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THREATENED POLITICAL CRISIS

Preparations are being made for the next session of parliament, and, incidentally, the rumours are revived of an early election. If there were any need of it, any call for it, any issue upon which the voice of the people should be directly heard, a dissolution of parliament could be justified, A great war is on, however. Canada is concerned about it. Her government has, with the concurrence of the opposition, voted \$32,000,000 for campaign purposes. Another \$100,000,000 is asked for, and, if necessary, it will be voted. All the liberals desire, or can desire, is information as to the purpose for which this huge vote is to be applied

It may be said that the enemy should not know about the details of the war accounts. Surely not. But the enemy is not represented in parnament, and the people's representatives may be edified, even confidentially, without injury to the country.

The liberals have been imitating most faithfully their prototypes in England, and have been co-operating most heartily with the government in its war measures. All they have suggested is a continuance of a truce until the war is over. It is not an unreasonable proposition.

Senator Loughbeed, of Calgary, in dulges in wierd language. He said, on a recent occasion, that an election might come "like a thief in the night." The Toronto News approaches the subject more diplomatically, by observing that while a political riot been in Australia and New Zealand. There is added from Ottawa the finishing touch, namely, that the government will not give any information or assurance to the Opposition with regard to its intentions, and if it misbehave "it will be answered by an appeal to the country."

Clearly there is a mess at Ottawa which will not stand stirring up. One gets an inkling of this in the oftrepeated threats that if the minister of militia is not sacrificed by Sir Robert Borden he may look out for squalls. The opposition is quite willing to space it criticism until the war is over, and the danger of compromising public interests has passed. But if the government will have war, in the rear as well as in the front, and by a blind adhesion to the most fatuous policy, it cannot be helped. There is no reason why the liberals should be stampeded into a surrender.

DRILL IN THE SCHOOLS.

The distractions from school study by the introduction of drill, is very seriously questioned by Dr. T. S. Baker, of the Tome High School, Port Deposit, Md. He represents the class that has been engaged in a peace propaganda as contrasted with a war propaganda, and he realizes how futile it is to argue against an agitation which is made so general by the European experiences of the present. for two reasons-it gives the boys exercise, though they get that in the gymnasium, and it is not a substi tute for the athletic training, and it fits or qualifies one for the more serious emergencies of military life.

It is conceded that the youth who has been drilled some, and made familiar with military evolutions, is more readily adapted to soldier life in later years. But it is likewise mental development. Dr. Baker sees our water? militarism under the present circumstances, yet he protests against the a bill which aims to make every sell- dance of gall. France is any effort whatever made to "poisor." A wag suggests that the Regret always is combine military and scholastic train- label be decorated by the addition of of wrong doing.

his books while at school, and when propriate. he is mustered into the army he

works intensively at his military edu cation. In Germany the intensiveness of school work is increased by the fact that if this is not well done. boy's period at military service may be more than doubled. There it has been found best to do one thing at a the nickel combine. time and do it well.

The American school boy already has cannot prevent the exportation distract his mind still further from should be suppressed. his studies it is very doubtful ther the added help that would result to our army would compensate the loss of the school's effectiveness, At the same time the war is making long ago? In his advanced years, it difficult to keep the mind of even ation for overseas duty, keeps the issue a live one, and makes it impossible for the peace party to make the progress it desires. Yet peace must come, and with it a cessation from the clamour of the war party.

THE WAR AND THE PRESS.

The war is not a source of profit to the newspapers as some people im- heading used by a Toronto paper. agine. The average publisher is seri- Why not shorten it to one wordously out of pocket, not only in the theatre of war, but in the world over The paper must have the news of the day, and pay for it at high prices. He must occasionally issue extras, which are a dead loss. They cost more than they earn. This may not be lishman who tried to spell it was an known to the average reader, but it inebriate. is the fact, nevertheless. Then the ! official censor, or news suppressor, is the destroyer of the newspaper. He directly interferes with the agencies that, at great expense, have been orof the world.

The effect of the war in Europe has been to put many newspapers out of business, especially in countries which are directly concerned in the conflict. Even in England only the great papers have been able to survive the strain. The Lordon Times, for in- cost of several killed. stance, reports the loss of \$10,000 in a single month, and from one class of advertising. Some of the weaker pubfications have closed. Wealth, great riches, and the judicious use of it, by go to the wall. In Germany and France and Austria-Hungary the newspapers have, very largely, ceased to

What is the effect in America? My Villard, in the Review of Reviews, reports that the war has had a grave effect upon newspaper advertising income. All financial and steamship adlishers find a market chiefly for war brate the change from village books and are advertising less than usual. And so it goes. The three strongest advertising mediums New York lost, between August 1st electricity. The electric system is would be very much out of place in 2,926 columns of advertising, respect The Kingston foundry company will Britain, it would not be any more tively, as contrasted with their showing for the same months in 1913. If we assume, very conservatively, that erop they usually receive on an average of \$80 a column, this represents a the city. The doctors are working falling off in income of \$87,120, \$115. 840, and \$234,080, respectively. S much for the financial or business side

