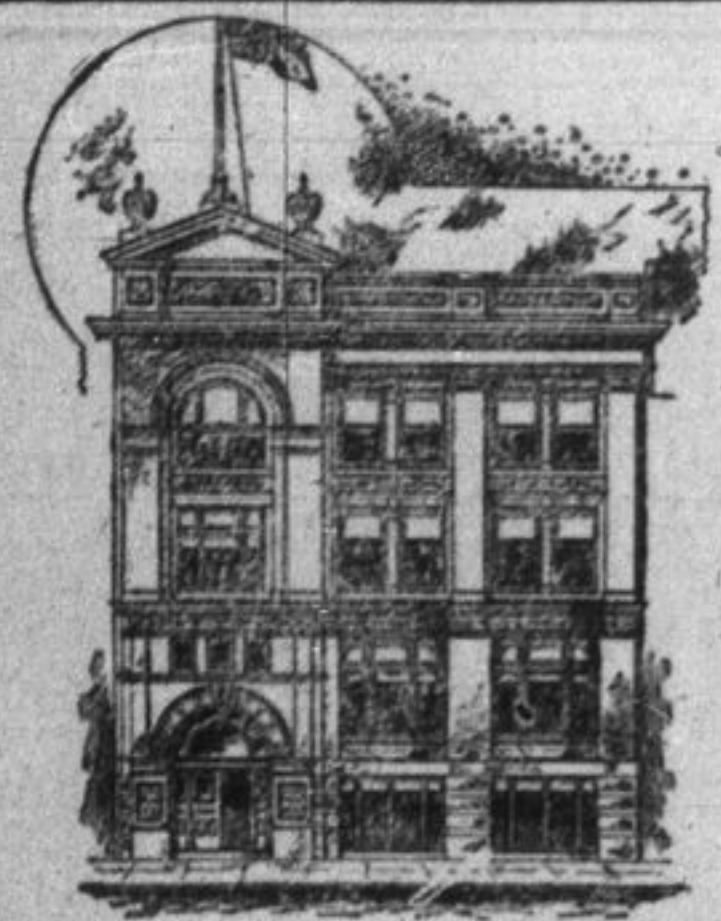


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SCANDALS WILL NOT DOWN.

The horse scandal is now demanding attention. A. Dewitt Foster, M.P., is in the limelight. He bought, through deputies, all the horses he could in his own constituency, at an average price of \$184.50, which was the highest in Canada and in any military district.

A PERVERSION OF TRUTH.

The reasons given for an early election, by the member for West Hamilton, are surely unique. They are that if the appeal be held off until the end of the war many Canadians will have been killed, and that the friends of these will feel sore at the Government for having sent them to the war, and they will vote against it.

A CRISIS IS ON.

Some time ago it was announced that the Legislature would devote some of its time to the license question, and the necessity of action, looking especially towards the regulating of the liquor trade at the present time.

ilation; and the party cannot agree. Two or three weeks ago, it looked as if the liquor element, which has controlled the party so long, was going to have its way again, and that the only legislation would be a few very minor changes in the way of further restrictions as to hours, etc. The fact is that a large and strong faction has come straight out for Leader Rowell's policy of closing the bars throughout Ontario while the war lasts, and, when the great European struggle is over, taking a referendum on the question of keeping them closed.

Public opinion is driving the Government of Ontario, as it has driven the Governments of Saskatchewan and Manitoba. In both these provinces the people were making it clear what they desired in the way of social reform. The presence of the soldiery has presented a danger, a temptation, and a lapse from usefulness which was not at all desirable under the circumstances.

The war is hastening many social as well as political changes. Partyism as it has been known will not be known again—after the election. Many things are happening to make men vote as they feel, and not as they have been forced to by the party boss.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Alberta seeks to force the Legislature to swallow the estimates whole or in bulk. Why not? That is the way things are run in Ontario, and it poses as a model in all matters of this kind.

