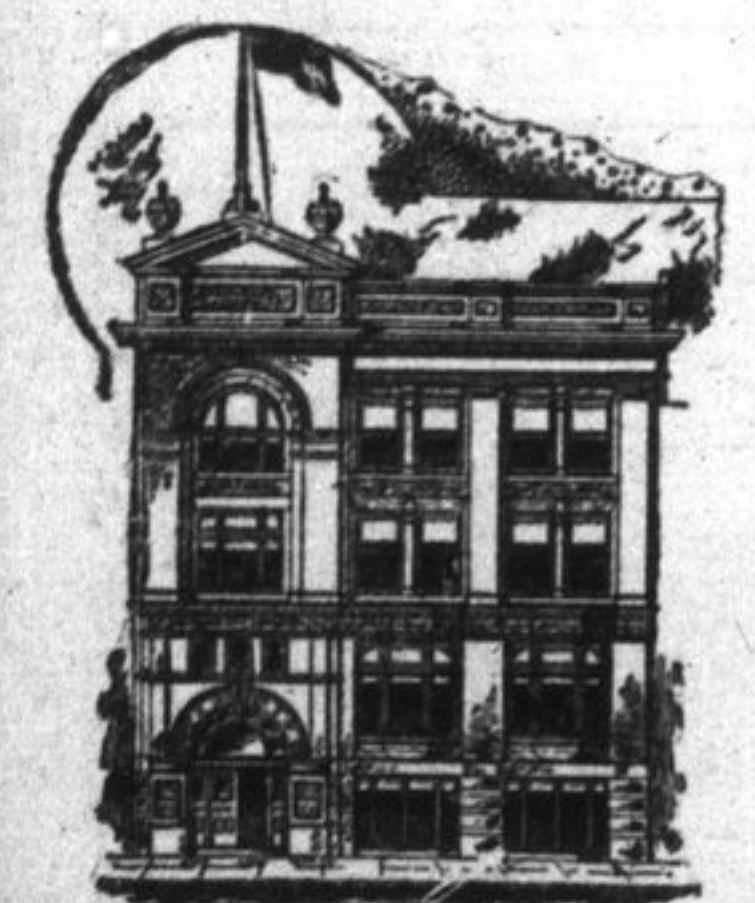


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BECKER IN A RAGE.

Becker, convicted of causing the murder of Herman Rosenthal because the gambler menaced the corrupt system of New York, nearly three years ago, has been seized with despair, and is pictured by the New York Herald as in a furious mood. He refuses the attentions of the officials, of his friends, of the prison priest, and of his wife. He even refuses to eat. He angrily asserts that everyone is crushing him down, and that even the God whom he trusted has abandoned him. So in his depression he has lost his religion, has cast his prayer books aside, and chafes and soids and wants to die at once. The sooner the end is reached, he says, the better. The good priest of the prison, awaits, with patience, the change which he says must come soon to the sadly disturbed man. Presently, the passion will pass, and, perfectly subdued and reconciled to his fate, Becker will listen to the consolation that which must be soothing to his soul.

The aeroplane fleet of London does not appear to be as alert and efficient as the aeroplane or biplane fleet of France. Hence, the Zeppelin raids on London are becoming more alarming.

THE DEVIL IN MAN.

When Robert Louis Stephenson wrote the story of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde it was assumed that he had portrayed a character without a counterpart in the world, that of a physician who practiced the virtues of his profession, and of his other self when he had converted it into a being "inherently malign and villainous." The change was made by a potion of the doctor's own compounding. For a time the good, in him, was, at his will, able to overcome the bad, but eventually the bad triumphed and in a very remarkable way.

Everyman, Dr. Sarolea's paper, prints from the article of M. Pierre Notcomb, which formed the foundation of a book "The Barbarities in Belgium," the most revolting stories of German inhumanity, cruelty and crime, following the invasion of Belgium by the German troops. Laws, promises and conventions were with equal impunity violated. Prisoners of war were the special object of German hatred, and a description of the manner in which they were treated would be unthinkable if they were not touched by evidence of the most incontrovertible character. The Whig does not care to repeat the gruesome stories. They are disturbing to the mind, and harrowing to the feelings. Oh! the horror of it all.

