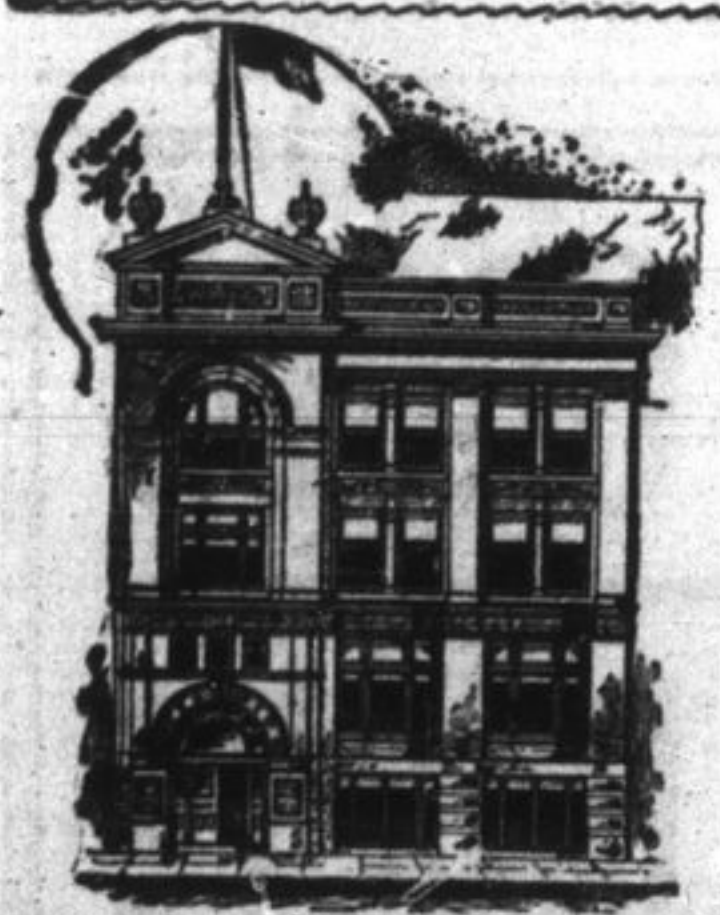


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A VERY GOOD WORK.

Rev. Mr. Compton, a military chaplain, and as such in a position to measure accurately the needs of the men in khaki, has inaugurated a movement in connection with his church which is worthy of success. He has invited the co-operation of his people and proposed that his church shall be open every evening and that the soldiers be invited to spend an hour socially under approved conditions. They will be entertained occasionally with a little music. They can have light refreshments at cost. They can indulge in games which the ladies of the congregation will provide. All this is designed for the benefit of the young men who are without the home life to which they have been accustomed, and who in their loneliness may be tempted to indulge in dissipation and go astray. St. Andrew's Church leads in this movement, but St. Andrew's does not seek or aim at a monopoly of it. The other churches are expected to follow suit so that somewhere, every night, there will be a place where the soldiers will be welcomed and entertained. The inaugurator of the experiment is to be congratulated.

The Toronto News has it that certain Liberals and Liberal newspapers hate Hon. "Bob" Rogers. Any more than he hates the Liberals and the clergy who do not approve of his election tactics?

THE CALL TO DUTY.

It is not every one who is adapted for the chaplaincy of a regiment and for duty at the front. One must be inured to hardness; he must possess the military spirit; he should have the ardour which cannot be dampened; his duty to his God, to his fellow-men and to himself must be clear and at all times pressing upon him. This one is impelled to say in the consideration of Dr. Starr's case. He was abroad when the war broke out. He was a militarist by disposition, and had served in the ranks. At once he sought a place in the service, was accepted, and did his part well. Then the call for duty at home came to him, and he answered it. Again he is persuaded that he should be at the front, and the thing becomes a conviction which he cannot repress. The question between him and his congregation, as to who should represent him in his absence and care for the spiritual interests of the church, is a minor matter. It can be surely arranged. The question of who should serve in the ranks in closest touch with the men who are suffering and dying for their country is of greater moment. Over in France priests and prelates take their places beside the men who are fighting for honor, liberty and life, and giving them the spiritual oversight which they require; and it is a task that calls for all that appeals to our humanity. The man who can do this, who has the heart and the courage for it, should not be restrained, but allowed to go with the benediction and good wishes of the people.

