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# DAY WITH GEN. SAM

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methods, so far as we can judge by ing slain everybody's evidence but his his public performances, which have own. made him the equal if not the superior of Julius Caesar Marlboro report?" suggests Macdonald, M P. and Napoleon Bonaparte in the es-

teem of mankind? Let us answer that riddle at once and follow it up with details. Speaking broadly our Major-General's tacties are those of Scipio Africanus he carries the war into the enemy's country. He does not defend, he atboth horns and shakes it to pieces. Major-General doesn't even give the He does this with his bare hands, high Commissioner his title. the regulations, not permitting him to appear before a parliamentary regimental boards?" committee with his sword, though otherwise in full unitorm. How-know what they're talking aboutever, his answers are sharp enough, they'll sign anything." his remarks cut, and one way and unother the Major-General's tongue very mildly from Murphy, K.C., majors, while others are honorary makes up for his lack of side arms. One member of Parliament, taking as "I'll take no impertenance from more standing by they need. On his clothes and his replies into ac- you. You're a pettifogger. count, described him as a cross between a peacock and a snapping tirtie, but that seems to be overdrawing the picture.

This is the Major-General's day for explaining. Naturally the name of the Minister of Militia has been mentioned quite often before the investigating committees, so the Mafor-General has devoted a day to removing the aspersions. Not that the aspersions are of a very violent character but they nettle the Ma- the facts," or something soothing jor-General and he won't be happy like that, but the Major-General pins until he cleans them up. He calls his faith to plain Anglo-Saxon. it explaining but it is really chal- This brief resume of the more lenging. The Major-General darer picturesque parts of Major-General all and sundry to tread on the tail Sam's evidence is not by way of dem of his coat, an impossible task, ba- onstrating his short way with Gencause the Major-General wears a erals, High Commissioners, King tunic these days and a tunic with Counsel and such, but merely to a tail would be as much out of place show how far a seven-league friend- tue being its own reward by many

He is now in the Shoe Committee. The Major-General's vice, as I have pointed out before, is friendship, and friendship for the shoe manufacturers is under a great strain in this committee, because the Major-General has publicly stated that the man who will make rotten shoes for the soldiers should be led out and shot. Moreover, some of the manufacturers who began their contracts with prayer wound up with split leather and glued insides and others skimped their work so disgracefully that Doctor Edwards, M.P., was moved to say that if the convicts at Kingston penitentiary were put to making shoes they would not be competing with honest labor. Now the Major-General knows all this and realizes that friendship for the manufacturers, however much he might like to try it on, is an untenable position.

stricken field and decides to change front. He cannot befriend the manufacturers—he will befriend the shoes General stands by is Honorary Major ises to cable to the British authori- few months, and only the wearing had been published, however, Mr. Pinand thus live up to his reputation Thomas Russell, who handled the troops can promise suc- chot issued a signed statement exfor magnanimity. Although this transport problem in the first rush, no duplicate record of these animals cess, and to achieve this the Rus- plaining that he had agreed to become his own brother, Col. W. St. Pierre as the best man in Canada to bring speak, a horse on the Major-General. bers. Hughes, who has sworn on oath that order out of chaos. Major Russell, So passes the Major-General's busy the shoes were rotten, the Major-Gen- being in the automobile business him- day, eight solid hours defending great battles now raging in the Car- papers for entering that country. On eral does not let a little thing like self, not only blought order out of friends and patriots who have underthat stand in his way. He has seen chaos but also orders for his own taken to see contracts through at the the one stroke that will save the company. He went further and se smallest profit a friend dare take. situation-for Major-General Sam- cured the agencies of various United Eight hours and still the Majorand like the great commander he is, States companies and sold to the General is not weary of well doing. he carries it through, let brothers fall Government at the list prices with ten He concludes gloriously with a touch

a statement that the Canadian boots A day with Major-General Sam may have its faults the men may Hughes. Not the dull, routinary have burned the soles drying them day of the Militia Department with out-but take it by and large it's a the Major-General surrounded by blamed sight better boot for the solsecretaries and near-colonels, but a diers than the British army boot. To day in the open, an active service put this surprising statement over reday, so to speak, with our hero quires all the Major-General's reserve double-quick marching through, the of warm language and vivid imprecacommittees and smiting the enemy tion but he does it with great dash hip and thigh or any other spot that and vigor. The Major General couldn't consider it a victory if he didn't Being the Minister of Militia, on meet obstacles. When he has finishwhom the greatest amount of lime ed the field is strewn with shattered light has fallen in the history of reputations, but the Major-General Canada, we are naturally curious to has not shed a hair. He bestrides see how he behaves. What are the his little world a conqueror, hav-