Reflection upon them makes one feel that the devil must be in the men who would attack helpless and wounded men to the extent of deforming and destroying them. There was no metamorphosis with them as with Dr. Jekyll, no experiments with mysterious compounds, no gradual change from the good to the bad. They were devils all the while, and only awaited the opportunity which the war afforded in order to gratify their malvolence in brutal attacks upon the helpless prisoners, the wounded soldiers, and the defenceless women and children of Belgium.

An American correspondent understands that Mr. Wilson will insist that the Germans conduct the war upon humane lines. Fancy the man with the mailed fist, dripping with the gore of his innocent victims, listening to talk of that kind.

THE KING'S BIRTHDAY.

The King's Birthday will be observed to-morrow all over the British world, but much more quietly than usual. It was very thoughtful of His Gracious Majesty to suggest that public display be omitted at a time when the Empire is in the throes of a great war, but it has been difficult, it not impossible, to abandon some of the programmes upon which expenses had been already incurred. This was the case in Kingston. With the King, the nation sympathizes at this time. He is burdened with many cares, and he must in a sense bear many of them alone.

It was an Austrian Archduke who some years ago disappeared, disguised as a seaman, and with a desire he could not resist to test the life of the humble freeman. He longed for associations that had been denied him, for the friendliness and neighborliness that were not available, and he broke the barriers that stood between him and them, and revelled in what he regarded as the luxury of real democratic life.

This story suggests the reserve that belongs to the King, and that in a time like this, must, sometimes, be a very oppressive.

RELIGION AND WAR.

The Supreme Parliament of the Presbyterian Church, the General Assembly, and representing all Canada, opens its sessions in Kingston to-day. These sessions will continue for perhaps ten days. The issues to come before them will be of the most momentous character. The church that is forceful and aggressive—the church that is not fails to meet the spirit and needs of the times—must deal seriously with all questions that come before it. There is nothing which can be passed over lightly, and especially because of the crises of the war.

The church, like so many human institutions, is said to be on trial. The evidence of its influence is sometimes missing, and from places where it was expected to be found. Thus, in the cruelties of the German soldiers, and the cant of the German Emperor, one sees the insincerity of that thing they call religion—in Germany. It is the certain outcome of the formalism which lets the municipality legislate for and manage the church, and appoint preachers, without any guarantee as to their fitness. That kind of religion may be on trial now, but genuine Christianity must survive the volcanic eruption of the times and help to bring about the peace that will abide.

It is to consider every aspect of the work that the Presbyterian Church meets in its General Assembly. Periodically, it is necessary to review the church's growth, but this is subsidiary to the great mission of the church, which is to evangelize the world.

In the shadows of a great war, beneath the lowering and depressing clouds that attend it, men may exchange their thoughts in subdued language, but in their hearts they must be assured that when the conflict ends the cause of God will be the cause of all civilized nations, and the object of greater attention will be the altar and the sacrifice before which men must bow the knee in honest, simple, and sincere worship.

The American warships, composing the Atlantic fleet, have been manoeuvring in an imaginary war, and the Government has discovered, by the experiment, that an enemy, convoyed with strong battleships, could land in United States. There is need, therefore, for faster cruisers, and bigger guns, and more submarines. Will this discovery affect the second note which Mr. Wilson must send to Germany?

ELECTRIC LIGHT RATES.

The Hydro-Electric Commission has done at least two things for Kingston, for which it should be thanked. Without cost, it has suggested an accounting system which has been approved by the city officials. The records of the utilities, so far as light and power are concerned will be kept according to the system that prevails all over the Province. The result will be that a comparison of rates, of receipts and expenditures, can be made with similar accounts in other cities and towns, and this, for many reasons, will be of the very highest value.

Then the Commission has supplied a table of rates, based on areas, and upon a scale that will tempt a larger use of power. Just what is wanted, if it works out well, and the engineer of the Hydro-Electric Commission assures the Whig that there will be no doubt of this.

