When It Commences

Hilaire Belloc, writing in Land-and Water, of the battle before Soissons, points out that there is a remarkable similarity between what happened there and at Steinbach in Alsace. The colonel points out that a strong French offensive was ordered with no more than the troops who had been on the spot against a particular section of the long German line; that it succeeded and after a delay of 48 hours at Soissons and nearly of four days at Seinbach a very large German reinforcement arrived and reversed the French attack. The German counter offensive, however, spent itself and could go no further.

The first conclusion drawn from the parallel is thus stated:

"The Germans never knowing quite where the French are going to attack are in great peril at having their line broken wherever an attack on a considerable scale is delivered. They will not risk men, as yet, at any rate, in trying to recover the initiative for themselves and in being the first to attack. They are thus compelled to wait for the French initiative. They meet it, wherever a strong attack is delivered, by hurrinyg up men from elsewhere and the men so hurried up, though coming in great numbers, do little more than hold their own."

A further conclusion is that the Germans draw men from other parts of their line and not from large available reserves of new formations. Mr. Belloc contends that the facts disclosed show that the enemy is put to it by the actual thinness of his line.

He continues: "The problem of the allies in the west is not the problem of gradually pushing back an opposing force under pressure to shorten lines which are already as stretched as they can be, consistently with being held at all, and when the compulsion for shortening these lines shall arrive it cannot take the form of gradual retirements from one line of trenches to another close behind it. It can only take the form of wholesale retirement, either evacuating Northern France and half of Belgium or evacuating Alsace."

Mr. Belloc also analyses the German report of the Soissons battle and claims that the statement that more than 5,000 Frenchmen were killed, and more than 5,000 taken prisoners is nonsense.

Canada Getting Big Orders

Contracts For at Least $50,000,000 in War Supplies Received Already

How Canadian industries are benefitted by the war is seen by the latest government estimates, which indicate that 3,000 factories are busy with orders which total at least $50,000,000. The prospects are also that the demands for war material will be greatly increased in the future and there are indications that France and Russia will purchase more heavily in Canada in the future.

The war supplies for which contracts have been let in the Dominion cover a large range of articles. They include rifles, bayonets, uniforms, boots, saddles, truck wagons, ammunition, tents, blankets, and many other materials necessary to equip an army. Great orders of shrapnel shells have also been received by a number of leading Canadian firms, and one estimate indicates that already 100,000 a day are being manufactured in the Dominion with the prospects for an increased output in the future.

The soldiers' pay is another big item in the war expenditure, for which the Canadian government will have to provide large sums. To defray this expense and the others involved as a result of the struggle it is expected that the militia appropriations covering a period of from April 1 to January 1, of next year, will require $100,000,000. Should the conflict last two years it is believed that the Dominion will have expended the sum of $240,000,000 in assisting the empire in its struggle.

Another item which is expected to run into large figures before the war ends in the demand for horses. Experience has proved that the life of a horse on the battlefield is short and hence large orders are expected to be filled in Canada. Besides horses, numerous saddles will be required, and already the French and Russian governments have made heavy purchases here.

Idle Curious Not Wanted

Pleasure Seeking Visitors Only Adding to Burden of Government

Advices from England are that idle visitors to Great Britain are only adding to the burden in that country. The great influx of visitors, out of idle curiosity, has alarmed the government, and they wish such visitors to consider the situation in the British Isles before adding to the burden. In short, to sum up, the British Islands are no place today for curious pleasuer seekers. If the influx continues, the home government may resort to measures to check it. Those who have business are welcome, but those who go out of curiosity are only embarrassing the government and are not wanted until normal conditions prevail.

"Can any one in the audience lend me a $10 gold piece?" asked the prestidigitator.

"On what?" queried the pawnbroker in the third row.

SOME GLOOMY FORECASTS OF THE ECONOMIC OUTLOOK IN GERMANY

SERIOUS SHORTAGE OF FOODSTUFFS EXPECTED

Every Man in France is Determined upon Prosecuting the War to a Successful Outcome, and will Fight to Remove Conditions which Endanger Peace

From an entirely reliable source is secured the following summary of views taken by leading members of the French government in regard to the present conditions and future prospects of the war. Spring will undoubtelly witness new developments of the most important character among them the active interposition of Italy and Roumania.

"With these two nations throwing the weight of their armies into the balance on the side of the allied powers," said a cabinet minister, "I expect that the war will end before next winter."

From confidential reports obtained by the French government by means of reliable agents, it is believed in Paris that the German professions of the soundness of their financial and economic conditions are exaggerated. The German industrial building looks very well from the outside. Its facade is made to look very imposing, but the building within is an empty shell.

