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A by-law to raise \$15,000 to pay off a deficit on the new wing of the Galt hospital, has been carried by a vote of 258 to 176.

More than a thousand women were searched by a customs official at Windsor one day last week. No seizures of any importance were made.

INTERNMENT POPULAR.

Alien Enemies Have Lost Their Fear of Being Put In Detention Camps.

There are many husky Germans and Austrians in Canada to-day who big Canadian cities there are long bread lines, and the charities organizations are overtaxed.

and it doesn't cost him a cent.

prisoners at the internment camps, says that he has not only seen no complaints, but that many of the letters are written to friends in Montreal urging them to enlist in the army of prisoners and join them in one of the several camps.

though even from these there has been no word of complaint about the

treatment.

The Germans and Austrians, soon ers, sending the Austrians to Petewa- country." wa, where they were engaged in

as Spirit Lake camp, exclusively for Austrians, and at the present time there are about 300 Austrians at erecting huts and stores and laying Regiment. out what will be a miniature town.

At the outset of hostilities the alien enemies feared that internment meant real imprisonment, and to avoid this they declared to the registrar that they had work and were able to support themselves and their families during the winter, and they were accordingly placed on parole. But after a few weeks their resources came to an end, they lost their work and could not get employment. A petition was drawn up by the leaders among the Austrians in Montreal in which expression was given to the desire of the Austrians to go to the Spirit Lake internment camp and work under the supervision of the guards. This petition was circulated among the Austrians and within a week, 1,300 Austrian workingmen voluntarily signed the petition.

Two things have contributed to this desire among the Austrians to The school is thoroughly equipped in get away—the fact that the Government supplies them with sheepskin coats, thick winter underwear, lumsacks for their belongings, feeds them regularly and pays them 25 cents a day for their labor in addition to housing them.

The guards have no trouble with them and the registrar of alien enemies for Montreal is receiving requests every day from batches of Austrians to be sent away, and they as possible.

German Spy as Priest.

Some interesting and authentic sidelights on the war in France are given in a letter from Mr. Paul Rochat of Toronto, at present in the 113th Regiment of French Infantry. Mr. Rochat writes from a hospital in Dijon, where he has been lying wounded for the last three months.

"In a village," he writes, "to which the regiment had retired for a few days' rest, the doctors and several officers, about twenty in number, looking for a house to rest in, met a kindly priest. He said to them: 'I have a fine house for you to rest in. Come with me. I shall give you a good dinner, my children, and to-morrow morning I shall say Mass for you and bless you.'

"They accepted his invitation with delight, and soon were ready to sit down in front of a good dinner. The priest disappeared, and ten minutes later a shell burst over the house. They hurried out, just in time to escape destruction before a second shell destroyed the house. They looked for the priest, but he was not to be found. A few days later they took some prisoners, among whom was an officer who was none other than the 'kindly' priest."

Weeds.

During the past five years agricultural investigation work has been conducted along various lines by the Lands Committee of the Commission of Conservation. The weed question has received considerable attention and some facts have been revealed which show the real seriousness of this problem. Many of the worst weeds are getting ahead of the farmers and unless methods of control are put into practice at once, the weeds will gain the upper hand,

In 1910, 100 farmers were visited in each of the Prairie Provinces and on 100 per cent. of the Manitoba farms, wild oats were found. In Saskatchewan, 71 per cent. and in Alberta, 3 per cent. reported wild oats. In 1911 on the same farms in Alberta, 31 per cent. reported wild oats while, in 1912, a still larger number reported this weed, showing that it was traveling westward rapidly.

Countess Zeppelin a Canadian. Countess Zeppelin, wife of the inven- 000 to \$7,769,000. Imports amounttor of the German aircraft, is a Canadian girl. Countess Zeppelin was the daughter of the late W. H. Mesgarvey, formerly of Petrolea, who died recently in Austria, where he had become one of the leading oil magnates of the country. She was born in the village of Wyoming, Lambton County, in 1875, going to Europe with her be persuaded to grow and bring forth father at an early age.

THE THEFT PATRIOTIC SONGS.

Serious Nuisance.

