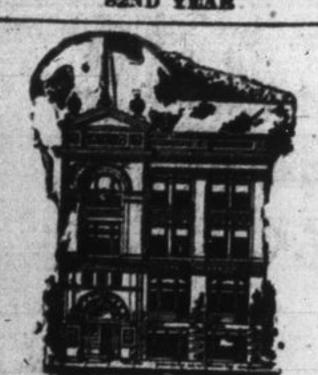
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A REFORMER OF MEN

The Ford theory, that he can take any kind of men, from prisons and ment, seems a doubtful declaration. Yet he has between 100 and 150 exconvicts in his service, at the great automobile works in Detroit. He does not disguise the fact. He does not advertise it. He simply wants it known that he can take those who, because of their criminal connections are said to be no good, and can convert them into useful and thrifty citizens. He can succeed in this respect to a considerable extent. Some men, who have fallen find it hard to rise. Employers will not trust them. They may go away to a new place, may change their names, and, like Jean Val Jean, begin life over again, only to be identified some day, and undone. Mr. Ford sees in every mannot in some only-a chance to suc that chance. He is to be commended He is, in this way, as well as in distributing of his wealth among his employees, proving himself a genuine

## THE PROFESSION OF ARMS.

The soldier of the day realizes that he has entered a most dignified profession, the profession of arms. There may have been a time-it undoubted ly existed-when the man in uniform outside of the ranks, was not too highly esteemed. But that time hi passed away, and, as a representative soldier at the Queen Street Metho dist Church function said last even ing, the man now in uniform

The change comes in the difference in the perspective. Militiarism dif the old land from militiarism men are presser and a service in which they are shown very much consideration. the other side it is a service calls for sacrifice; into which mencountry, and in the display of spirit of patriotism which cannot too highly commended.

The soldier in these days, in Canada, and in any part of the British is a representative of the best the nation, a patriot whose commission entitle him to the highest regard. The soldier. whose citizenship will stand the test of

## ORGANIZE A HOME GUARD.

An ominous, rumour is that which has been revived, and to the effect that the German sympathizers and German citizens of the United States incensed against Canada, because of its warlike spirit, that nowill do them but to attack this country and punish it is some way. The idea is to invade it contiguous points, and to cause such injury as any irregular and violent proceeding would enable them to do. The thing is not impossible. The feeling of the Germans in the United policy, to the exclusion of all States is bitter and intense. This exhibited in many ways, and in no way so much as in the threatening language in which they include. Cafrighted, but they have occasion to be prepared. In the west there talk of home defence. In Toronto it took the form of an organized citizenship. Men were called upon to take up military training, in special class-es, and to fit themselves for the emergencies of the hour. True, not so

thousands of dollars, and with what

Uniforms are not an essential this connection. The great necessity is for a body of men so organized that they can be expected to act with some degree of efficiency, and body should be formed in every community. It should be formed Kingston. Business and professiona men, clerks, mechanics, labourers, all classes; should be invited to join home guard and drill, and themselves for active service. It may when the expeditionary force is remove | take. ed, and they may have to be reck-

### DISTRESS OF THE WORLD.

The world's distress grows apace This is demonstrated in the appeal of the Red Cross Society for larger contributions, for the refugees of Poland and Galicia are not to be left to their fate. Wherever an invading enemy crosses a country it is despoiled and ruined, and the Germans have been ruthlessly destructive in the east as well as in the west of Europe.

There are hearly two hundred thousand destitute Galician refugees in Vienna, one hundred thousand Jews in similar plight in Bohemia, and miltions starving in Poland and Russia,

The American Commission for Relief in Belgium, also calls attention to the enforcement of fishing regulations? necessity of keeping up contributions to that fund. In a statement issued through the commission, Emil Franof, a Balgian banker, declared that the American Commission alone stood between 7,000,000 Beigians and star make them good by profitable employ- vation. Which is not correct. Canada, Australia, and Britain have stood by these people most nonly. "The civil army we have to feed is greater than the British and French armies combined," he said. "Yet we can scrape through on about \$6,250,080 worth of food a month. The appeal is touching, but it can be made quite as well by being absolutely correct.