Authoritative forecasts of the economic outlook in Germany, chiefly derived from impartial Swiss experts, are gloomy. A serious shortage of foodstuffs is expected before the winter is out.

With reference to the French prosecution of the war a leading minister, who, it must be remembered, was speaking not for the gallery but confidentially and in accents of deep conviction, said:

"Every Frenchman, whatever his politics, is determined upon war to a successful outcome. If we simply drive the enemy out of France we should have accomplished nothing. We are not fighting for the reconquest of Alsace anl Lorraine, or for the defeat of Germany, but for the destruction of militarism. We do not want the complete downfall of Germany. We have no right to enforce any condition on a conquered Germany which we do not impose on ourselves. French and Britain must be predominant in the settlement, if any permanent good is to come out of this war. We both value liberty. The British have a far more deep-rooted conception of liberty than the French have. The French have more equality, but liberty is historic with Britain. The two countries must act with a common aim and with the hope of establishing new conditions in Europe.

"I don't look for the breakup of the German empire unless it comes from internal revolution, but we shall have a right to remove the conditions which endanger peace. For instance, Prussia should not be permitted in future to exercise a preponderating influence in the councils of Germany because as things are, Prussia is the menace. The franchise in Prussia should be made the same as in other parts of Germany. Prussia should be rendered impotent in a military sense, and its artificial majority in the Bundesrath removed so that parliament may have the deciding voice in the affairs of the nation.

"Then we must have a reduction in armaments. I don't see the millenium in sight yet, but the production of arms could be controlled by an international commission on which the present belligerents and neutrals would be represented. This commission would have its agents in every country to see that the manufacture of arms was reduced to the scale imposed on all nations. Limitation of armaments can be accomplished only by international agreement, and it would be necessary to have an international force to see that those agreements were observed."

My informant, who has had excellent opportunities of forming a considered opinion, added that the gravity of the situation and the prodigious nature of the struggle ahead were not under-estimated in France, which, he said, was resolute in pursuing the war to the bitter end.

"There will be no lessening of efforts," he said, "when the Germans are driven out of France. France regards the struggle as a war of civilization, and is prepared to act up to the spirit of Premier Viviani's recent declaration. France was never so fortunate in the absence of ambitious men searching after self-glorifications. There is more unity of national sentiment than in England, and a supreme desire to subdue an element which would tend to weaken France internally."

Heroism and Chivalry

Enemy Cheers Brave Conduct of French Stretcher-bearers

Le Temps prints a letter written by a French soldier to his family, which illustrates how French heroism was chivalrously recognized by the Germans.

"Before Montaquan, in the Somme district," he says, "was a villa which the Germans held strongly, and which we vainly tried to storm. Our greatest efforts only brought us to the enemy's wire entanglements. At midnight several of our wounded lay helpless before the German trenches, whence it was certain death for us to try to fetch them. On the following morning two stretcher-bearers—one belonging to a religious order—left the French lines and coolly approached the German wires, waving Red Cross flags.

"The fusillade immediately ceased on both sides, as a German officer cried in good French, 'What are you going to do?' The bearers answered coolly, 'Pick up the wounded.' The German replied, 'Very good, I give you permission, but you ought to have come yesterday, thus saving them a wretched night. I would certainly have ordered my men to cease firing.'

"One of the German officers shook hands with the religious brother, saying, 'You are brave fellows. We give you half an hour to finish your work, and the firing will begin again.'

"Meanwhile the German soldiers lying on a bank nearby waved their hats, cheering loudly. Thus were saved nearly a dozen wounded, all of whom are now recovering."

To Increase Food Production

Finance Minister Addresses Agricultural Conference on Need of Increased Farming

Speaking at the agricultural conference held at Ottawa, Hon. W. T. White stated that the minister of agriculture had announced and was preparing to carry out an extensive programme for stimulating food production.

"A new era had now dawned," said Mr. White, in concluding his remarks, "in which the policy would be to greatly increase production. This was a new national policy of patriotism, because at this juncture patriotism and production march hand in hand. Britain's fleet ensures the safe transport of Britain's food supply, but does not ensure the supply itself. The dominions of the empire ought to make that supply certain and ample. Canada will do her full share and more, if possible, in this, as in other things.

"Our soldiers offer their lives. Those who remain at home may be depended upon to offer their labor."

Walk—Why did you take off your hat to that girl? You don't know her.

H. McIntosh—No; but my brother does, and this is his hat.

Assistance of Japan

Japanese Foreign Legion Would Help to Crush Germans

The Japanese foreign legion, now being raised voluntarily in Japan to reinforce France on the firing line, will be very welcome. For the first time officialdom acknowledges this.

