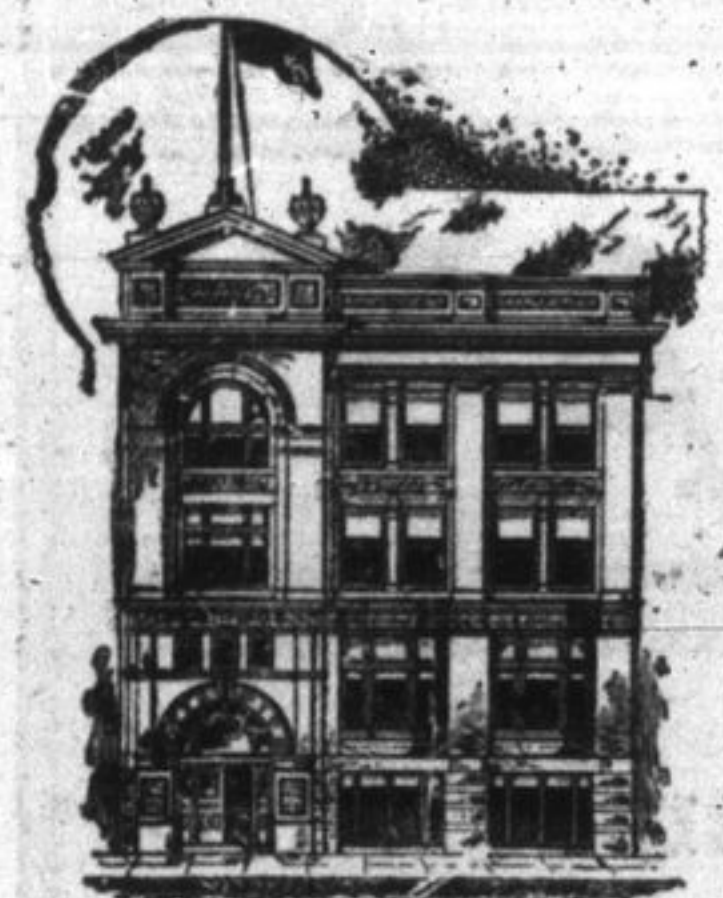


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VALUE OF TRAINING.

The warfare in the Gallipoli goes steadily on, with a gradual advance on the part of the Allies, and a gradual but resistant retreat on the part of the Turks. New defenses are being cast up, and even Constantinople is being prepared for the siege that is sure to follow.

One report with regard to the Turks is very significant. It is that the Germans admire their bravery, but they are "incapable of an energetic offensive owing to insufficient training and a consequent lack of discipline." When one reads this, and reflects, he will understand why the Canadian troops have been detained so long in England. The men chafe because they are marking time, as it were, week after week, and month after month, but as one of them recently wrote, "the daily routine of toil and drill is toughening, and the discipline goes on, and with effects that are more and more apparent."

Yes, Kitchener, the man of iron, knows what he is doing. His occasional visits to the camps, and occasional inspections, looking the men over with careful eye, are for a purpose. He can tell when they are fit for the fatigues of an offensive movement, which tries the metal of the very best troops. When he orders a move it can be taken for granted that he has plans which will work out satisfactorily, and that the men are equal to the emergencies of the hour.

NEW LINES OF ACTIVITY.

The war is creating new avenues of usefulness for those who cannot participate in it, who must remain at home and yet do something for the men who go to the front and suffer disablement. Some time ago it was announced that the Federal Government was looking up places in the several military districts where retiring heroes could rest and recuperate. A wise provision very generously and necessarily suggested.

But what is needed is something more than a place for rest and restoration in health. Men are returning to Canada from the battlefields who have been permanently crippled. They have undergone injuries which require present surgical or medical treatment, and, later, training for some new occupation by which they may become largely self-supporting.

Granted that they may be given pensions. In any case these must be inadequate when it is remembered that the cost of living has been going up and that it may go still higher as a consequence of the war. These retiring warriors will want occupation and any movement which means their permanent welfare will be greatly appreciated.