> 'Second-hand opinion" retorts the Major-General "he probably hadn't seen half a dozen pairs of 'em in General Alderson has nothing to do with me any more

than you have." "What about Sir George Perley report?" Mr. Macdonald presses the question, "Perley's reports are based He seizes the dilemma by on reports submitted to him." "What about the reports of the

"Most of these gentlemen don

"Are you serious in that?" "Serious?" The Major-general blaz- colonels-the higher the rank the

or Doane of Halifax, who swore whom can be a day over sixty-are that the men were obliged to parade neither honorary majors nor honorwith their feet tied up in shingles? this from Macdonald, M.P. "I'd like as well out of uniform as in. to have the handling of that officer for five minutes," snorts the not only cleaning up the transporta-Major-General. "The man's a liar!" And there you have the Major-Gen- also has a long job ahead of him eral at top heat. Almost any other buying ammunition for the British witness would have put it in the parliamentary way. "The honorable gentleman has knowingly mis-stated

as a bird of paradise with whiskers, ship for bad boots will carry a min

where he appears next he is a more parson and is very green like most clerical gentlemen. He signs foolish General tells the committee what a receipts." The Major-General says fine fellow he is. Colonel McBain, this with such a charming smile by the way, has come across twenty-Honorary Major McQuarrie's invocence, especially if he would cough farmers in the neighborhood of Valup the twelve hundred. Surely no

a friend like McQuarrie! per cent. off. The Major-General did of chivalry. He befriends a lady,

but the hurry being over, he found another friend in New York by the name of Thomas, who got twenty-five per cent. off the list price and effected a saving of \$200,000 on the same BY MERELY REPORTING, REquantity of motors as was purchased by friend No. 1. The difference in having a friend whose first name is Thomas and one whose last name is Thomas thus figures up to about \$200,000.

Major Thomas is not British, as some newspapers have said. He is of that pure New York breed which does Budapest,: not acknowledge that the letter "r" has a place in the alphabet. He comes from the country with which Ma or-General Sam and his colleagues would have no track or trade as far back as September, 1911. Since then they have not only had truck, but truckshundreds of 'em. Major Thomas' report, to which Major General Sam listens with unteigned approval, drags in the fact that all, the extravagances in motor purchases took place when Major-General Hughes was absent. but that things are going better now that the rush is over and the emer- impossible to get even a vague idea, Only officials and swollen-headed pogency price is broken. Incidentally it The wounded describe their own perexplains why Honorary Major Tho-sonal experience and do not know mas Russell had to pay \$200,000 even what happened in the trench to more that he would have paid a few the left or right of them. The refumonths later on. This report, edited gees are poor and illiterate people, no doubt by the Major-General, ex- scared cut of their wits, who will tell pounds all the necessary facts with you terrible stories of the Russian adthe art which conceals art and proves | vance guard breaking open their stathat while Major General Sam may be bles and milking their cows, but that addicted to friendships they can't is all they know or have experienced. expect of a warrior who has flocked with Mackenzie and Mann as long as

Sam has. Honorary Major Thomas gives his evidence in uniform, this being orders from headquarters. Major-General Sam explains to the committee that he makes all his friends who have anything to do with contracts honorary majors so that he will have a hold on them. If they do not tell the truth while in uniform he can hale them before a drumhead court martial and put them out of business. Consequently some of the friends he stands by are honorary the other hand some of his friends "What about the evidence of Maj- like "the Ellis boys"-neither of

ary colonels and can tell the truth

. Meanwhile Major Thomas, who is tion problem for Canada, but who and Russian Governments in New York, always testifies in uniform as a guarantee of good faith. The Mafor is high-chested, high-purposed, and high-priced and if the war goes on long enough he will accumulate a neat little fortune in commissions but not more than an honest mar should. The Major-General has a 11/2 per cent, arrangement with him on savings affected which beats virthousands of dollars. It pays to be Keep step with the Major General, ister of militia once he gets start- friends with the Minister of Militia A friend in need is a friend indeed-

In the Public Accounts Committee and the Major-General is no piker. Another friend the Major-General subdued Major-General, but still a stands by is Honorary Colonel Mc valiant champion of old friends. To Bain, one of the C. N. R. lands headgive the Major-General's friends quarters staff, who helped to purtheir due they put his defensive chase the ground for Valcartier powers to the fullest test. For in- Camp. Colonel McBain has the stance there is Honorary Major Mc- whitest of teeth, the bluest of eyes, Quarrie who has sworn just a few the rosiest of cheeks, the merriest of days before that he received \$1,200 smiles and no one wonders at the for using his influence with the Min- Major-General taking a shine to him. ister of Militia. What is Major-Gen- One would as leave mistrust a chereral Sam's answer? "One of my ub and the colonel has a portfolio old boys. He began his life as a full of documents to back his innocence up. Meanwhile the Majorfour of the four hundred missing ly a question of numbers, and no Van Dyke, the American Minister to

