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World News in Brief

The total enlistments in Canada up to Dec. 16th were officially announced as 381,438.

John D. Archibald, the Standard Oil magnate, left an estate valued at \$100,000,000.

Great Britain is making arrangements to float another loan for \$250,000,000 in the United States.

Sir Max Aitken, "Canadian Eye Witness at the Front, has been raised to the peerage, as Lord Brunswick.

Seventeen Americans were on an empty horse transport torpedoed without warning by a German submarine.

The Keeley Institute in Toronto has closed. "Prohibition took away all our patients," says the owner of this "Gold Cure" building.

Fourteen persons were killed and 77 injured by an explosion in an Austrian munitions factory. Several buildings were destroyed.

Over 5,500 names were sent in to the Queen's Own, Toronto, in response to the "Give-Us-His-Name" appeal for the names of those thought to be eligible for overseas service.

In three days recently the French captured 11,387 men, including 284 officers, on the Somme front. The war material captured included 115 cannon, 44 bomb-throwers and 107 machine guns, according to a Paris communique.

Edith Elton, six years old, of Toronto, is suffering the sixteenth fracture of her limbs since she was two years old. The child is suffering from what is known as chalk bones, and the last fracture was caused by simply falling on the floor while running to the door.

Sylvia Pankhurst, the militant suffragette, and a number of sympathiz-

ers, endeavored to hold a "demonstration" at the East India Docks, London, England, in favor of peace. A big crowd gathered and mobbed the speaker and the police had great difficulty in rescuing the deluded women.

The first food restrictions went into force in Britain last week, hotels and restaurants now being forbidden to serve more than two courses for breakfast and luncheon, or more than three courses for dinner. There is a restriction on the amount of food used—only an effort to avoid some of the waste.

Three hundred miles of Canadian Government Railways and some 200 miles of privately-owned lines in the country are to be immediately taken up to supply railway material for military lines in France. Other trackage on Government and private lines will be removed, until in all at least 1,000 miles of complete railroads have been supplied by Canada.

Newton Wylie, one of the Committee of One Hundred figuring in the recent Province-wide Prohibition parade in Toronto, waved a British flag at a Billy Sunday revival meeting in Boston, and there was a small riot. If there were a small riot a few times the United States flag is displayed unnecessarily in Canada, might be a little less such flaunting of the Stars and Stripes in this British country.

A barrel of whiskey shipped to Hensall, near London, Ont., was carefully watched by the license inspector in hiding, because Hensall is a local option town and the barrel was mysteriously marked and was apparently to be called for by the owner. The barrel was on the platform and the inspector waited patiently, but when his patience came to an end he found the barrel empty. Someone had bored up from underneath the platform and piped the whiskey out from below while the inspector watched from above.

RELATIVE COST OF TWO METHODS OF CLEARING LAND

Interesting Facts and Figures Supplied by the Dominion Experimental Farms.

When time is no object, the best way to clear land from timber growth is to let nature and live stock assist. When the growth is removed and the brush burned off clean, which, with most growths, may be made a profitable operation by the sale of the timber and firewood, clover and grass seed may be sown, and, while cattle and sheep are pasturing and eating down the sprouts, the stumps will slowly but surely decay, and their removal becomes an easy operation. This process will require from six to ten years before clearing can be completed.

At the Experimental Station, Fredericton, N.B., where it was desired to bring the land into cultivation at the earliest possible moment, two plans of stump removal have been tried, and herewith are given figures of the relative cost on land from which an average tree growth had been removed.

The two methods employed were: stump pulling by power, and removal by dynamite.

A stump puller of the drum and long lever type was employed, giving a lifting power of 25 tons with an ordinary team. With one hundred and twenty stumps, ten inches and over, to the acre, and seventy-two smaller stumps, it required an average of twenty minutes with a team and driver and two men to remove each of the large stumps and 5 minutes to remove each of the smaller ones. The 120 stumps required 40 hours, and the smaller ones 6 hours.

The relative cost, therefore, stood as follows:—

Where power machinery was used, cost per acre was:	
46 hours work team and driver at 32c	\$ 14.72
92 hours work, helpers at 18c	16.56
330 hours work cleaning and piling at 18c	59.40
60 hours work burning at 18c	10.80
	\$101.48
Where explosives were used, the cost per acre was:	
150 lbs. stumping powder at \$14.90	\$22.35
500 feet fuse at 60c	3.00
300 caps at \$1.00	3.00
40 hours labour of dynamite operator at 23c	9.20

30 hours team and driver at 32c	12.80
60 hours helpers at 18c	10.80
60 hours labour piling at 18c	10.80
40 hours labour burning at 18c	7.20
	\$32.75

On other areas, where there were heavy boulders and small stones, the cost of clearing ran up to \$186.00 per acre, while, where the land was free from stone, and stumps were small and comparatively few, the land was made ready for the plough at a cost of less than \$40.00 per acre.

We're All In It.

The visiting justices were on one of their periodical visits to a great convict prison.

One of the company found himself with a gentleman who was serving ten years. This guest was in a confidential mood, and was dilating to the visitor on the conditions of prison life.

"It is a terrible thing to be known by a number instead of a name, and to feel that all my life I shall be an object of suspicion among the police—to be pulled up at every corner, perhaps, to be asked for my license; to be indexed in a book as Number So-and-So, instead of as Jack Jones."

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Such tenderers shall be required to erect a mill or mills on or near the territory and to manufacture the wood into pulp and paper in the Province of Ontario.

Parties making tender will be required to deposit with their tender a marked cheque, payable to the Honorable the Treasurer of the Province of Ontario, for ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), which amount will be forfeited in the event of their not entering into agreement to carry out conditions, etc. The said \$10,000 will be applied on account of bonus dues as they accrue, but the regulation dues, as mentioned above, will require to be paid in the usual manner as returns of cutting of wood and timber are received.

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