One who has gone through the experience, who has been in the war and has suffered in consequence of it, puts the question fairly when he says that the Governments of the people should see that institutions are provided in which the disabled soldiers may be trained for new ways of thrift and usefulness.

This is a happy thought, originating in Toronto, the hub of this Province, and radiating from it in every direction and inciting the citizens in behalf of a sacred cause.

SIR EDWARD GREY SPEAKS.

The masterful Sir Edward Grey, the dean of the diplomats, has disposed of the fictions in which the German Chancellor has indulged in excusing the atrocities of the German army, and is further deception of the German people. It is alleged that Belgium had bartered for

a sale of her neutrality to Britain in 1906. The reference is to a conversation which has not been reported to the British Foreign Office between British and Belgian representatives, and as to what would be justified in the event of an invasion of Belgium by Germany. The real situation was set forth in a paper of 1914, when it was proposed that all the powers now concerned in the war respect the neutrality of Belgium. Only Germany refused, because, as the Chancellor afterwards admitted, it pleased Germany to violate that neutrality for the purposes of war.

The one thing that Bethmann-Hollwig does not discuss is his admitted bribe of Britain to consent in 1913 to an arrangement which would have pledged Britain to remain neutral while Germany was free to smash and destroy every convention she had ever made. Finally, on this point, there was the proposition of a conference in 1914, on the eve of war, at which to settle the outstanding difficulties between Austria and Serbia. To this all the Powers agreed excepting Germany, and the British Minister expects a revelation some day that will startle the world when the facts as to the relations between Austria and Germany with regard to Serbia have been made known.

Another serious charge of the German Chancellor is that Britain is interested in the war for the purpose of restraining Russia. The British Minister cannot imagine anything so ridiculous, nor can anyone else who has knowledge of the facts and of the attitude of Sir Edward Grey, and of the position he has occupied all along in this controversy. Truly there is nothing so dangerous in diplomacy as dealing with a man who has no regard for the truth and who treats it so lightly as the German Chancellor has done.

The British Minister finally deals with the aim of Germany in the war. It is to secure the supremacy which will make Germany free to do as she pleases, upon land or sea, to crush or to mediate, to observe treaties or to destroy them, according to her whims. Germany fights, says Bethmann-Hollwig, for the subjugation of all that is great and fair and true and honorable, and at the expense of the subordinate factors in the fight. Britain's fight is in behalf of liberty, and humanity, the right to live, for real freedom and safety.

A POWERFUL INDICTMENT.

The Mathers' Commission has made its report upon the Manitoba Parliament Buildings scandal and it is signed by all the judges. One of these judges is Sir Hugh Macdonald, and he cannot be accused of partisanship or of a desire to politically destroy the Conservative party. The pronouncement of the Commission is an emphatic one, and makes it clear that the new Government, in pursuance of its pledges, must prosecute the plunderers of the public treasury.

The Commissioners declare that the contract was awarded to the Kellys after that of Peter Lyall & Sons had been opened and discussed. It was awarded to the Kellys without security. The changes in the plans and specifications dated from the commencement of the work. Later it was decided to organize an election or reptile fund by the contractors charging for work they did not perform and turning the money over to the party agent. Dr. Montague, the Minister of Works, whose memory was so defective during the examination that he could not remember anything, objected to the estimate when they first came before him, but when Dr. Simpson, the party boss, appeared before him his objection ceased, and it will be remembered that he signed anything afterwards, in the way of orders, and did not want to know anything about them. Investigation and security lay with the officials only.

The Commissioners say that the treasurer of the Conservative party dictated the amount which was to be added to the contractors' account for election purposes, and the amounts were paid over to the party treasurer by the contractors when he had received them from the Government. The fact has been "established" that over \$600,000 were paid upon fraudulent estimates between April and July of 1914, which was immediately before and pending the provincial election. The total amount paid to the contractors up to Aug. 4th was \$701,033.50, plus 15 per cent, which should have been held back and was not, making a total of \$822,903.