The underlying plan of Major-Gene- not go back on his good friend Major he rescues a damsel in distress, his ral Sam's reconnaissance in force is Russell for getting all that was in it, secretary, Miss Ina McAdams, who is Feel fine! in danger of being despoiled. Miss Ina has invented a shield shovel with a hole in the middle to shoot through. The hole has been patented and 25,000 of the shield shovels are now on their way to the front if the supercilious British War Office will let the Canadians use them. But. alas, envious males, some colonels among 'em, state that the shield sho vel is as old as the Middle Ages and that the hole is not much younger. This spurs the Major-General to a supreme effort of gallantry. He tells how Miss McAdams came to invent the shovel. In the course of her duties she had accompanied him to France and Belgium, the scene of the present war, and while there the idea visited her and was committed to paper. It was all very simple and convincing. The Major-General is an inspiration in himself. Anything may appen when valor and beauty travel

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were put out of action, leading the limen to capture two posts.

tions to the Supreme Court of Can- box now at any drug store. Best The list includes many state and ada, as asked by Manitoba.

TAKING OF POSITIONS.

Are Vastly Superior In Numbers. London, April 8 .- The Morning not but be successful. Post publishes the following from

"All the news one gets officially from the Carpathians is that Russlans attack and are repulsed and that we take so many prisoners. They pecially the Przemysł sortie of talk about re-taking positions, but never say when these positions were lost. What we can learn from the situation here is through private sources, refugees and wounded, who are all unanimous in one thing only -that the Russians are very numer-"As to the general situation, it is

make a fool of him. The Major-Gen- What I gather is that the great eral is as wise as the serpent when proportion of Russian forces who Austrians Try To Duplicate Germs previously invested Przemysl are in the Carpathians already and some of



LORD HALDANE. faith to armaments.

them have even been taken prisoners These and new relatorcements make it possible for the Russians to continue their offensive in sanguinary fights day and night, continually storming positions and giving no rest. One of the wounded said where he was fighting the Russians on the opposite height had two separate contingents. One attacked by day and the other by night.

"'We had to be on our guard day and night,' he said, 'and this had wounded. Some of our men fell as- Dniester, near Zale Szczyky, who were 100 yards in front of us and nothing would put them on their sitions otherwise. They wear down with their numbers and with continuous attacks until we can't see and can't move anywhere, and then

## Victory Rests On Numbers.

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pathians is the artillery brought up for the Russian forces last month, There were short of guns, but it is stated now that they are well supplied with heavy and small calibre guns, presumably brought from around Przemysl. Owing to the lack Russians Have Got Over Early-Day of these and a shortage of men, their Difficulty Of Gun Shortage and offensive was not effective before, but having now conquered these two difficulties, the Russian offensive can-

"Parliament will begin work on

April 19th, and the session will not pass without incidents, for some Independent members will ask ques-tions regarding the operations, es-March 19th, when 10,000 men were sacrificed for on purpose whatever. "As I wrote in one of my previous articles, peace talk is quite general in Hungary, and this is the only subject the people are keenly interested At first it was a question of a victorious peace. Now the adjective is disappearing in most cases. liticians with the view of keeping up the nation's spirits are talking of victory; but the talk peace, too, 'Ar honorable peace,' is also a term popular now. The gap between the ces of the Carpathians."

### A BUKOWINA FAILURE.

East Prussia Act.

Petrograd, April 8 .- Despatches from Chotin received here tell of the development and failure of extensive Austrian operations in Bukowina. near the Russian frontier, by which the Austrians hoped to achieve cutting off the Russian Army Corps during the last advance into East Prussia.

The Austrians, it is said, attempted a lightning advance in two directions from Czernowitz, which was used as a base. The first of these, striking northward to Zale Szczyky, to the west of the Russian frontier attempted an encircling manoeuvre, while the other group proceeded direct to Chotin, across the Russ'an border. Thus exerting pressure from the north and west, the Austrians hoped to catch the Russian left flank along the River Dniester in a vise, cutting them off from their main forces. Three and one-half Austrian columns were employed in these manoeuvres.