Immigration to Canada!

One does not expect much of it in the next few years. In every country which has been affected by the war there will be an abundance of work in the great reconstruction which must take place.

The insurance company that shirks its liability on the war should be called to account by any court that has the power to deal with the case. A contract is a contract, whether it has been made with the company or the country.

A bill is before the Legislature to abolish or suppress the smoke nuisance. The Whig hopes it will pass and that the first use to be made of the law will be the application of it to the Kingston utilities.

The German princes have not been heard of much of late. They are not specially mentioned in despatches, and not specially decorated for their exploits on the field.

Toronto's Council is surely a turbulent and troublesome body. It cannot last. It must go and give way to anything else as a trial. City government with the manager suggests that something better than scandal and smudge should be the chief issue of every meeting.

Powell, the clerk in the Garland drug store, at Ottawa, is in luck, if, as he states, he is allowed to keep the \$9,000 he made in hospital dressings. He hardly knows how he got into the deal, but if he can lay hands on the profits, he will hold them, he will rank as one of Canada's fortunate sons.

Mr. Ames, M.P., the vice-president of the company which bears his name, addressed the employees of his shoe factory, and counselled them to be particular about the Government contracts it secured. But that was all he did. He had no impulse to see that his counsel was carried into effect.

Straighten the crooks in your own walk before attempting to straighten those of your neighbor. Carry a business that robs you of your just right to your share of recreation and pleasure.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK

DEALT WITH AT CONVENTION IN FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Provincial Secretaries Gave Pointed Addresses—The Officers Elected By the Association for the Year.

All the Sunday schools of the city had representatives at the convention held in the First Baptist church on Tuesday afternoon. The object of this assembly was to advance the movement of creating "organized classes." The question was fully discussed from five until six o'clock, and needless to say the majority were in favor of the scheme.

The convention was resumed again at eight o'clock Tuesday evening in the Sunday school room of the same church and two addresses dealing with the subject were delivered by Rev. E. W. Halpeny, Provincial Grand Secretary of Sunday school work, and P. G. Orwig, Secretary for the second division of the same work.

Mr. Orwig dealt chiefly with the four recognizable facts that must be dealt with to create the development of the boy if he is to be kept interested in the spiritual activities of the school. These facts were: The law of progression, the law of organization, service activity and leadership.

The second address, delivered by Mr. Halpeny, took up the last point of interest in the previous speaker's discourse that of "Leadership." "We are all gratters to a certain extent," said Mr. Halpeny. "It is the greatest problem of to-day and it is the greatest curse of politics."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Battersea Hockey Complaint.

Battersea, March 22.—(To the Editor): Would you please publish this letter in your paper as a protest, and in the manner in which things have been "handed to us" by executive officials of the County Amateur Hockey League?

During the last two years we competed for the Edwards trophy, and this last season put in our application in the usual way, and were notified by the officials that it had been accepted. Now, we understand that Wolfe Island, after playing in the finals, has won the cup for 1915. We have been passed up with no explanation, and as far as we can see no justifiable reason.

We consider this action unfair, and feel that we have been discriminated against, such not being the wishes of the donor of the cup. At any rate such discrimination is not in accordance with the principles of amateur sport, and if in future matters are placed on this executive who will be fair and honest, and see that teams of unquestionable amateur standing, with no local representative on the executive (such as Battersea), are given their chance in fair competition for a trophy such as ours.

One team and its supporters are discouraged by the treatment we have received this season, and we are afraid that it will be difficult to stir up any local interest in hockey next year. We hope this letter will be brought to the attention of those in authority, and that the matter will be investigated for the future benefit of amateur sport in the County of Frontenac.—DALTON WILLIAMS, Captain Battersea Beavers Hockey Club.

KINGSTON EVENTS 25 YEARS AGO

The ice on the lake was very strong to-day, and could be driven over safely.

The plans for the new chapel to be erected by the Roman Catholics are ready.