One by-product of the war in Canada is the patriotic song nuisance. are mighty glad that war came. The newspapers are pestered with Work is none too plentiful in Can- him. He is anxious to enterta'n the ada this winter and what there is is soldiers at their drilling grounds. He hard work - railway construction, haunts the theatres-particularly of snow shovelling and all that. In the the "movie" and burlesque varieties -with the object of getting the management to allow him to sing during intermissions or between pictures—so Through all this the alien enemy ardent is his patriotism or, if not that, assembled to watch the funeral cereis getting three square meals a day, his desire for a free "ad." This nuis- mony of the old man whose familiar warm clothes and living quarters ance on two legs, with the song that he or she hawks around, is of both American Consul Bradley of Mont- sexes, of all ages, and of many types. the Hudson Bay Co.'s store, from the real, who, as the neutral representa- Quite the commonest type, however, Hudson Bay Co.'s store to the Mactive there, handles the mail from the is that of the lady-like young gentle- donald offices day by day, greeting all man, the dainty, blond, mamma's boy, in friendly fashion as neighbors and who called on the manager of a To- friends. It seemed strange and sad ronto theatre the other day, with the that he would be seen no more request that, for the sake of patriot- amongst them; it was a personal loss, ism, he should be allowed to chirp a public calamity. The atmosphere there for his country's good and of event has always clung to him; thereby "aid enlistment." The man- he was patriarch and lawgiver in This applies particularly to Aus- ager had seen other specimens of Fort Qu'Appelle. trians. The comparatively few Ger- the same kind, however. In fact, mans who are included are inclined like a good many other man- ley, the lakes to east and west were to be more sullen of disposition and agers, he had come to the conclusion frozen solid, yet exquisite, Englishat times resentful of the confinement, that this type is not exactly cut out looking, fragrant flowers were upon for the sounding of bugle calls, and the coffin, as though to voice the that these "patriots" are out after the story of the march of events between dollars and cents and little else.

after the alien enemies' regulations variably say that their patriotic ly spot in a lonely land, and the day were put in force, were all kept at song is a 'riot,' and makes 'Tipper- they carried him away from his pleas-Kingston, but after a while trouble ary' look like an amateur. But their, ant home, which marks the spot developed which culminated in a real aim is to advertise their pro- where Gen. Middleton set out in vicfight. Tien the internment depart- duct under the pretence that they torious pursuit of Louis Riel, last of ment decided to separate th prison- are acting for the sake of their the rebels. Across the valley the

brush cutting and road making until though the great majority of them the way of the long white road which are. "We're From Canada" has un- stretches like a Roman street from Later the Government established doubtedly caught the popular fancy. hill to hill across the valley. In the a camp in the Abitibi district known In fact, recently it was sung on the little church the village pastor uttersame day at no fewer than seven thea- ed the thoughts of all who had gathtres and places of amusement in the ered together to pay their last tricity, while it has been adopted as the work there clearing the ground, "march past" of the 199th, Toronto ation for a life which, cast for diffi-

> are received daily at the one theatre. great men of Winnipeg gathered to-Many of these are from soldiers at gether to pay the last honors to the Exhibition Park. The soldiers usual- last of the Chief Factors, yet home ly send the words, but not the music. And they are great as parodists, some of their parodies being really clever. Some of the songs that are sent in

to the various theatres are excruciatingly, if quite unintentionally, funteresting discovery that "brave" mined not to conceal the fact from a (perhaps) listening world. Others are concluded in terms of fine irony, a reference to the "neutral" attitude of the United States being considered perhaps the most delicate ironical touch. But though there are exceptions, the great majority of these patriotic songs have the most inane words and the most commonplace music, however unexceptional the sentiments. And, as regards both words and music, there is plagiarism aplenty. In fact, in general terms it might be said, in the majority of cases, of both, that what is good in them is not new, and that what is new in them is not good.

Fearless Nurses.

Splendid work is being done by the Canadian nurses who have arrived at the front in France. "The Canadian nurses in their khaki costumes, with knickerbookers and broad-brimmed hats, look very smart indeed," says a correspondent of the Rotterdam Nieuwe Courant. "In the field they are everywhere. They know no danger. And with wonderful quickness they manage to get the wounded behind the firing line and out of danger. Several of them belong to the best families. There is sequently the roads are improving, so that the action is expected to asthe lion's share. This is not the last British contingent."

Commands Fourth Brigade.

Col. S. J. A. Denison, who will command the Fourth Infantry Brigade in the second Canadian overseas contingent, is one of the best known military men in Canada.

Col. Denison was born in Toronto 56 years ago and was educated at Upper Canada College and Royal Military College, Kingston. Afterwards he served in the Fourth Battalion, South Staffordshire Regiment. and was aide-de-camp to the Earl of Aberdeen when he was Governor-General of Canada. He was aide-decamp to Field Marshal Lord Roberts in the South African campaign and was twice mentioned in despatches. He also received a medal with four clasps and was made C.M.G. and brevet lieutenant-colonel.

