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MEDALS FOR BRAVE WOMEN

WAR MAKES GREAT INCREASE IN DECORATIONS.

Military Medal Conferred Upon Nurses and Other Women as Well as On Soldiers.

The war has brought about a great increase in the number of British orders, medals, crosses, and other decorations, which may conceivably be won by women.

The new Military Medal, for example, originally instituted for non-commissioned officers and men as a reward for distinguished bravery in battle, is now conferred upon nurses and other women who have shown conspicuous courage and coolness under fire.

Then there is the Royal Red Cross, which may be bestowed upon all women irrespective of rank or social status, who have shown special distinction and competency either at the front or in the naval and military hospitals at home or abroad.

Another women's order that is highly valued, although not entirely confined to nurses, or those interested in nursing is the Order of St. John. This decoration takes the form of a small Maltese cross, enamelled white and bearing the words, "For Service in the Cause of Humanity."

Then there is the Imperial Service Order, founded by the late King Edward, for bestowal upon women of any rank in life as a reward for very conspicuous bravery. This is highly valued, being very sparingly awarded.

The Order of Merit is also open to women, but up till now only one, the late Florence Nightingale, has been deemed worthy to be included in it. Two most exclusive decorations, both confined to women, are the Royal Order of Victoria and Albert and the Imperial Order of the Crown of India.

As regards British life-saving decorations, the coveted Albert Medal has been won by women, while a woman, Miss Kate Gilmour, has been the recipient of the rarely granted Lloyd's Medal for Saving Life at Sea.

The Royal Humane Society's Medal, too, has been frequently gained by women, as have also those of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution and the Royal Society for the Protection of Life from Fire.

Many War Heroines. The new Silver Badge for War Services, at first confined to men, is now required to women under similar rules and regulations, but only numbers of recognized nursing services or voluntary aid detachments are eligible.

Another case that stands out prominently is that of the late Mrs. Harley, a sister of Lord French, upon whom General Sarrail bestowed the Croix de Guerre.

Optimistic Britisher Looks on the Bright Side of Things. That "nation decay" had set in under many years before the war, says a Londoner. "Nationally, we were going to be a nation of old men, bald-headed, broad-shouldered, and with little brains. Five years of war will bring the old men to their graves, and the young men will be the better for it. The nation will be younger and stronger than ever."

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DR. DE VANY'S FRENCH PILLS. A reliable, safe, and effective remedy for all cases of constipation, indigestion, and general debility.

Process for Making Glycerine from Sugar. Washington, July 15.—Discovery in the Internal Revenue Division laboratory of a process for the manufacturing of glycerine from sugar was announced yesterday by the Treasury Department.

Your Problems. Conducted by Mrs. Helen Law. Mothers and daughters of all ages are cordially invited to write to this department.

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Grateful.—1. It is always the privilege of a bride to wear white with a wedding veil no matter how simple the ceremony or how early the hour.

THE SOLE HEAD of a family or any other person who is a member of a household in any of the provinces of Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, or Alberta, in the Dominion of Canada, is required to register his name in the "Dedication" to Tennyson's "Idylls of the King" and occurs in a...

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Ripe Cherries and Lantic Sugar. "Pure and Uncolored" make delicious and economical preserves. In 10, 20 and 100-lb. sacks, 2 and 5-pound cartons.

GERMANY IN THROES OF POLITICAL TURMOIL OF GREAT IMPORTANCE

Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg Has Resigned—Gen. Von Stein, Prussian Minister of War, Has Also Retired.

London, July 15.—The political turmoil which has been convulsing Germany ever since Russia's first start-up success on the resumption of her offensive has culminated for the present in the resignation of the Imperial Chancellor, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, but all indications serve to show that his resignation, far from being the last act in the drama, is but the beginning of far-reaching developments which are bound to affect the fabric of the German Empire and have momentous consequences on the progress of the European struggle.

The resignation of the Chancellor came in the end of the day, in the prolonged party discussions and heated debates of the main committee of the Reichstag, which have been proceeding all through the week, seemed to have triumphed over his opponents, who have been clamoring for his head by making concessions which were tantamount to the formation of a kind of Imperial coalition Ministry.

At the same time, the Chancellor, by the declaration that Germany was defensively fighting for the freedom of her territorial possessions, evolved a formula that seemed satisfactory to both those who clamored for peace by agreement and those who demanded repudiation of the formula: "No annexations and no indemnities."

KING GEORGE VISITS VIMY RIDGE AND VIEWS BATTLEFIELD

His Majesty Spent An Hour and A Quarter on Canadian Front—Guarded by Aircraft.

Canadian Headquarters in France, July 15.—The King during his visit, just concluded, on the western front, was intensely interested in the battlefield of Vimy Ridge and in the men who fought there so splendidly. While on the Canadian front he stood on the highest point of the ridge and looked over the plain to the east, where the enemy still struggles tenaciously to remain his hold upon Lens.

The King was a sailor before he came to the throne and he still has the sailor's preference for a telescope, rather than the field glass. After he had thoroughly acquired the "lay of the land," he turned to his immediate surroundings. A little military cemetery where some of our men who died on the very crest of the ridge were buried, because there was no road by which their bodies could be taken down to Carency, first claimed his sympathetic attention.

GERMANS DESTROY LENS MINE

Fearing Capture by British, Hun Is Wrecking Coal Mines.

Canadian Headquarters in France, July 15.—Early on Saturday morning seven loud explosions were heard in Lens, and when day broke a great cloud of smoke still hung above the city. The explosions were not caused by our artillery, and must have been the work of the enemy.

FRENCH SUCCESSFUL IN CHAMPAGNE AND ALONG CHEMIN-DES-DAMES

Capture Powerfully Organized German Trench Elements on Front of 800 Yards.

London, July 15.—The French and Germans along the Chemin-des-Dames and in Champagne have come together in mighty struggles, in which the advantage rested mainly with the forces of Gen. Petain. In Champagne to the north of Mont Haut and north-east of the Teton the French in a violent attack captured powerfully organized German trench elements on a front of more than 800 yards and to a depth of more than 300 yards, and held and consolidated the positions despite heavy counter-attacks, in which the Germans suffered heavy casualties and lost in addition 360 men made prisoner.

Soft, Clear, Smooth Skin Comes With The Use Of "FRUIT-A-TIVES"



NOAH WATSON, Drayton Ave., Toronto, Nov. 10th, 1915. A beautiful complexion is a handsome woman's glory and the envy of her rivals. Yet a soft, clear skin is not the result of good health—only the result of good blood.

Order Fertilizer Early. As a result of labor shortage and the heavy demand on transportation for the shipments of munitions, other war supplies, to say nothing of the increase of ordinary business there has developed a very large shortage of fertilizer.

THE KING VISITED THE GERMAN RESERVE TRENCH, with its smashed dugouts and heaps of wreckage of war material. A general presented to his Majesty an uncommon bit of spoil in the form of a body armor, not unlike the plate-mail of the middle ages, which had been found by an enemy sniper.

Before leaving, the King warmly praised the splendid valor of the soldiers of the Dominion. He passed over the corps area as he had entered it through the ranks of thousands of cheering Canadians.

It is very important that the agriculturist realize that in emergency full cars must be ordered early, because the harvest season is so near.

OLDER BUT STRONGER

To be healthy at seventy, prepare a tonic. It is good advice, because in the strength of middle life we too often forget that neglected colds, or careless treatment of slight aches and pains, simply sap our vitality and bring chronic weakness in later years.