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Before Action.

By all the glories of the day
And the cool evening's benison,
By that last sunset touch that lay
Upon the hills when day was done,
By beauty lavishly outpoured
And blessings carelessly received,
By all the days that I have lived,
Make me a soldier, Lord.

By all of all man's hopes and fears,
And all the wonders poets sing,
The laughter of unclouded years,
And every sad and lovely thing;
By the romantic ages stored
With high endeavor that was his,
By all his mad catastrophes
Make me a man, O Lord.

I, that on my familiar hill
Saw with uncomprehending eyes
A hundred of Thy sunsets spill
Their fresh and sanguine sacrifice,
Ere the sun swings his noonday sword
Must say goodby to all of this—
By all delights that I shall miss,
Help me to die, O Lord.

Lieut. W. N. Hodgson.

Tommy (after operation): "What with sister 'ere, an' them lilies, I thought I was in 'eaven, when I first came round, till I seed Bill yonder in the next bed!"

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MERCHANTS BANK

Adds Nearly Twenty Millions to its Assets. Continuance of Remarkable Growth of Deposit Accounts During Past Year Enables it to Render Immense Assistance to Canadian Trade and Industry.

The 55th Annual Statement of the Merchants Bank of Canada, presented at the annual meeting on June the fifth, shows a continuation of the remarkable progress which has attended the career of this Bank for many years past, and particularly since the beginning of the war. Thus the total assets of the Bank are now $140,937,544 as compared with $121,130,559 in 1917, and $96,361,363 in 1916, and this growth is entirely due to the confidence of the thrifty Canadian public, as exhibited in a constantly expanding volume of deposits. The interest-bearing deposits of the Merchants Bank are now $75,946,985, an increase of eleven million dollars, the non-interest-bearing deposits are $34,886,747, an increase of seven and three-quarter millions, and the note circulation is $12,327,168, an increase of three millions.

Of chief interest among the assets is the item of Current Loans and Discounts in Canada, representing the assistance given by this Bank to the activities of trade and industry. This amounts to $76,194,016, an increase for the year of nearly thirteen and a half million dollars, showing that the Merchants Bank is making a full use of the facilities afforded by its expanding deposit accounts, to meet the requirements of commercial clients, which have been greatly increased by the rise in market price of all classes of commodities.

Notwithstanding this generous support of Canadian business, the Bank still maintains a strong reserve of liquid assets. These now total $57,667,481, against public liabilities of $126,322,671, or a ratio of 45.6 per cent. and they include about thirty-four millions in the form of cash, bank balances and call loans, immediately available if required, and $5,435,464 of Dominion and Provincial Government securities, $14,589,065 of Canadian municipal and non-Canadian public securities (this item being composed largely of British Government borrowings) and $4,060,204 of other securities.

Profits for the year, at $1,236,680, showed an advance, attributable doubtless to the greater volume of commercial business. But they were subject to a deduction of $400,000 for contingencies, while war taxes and pension fund took another $120,000, so that the net result after payment of the 10 per cent. dividend was the addition of $16,680 to the balance carried forward, a very moderate rate of earnings considering that every share of capital carries with it another hundred dollars of Reserve Fund.

At the annual meeting the Vice-President, Mr. K. W. Blackwell, pointed out that the money in charge of the banks was not that of "capitalists" in the sense in which that word was employed by socialist agitators but that the average holding of Merchants Bank depositors was only $500.00. The interest of this class must be defended against unwise and wanton action, or the whole financial fabric would be broken down. Mr. D. C. Macarow, the General Manager, stated that the assets of the Bank had been most carefully scrutinised and ample provision made for doubtful contingencies, so that the balance-sheet represented dollar for dollar of actual value.

COAL SUPPLIES OF CANADA.

Development Since 1874—Need for Decreasing Imports.

The coal supplies of Canada are second only to those of the United States in quantity, and compare favorably with those of other great coal-mining countries in quality, quantity and accessibility for mining purposes. The known area in Canada underlain by workable coal beds is estimated by Mr. D. B. Dowling at 111,168 square miles, containing over 1,300,000 million tons of coal. For convenience in classifying, the coal-fields may be divided into four main divisions, as follows:

(1) The Eastern Division, comprising the bituminous coal-fields of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

(2) The Central or Interior Division, comprising the lignites of Manitoba and Saskatchewan, and the lignites, sub-bituminous, bituminous and semi-anthracite coal-fields of Alberta, as well as the bituminous coal-fields of the Rocky mountains in south-eastern British Columbia.

(3) The Pacific Coast Division, comprising the bituminous fields of Vancouver island, the bituminous and semi-anthracite fuels of Queen Charlotte island and the interior of British Columbia, and the lignites of Yukon.

(4) The Northern Division, comprising the lignites and low-grade bituminous coal of the Arctic-Mackenzie basin.

The coal-mining industry of Canada has developed at a very rapid rate. In 1874, the earliest year for which there is a reliable record, the production was 1,063,742 tons. In 1916, it amounted to about 14,500,000 tons. But in spite of this striking development, imports have increased faster than production. In 1916, they exceeded 17,000,000 tons, or over 58 per cent. of the total consumption for that year.

