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MUST HAVE THE MONEY.
France and Germany are following England's example in inventing new methods of taxation. The incentive is the necessity for large revenues in order to expand the military policy of the republic and empire. The German emperor and the Russian czar meet at a trysting place, kiss or salute, vouch eternal friendship, and publicly declare that they are for peace of the world over. The home governments, however, accept these proclamations in a Pickwickian sense, and proceed to hold up the people and demand their money. Secret agencies may presently be employed to detect the hiding places of their wealth, and when it is found the state will proceed to appropriate its share. The new budgets are simply devices by which the people may be relieved of their possessions. There are two ways by which the same result may be attained—with and without leave—in a legal or illegal manner.

PINCHING THE BOOKSELLERS.

It is dawdling on some people that the Whitney government made a mistake in giving to the T. Eaton company a complete contract of the public school books. Cheapness of service is very desirable, but it is not everything. The government should have held the power of distribution and so prevented a departmental house becoming the only medium through which the people and the schools may be supplied with readers. The booksellers make their chief and distinguishing grievance, and it must be said that it has a reasonable foundation. The sellers have protested against a condition that makes them the supplicants, the sufferers or the victims of the publishers. They must, in the interest of their business, sell school books, and they must do it at the T. Eaton Co's prices, without cut in wholesale purchases. This may be a matter of no concern to the Whitney government, but it concerns hundreds of retail merchants and they are entitled to some consideration.

CAMP AND ALCOHOLISM.

A champion of the canteen has given circulation to the statement that though the liquor could not be got in the military camp this year, there were "more cases of acute alcoholism." It is for medical men to say whether acute alcoholism could develop during a camp with the opportunities limited, and to the time of exemption from camp duties. If the facts were gone into it would be discovered that anyone whose dissipation developed alcoholism in a serious form had his system pretty well saturated with liquor before he reached the camp.

It has never been apparent why bibulism should be a part or characteristic of camp life. Men—and military experts at that—have argued that the men had to imbibe to a certain extent and that it were better to get what they wanted in camp than go elsewhere in search of it. To argue in this way is to cast a reflection upon the militia and especially the younger men who have recently composed the regiments. Many of these are sober-lived and sober-minded at home, and it is not desired that they should be imbued with the idea that they must seek a canteen at the camp and failing to find it go elsewhere and indulge in a carouse. Away with that theory, or inference or conclusion. Let us hear no more of it.

The camp was a small one this year. It has been given out that men for drill could not be secured. Was that due to the abolition of the canteen? Or was it due to the reduction in the pay, or the offer of a rate, with a string upon it, in the form of a canteen with regard to shooting which the average man could not follow? It is well to be precise or accurate in this matter.

WHERE THE SHOE PINCHES.

The New York Times does Canadians a great injustice by supposing that because the militia department at first declined to allow the Princess of Wales Own Rifles to go to Elmiria on July 4th, in uniform and with arms, there was any desire to "keep up old grudges."
Perish that thought. In the past the militia department has not given any ground for it, and the demurrer this year was not due to the contingencies of 1776. The social side of the case is one to which no one can object. The militia of Canada, and the state troops of New York can spend a couple of days together very pleasantly. The Mail puts it very clearly when it says

the celebration of the 4th July, however, does not appeal to the patriotism of the Canadians.

The orations of Independence day are harmless events. If they were confined to a recital of the differences which led to the rebellion of the "old English" colonies there would be very little that the Canadians could not hear to their edification. But one has to become very deaf when the orator of the day tells how the "Yanks licked the Britishers," and it is this feature that does not prove very appreciable to the Canadian.

The New York Times touches the vital point of the issue when it says that the uniform makes all the difference, seeing that the Ottawa Foot Guards are going to Burlington, Vt., as private citizens. The uniform is the symbol of national unity and pride, and it is the thing that seems out of place when some one describes the surrender of Cornwallis. If the orations were only subject to the blue pencil, so that the fool ideas might be cut out, there is nothing about July 4th to prevent the troops of New York and Canada fraternizing anywhere and to their hearts' content.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Walk about the city, friends, and note the building operations. Not in many years have so many new buildings gone up.

Mayor Hugo, of Watertown, a former Kingstonian, has issued his edict against Sunday baseball playing. His good Canadian training is now asserting itself.

The Women's Congress is an institution that is doing wonders for the world educationally. If the things the congress advocates could only be carried out—what an ideal world this would be!

How many of the young men who drilled in the military camp this year will be back for a further experience next year? Or was the experience with regard to efficiency pay sufficient to cure them of the camp for all time?

Medical inspection in the schools has performed wonders in the schools of Tasmania and Sweden. It should be made compulsory in Canada, by legislation. Only in this way can the work be made general and effective.

