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TWO WESTERN LEADERS.

The hardest thing the Toronto Telegram can say about Manitoba's new Premier is that he is "Hon. (Sir) Clifford Sifton's former auctioneer of school lands." Mr. Norris began his career humbly enough. He does not disguise this fact. He has, like so many others, improved his opportunities and become possessed of the means that enable him to live without grafting. His attitude or bearing during the last few months is characteristic of his integrity. He exhibited under very trying circumstances the moral fibre that is so essential in a successful leader. The question with too many is what they can do to strengthen their position politically. Mr. Norris has the sound sense that should make him a power in Manitoba, now that he is in a position to give practical effect to his views.

The leader of the Opposition is Sir James Allan, a son of a former Lieutenant-Governor, and a public man of ripe experience. It means much for him to resign his seat in the Commons in order to accept the leadership of a reconstructed party. He was not slated for promotion in the Federal House, however. A very wealthy man, and with no object before him but to serve the people in some exalted capacity, he seems to fit into his new position pretty well. He may be the Moses of the party, leading it back to the privileges it lost through the grievous misdeeds of its former leader. He has to do more than sound the bugle call on the eve of an election. Moses-like, he must win his people away from the idols that have, for the time being, wrought their destruction.

UNIVERSITY RECRUITING.

The great universities are engaged in a new recruiting movement, and one which is expected to quickly materialize. The higher schools of learning have contributed of their best to this sacred cause, and the defense of the country, and of the men at the front, many are professors, teachers, and students, and they are doing the better service because they are bringing intellect as well as physical force to the discharge of their duties.

And this is not surprising in view of the changing methods of warfare. The campaign thus far has developed rare expedients. The use of asphyxiating gases by the Germans is a cruel resort and one which does not reflect credit upon the genius of the discoverers. But in the arts and sciences, in an honorable and admirable way, there have been inventions of a remarkable kind, and in the production of them intelligence is required. This demonstrates the place of the college men in the ranks, the place that involves the use of real culture, that necessitates the use of agencies of a humanizing character, and still the agencies that must be depended upon to bring about peace.

to-date knowledge of arts and sciences. The appeal of Queen's at this juncture must be followed by a rally to the colors.

WAR AND MENTAL DISEASES.
In the military struggles of the past century, notably in the Franco-Prussian war, the strain of battle and the arduous conditions of active service were recognized as prolific sources of nervous and mental disorders. The development of the military art since then, characterized as it has been by great and rapid progress in the discovery of increasingly powerful explosives and in their utilization for destructive ends, has added materially to the nerve-shattering influences of war. At the same time the range of these influences has been enormously multiplied by the enlarged scale of operations and by the employment of vastly greater numbers of combatants. It is not surprising, therefore, that the problem of dealing with cases of nervous and mental disorders in our soldiers on active service in the present war has become a matter of serious difficulty, and of vast practical importance.

The varied descriptions of recent battles in Flanders reveal several obvious factors in the production of such conditions. The prolonged anxiety in the face of uncertainty as to the direction and character of the enemy's attack; the invisible dangers lurking not only in front, but also in the air overhead and the mine underneath; the intense excitement of long continued and critical attack; the natural fear from close hostile bursts; the disgust at the sight of the killed, an unprecedented number of whom are decapitated, disemboweled and otherwise mutilated; the great physical and mental fatigue induced by continuous aiming and firing during several hours; the deprivation of the sense of sight from the super-bright light of artillery discharge and shell bursts; the loss of hearing by the firing of massed batteries, and the discharge of high explosives; such are some of the common etiological factors which have been operative in the several cases of nervous and mental break-down reported up to the present time.

Fortunately a large proportion of the psychoses of the soldiers on active service are peculiarly amenable to treatment. The commonest forms recover completely, under appropriate care, within a few months. The Royal Army Medical Corps and the civilian physicians and surgeons co-operating with it, have earned universal admiration, and gratitude for their efficiency, resourcefulness and devotion, and it is no reflection on their work to point out that they are obviously not in a position to care for the cases to which we refer; it is equally obvious that such mental cases should not be subjected to compulsory detention within the portals of that unreasonably stigmatizing and dreaded institution—the asylum. Hitherto the only possible procedure in regard to cases of this sort is that adopted in ordinary medical practice in the field. The special equipment, nursing and medical service of the mental hospitals in this and other countries, long ago demonstrated their efficiency in the care and treatment of acute psychoses; and presumably the same good results might be looked for in such cases sent back from the battle-fields of Flanders, if similar facilities for treatment were afforded them.