When it is remembered that Central Canada is dependent on the United States for supplies of coal, the desirability of changing these conditions becomes apparent, both from a mining and a national standpoint.

A BATTLE ROYAL IN THE AIR

WHEN THE KAISER'S FLIERS FOUGHT EACH OTHER.

German Squadrons Thought They Were Attacking British Machines When Decoy Asked Assistance

This is the story of a battle royal, waged in the air between two flights of German planes. It was an unintentional, but disastrous fight between brother aviators, during which British pilots jocularly and impartially rendered assistance, first to one side, then to the other, until so many of the emperor's fliers had been downed or damaged that the conflict could not continue.

It was on June 5 that this extraordinary engagement occurred and it began thus:

"Two British officers in a fighting machine were leading a patrol along the lines, when they sighted a German Halberstadt two-seater, which, upon their appearance, fired a green signal light. The British leaders expected a trap, and waited to see what this unusual performance meant.

Two Squadrons Replied.

In a short time six German scouts came wheeling out of the blue and joined the Halberstadt. Almost at once six other enemy scouts dived out of the sun on to their comrades, whom they apparently mistook for a British patrol about to attack.

What had happened was this: "The Halberstadt had been acting as a decoy, and the green light had been meant as a signal for assistance, but there had been no expectation that two flights of German planes would respond at the same time.

Not being able to distinguish the markings of their friends—and this has happened not infrequently before—the newcomers immediately began a furious attack upon them. The British leaders then guided their patrol into this mad melee and took a hand until the Halberstadt was the first victim, and this was shot down by the British commanding machine. Another British fighter in the meantime had accounted for two more enemy scouts, which were sent swirling to destruction below.

All the time the German aircraft were continuing their bitter battle among themselves, and several of them were seen to go down out of control before the engagement finally ended. The British leaders, by their good judgment, had led the enemy into their own trap.

Eight Vanquished Forty.

This undoubtedly was a unique occurrence, but there are always plenty of thrilling incidents happening in the air these days. Take, for instance, the case of a British patrol of about eight battleplanes which fought and vanquished forty enemy craft a few days ago. This British patrol, under command of a captain, was escorting a bombing squadron when two score enemy machines were encountered. The British fighters and the enemy immediately raced in for the attack.

Within a few seconds the fierce fight was in progress, and the great fleet of nearly half a hundred airships were swirling and racing madly against one another, while their machine guns joined in the vicious chorus that swept down to the troops on the ground like the noise from scores of steam trip-hammers.

The British outmanoeuvred and outfought the enemy, and many of the German machines were sent spinning away. Whether they were merely frightened or were out of control it was impossible to say, but at the conclusion of the fight four German machines lay in crumpled masses on the earth, and another had gone down in flames.

Almost daily one hears of experiences in which airmen have fought a magnificent battle against heart-breaking odds.

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WITHOUT ANY PAIN

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Authorities estimates that 1 to 10 per cent. of the wheat crop is lost by hurried and careless operation and inefficiency at the thrashing machine.

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"Women and children first!"
That is our way at sea,
Men must endure the worst,
Men of a race that's free.
When ships go down our men must drown.
Our men of common clay.

"Women and children first!"
That is the English way.
Women and children first!"
That is their way on land,
Men of a race accurst,
Men from whom pity's banned,
The world may frown, a woman's gown
Shall shield them in the fray,
"Women and children first!"
That is the German way.

LEMONS MAKE SKIN WHITE, SOFT, CLEAR.

Make this beauty lotion for a few cents and see for yourself.

What girl or woman hasn't heard of lemon juice to remove complexion blemishes; to whiten the skin and to bring out the roses, the freshness and the hidden beauty? But lemon juice alone is acid, therefore irritating, and should be mixed with orchard white this way. Strain through a fine cloth the juice of two fresh lemons into a bottle containing about three ounces of orchard white, then shake well and you will have a whole quarter pint of skin and complexion lotion at about the cost one usually pays for a small jar of ordinary cold cream. Be sure to strain the lemon juice so no pulp gets into the bottle, then this lotion will remain pure and fresh for months. When applied daily to the face, neck, arms and hands it should help to bleach, clear, smoothen and beautify the skin.

Any druggist will supply three ounces of orchard white at very little cost, and the grocer has the lemons.

AMERICAN POTATOES IN PARIS.

Food Dictator Cuts Profit of Dealers To Minimum.

Potatoes from the north of Africa are beginning to arrive in the Paris market, says a Paris despatch. Last year they were sold at outrageous prices. This season the price has been set by M. Boiret, the food dictator, at approximately 8 cents a pound.

The Algerian syndicate agreed to deliver them wholesale in Paris at something like 6 cents a pound, so it may be seen the Food Administration has shaved the profit for the dealers very thin.

Western Crops Promise Well.

With the advent of weather favorable to the crops the tone of reports of the condition of growing grain in Western Canada is generally optimistic.