A junket is the proper name in which some members of the city councils indulge—at the public expense. The men to see things are the permanent officials, who have to carry out any new ideas when they are "approved."
The council may be wise in accepting the tender of some one to further tinker or tamper with the gas tank on Barrack street, in the hope of making it tight. But it may be cheaper in the long run to build a new foundation of solid masonry.

The I.C.R. commission are pursuing their policy of retrenchment with vigour. It remains to be seen with what effect. The railway has been a great political engine, and in lifting it out of politics the government is attempting, as some think, the impossible.

Yes, as the Hamilton Herald remarks, among the best temperance measures are those which are persuasive. But better still is the plan of putting temptation out of the way. The canteen is not a necessity of any military camp.

The Bogus Frauds Again.

Hamilton Times. The "purchase" by bonus of manufacturing institutions to settle in Ontario towns has not yet ceased. Barrie now has a tannery proposition before it. The business to which an advance by way of a \$30,000 loan was made in 1900, proposes an extension of its building at a cost of \$25,000. The town is asked to make four concessions; fixed assessment for twenty years; exemption from all but school taxes for a like period; fire light at the rate of \$4 per employee, not to exceed \$300 a year, and special by-draw for fire protection, free. The entire matter of special favors by way of "encouragement," is one that calls for careful legislation by the province, if much waste is not to follow. Municipalities should not be allowed to compete in taxing their ratepayers to subsidize industries.

England At The Front.

Montreal Witness. The most recent review of the navies of the five greatest naval powers, Great Britain, France, Germany, the United States and Japan, shows how unwarranted was the newspaper-stimulated excitement in England over the alleged rivalry of Germany. These five great powers stand in the order named as regards their naval strength. The present actual warship tonnage of Great Britain available for instant service is 1,669,005, while that of Germany is, as near as can be ascertained, not more than 524,573. France is rated second, and she is increasing her navy faster than Germany or the United States and will, by the end of this year, have a much stronger navy than either of those powers.

Charles H. Harvey, Halifax, has been appointed agent of the marine department, at Halifax, to succeed Mr. Parsons, the former agent, who died recently.

Dominion Day. Foresters' celebration at Lake Ontario-Park. Baseball, Y.L.C.B.A. vs. Victorias. Baby show, sports, dancing, military games. Admission 15c.
A Calgary report says a township in the Bow River Valley is to be colonized by a party from Holland.

NEWS OF DISTRICT

LOCAL NOTES AND THINGS IN GENERAL.

The Tidings From Various Points in Eastern Ontario—What People Are Doing And What They Are Saying.

The 41st Regiment, Brockville, will go to Niagara Falls on July 31st. Misses Clark and McArthur graduated as nurses, last week, from the Renfrew hospital.

S. Wright, Havelock, is the proud possessor of a five rattlesnake which is about three and a half feet in length.

Mrs. E. C. Thomas, widow of W. N. Thomas, who kept a grocery in Belleville, passed away on Friday afternoon.

J. M. Walker, Gananoque, expects to leave in about a month to reside permanently in Perth, his former home, where he is now having a residence erected.

At the Belleville hospital, Miss Beatrice A. McKague, Castleton, passed away, deceased, twenty-three years of age, had been ill for some time with stomach trouble.

Mrs. Elizabeth Kilbora, wife of the late Truman Kilbora, and a former resident of Athens, Ont., died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. T. B. Johnston, Hillman, Mich.

Matthew J. Butler, deputy minister of railways and canals, made a companion of St. Michael and St. George, in the royal birthday honors, is a son of Mrs. T. Butler, Belleville.

The De Gez property, near Portland, one of the most picturesque summer homes on the Rideau, has been purchased from Mrs. W. A. Eisner, of Seattle, Wash., by Mrs. A. D. Falding, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Chancellor Boyd has delivered an amended judgment in constructing the will of the late Edward Petty, farmer, of South Elmsley, Lanark. His lordship decided that the widow should receive \$6,000 absolutely, and a life income from an additional \$4,000. Should she require it, however, the executors are to allow such sums as they see fit for maintenance and support from the \$4,000.

Refusal Wisely Given.

Woodstock Sentinel-Review. The militia council has refused permission to a Canadian regiment to attend a 4th of July celebration in the United States. It is difficult to see why a Canadian regiment should want to participate in such a celebration. There is no objection to the fraternizing of the militiamen of Canada and of the United States. There is no reason why they should not be good friends; it is to be hoped there never will be any reason; but the last place for a Canadian regiment should be at the celebration of a British defeat.

Touching Life Insurance.

Ottawa Free Press. Canadian insurance men will be interested in a bill recently introduced in the House of Lords by which the British government will compel all "foreign" insurance companies doing business in Great Britain to deposit £20,000 and to submit regular statements of operations to the Board of Trade. The new law may seriously affect the operations of some of the Canadian life companies in Great Britain, as \$100,000 is a large sum of money to be tied up in an additional government deposit.

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