The preliminary northward mov ment of the first Austrian group was successful in repulsing the Russians occupying Sadegura, a village six miles north of Czernowitz, and then n the future will be likely to pin its moved on two parallel roads toward the Russian frontier. In the meantime, the second group reached point on the right bank of the Dniester, seven miles from the Russian border. Thence an Austrian brigade of cavalry led an attack upon Chotin, where, according to reports, two columns of Russian cavalry in smaller numbers than the Austrians engaged them in a fierce battle, driving the Austrians from the frontier.

Despite the failure of the direct attack upon Chotin, the Austrians continued to develop the encircling lasted a whole week when I was tifications covering the line on the leep when stormed by the Russians, though the Austrian offensive in this region is still continuing, it is regarded here, in view of the retreat feet again. The can't take our po- of the other group from Chotin, that ! the success of the venture is not like-

## SISTER OF PINCHOT

is the Wife Of British Minister The Hagne.

Another, friend whom the Major- trace but the Major-General prom- mensely strengthened during the last publicity. On learning that the fact Bryan. brings him into direct conflict with Major-General Sam having chosen him in the Militia Department is, so to sians use their superiority in num- a member of the commission for the distribution of relief to the Belgian "Another important factor in the sufferers and procured the necessary reaching the frontier his passes were examined and he and his wife were, after three hours' delay, sent under an armed escort to Antwerp.

"The next morning orders came TAKE CASCARETS from the German governor, Gen. Von Bissing, through the head of the Pass Office in Antwerp, that we were to leave Belgium without delay. No reason was assigned for this action ...!

"Before leaving, however, 1 received a letter from the American Minister at Brussels, Brand Whitlock, saying that the reasons given by Gen. Von Bissing for our expulsion was my relationship to the British Minister at The Hague, Sir Alan Johnstone, who married my sister, and the fact that I had stayed with him at The Hague on my way to Belgium. Accordingly we returned to Holland on March 31st, and since then have been staving with the American Minister at The Hague, awaiting instructions from

"In entering and leaving Belgium Mrs. Pinchot and I were searched by the German military authorities."

CONVICTED OF FRAUDS.

entence Will Be Passed On 116 Next Monday.

Indianapolis, Indiana, April 7 .-All of the 27 defendants, including Mayor Donn M. Roberts, in the Terre Haute election fraud case,

bowels without gripping. You will sentence would be passed on the 27 R. B. Bennett supported Sir Wil- wake up feeling grand. Your head who were found guilty and the 89 frid Laurier's protest against making will be clear, breath right, tongue who had pleaded guilty next Mon-

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Much Disorganized.

two adjectives lies somewhere in the in France has been disorganized by Serbian Legation in London, the respring mist in the snowclad precipi- the war. Lawyers and witnesses in port that the Serbo-Bulgarian incimany civil suits are at the front, dent has terminated is altogether many of them have fallen in battle premature. Speaking for the minisand no one can now anticipate the ter, the secretary of the legation inextent to which cases may be con- terviewed by a Daily News' represenfused by the disappearance of par- tative said: ties as well as witnesses and attor- "If this were the first time such

coup similar to the German feat of such an essential element in all le- promises, but the fulfilment of those gal procedure concerning inheritan- already made. ces, and there have been already, "Of course, it is beyond all doubt and will be so many more, unknown that this episode is the work of Gerdead, that the number of probate man agents; but it is difficult to actangled estates is incalculable.

hostilities. We don't regret it. Le- found.

already long, grows every day, show- altogether premature." ing that the number established in business in France was for underes- UNLOADING BUFFALO CARGOES. timated. Instead of the 20,000 semay reach nearer 50,000.

William Aunn Passes Away.

dents of Jefferson County, died at the 200,000 bushels of oats are affoat on Wellesley Island, on Sunday, after arrived. an illness of two weeks, aged ninety four years. He was a native of England, coming to this country seventy movement, attacking the Russian for- years ago and settled on Wellesley Island, where he had since lived. Mrs. Sarah Patterson, one of Alaxdria Bay's oldest residents, died at her home in High street, Sunday, from pneumonia, after an illness lasting about three weeks. Mrs. Patterson was born in Ogdensburg September 26th, 1832, and lived there a few years, coming to Alexandria Bay nearly fifty years ago. She was the widow of Henry Patterson and is survived by two daughters, Mrs. J. H. Senecal and Mrs. Lula Comstock, and two sons, Oliver and Wells Patterson. The Hague, April 8.—Both Henry all of Alexandria Bay.

Nicaragua is declared to be on the verge of bankruptcy, by Clifford D. Major-General hath greater love cartier until they get well and strong very short time. The Austrian po-With the eye of genius he scans the than this, that he give his word for dred and the situation dred and seventy-six there is no ingly strong. They have been im- from Belgium by the Germans from with President Wilson and Secretary

INCIDENT NOT TERMINATED.