It is admitted that the raising of a volunteer force of Japs to tender their services as La Payette did in the American revoluntionary war, will solve a knotty problem. Official participation by the regular Japanese army, under their regular officers and in every way on the same basis as the British, French and Belgians, might result in a serious complication. They might have to be paid and Japan would be in a position to claim much of the credit for victory should her sons aid in the final crushing of the German empire.

But with the foreign legion coming at least one objection would be solved. These men are reported to be picked veterans of the Russo-Japanese war. They are to be equipped as few Japanese troops ever have been. It is rumored that at their head will come ont of Japan's greatest military geniuses, a man whose name will mean much to the allies.

Not only will the foreign legion fight on French soil, but it is expected the Japanese army will eventually enter the war in the west, as an active ally of Russia and Britain. There is said to be a growing sentiment in Britain to ask Japan to take over the protection of Egypt and India, thus releasing for active service against Germany the many British regiments now held idle in these two countries. Russia is said to have suggested that she would welcome an alliance of which would permit the Japs to take a position with the Russians on the firing line in East Prussia, in Galicia and elsewhere along the miles of battlefront extending across the continent of Europe.

Britain and Russia could easily pay Japan for this work. In case of victory—and every expert here agrees that Japan can clinch the victory—that nation would get her share of the compensations. In discussing this, Lucien Millevoye of La Patrie, after declaring that the subject of Japan's help must not be considered a confession of weakness, says:

"France, alert and ready, with the sword of victory already in her hand, implores no one's aid. She merely says to a strong friend, 'If you wish a part of the glory, take it.'"

The young mother stole silently upstairs one evening, to be sure that her little son was sleeping safely. As she paused at the door she saw her husband standing beside the crib, gazing earnestly down at the sleeping child. Tears filled the mother's eyes, and she thought: "How dearly Frederick does love that boy?"

But just then he turned and saw her. "Amelia," he said, "I don't see how in earth they can get up a crib like this for three dollars and sixty cents."

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Local and Personal

The Presbyterian Ladies' Aid will give a musicale on April 29th.

Mr. Noble of Cranbrook spent the week-end on his ranch north of town.

The Creston Farmers' Institute hold their March meeting on Friday evening next, 19th inst.

Mrs. Ashley Cooper left on Wednesday for Nelson, where she will visit friends for a few days.

GOLD COIN SEED POTATOES FOR SALE—$1.50 per 100 pounds, heavy yielders. F. PUTNAM, Creston.

Speers & McCreath shipped a car of posts to the prairie the early part of the week. It was loaded at Erickson.

It is unofficially stated that $15,000 has been alotted for government road and bridgework in the Creston valley for 1915.

Hats are prettier and cheaper than ever. Come to Mrs. M. Young's sixth spring millinery opening, March 18, 19, 20, 3 to 6 p.m.

DRESSMAKING—Wanted, by an experienced dressmaker, work by the day or piece. MISS JENNIE ALGUIRE, Section House, Creston.

The total revenue from the Creston postoffice, according to the 1914 report of the department was $2,083.84. At Kaslo the figures were $2,649.46.

The Dramatic Club is giving the net receipts from their show on March, 22 to the Red Cross funds. They are presenting the delightful farce comedy "Facing the Music."

The Creston-Erickson Rifle Association is hoping their whist drive and dance on Easter Monday will not be overlooked in the present rather ample supply of concerts and dances.

Construction commenced on Wednesday on a good looking five-foot sidewalk from Jackson's store out to the Creston cemetery. Some dynamiting of stumps has been necessary to clear the right of way.

The vicar and churchwardens of Christ Church are tendering Bishop Doull an informal congregational reception at the Parish Hall on Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock, to which all parishioners and friends are invited.

About $20 worth of war stickers were required to stamp the supply of liquor, subject to this special assessment, at present, in stock in the two Creston hotels. E. C. Gibbs is in charge of this work in the absence of an inland revenue officer.

Tuesday afternoon Mrs. Cherrington and Mrs. Jas. Compton were hostesses at a very charming tea in aid of the Red Cross fund, at the home of Mrs. Cherrington. Favors were given and all the guests thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The proceeds amounted to $6.

Word reached Creston on Saturday that all the local members of the Third Contingent had successfuly passed the medical examination at Victoria. The boys stood the trip well and arrived at their destination in excellent condition and marched with a swing that would do credit to veterans.

Whitefish and char are still being taken from the Goat River in fairly good catches. W. B. Embree advises that the helgramite grub, which is pie to the Whitefish, is the bait by which most of them are betrayed. The gustatory possibilities of whitefish are almost equal to trout—when you can't get trout.

