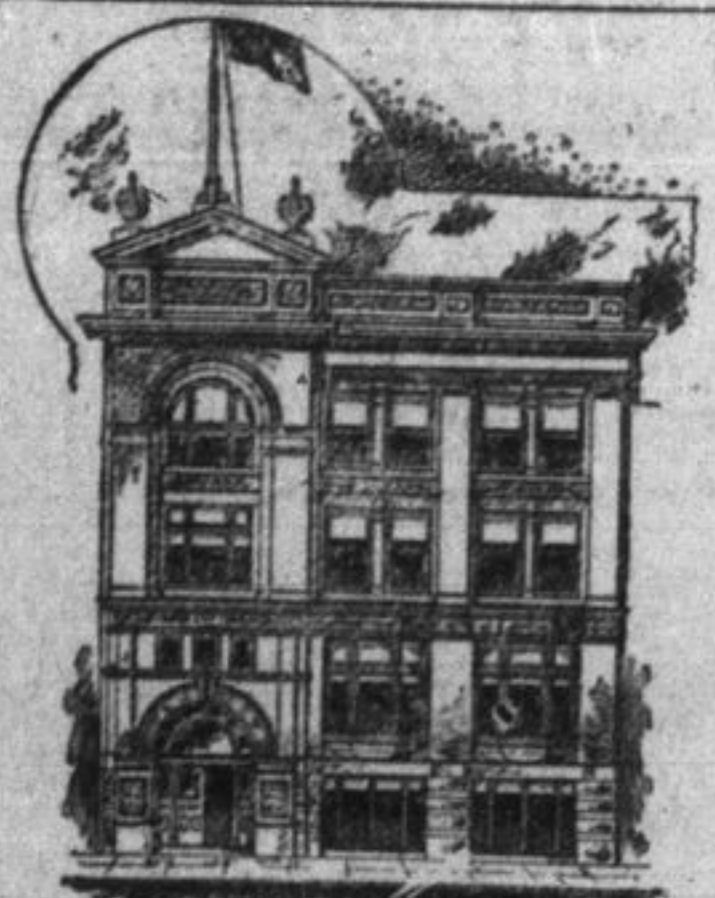


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A GREAT FINAL CRISIS. Ontario's pattering policy on the liquor question is enough to make a man blush.

It is no justification of the fact that the proceedings leading up to the printing of the measure were irregular.

The liquor question is the issue of the hour in Canada as in the mother country.

THE RED CROSS SOCIETY. Mrs. Needham, of Toronto, gave in her address some valuable information with regard to the work of the Red Cross Society.

It may incidentally interest the men, and they may, at the front, in this great war, be its greatest beneficiaries.

The Red Cross Society is not only committed to a great cause, and one that finds general support, but it moulds into the most harmonious unity the members of it.

It does more than this—it opens the way for a service that will surely bring the highest rewards.

getting ready for the theatre of war. This will mean much labour and self-sacrifice, but it will call out the activity and devotion from the millions which will certainly have the desired result.

THE WAR JUST BEGUN.

Horatio Bottomley, in the Sunday Pictorial, thinks that this war differs in vital respects from any other struggle in history and that Europe cannot long endure an expenditure of £15,000,000 a day.

But other great men, critics who are founding their opinions on information of a trustworthy character, are not so sanguine. They take into account many things that are suggestive of a long, disastrous, and death-dealing war.

Granted that the supplies in Germany are giving out—that copper is scarce, and most unnecessary for munitions of war, that food is scarce, and the enemy is being reduced by the wearing process which was predicted, that many things have occurred to dampen and discourage the Germans, the fact remains that they are far from subdued.

It may be conceded that they have been disappointed and defeated at many points, that their diplomats and generals have deceived the Emperor, that the greatest fighting force in Europe is being gradually reduced, that fault is being found that it is not making any progress, and the truth remains that the conquest of these Testons has not yet been commenced.

The siege of Germany has not yet been commenced, although it is being seriously threatened on the coast. With the opening of the Dardanelles, (which is a sure if a slow contingency), and the opening of spring, there will be a forward movement, on the part of the Allies, and a carnage compared with which there has been nothing yet on record.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The blocking goes on at the Public Accounts Committee of Ontario. What has the Government under concealment? What wickedness is it covering up? There is something that will not stand the light.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer says the first battle which Britain must win is over the drink traffic. Some of these days the saloons or the tap rooms will cease to menace the future, or existence, of the kingdom.