France's Legal Procedure Is Very Serbia Wants No More Promises But Decisive Action.

Paris, April 8. - Legal procedure | London, April 8 .- According to the

an affair had occurred, the report Maitre Chenu, the eloquent attor- might be true, but practically the ney for the Calmette family in the same thing has occurred five times. Caillaux case, and former chief of Previously each time promises have the order of avocats of the Parisan been given of strict neutrality in the bar, says that death certificates are future. We now require no more

quit Bulgaria, as the attackers were "For the moment," Maitre Chenu equipped with guns, ammunition and adds "judicial life in France is al- rifles and numbering 2,000 men are most entirely interrupted and will within her frontiers. Among the dead continue to languish until the end of Austrians as well as Turks were

gal quarrels would seem to us to be "Bulgaria has insisted that Bulan attack upon the sacred pact of garians living over the Serbian fronunion that the war has sealed be- tiers shall return to their native tween all the citizens of France." land, and then has stated quite un-The business of civil courts is al- justly that their return was to be atmost entirely confined to the seques- tributed to Serbian ill-treatment. tration of the property of German The position is very difficult, and to and Austrians subjects and the list say the incident has terminated As

questrations anticipated the number Of 45 Loaded Vessels Tiel Un Last Fall Only Four Now Have Wheat

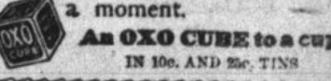
The practical suspension of court Buffalo, April 7 .- Of Nearly 12, proceedings gives Maitre Chenu lei- 000,000 bushels of wheat affoat in sure to use his pen and in the Par- Buffalo harbor at the close of navisian press he is sparing no effort to gation last year there remains todefend the justice of the French day but one vessel with a full cargo cause. She is the Fitzgerald, with 254,000 bushels aboard.

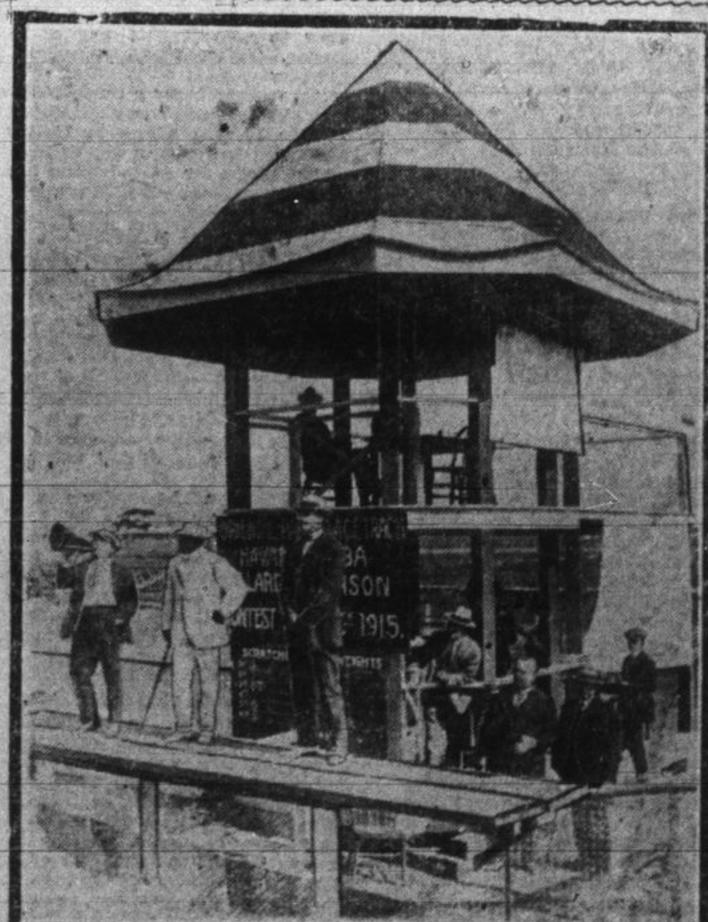
Of 45 vessels there remain only Alexandria Bay, N.Y., April 7 .- vator men say these will be unload-William Nunn, one of the oldest resi- ed by the end of the week. Less than home of his grandson, Henry Nunn, out of 1,000,000 when the last boat

> Intimations have come to the American Government that General Carranza will not consent to the neutralization of Mexico City, as proposed and agreed to by the Villa-Zapata forces.

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THROWING A HAND GRENADE. The use of hand grenades at close quarters has been one of the features of the battle of the trenches. A British soldier is here photographed in the act of throwing a grenade.