The Toronto World surprises us. It says the Queen City does not want a competent Fire Commissioner or head for the Fire Department, but a tool for the politicians. What a humiliating confession, to be sure!

A CONSPIRACY EXPOSED.

The New York World has public documents which reveal a very serious conspiracy in which leading Germans have been engaged. It is a conspiracy against the peace and neutrality of the United States. It originated in Germany, and with Chancellor Bethman-Hollweg, and has found expression in America through the labors of the German

Ambassador, the editor of Fatherland, the financial agents of the German Government, and the hosts of aids and spies men and women.

What the conspirators hoped to accomplish by the work, on which it is estimated they already have spent more than \$2,000,000 was to influence public sentiment in this country for Germany and against the Allies through lectures, moving pictures and a carefully arranged news service by which the press of the country was to be deceived. This movement started with the Fatherland, of which Mr. Vierick is editor, and which, while asserting its pure Americanism, has been bitterly attacking President Wilson. Mr. Claussen's correspondence shows he assured his superiors that they could gain control of the American Press Association for \$900,000 and that it would be invaluable in the work in hand.

Part of the scheme is the founding of the munition factory at Bridgeport, Conn., at a cost of over \$2,000,000, and the founding of a paper and news service at a cost of a couple of millions more. The conspiracy affects the Government of the United States which has not been as susceptible to German influence as it was expected to be, and some of these days the President may request Count Von Bernstorff and his subordinates to retire if they do not see their way clear to go without suggestion. The fact that public sentiment in the press has been strongly against Germany has not discouraged the conspirators in the least; on the contrary it has made them the more persistent and determined.

The exposure which came so strongly, and surprisingly too, since the conspirators had no idea that the Secret Service of the United States had discovered their plans to the Wilson Government, has caused a profound sensation in Washington, and for the time being it is the all-absorbing topic of public discussion.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Lord Northcliffe has pitted his papers, the London Times and Mail, against the Government upon the conscription question. One cannot help but admire his nerve.

William Travers Jerome is the shrewd one. The German conspirators wanted to use him in a publicity campaign, and he asked for the usual retainer of \$10,000. Did he get it? That is a question.

Submarines seen in the St. Lawrence River? Surely. They were the products of the Bethlehem Steel Company, and were built for the Allies. They put to sea under their own steam, and some of them may be by this time operating against the Germans in Europe.

Ex-Senator Beveridge has made himself cheap as a publicity agent for the German Government. The fawning upon him of the Huns from the Emperor down, in the light of recent revelations, becomes offensive in the extreme.

Kelly's appeal to the Privy Council against the decision of the courts may save him from the prosecution that he deserves for a time. Nothing can prevent the probing eventually into the greatest rascality that has ever taken place in connection with any public works.

The plea in defence of the German conspirators is that Germany's side of the war should be heard and spread before the people. Which is a rank reflection upon Herman Ridder and others of his kind. Have they not been ripe representatives of German pugnacity?

The French Prize Court has disposed of the Dacia case. She has been confiscated because of the fraudulent manner in which her transfer was made from German to American register. And one case of the kind will be enough. The bluff of some moneyed men only works on land, and far far away from the war zone.

So Yuan Shih-kai, the President of the Chinese Republic, wants to be an Emperor. And this ambition becomes dominant within him after the inspiration of Prof. Goodnow, of Johns Hopkins University. Is this not surprising? What is there about the Emperor that is missing in the President? Any prestige or power? Is the Professor not reflecting upon the American form of government?