A cable message from Lady Johnstone states that the Dutch government, which is feeding 58,000 Belgian women and 100,000 children, has been pressed to the limit of its resources. Lady Johnstone asks for contributions of money and material, so that workshops for these women may be estab-

Thus, gradually, the world, or that gaged in war, is being reduced to the greatest beggery. The financial ex pert in England, who figured that the effects of the war would be severely felt for three hundred years, was us ing the language of the prophet.

## AN IMPERIAL CONFERENCE.

There are two views extant with regard to the relations of Canada with the empire at the present time. s that of the jederal government which does not favour an imperial conference this year, and the that of the provincial opposition which, through Mr. Rowell, sees the greatest reason why the conference should take place, namely, the opportunity such an occasion would for showing the solidarity of the em-

The Whig, recalling the request Australia and New Zealand that conference should take place, and dis cussing the question, suggested that no great good could be accomplished during the war. It would, perhaps, provoke the representatives of the overseas to exhibit their differences policies. Mr. Rowell does not expect ited in its scope at this time, and the integrity of the empire made the main subject of debate. "Can you give to Germany, can you give to pire, and of the determination of parts to see this fight through, than to have representatives from the pire meet and take counsel together as to what we can all do and con tribute to bring this conflict to a suc cessful conclusion ? I do hope that when other portions of the empire are asking for this conference, which by its constitution should be held this Roosevelt should be the man year, the government of Canada will not drop the holding of this imperial assembly for the benefit of the whole

But that appeal will be in vain. The Borden government is concerned more about another thing, namely, election for which it is preparing. It and on the ground that while a the enormous debt, and the will have a most disturbing effect.

## EDITORIAL NOTES.

Brockville must install a filtrat plant in order to take the dangers beral in their financial support for B. H. Bennett, general agent, out of the domestic water supply. Kingston must follow suit sooner or

has cost the government a great many thousand dollars to fit up the buildings for military occupation.

The scholars in the Winnipeg schools are being instructed in some things by "movies." The change is being appreciated very much by pupils as well + take charge of one of Russia's 4 as teachers. The "movies" have come

Germany, 'said a speaker at a meetevening, discovered Great to its own disconfort and + many's example. The German people thought be required. These madcap Germans | they were "it"; and they have been | \* may attempt something, especially slow enough in finding out their mis-

> The Montreal Herald must not preciate the St. Lawrence route because it is wedded to the Georgian + sinking two of the enemy's + Bay canal. The Georgian Bay scheme & ships is the most doubtful of all canal schemes. Its cost cannot be calcu-

Is an officer not, a soldier? question is argued in Montreal the license regulations are said not apply to one in command when soldier is referred to. This is an interpretation which is altogether too fine for the average individual.

The Fort Erie shooting case is absorbing the attention of the United & German advances were again + States government. The families of + defeated in the Soissons district. according to information received by the men who were shot must be handsomely provided for. What, by th way, had the military to do with the

> Dr. Coleman put the idea in con crete form, last evening, at the funrtion in the Queen Street Methodist Church, when he said that Britain in this war was fighting the battles of the world, for all time, and for the humanities. It's a big idea and grips as it ought to do.

that New York wants him. He has called it a modern edition of hell, it may be too far gone for him save it. But he is not going to cancel any engagement in order to visit the metropolis and give it the shak ing up it so much needs

The United States Navy Department has made a discovery. It is that the German cruiser Blucher, which was too slow, and failed to escape a British attack, is faster than the fastest of the American fleet. Which suggests that the United States needs a new navy, and at once, if it is going

keep up with the procession. President Wilson is being pretty well ubdued, if not humiliated, by the action of congress with regard to his Ship Purchase Bill. The president the republic makes a mistake in suming a personal responsibility passing any bill. He is hurt whe he becomes embodied in the political controversies of congress.