Never subject yourself to an interview with the man who has no other motive than idle curiosity.

WAR BULLETINS.

Captain Fortescue, of the United States army, has just returned from the European battlefields with the prediction that the war will be a "draw."

Petrograd official statement says 117,000 Austrians are prisoners at Przemyśl.

The Washington Government has been notified that the Turks are running riot in Asia Minor and massacring Christians of all nationalities.

General French's report Tuesday night said there was a lull in the fighting on the western front, but the Germans appear to be preparing for a grand rush.

Major Hamilton Gault returns to the front to command the Princess Patricia's.

Latest despatches state the storm still is raging in the Dardanelles and operations are at a standstill.

ITALY IS SUSPICIOUS

THAT AUSTRIA HAS BEEN PLAYING A TRICKY GAME.

Merely Making Pretence at Negotiating Over Neutrality in Order to Gain Time—On the Brink of War.

Rome, March 24.—The feeling is growing throughout Italy that Austria has been dissembling in the negotiations concerning Italian neutrality and that the real reason no conclusion has been reached is that the Vienna Government wanted to gain time in which to complete preparations for war with the country.

The navy is now at full strength. Twenty submarines have been added during the past six months and 220 aviators have received pilots' certificates recently. The army now has three hundred aeroplanes and twenty-nine dirigibles.

Signor Raffaele Netti, who is foreign policy, is convinced of the Dardanelles by the allied fleet will inevitably bring about Italy's intervention.

"However difficult, the forcing of the Dardanelles was possible," said Signor Netti yesterday, and now it is merely a question of time.

"The present grouping of the European powers will not cease to exist after the war and it can be taken for granted that the Allies of to-day will be the same to-morrow, consequently, Italy should decide now whether to join England, Russia and France or Germany and Austria."

"Italy has always insisted on taking an active part in anything connected with the Mediterranean and she cannot afford to look on placidly while the balance of power in this sea is altered. It is a fact that German interests in Turkey and Asia Minor will cease to exist when the strait is forced, and unless Italy can show that she is on the side of the Allies and not of Germany, she risks coming out with empty hands."

"Italy's intervention, inevitable since the beginning of the war, should now be hastened, as further delay means loss to her interests."

THE SPORT REVIEW.

The Montreal Horse Show Has Been Declared Off.

Hurvey Pulford, one of the greatest of Canada's athletes, has evidently closed his career as an oarsman. Pulford has forwarded to Secretary Slead, of the Ottawa Rowing Club, his resignation as captain, and also as a member.

Toronto Argonauts have lost another of their football players. Gordon "Mac" Murray, the brilliant outside wing of the Interprovincial and Canadian champions, has secured a lieutenancy in the Governor-General's Foot Guards, and expects to leave with the third contingent.

Arrangements have been made for the saw-off game for the hockey championship of the Ottawa Valley. It will take place next Wednesday evening at the Ottawa Arena between Buckingham, champions of the Lower Ottawa Hockey Association, and Renfrew, champions of the Upper Ottawa League. Neutral officials will be chosen. If Renfrew wins out, it will play Brockville on Friday night.

At a meeting of the Montreal Horse Show Committee it was unanimously decided to cancel the Horse Show for this season. This decision was reached in view of the fact that the majority of the horses owned by Canadians have been donated to the various regiments, and while some are still in Canada many of them are already doing service at the front.

Ottawa will, perhaps, be the only N.H.A. club to show a surplus, and this fact is largely due to their plan of selling season tickets. The Wanderers were the highest-priced and the biggest of the teams, carrying fifteen men through the season, but, though they made a garrison finish for the championship, they lost money on the year. The Canadians did not do as poorly as might have been expected with a tail-end club and may show an even break.

I have little use for the Christian who ridicules the belief of others not in accord with his belief. As a rule, the average man wastes enough time in nonsensical talk to earn a honest living.

If perfect contentment grew on bushes a whole lot of people would still remain miserable.

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