During the tour of King George through Canada, before his accession to the throne, Col. Denison served as aide to him. He was decorated for service in the South African campaign, made district commander of the Halifax fortress and chief staff officer of the western Ontario com-

Exports Increased Three Millions.

Canadian exports during January totaled \$28,595,000, as against \$25,-218,000 in January, 1914. Exports of animal product increased from \$3,-151,000 to \$5,661,000 and exports of A fact not generally known is that manufactures increased from \$5,050,ed to \$30,000,000, as compared with \$40,000,000 in January, 1914.

Genius.

Genius in the great majority of ing an infinitude of pains that it can of England notes. fruit.

CHIEF FACTOR PASSES.

War Has Given Rise to a New and Late Archiba'd Macdonald Was a Distinguished Figure In the West.

> The death of Archibald Macdonald. last of the representatives of the Hudson Bay Co. to bear the distinguished title of Chief Factor, is keenly felt in the little town of Fort Qu' Appelle, where he lived as chief citizen for over forty years, says G. Bin-

> nie-Clark in The Canadian Gazette. On the afternoon of Jan. 8th, every man, woman and child in the village figure had passed from the Fort to the postoffice, from the postoffice to

Snow veiled the hills and the valthe day on which Archibald Macdon-"These geniuses," he said, "in- ald came to Fort Qu'Appelle, a lonechurch bell tolled forth the story of But all the songs are not hopeless, passing time-school children lined bute in words of affection and admircult times in a hard country, had From three to five patriotic songs proved each day well spent. The folk and fellow craftsmen spoke the same words: "Archibald Macdonald -well done!"

Archibald Macdonald was a man of unusual sincerity of mind, simplicity of manner and most attractive perny. Many of them have made the in- sonality. He habitually enjoyed the luxury of speaking his mind, and this rhymes with "grave," and perhaps he could do without offence, probably seven out of ten of them are deter- because he was entirely free from the taint of self-consciousness and egotism which so frequently mars the interest and attraction of successful

To the interested listener he loved to talk of men and events in the history of the Northwest, but he was almost pathetically interested in new happenings - eagerly, vividly alive. Through the burden of years, physical frailty and increasing deafness, in him the gallant spirit of youth glowed to the last. Of late years the history of the development of Canada reads like a series of extraordinary events floating by at racing pace from the past into the future, inspired or controlled by men of talent, and not rarely of genius-men who in life and in death appear high above the level of the crowd, hoist on the pedestal of their achievement—command-

ing attention. The last of the "Chief Factors" is not to be found in this company, yet, should his biography come to be written from his personal notes and reminiscences, one feels that within the lines of the story of his life the history of the development of Western Canada will appear as in a very clear mirror.

Wanted More.

not the slightest coquetry about A Western Canadian reservation their clothing, and sometimes their Indian was disconsolate over the delicate faces stand in graceful con- breaking of his axe-handle. He laid trast to their sand-colored attire. his misfortune before the "farmer" They speak French slowly, with of the reservation, who, through pity, rather a heavy accent. The weather took a new handle from his private is becoming more settled, and con- stock and adjusted it to the axe. The "farmer" then noticed that the axe was shockingly dull; so, motioning sume greater dimensions, the more the owner to turn the grindstone, so as half a million of British have he expended a half hour's time in arrived. We only get a small part of sharpening the blade. When the rethem here; the French front will get habilitated axe was given to the Indian, he was childishly gleeful, but still lingered about, indicating by his action that some feature of the transaction had not been adjusted. The "farmer" was a little annoyed, and

called to an interpreter. "Ask the old fellow what he wants

now," he directed. After an exchange of grunts and gestures, the interpreter announced, He wants twenty-five cents." "Twenty-five cents! What for?"

"For turning the grindstone."

Dr. Tingle's Wit.

Dr. Tingle, Professor of Chemistry at McMaster University, is noted, among other things, for a very quick wit of a decidedly caustic vein. Not long ago while lecturing to a class of freshmen he referred to the formation of hail, and mentioned particularly the varying size of the stones. "The number of times they pass through these different strata of the atmosphere," he said, "determines the size of the stone, which may be that of a pea, a thumb-nail, a hand, or even as large as a man's head."

Here a big green fellow at the back let out an incredulous "Haw! Haw!"

"Depending, of course," continued the professor without a pause, "On the size of the gentleman's head."

New Version of Old Fraud.

The operator of the Spanish prisoner swindle has lately changed his methods.

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picture is sure to be a popular Idle? Not me, sah! Why, I gits souvenir of the war as far as my wife mo' work dan she kin do.