## Public Opinion

Hero Of The Hour.

Great Britain has developed in David Beatty a naval hero head shoulders above any man affoat.

> Football At War. Ottawa Journal.

abscription for footballs for the diers, ahnounces 716 sent to France. The fellows who are playing with these footballs are the right sort

He Can Do It.

Hamilton Herald. world, might explain how mes that the Canadians at

Siding With The Allies.

being a plain American citizen

Trouble For Wilson

hard fight for re-election, and the will turn upon the character republican candidate. Suppo

nsurance in Ontario.

William J. Vale, Ontario deputy su the average amount of life ance on their lives at all.

## Kingston Events Twenty-five Years Ago

Local merchants have been very li-

No Action On Petition. much has been heard about the movement of late, because the council for the soldiers, has done so well—if the home guard with an appropriate uniform. This routh to the removal from the algorithm of the frontenac council to for the soldiers, has done so well—if this accommodation is among the best in Camida—why should the 21st Bat council to attend the Good. Roads are was \$140. Fifty cattle were convention in Toronto. No action will be taken on the

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* WAR BULLETINS.

At Geneva, Switzerland, it is 4 stated here that General Paul + + Pau, France's one-armed hero, + + is on his way to Warsaw to +

The Austrian embassy at Washington announces that the & government has decided to take + over grain, following Ger-

Late Friday night despatches & from the front said: "All satis- \* factory for the allies."

It is reported at Rome that the British-French ficet en- + + gaged the Turks on Friday, +

Toronto Mail-Empire cable 4 says the Canadian contingent is + on its way to France.

Toronto World cable says all & the Canadian boots with the + + Canadian contingent were left

Petrograd official statement

+ smashed the enemy on both

+ declares that the Russians have

Italy has called her first line

## CANADIAN INDIANS DOING THEIR SHARE

## Giving Money and Knitting Warm Wear-Ready Even to Take the Field.

Ottawa, Jan. 30 .-- Not the least appreciated of the various offerings being made toward Canada's part in the great war will surely be those being received from the patriotic hands of the first of all Canadians-the Indian tribes of the dominion. It is estimated that already more than \$18,000 in cash has been contributed toward the patriotic and other funds by the Indians of the various Canadian serves, and that both the first contingents contain a goodly sprinkling of the members of those tribes, willing to make the greatest sacrifice which it is in the power of

Chief Samson, head of the dmonton, was in the capital recentthe desire of his majesty that they should go to the front, his tribe was contribution to the Patriotic Fund others. Down on the reserve of the Six Nations, at Brantford, the women are knitting for the soldiers who are going to the front-knitting asside committee appointed among selves and there can be no that their good wishes for the prospective wearers of the articles go with

Reports received by the department of Indian affairs here from Fort Smith, Fort Vermillion, Fort Sampson and the Hay River scate, that the conditions among the Indians, despite the failure of the fur business this season, are very favorable

GERMANY PASSES HAT.

Urges People To Give Copper. Silver

London, Jan. 30 .- The Dail; Chronicle says: "The marked suc cess which attended imperial wool week' in Germany has induced a num ber of leading journalists, including the Hamburger Machrichten, to adcovate an 'imperial metal week', in holds which the German nation will give fone more proof of patriotism by sacrificing superfluous copper, silver and gold for the uses of the army and

"The greater stress would appear to be laid on copper. The possessors of valuable bronze and copper articles of artistic beauty, or articles it would be foolish to part with those things as long as the melting pot can be filled with more prosaic and com-

"If every household in the empire per, there would be available five

ver of modern and vulgar design which might well go into the melting pot of the mint.

"With regard to gold, the Hamburger Machrichten warmly supports the suggestion that wedding rings be exchanged by weir wearers for rings ward that, as iron rings might not prove attractive to some ladies, dis monds and other precious stone might be taken from gold rings and set in iron ones."

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