KINGSTON EVENTS 25 YEARS AGO

James B. McLeod, druggist, New York visits his home here. General Hospital governors asked to increase medical staff by five. W. H. Carson left for Cobourg to attend the horse races. Bad boys smash stained glass windows in several churches. Lieut. Hora returned from England where he represented the 14th Regiment at Bialay. Upper William street residents petition for extending that thoroughfare to University avenue. Kingston's challenge declared by the Belleville Intelligencer to have killed the Belleville Quoit Club. Sergt-Major H. Platt, of the 59th Stormont and Glengarry Regiment, has been appointed instructor to the 77th Regiment, at Ottawa.

MATRICULATION RESULTS.

The Young Students Who Passed All Examinations.

The following list contains the names of the candidates who were successful in whole or in part on the pass junior matriculation examination. Normal entrance candidates, who were also candidates for matriculation, have been considered in the results.

Group 1, are names of all candidates who have obtained complete matriculation by passing on twelve required examination papers.

Group 2 are names of those who have passed on at least nine papers and have obtained the minimum required on the whole examination. They have therefore failed in not more than three papers. These papers are indicated in brackets after candidates names. In order to complete their matriculation they must pass in all papers indicated on one examination standard for passing being 40 per cent. of the marks assigned to each paper.

Group 3 are given names of all those candidates who have failed to obtain minimum required on whole examination but who have obtained forty per cent. on each eight papers with average of sixty per cent. on same. Such candidates, awarded partial matriculation, to complete must obtain at one examination forty per cent on each paper with average of sixty per cent on same papers on which they failed indicated in brackets. Candidates for matriculation into faculty of applied science who obtained pass standing on at least eight pass papers with average of sixty per cent. on same are reported in list.

Frontenac.

Group 1.—E. G. Anderson, C. Beupre, M. B. Compton, M. G. Cunningham, E. M. Dowley, J. C. Elliott, J. S. Farrar, C. S. Gibson, J. T. Gow, A. Grant, M. S. Gunn, J. M. Hickey, H. S. Hooper, M. E. Hudson, L. Lipman, E. L. McCartney, T. C. Smith, C. E. Stewart, G. D. Stewart, H. L. Wood, E. P. Ryan.

Group 2.—E. L. Leatherland. (Lat. A.)

Group 3.—B. Macf. Abernethy, (B and C history); L. W. Asseltine, (B and C history, ancient history, Latin A, Latin C); M. Bidwell, (B and C history, geometry, Greek A); L. P. Black, (Latin C, French C); M. J. Brady, (geometry, chemistry); J. C. Duff, (English literature, French C); H. E. Elmer, (B and C History); J. H. Evans, (English Literature, French A, French C); A. G. E. Gow, (B and C history, ancient history, Latin C); M. Hanrahan, (physics, Latin C, French C); G. W. Hudson, (ancient history, Latin A, Latin C); G. C. Lindsay, (Latin A, Latin C, French C); M. G. Lynch, (B and C history, geometry, Latin C, French C); M. C. Mclelland, (B and C history, ancient history); E. M. Perry, (Latin C, French C, German A, German C); K. Prior, (Physics, Latin A); E. Quinn, (English C, B, and C History Geometry, Latin A); C. J. Reynolds, (ancient history); C. J. Ryan, (algebra, geometry, physics, chemistry); H. A. Sear, (physics); W. G. Shaw, (Physics, Latin C); E. H. Simmons, (ancient history, English literature); C. E. Young (ancient history, Latin A, Latin C).

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PUBLIC OPINION

Save The Money. (Montreal Mail). An Austrian Archduke may be crowned King of Poland, but His Majesty is wise, he will not go out amongst his subjects much at night.

What We Want. (St. Thomas Times). We don't want any peace propaganda in Canada just at present. What we really do need is a Canadian-born recruiting propaganda.

Think So? (Ottawa Citizen). A solution of the army boot difficulty might be found in the employment of Nova Scotia horsehide.

Let Her Go. (Toronto Globe). The shortage of uniforms for Canadian enlisted men may make an enlargement of the patronage list a necessity.

Some Are Guilty. (London Advertiser). Why was there not a strong hand higher up in the buying of Canadian remounts? Surely some one knew that an enormous waste of money was taking place.