> In Canada the papers have suffered from the general depression, and not is very good, and they men see the lit-the blue pencil which is so inex- an engineer. Both his hands were pertly used, and the general ban he law-some reliable news is obtain ed, but the war is not making developing the specialists whose letters, like those of Bennett and Burleigh and Forbes, were masterpieces of literature.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Von Kluck drinks his punch while lousness which has been a distinguish ing characteristic of the war.

God pity the poor in this inclement in order to earn money, and are idle Drill in the schools has been advocated. The Council must do something to help the people in their distress.

> guarantee has the Board of Health other than cooling purposes

> The New York State Board of

Neither in Germany nor in two per cent. of alcohol, label it is honest.

ing. The boy works intensively on the skull and cross-bones. Very ap-

Several Boards of Trade in Ontario have passed resolutions, asking the government to forbid the exportation nickel or nickel matter. Will these move the government? It is doubt For some reason it is wedded to

The president of the United States so many distractions that it is be- wheat. Why should be if, after procoming more and more difficult to viding for the wants of the people, in give him the education he ought to seed and flour, there is a surplus of have. If putting him into a uniform 320,000,000 bushels of wheat? Some and placing a gun in his hand would people like to be panicky. They

Poor old Emperor Franz Josef, Austria, thinks of abdicting. What pity it is that he did not do this what appears to be his dotagewhat a shame it is to have him worried by the anxieties of a heartless

Public Opinion

A Powerful Word. Toronto News.

The Spirit of the Press" is a stoc

Tell It Again.

Some wise Johnny is urged to tell us why the product of cacao seeds is called, not cacao, but cocoa. Our private opinion is that the first Eng-

Doesn't Want It.

Toronto Mail. Billy" Sunday is holding revival man a million dollars to be elected to ganized for the collection and circula- the United States senate. There ought tion, through the press, of the news to be a permanent job for him in

A Gentle Rebuke.

Ottawa Journal. Really, neither Canadian correspon nor our British contemporaries need taink it necessary to megaphone so the doings of Canadian troops even if they do capture a trench at a

Fire Him.

Hamilton Spectator. seems that Armand Lavergne, who protests against Canada's participation in the war, is a lieutenantbackers of the British periodicals, will colonel. A fitting rebuke for his consave some of them, and others must duet would be to deprive him of his and drum him out of the regi-

Kingston Events Twenty-five Years Ago

William Byers, first mayor of Gan anoque, gave a reception to the town vertising has practically ceased. Pub- council and school board, to cel

B. W. Folger, superintendent of the street car line, says it is likely that street cars will soon be run and December 1st, 1,889, 1,488, and success in about two hundred places. manufacture castings for 100 govern-

In grippe is still holding forth night and day.

BETRAYED BY OFFICERS All Time Hiding Behind Of German

The correspondent of the so much from the direct effects of the York Herald, writing from Petro- 'is park."-Punch. war. It is true that the advertising grad, gives some stories of a civilian physician assisting the mound. ed at Vilna, as told him by woundwisdom of striving to do business as led German prisoners. One of them usual; still the currents of news have is very striking. It is that of Morbeen seriously affected by the general itz Pleister, a non-commissioned ofcensorship which prevails. In spite of ficer in the Prussian Guard reserve, coming from Berlin, by profession of hadly wounded. When the ambufor four days abandoned in a little | -Judge. orester's hut. He was very grateful for everything done for him.

"I am a social democrat," he said, "and have always paid by subscription regularly to our corporation's funds. We always protested strongly against war, but when it became necessary to defend Germany against the Cossacks all my colleagues stood up like one four thousand of his army bury their However, we have been vilely be trayed and deceived by our cowardly officers hiding all the time behind hungry for weeks and been kept freezing through the night in woods while they passed their time in houses drinking cognac. But just give us time to return from this war and we will remind them of all

we have learned here.'

Baron Von Prittwitz Haffron So several firms have been given aged 19, of the Prussian Hussars, a order. The youthful baron said: "We Prussians are ready to fight this war to an end. As for the Southern States -- Baden, Bavaria and Saxony-I am not quite so sure, although until now their spirit has been very firm. As for these black-| guards"-and he turned his head

nent of any half-considered or of liquids containing more than . It's always the endeavor of the rogue to make you think his policy

WISE AND **OTHERWISE**

Circumstances alter cases. ally financial circumstances All the world loves a lover, The

A woman can often make a

Many a woman sits up for her hus-

It's only when they want to regiser a kick that some people put their best foot forward .-

Have You Noticed It ? saw a girl, the other day, And by the merest chance She looked at me - 'twasf just in

To meet my casual glance.