The Ontario Medical Council, at its recent meeting, enthusiastically adopted a resolution calling the attention of the Provincial Government to the prevalence of nervous and mental disorders amongst the soldier patients under the care of the Royal Army Medical Corps, and recommending that some steps be taken to provide facilities for that special care which their condition demands. In the service of the hospitals for mental diseases in Ontario the Government has a trained personnel and appropriate equipment which would be immediately available for the purpose of establishing a special hospital either in England or in this Province.

In taking such steps as those indicated in the resolution of the Medical Council, the Government can certainly count on the support of the ablest physicians, who have long advocated what may be termed the abortive treatment of mental maladies. Moreover, since the care of those disabled, mentally or physically, in the defence of their country is a matter upon which the general public is rightly sensitive, we believe that they also would ungrudgingly support the authorities in any measures designed to promptly meet the situation.

We trust that this important suggestion of the Ontario Medical Council will find favor in the sight of the Government of this Province. The Belleville Intelligencer (Conservative) will not believe that Dr. Montague has been appointed the head of the Canadian Medical Department in London. It says someone is perpetrating a hoax. Why should our contemporary think that anything is impossible with the Government at Ottawa?

EDITORIAL NOTES
When the Kaiser says the war will be over in October, it is to be understood that this is to be the date of his surrender?

Young man, your country needs you," does not impress the shirker. The system that marks the man and calls him to the service when it becomes his turn is what is wanted.

The Whig is becoming a convert to conscription. Only through it will the men who ought to go—the single men, able-bodied, and unhampered with domestic cares—be pressed into the service of the King.

The rate of interest will remain high for a long time. England's public loans are now yielding four and a half per cent. When the war is over there will be no money to lend at a lower rate of interest until the public debt has been paid, and one knows what that means.

The new Conservative party in Manitoba will not stand for any more machine rule. Which means that the Rogers methods are things of the past. They are only repudiated now, however, because the Norris Government has badly injured the machine. Some men become very righteous when they cannot help themselves.

PUBLIC OPINION
Surely Not.
(Toronto Star.)
A third of the men in Kitchener's armies are married. But that is not the reason why they enlisted.

Meeting That Draws.
(Oswego Times.)
The public will rally with enthusiastic loyalty to meetings to promote any good cause, at which doughnuts and coffee are passed around free.

Cause And Effect.
(Springfield Republican.)
Wages have gone up, in Great Britain because there are fewer workmen and because food is nearly 50 per cent. higher than it was ten months ago. There is no economic complexity about the question.

Something Needed As A Mark.
(Hamilton Herald.)
British submarines in the Sea of Marmora and the Bosphorus have shown what they could do in the North Sea if only there were something to hit there.

Britain's Most Valuable Twelve.
(Syracuse Post-Standard.)
A London newspaper has by vote of its readers chosen the twelve Englishmen who can least be spared at this crisis. Lloyd-George runs first and King George gets in—No. 12.

Emperor Very Ill.
(Special to the Whig.)
Rome, July 17.—Emperor Franz Joseph, of Austria, is seriously ill according to the newspaper ideas. Nationalists which declared to-day it received its information from most reliable sources.

Poor Comparison.
(Toronto Mail.)
At the end of June Canada's national debt stood at \$450,000,000, or about \$60. per head. But even with the war debt accumulating, our national debt is far below that of New Zealand, which is about \$400 per head.

Great Combination.
(Ottawa Journal.)
Sir George Foster and Hon. George F. Graham are going to unite forces in a campaign for recruits. Something of the kind is getting to be mighty desirable. We can fight as much as we please over politics, but when it comes to the war, let's all stand together.

Narratives are not filtering through of "Stoney Mountain" battle to supplement the Canadian "eye-witness" record. Individual deeds of bravery are many. Special mention is made of Major Henry C. Becker, 1st Battalion.

The Man on Watch

It took General Botha several months to conquer German Southwest Africa, but it took Councilman "Christy" Graham only a few days to put down the University avenue insurrection against tarvia paving. Councilman Graham did not even need to bring up machine guns.

By no means all those who have offered buildings to the Government for convalescent Canadian soldiers returning from the battlefields are doing so for what there is in it. Some are, but the Lampman knows of a Kingston owner who would receive only four per cent. on his investment if his building was accepted.