Canada's War. (Peterboro Review). This war, so far as Canada is concerned, is not and cannot be monopolized by the Conservatives. It is Canada's war, and without any regard for party, sect or creed, the appeal is being made to the whole people.

Rippling Rhymes by Walt Mason. THE LASTING FAME. I'd like to leave behind me some work that will endure, but busy toadpoles blind me, the prospect is so poor! Man hates to think of sleeping through ages four or five, with nothing brilliant keeping his memory alive. But there is no foretelling whose fame for aye will stand, or who has built his dwelling upon the shifting sand. The lions we're adoring, the great men of to-day, whose bright renown goes soaring from Juncus, Bathy, whose voices give direction to all our projects here, may pass from recollection when they've been dead a year. Perchance some humble plodder, who seems to cut no grass, or other kinds of fodder, will, when the ages pass, in people's hearts be living, his fame secure and strong, immortalized for giving the world some simple song. No man can say, "It's certain, as taxes, and as sure, that when death drops the curtain, my fame will still endure." To make our best endeavor, that is the only way; let fame live on forever, or die in half a day.

EX-ALD. JOSEPH TAIT

WILL BE EIGHTY-NINE YEARS OLD SATURDAY.

He Was Born in County Armagh on August 21st, 1826—He Has Lived in Kingston Since 1847.

If ex-Alderman Joseph Tait is spared until Saturday, he will have lived to see his eighty-ninth anniversary of his birthday. On Wednesday evening, this at one time very active citizen was interviewed by a Whig reporter, who found that for the past few days Mr. Tait has been suffering from the grippe.

In spite of his illness the old gentleman, with his Irish wit, has many interesting stories to tell the newspaper representative pertaining to his early days in Kingston.

Mr. Tait, who was born at Market Hill, County Armagh, Ireland, on August 21st, 1826, came to Canada and direct to Kingston in the year 1847, and has ever since resided here. He knows probably more about the Limestone City's history than any other man now living.

Kingston was but a very small place when Mr. Tait first landed here. Kingston then did not reach beyond the western limit of Barrie street and the northern side of York street. Mr. Tait labored faithfully and earned an old homestead for himself at 37 Charles street, in which, after marrying Miss Sarah Evans in the year 1857, five of his children were born. One daughter was born elsewhere. Of these six children only three survive: Mrs. N. Newell and Robert Tait, of this city, and Mrs. W. McMaster, Wallawa, Wash.

It will be thirty-two years this coming September that Mr. Tait's faithful wife passed to rest. Four brothers and one sister of Mr. Tait came to Canada with their parents at the period stated above. Now every one of them has passed away.

In religion Mr. Tait is a Presbyterian, and member of Zion Church. He was always an ardent Conservative, and sat as one of the city fathers in the Council chamber for eight years, being elected with flying colors for the first time in the year 1875. Many still aldermanic castles were gone through by Mr. Tait and some two or three times he led the poll.

Mr. Tait is a staunch member of the Orange order, whose ranks he joined at McConville's Hill, County Armagh, Ireland, in 1845, being attached to Lodge No. 1211. This is seventy years ago, and he has only missed walking in one of the annual Orange parades since. On the recent 12th of July Mr. Tait was seen in the parade at Gananoque, where he met an old friend of his, Samuel McCammon, whom he had not seen for fifty-three years. Mr. Tait is a Past Master of No. 6 Lodge, Kingston.

One of Mr. Tait's grandsons, Albert Newell, is now fighting with the Canadian forces against the Germans.

DOGS KNOW GERMAN SHELLS.

Distinguish Their Whistle From That Of French "Obus." Paris, Aug. 19.—A letter from Rims says: "Dogs distinguish the whistle of German shells perfectly as soon as they hear them, even when our own are whistling at the same time and people do not know which is which, the dogs show their terror in one way or another. They moan, run for shelter, go down to the cellar, and come up again if their masters have not followed them. A cat, which is let down in a basket in case of danger, gets into it itself as soon as the whistle of an enemy's shell is heard. But the birds, sparrows, thrushes, gold-finch, etc., are not in the least perturbed by cannonading. All the owls continue their usual hootings."

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