The distinct advantage is that the average consumer will be disposed to use more light and power, and many who are not now upon the rolls of the city will be induced to use electricity for illuminating purposes.

Of course the Utilities Commission must hustle for business. There is no more reason why the Commission should wait for its customer than that the merchant should expect his customer to look him up. Ottawa, this year, put five convays

ers in the field and they added five hundred consumers of power and light to the city's register. A sample of what can be done, and an object lesson that Kingston can learn with very great profit to itself.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Some people are curious to know whether Mr. Wilson will tackle Von Jagow again, or whether he will call Congress and have it endorse his note, and demand a straight reply. Woodrow is a wise man in keeping his own counsel.

The preachers and the soldiers are very much in evidence in the city just now. The one in sombre black, and the other in suggestive khaki. The one the representative of the church militant, and the other of the army triumphant. Strong and pleasing contrast.

The British world regards the illness of Sir Edward Grey with very great concern. He is the greatest diplomat of the day, and the one man in all this war, and in the controversies leading up to it, who does not seem to have made mistakes. He is not infallible, but he is exceedingly discreet.

In New Brunswick, there is a politician, Hon. John Morissette, who is a Conservative in local politics and a member of the local Government, and a Liberal in Federal politics, and a strong supporter of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Running with the hare and hunting with the hounds, as it were. A seeming impossibility.

Again, one hears from New Brunswick where, following the example of British Columbia and Manitoba, it is urged that the public departments be thoroughly examined. Premier Flemming's removal on account of graft, some time ago, leads one to suppose that he is not the only Minister who has fallen from grace.

PUBLIC OPINION.

Interned. (Guelph Herald.) Dr. Dernburg has decided to intern himself with other German war crats in the United States.

Cares For No One. (Peterboro Review.) They say 80,000 Turks have been laid out at the Dardanelles. Well, who cares for 80,000 Turks? The Kaiser doesn't.

Too Many Notes. (London Free Press.) "We've been sending 'em damn many notes to Germany," says former United States Congress Speaker Cannon. A sentiment in which probably the great majority of United States citizens join.

Great Change. (Saskatoon Phoenix.) What a wonderful year it has been—the year that has changed a Radical Chancellor of the Exchequer into a maker of bullets and cannon in a War Ministry.

More Colour Wanted. (Watertown Times.) Early in the war the office boy used a red pencil to shade off on the map the belligerent nations as they fell into line. Now he is appealing to the business office for a fund to buy a good-sized can of paint.

A Tip In Advance. (Ottawa Journal.) It is as well to note that Kitchener's call for 200,000 more men—who will take six months at least to train—tells that Kitchener expects to need several hundred thousand reinforcements six months or more from now.

KINGSTON EVENTS 25 YEARS AGO

People living at the Outer Station have petitioned for police protection. They are annoyed by tramps.

Mr. Le Heup, Barriefield, captured two young eagles at Jones' Falls. Two hundred citizens of Kingston went over to see them.

Rev. Mr. Laing preached at Garden Island to-day.

Rev. M. Macgillivray preached in Pittsburg to-day.

Barriefield Camp will open on June 17th.

The steamer Rosedale is in Chicago, and has been chartered to carry corn to Kingston.

Rippling Rhymes by Walt Mason. Illustration of a man and a woman.

TALKING SICKNESS. Your liver may be out of joint, your spare ribs raw and sore, you may be driven to avoid your spavins more and more, but talk of mere uplifting things than aches and fell disease; discuss the mockingbird that sings its ragtime in the trees; discuss the virtues of your cook, or quote E. P. Oppenheim's rhyme, or talk about the latest book by E. P. Oppenheim. The dreariest of human bores is that one who explains the facts about his aches and sores, his buccions and his sprains. He tries to take of bile that runs in turgid brooks, and everyone will spring a smile when he goes off the brooks. I've always found that those who spiced of pains that never ceased, until the hearer's blood congealed, were those who suffered least. The martyrs with rheumatic limbs, whose life should be a curse, are often busy singing hymns because things are no worse. But talking of the ills that make your nervous system jump, won't drive away a throbbing ache, or cure a single mump. 'Twill only bore the friends you have, their peace your whining spoils; so talk of songs instead of salve, of books instead of boils.