Then she did just what other girls Do always, everywhere, She raised her hand up to her head And gently smoothed her hair.

No matter where on earth you go, It is astonishing, Girls, meeting unexpected eyes, All do the selfsame thing! -H. S. Hoskins, in the New York

A Prosperous Scheme. "Doing any good ?" "Yep. Got a business men's athetic class; tuition, \$5 a year." "Well, those rates are attractive, but too low to pay you. "You don't get the idea. They al

Farmer And Professor.

drop out in about two weeks. Then I

start another class,"-Judge,

"Weat are you giving your cows now in the way of glactagogues?" "Oh," said the milkman, who has just been graduated from Purdue and is not to be stumped by any Butler College, pedagogue, sustenance is wholly of vegetable origin; rich in chirophyl and opulent in butyraceous qualities." "A pint, if you please," said the

"Git up," said the milkman Philadelphia Star.

Bill Rendered. Dutton-You should pay more attention to your personal appearance. chap. Remember that the clothes make the man. De Broke-Yes, but for me man refuses to make any

clothes .- Boston Transcript.

A Lattle Nonsense Now and Then. "Then you dont think I practise what I preach, eh?" queried the minister, in talking with one of the deacons at a meeting. "Ng, sir, I don't," replied the deacon. "You've been preachin' on the subject of resignation for two years, an' ye haven't resigned yet."-Tit-Bits.

Little Archie was told to put down sharp knife he was playing with, but did not do so. When he cut his finger, he ran to his mother, who said, "There! Now don't come to me for sympathy." "I don't want sympaty," said Archie; 'I want a rag."-Boston Transcript

The recruit being most anxious to termined to accommodate himself to any conditions as they arise. Officer (filling in form)-What's your religion? Zealous recruit - Well, what are you short of? -Punch

English village worthy (discussing possibilties of invasion) -- "Wull; there can't be no battle in these parts. Jarge, for there bain't no field suitable, as you may say; an' Squire 'e won't lend 'em the use of

tient)-"Ah, madam, I percieve that you are all run down, a complete nervous wreck, in fact. (Seizing up luxurious environment, and absently falling into his usual formula.) I would advise a change of sceneer—say a little trip to Europe—" Lady shricking) - "Good gracious, lance found him he had been lying doctor, I've just come from there!"

> Father-Son, can't you possibly cut down your college expenses? Son -I might possibly do without my books .- Hartford Times.

Praised the Enemy

Westminster Gazette. We like a passage in the report which tells how five prisoners were convicted at Bow street yesterday through the astuteness of Detective Tongue. After the men had been sentenced to three months' imprisonment, one of the prisoners exclaimed, "I wish to compliment the detective officer on his cleverness. He is a surprising young man." Taere is a certain professional feeling about this that is altogether pleasmr. The man engaged in crime repetitor in wits rather than as an enemy, and he is not above admiring a smart piece of work, eyea he is himself the victim of the cleverness. And Detective Tongue may be flattered, for the praise comes from one who seems to have had a very varied experience of detectives.

Mother Of Pearl Buddha

The clever priests of China often from his beauty sleep by a detective insert tiny images of Buddha within saying. "You are wanted for desertthe shells of a living clam, which are ing from his majestys army." contended that drill, or the putting safe. The disease germs are killed with a look of contempt to where left undisturbed for about a year. At I've only just joined, and have my in the boy's head of the military idea, by the gasses, and the water is taste. the captured Croatians were sitting the expiration of that time the imag- leave ticket here," protested the asunfits him for study and prevents his less. What a splendid certificate for by the whip—nothing else"

—"they can only be made to work to such an extent that they appear to was marched off. He was fortunahave grown in this natural manner. It is able to prove his innocence, but The New York legislature there is usually possessed with a superabunta bill which aims to make every sellever, should a Christian chance , to height and build, had friends living look upon one of the shells, it has no in a street of the same name, and further value to them, as its charm was tattooed in exactly the same way is supposed to have left it.—Albany as his double. Many men have been

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was home on leave for a few days. One night he was rudely awakened hanged on less proof of his identity.

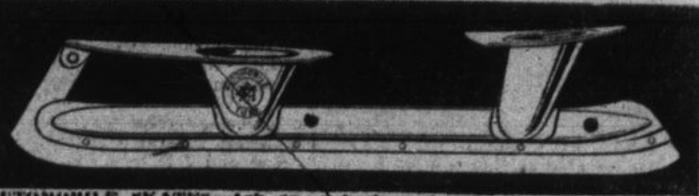
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