Attorney-General Bowser says he will have more to do about the moulding of public sentiment in British Columbia. He was on strike lately? Is it a case of one, two, three, and out, so far as Sir Richard McBride is concerned?

Sir Richard McBride is slated to run for the Commons, as a representative of British Columbia, and if elected to enter the Government at Ottawa. Such is the latest announcement. Has he worn out his popularity in British Columbia, and as a local political god?

Sir George Foster relieves the Militia Department of the effect of some of the mismanagement which attended the early preparations of the war. The minister was at Valcartier. So were other ministers. They were all running the show, and they made a beautiful mess of it.

General sympathy goes out to the Premier of Canada in the bereavement which has come to him in the death of his mother. He was very devoted to her, as he had a right to be. A mother is dear to the heart of most sons, and the affection in this case was very much reciprocated.

Brockville's contribution to the fortunes of war, in the gift of one family to the outfitting of a regiment, represents a sacrifice which Canada must duly appreciate. To those who can afford it, the service must be particularly gratifying. The

spirit of the late Senator Fulkord has been revived in the devotion of his family.

A war is a non-political event. A Liberal can go to the front and lay down his life for the country, but, according to the gospel of the patronage committee at Ottawa, he cannot get a look-in at the war supplies. In view of the rascalities that are being uncovered it is as well.

Alk. Graham is right. What is the use of passing any by-law? It will not be enforced. There is a by-law, for instance, against the casting of paper on the streets, and some of them are littered with the waste paper that is thrown upon them by the people. A few examples would cure the evil. But what is to make them?

PUBLIC OPINION

An Experiment. (Ottawa Journal.) A town in Wisconsin has tried a "pay-up week" with much success—everybody paid their bills. But will everybody wait now for next year's pay-up week?

There is a Preference. (London Advertiser.) Ex-President Eliot, of Harvard, says the possession of a million dollars is a great misfortune. Still the most of us would prefer it to the war, for instance.

They Deserve It. (The Supply Mercury.) The supply of iron crosses is running short, but the German aviators who killed three children in a small town in Northern France will have to be decorated.

A Genuine Scandal. (Saturday Night.) The bringing about of a general election in the midst of this war will mark our Federal Government as a parcel of practical politicians utterly devoid of the first principles of statesmanship.

A Tory View. (Toronto Telegram.) The maintenance of the popular veto places responsibility for liquor trade conditions where such responsibility belongs, on the people. That responsibility cannot safely for the Hearst Government be taken away from the people and put where such responsibility does not belong in the hands of a commission.

Wheat. (Syracuse Post-Standard.) The wheat of last year's crop still remaining on the farms on March 1st was 153,900,000 bushels. The wheat in warehouses is about 60,000,000 bushels. The amount of seed necessary is about 90,000,000 bushels, a large percentage of which has already been used.

In spite of heavy exports of wheat, the present stock is about normal. There is no reason to fear a shortage before the next crop comes into market.

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WISE AND OTHERWISE

Strategy. Waiter—"And will you take the macaroni au gratin, sir?" Officer—"No macaroni—by gad! It's too doocid difficult to mobilize."

Grateful. Boreleigh—"Some men, you know, are born great, some achieve greatness—"

Her Offer. Lady (about to purchase military headgear, to her husband)—"I know it's more expensive than the others, dear, but—well, you see you're too old to enlist, and I really feel we ought to do something!"—Punch.

An Unsettled Question



"Is this town on the map?" "We don't know, stranger. There ain't nobody here rich enough to buy a map to find out."

Willie's Doubts. William's uncle was a very tall, fine-looking man, while his father was very small. William admired his uncle, and wished to grow up like him.

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A despatch from Budapest, in Hungary, stated that the people are clamoring for peace; hatred of Austria is growing daily.

Fierce fighting in the Carpathians; Russians take a number of prisoners and are occupying positions between Skwa and Orzye.

Survivors of the steamer Falaba state that the German submarine crewed the British ship prior to the sinking of the vessel.

British have captured a German camp fifty miles from the border in German Southwest Africa.

The Russian Black Sea Squadron has worked havoc among the Turkish defences on the Bosphorus.

British aviators dropped bombs on the German submarine base at Zebruggue, doing considerable damage.

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