FOOD CAN BE A MEDICINE.

Value of Nature's Remedies Not Fully Realized.

A special medical publication lays special stress upon the positive therapeutic value of food. We have long been informed as to what we should not eat when ill, and dietaries have been made for those who are suffering from disease. In it all, however, as the publication insists, the principal object has been to provide food that will not injure us.

Until quite recently there has been little or no recognition of the fact that some of the most valuable of nature's remedies are contained in articles of everyday diet. To quote a distinguished medical authority of the day, "Instead of prescribing syrup of iodine of iron, the physician might profitably urge bananas and spinach."

It is a well-known fact that a most effective remedy for some diseases consists principally of extract of parsley. Parsley is also excellent in cases of ascites.

The onion and garlic are valuable in pneumonia, and possess considerable virtue in the treatment of certain forms of tuberculosis.

Potatoes, or rather solanine, the alkaloid food of the skin of the young shoots, have a sedative effect that make them useful in epilepsy and some kinds of convulsions.

The calcium in asparagus and the remedial salines in beans and Brussels sprouts make these vegetables of positive help in the treatment of many diseases. The pineapple and the banana are rich in iodine, whose therapeutic value is well known.

Carrots contain a principle that is helpful to children afflicted with rickets, and the radish is of benefit in cases of chololithiasis.

The list might be extended indefinitely. Indeed, the more advanced among the physicians are paying especial attention to the therapy of food, prescribing as they can nature's remedies in natural form and administering them as nature seems to have ordained.

The Czar's Story.

The Czar tells this story of his visit to Paris in 1896. He wanted to go to the Luxembourg, if possible, in cognito, so a closed landau was provided, and the Czar, accompanied by an attendant, stepped in and drove off without an escort. Arrived at the Luxembourg the attendant got out of the carriage to make sure that a certain official was there to receive the imperial visitor.

The Czar, left alone in the carriage, looked out of the open window at a ragged boy playing on the curb. Their eyes met and the youngster stared hard. He had never seen the Czar, but he had seen his photograph, and the likeness to this foreign-looking man in the carriage was certainly striking.

"Supposing it is Nicholas," he muttered, and he resolved to make sure at once. Stepping boldly up to the carriage he shouted in at the window, "How the Empress!" Picture his stupefaction—for he really thought he was only having a good joke—when the unknown foreigner replied with a smile.

"Thank you, the Empress is well, and we are both delighted with our visit to your beautiful city." "Then," says the Czar in telling the story, "my true-born Parisian friend immediately lost his tongue, and stared at me in astonishment. But after a few seconds' hesitation he raised his cap with a dignified flourish and stalked gravely away, his nose very much in the air."

Wants It Spelled "Serbia." The Serbian legation in London has addressed a letter to the press and public urging the adoption of the spelling "Serbian" and "Serbian" instead of "Servian" and "Servia."

"The latter spelling," says the legation spokesman, "is highly offensive to our people, mainly because it suggests a false derivation from the Latin root meaning 'to serve.' It is a source of hidden pain to Serbians to see that some journals persist in using the corrupt forms."

The same letter requests wider publication and performance of the Serbian national anthem.

"In restaurants and public places we hear the British patriotic songs and hymns, together with those of your allies, France, Russia, Belgium and Japan, yet, alas, not that of Serbia, which is really a beautiful piece of music."

Oh, You Girls! Doris was gazing wistfully into the glowing coals which were burning in the grate, while her mother sat by engrossed in a book.

Suddenly the mother looked up and, noticing her daughter's unusual mood, inquired:

"Doris, how do you know that this young man loves you? Has he told you so?"

"No, mother, he hasn't," replied the young woman, with gladness in her voice, "but if you could only see the way he looks at me when I am not looking at him!"

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