Only routine matters came up at the March meeting of the Board of Trade on Tuesday night. J. H. Schofield wrote stating that the members at Victoria said that the apples sent them by the board were the best ever and much obliged for the remembrance. There was quite a batch of enquiries as to the possibilities of the valley by prospective settlers.

Geo. Huscroft and his staff of three assistants did two good days work on Monday and Tuesday when they laid a new sidewalk from the C.P.R. tracks up to the Mercantile Co. and threw in a spacious set of steps up to the store platform for good luck. It is a substantial bit of workmanship, and will make the grade to that part of town quite agreeable in any sort of weather.

Creston merchants inaugurated the Wednesday half holiday this week under favorable circumstances. The closing had been sufficiently well advertised and there were very few, if any, customers disappointed; besides, the weather was almost ideal for the half day off. Those observing the midweek vacation are; Mercantile Co., T. M. Edmondson, Lancaster & Co., F. H Jackson, P. Burns Co. and the drugstore.

The apple-packing school is due to open Monday.

C. O. Rodgers returned yesterday from a trip to Regina, Sask.

W. H. Morris, Sirdar's genial boniface, was in town, Thursday.

Butterflies—a real bright red one—was noticed on Fourth Street, Sunday.

Local home bakeries have advanced the price of bread from 12 to 10 loaves for $1.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Collis were visiting with Nelson friends the latter part of the week.

Mrs. (Dr.) Winkler arrived yesterday from Sandpoint, Idaho, on a visit to her father, Mr. T. Gilpin,

Mrs. M. Young is holding her spring millinery opening on Thursday, Friday and Saturday—next week.

EGGS FOR SALE—Eggs for setting, purebred Brown Leghorns, $1.75 for 15 eggs. CHAS. MOORE, Creston.

MILK FOR SALE—Can supply a few customers daily with pure, fresh milk, delivered anywhere in Creston.—W. GORBETT.

Creston Liberals are meeting Saturday night to discuss matters in connection with the forthcoming provincial election.

The apple-packing school opens on Monday in the Auditorium with J. P. Castner in charge. The necessary twelve pupils—and some to spare—will be in attendance.

The Institute received its first consignment of stumping powder on Wednesday. The thrifty rancher will secure his supply early—the next shipment is sure to be higher in price.

So much knitting going on these days among the Red Cross workers inspires Mayor Little to observe that these soldiers' knitted body belts might be just as aptly called "Dados round the dining-room!"

H. F. Mueilinn, well known here in connection with reclamation surveys has obtained a commission in the 5th Canadian Mounted Rifles. He is at present at Sherbrooke, Que., in charge of a machine gun squad.

The authorities have proclaimed Saturday, March 20th. Clean Up Day for Creston. Citizens are asked to get busy with their rakes and other utensils and put things in ship shape in both the front and back yards.

SADDLE HORSE FOR SALE—Alan Howard's saddle horse, 'Dick,' for sale at once; fast, quite sound, no vice, $45. Can be seen at G. P. Smith's, Erickson. Open to offers, apply direct only to MRS. HOWARD, Bank of Montreal, Spokane, Wash., U.S.A.

The extraordinary general meeting of the Shareholders of the Growers Union on Tuesday afternoon did not quite dispose of the business on hand and another adjournment was made until March 24, when it is expected everything will be finally adjusted.

Advice was received at Creston on Saturday that the local members of the Second Contingent had arrived safely at Liverpool early last week. They are to be located at Aldershot, where they will be well housed every facility given for complete training for the front.

For St. Patrick's evening you take your choice between the Knights of Pythias dance in Mercantile Hall Creston, and the card party and dance the ladies of Creston Roman Catholic church are giving in Grady's store at Duck Creek. Both events promise a splendid evening's pleasure.

The "patriotism and production" conference in the Auditorium on Friday night was well attended and two timely addresses were given by Mr. Cuthbert, publicity commissioner, Victoria, and Mr. Moore, superintendent of the experimental farm at Agassiz. President Heath of the Farmers' Institute presided.

Bishop Doull, the new head of the Anglican Diocese of Kootenay, will pay Creston a visit on Sunday, March 14th. At 11 a.m. Christ Church will be consecrated by his lordspip, the ceremony to be followed by a celebration of Holy Communion, At 7.30 p.m. there will be evensong and confirmation service. Bishop Doull will preach at both services. All are welcome.

"Co-operative Marketing" and "The case for car-lot strawberry growing" are the topics chosen for the horticultural meeting in the Auditorium on Friday night next. The former subject will be taken by R. M. Winslow, provincial horticulturist, and the latter by J. Forsyth Smith, prairie markets commissioner. Mr. Winslow's subject is a particularly live one, and it is to be hoped the turnout of ranchers will be very large.

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