In the weekly report of the agents along western lines of the Canadian Northern Railway to the executive officers of the company, 109 of the 250 agents reporting declare the wheat is advancing splendidly and that where the favorable conditions have not already overcome the setback due to adverse weather conditions in early weeks, the recovery will not be long delayed. Only 29 of all the agents reporting to the Canadian Northern from the Western Canada grain belt, indicate delay now from unfavorable weather conditions.

Ice-Cream Makers Licensed.

No person may manufacture ice-cream, candy, cake, crackers, biscuits, pastry, confectionery, ice-cream cones or chewing gum without first obtaining a license from the Canada Food Board, on and after July 1st.

To economize on tea you should use only the genuine Salada. A pound of Salada yields so many more cups than does ordinary tea that it is a real saving compared to the ordinary tea.

Sugar for Canning.

Every effort is being made to provide sufficient supplies of sugar for the canning season. The Canada Food Board says that while restrictions in the consumption of sugar in given ways are necessary and must be strictly enforced, still by the present arrangements there will be plenty of sugar for canning purposes when the season arrives. Every effort should, therefore, be made to preserve fruit and vegetables to the utmost permitted by increased production.

Minard's Liniment Lumberman's Friend.

About $70,000 worth of seed grain was distributed by the Alberta Department of Agriculture in the unorganized districts of the Province for seed grain this spring.

Three Hills.

There is a hill in England,
Green fields and a school I know,
Where the balls fly fast in summer,
And the whispering elm trees grow,
A little hill, a dear hill,
And the playing fields below.

There is a hill in Flanders,
Heaped with a thousand slain,
Where they fly by night and noontide
All the ghosts that died in vain,
A little hill, a hard hill,
To the souls that died in pain.

There is a hill in Jewry,
Three crosses pierce the sky,
On the midmost He is dying
To save all those who die,
A little hill, a kind hill,
To the souls in jeopardy.

STRIKING EXHIBIT.

Diverse Resources of Canada Shown at Windsor Station.

Visualizing in a striking manner a large number of the diverse natural resources of Canada, the Canadian Pacific Railway has just opened to the public an exhibit at the Windsor street station. This exhibit, which is situated in a room immediately adjoining the main entrance to the station on Osborne street, has been prepared by the collaboration of the Quebec Government and the C.P.R.

One half comprises the Quebec exhibit, consisting of samples of the resources of the province—lumber, asbestos, and other minerals, grain, maple sugar, fur-bearing animals, such as the ermine, marten, mink, fox, and beaver, and fish and game birds.

The C.P.R. exhibit has been gathered from the entire Dominion. A splendid display of grains produced in the fertile fields of Western Canada is a special feature. Supplementing this is a big collection of fruits, forestry products and minerals. A number of colored transparencies show the methods used in developing the forest resources of Canada, from the primary state to the finished product, such as wooden ships. Other transparencies illustrate some of the summer resorts along the company's lines. Complete and recent statistics of all the country's resources add conviction to the display. The exhibit is installed in handsome showcases, brilliantly lit; and it is interesting to know that all the material used in the construction room is Canadian material exclusively.

Restaurant Licenses Required.

It will be illegal to operate a public eating place without a license from the Canada Food Board. The time has been extended from June 1st to July 1st, because of the rush of applications which were more than could be dealt with in time by the Board's office staff.

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JOSHUA A. WYNACHT.
Bridgewater.

Thousands Now Under License.

Up to date something like 25,000 licenses have been issued to dealers in foodstuffs by the Canada Food Board. Another 100,000 have still to go out. These include wholesale and retail grocers, wholesale fish dealers, bakers, wholesale produce dealers, fruit and vegetable dealers, millers and cereal manufacturers. In addition to these are some 17,000 public eating places to be under license by July 1st.

Minard's Liniment used by Physicians.

Free Seed Corn.

Seed corn of 100 bushels or less may be imported now from the United States without an importation permit. All that is necessary is to make application to the War Trade Board, Washington, who will grant an export license.

"Usefulness is the rent we pay for room on the earth."

It is Up to the Townspeople.

The able-bodied young men in Canada are at the front or in training. Th farmers have done their best and the crop is in the ground. The harvest is up to the townspeople. Unless they organize to help, the people of this country will have to tighten their belts next winter. There is no doubt about it.

Ask for Minard's and take no other.

Feed Dealers Licensed.

It is now illegal to deal wholesale in flour, bran, shorts or any feeds made from wheat or grains, or products of wheat, or grains, or hay or straw, without first having obtained a license from the Canada Food Board.

MONEY ORDERS.

Dominion Express Money Orders are on sale in five thousand offices throughout Canada.

Hanging a Skirt.

Fold the skirt directly in the middle of the front and back breadths, then fold again, keeping the band even. Run a long hatpin through the band and slip the pin over a hook or nail.

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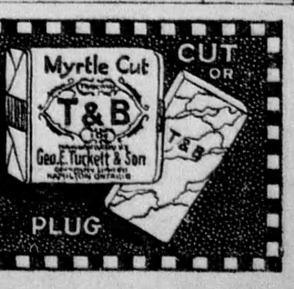
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