The Lampman notes that Governor Corbett is surprised that the jail cells are all full in this hot weather. He fails to see the reason, which is simply this: That James Halliday, the Portsmouth reeve, made the County Council buy hymn books so the prisoners could sing with the Salvation Army. Since that day in June, the jail has been filling up.

Amesley Burrows should be here to discuss the strike of 10,000 pant-makers in New York, and tell us which is which, remarks the Lampman. As men wear trousers, he might have something worth while to say.

No longer will the people smile when they read long lists of green doctors turned out of medical colleges. They must take their hats off to the medical men after this war, says the Lampman, and realize that it was lucky the colleges had turned out so many on the cold world.

The Lampman expects to hear of Lawyer Rigney advocating the purchase of the Lockett shoe store Indian war bonnet for those enlisted in Inspector Wright's corps.

The drunks are quite willing that the automobile owners should be the attraction at the Police Court this summer. And then more dignity will be given to Magistrate Farrell's hall of justice by aldermen and other prominent townsmen standing before the Cadi and being taxed five and costs or a month in jail.

KINGSTON EVENTS
25 YEARS AGO

One of the grandest and most imposing ceremonies ever listened to in this city, was that recital in connection with the laying of the corner stone of the Nickel wing, attached to the General Hospital by Grand Master Walkem, and the officers of the Grand Lodge of Masons of Ontario. The make of cheese this season has been very large but prices are very low.

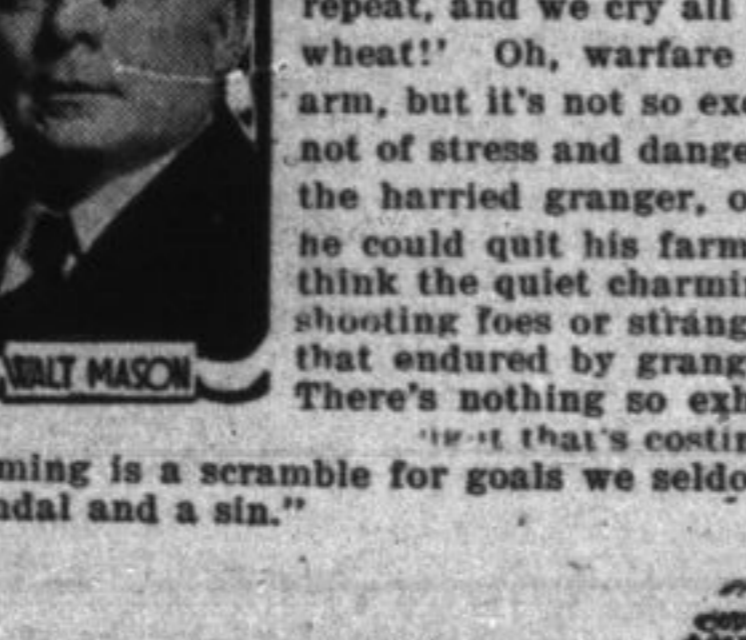
Newfoundland Patriotism.
St. John's, Nfld., July 17.—The Colonial Patriotic Association has decided, on the appeal of the Overseas Club, to undertake the providing of two \$12,000 funds from Newfoundland, and a campaign for this object was launched yesterday. It is hoped to secure enough funds to present one on August 4th, the anniversary of the outbreak of hostilities.

Brockville Soldier Returns.
Brockville, Ont., July 17.—The first Brockville soldier to return home from the European battle front is Pte. Thomas Carse, who received an honorable discharge after being incapacitated from wounds received near Boisgriner in France, when on post duty. He also suffered from gas. He is a Grand Trunk fireman and hopes in time to resume his work.

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Rippling Rhymes
By Walt Mason

THE SPORTING LIFE.
The farmers sadly ramble o'er soggy fields and wet, and say, "Our job's a gamble—none knows which way to bet! We think we have a reason for planting oats and chops, we somehow think the season will boost such kind and then they send wet weather, a deluge and repeat, and we cry all together, 'We should have planted wheat!' Oh, warfare is exciting, when hardy soldiers arm, but it's not so exciting as life upon a farm! Talk not of stress and danger, of battlefields and fights, before the harried granger, of dreadful days and nights! If he could quit his farming, and soldier for a spell, he'd find the quiet charming, a rest he'd earned so well. In shooting foes or strangers there is no mental strain, like that endured by grangers who fight the drouth or rain. There's nothing so exhausting in packing round a gun, as it is that's costing the farmer all his mon'. This farming is a scramble for goals we seldom win, a hazard and a gamble, a scandal and a sin."



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