In passing the Commissioners scarily the Ex-Ministers. Not one of them helped to clear up the situation. Hon. Mr. Caldwell handled some of the money which Salt was paid to keep out of the country and evade giving evidence, and the Premier resisted the work of discovery and interested himself in seeing that the defendants in the enquiry were protected by able counsel. Horwood, the architect is believed in preference to Howden, the Ex-Attorney General, which is not a compliment to say the least of it.

The last word is that the auditor of Public Provincial Accounts should

be independent of the Legislature. But his absolute independence is not the only safeguard against stealing in high places. All accounts should be checked by the auditor before they are paid. The Federal Parliament has a good auditor, but he is handicapped for want of help and does not have an opportunity to check over the vouchers for months after the money had been paid. Locking the stable door after the horse has been stolen.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Japan may help Russia out of her difficulties in pending munitions of war, but she will not participate in the fight in Europe. That has been settled.

Japan is busy at home, in Asia, and has no time for European conflict. Japan will eventually be the great dictator of the Europe. She is practically that now.

Britain's contribution thus far, on account of separation pay—that is pay to the wives and families of the soldiers who are fighting her battles—is \$200,000,000. A great sum to devote to a very worthy cause.

Bryan is spending his time in figuring out how many miles of good roads can be built in the United States with the millions which it is proposed to spend upon the army and navy and munitions of war. It is a pleasant exercise, but not a very profitable one.

Montreal and Toronto are advertising themselves to the world as absolutely incapable of civic rule. This may go on until the people cast up of those who are actuated by motives other than the honest and unselfish service of the public.

The Toronto News charges that the Liberal papers, and on the question of an election, are considering only Liberal interests. And what do as she pleases, upon land or sea, to crush or to mediate, to observe treaties or to destroy them, according to her whims. Germany fights, says Bethmann-Hollwig, for the subjugation of all that is great and fair and true and honorable, and at the expense of the subordinate factors in the fight. Britain's fight is in behalf of liberty, and humanity, the right to live, for real freedom and safety.

PUBLIC OPINION

Looks Like It. (Brantford Expositor.) Uncle Sam has now been struck on both cheeks. Does he need to be kicked under his long coat-tails before he gets fighting mad?

Should Beware. (Hamilton Times.) A Government that bought thirty-year-old horses for the soldiers to ride upon while they go to war should beware of the khaki election.

A New Job. (London Advertiser.) Seems to us that the Toronto News has been appointed official feller of the Conservative party. It wants to know just what the Liberals will agree to give for being kept out of power a few years.

Teutonic Diplomacy. (Syracuse Post-Standard.) Teutonic diplomacy in America as revealed by the New York World is of a piece with Teutonic diplomacy as revealed by the white, yellow and blue books of 1914, and with the other specimens of Teutonic diplomacy now on exhibition. The mark of the boomerang is over them all.

KINGSTON EVENTS 25 YEARS AGO

R. H. Toye has been quite ill with bronchitis. He will leave for the south for the benefit of his health. Fifty tons of coal belonging to the K. & P. Railway, dropped through the spile dock. H. B. Teigmann has organized a company to play "Against the World."



TRUE GREATNESS.

When information we would rake, concerning great men here, we first inquire how much they read of some rich lad who rose from low estate; for years he chased the shining scud, and now he's truly great. He has five millions put away, and will have more, I guess; and it's superfluous to say that this is true success. O Poet, cease your lays to sing, and break your heart here, where comes the wealthy guano king, who has the right of way. O Painter, throw away your brush, for art's on Hasbeen street, and join the surging throngs that rush to kneel at Croesus' feet. Inventor, with the pale, white brow, and plans beyond compare, don't bore us with your pipe dreams now—here comes a millionaire! The moralist, in keen distress, surveys this sordid earth, where there's no standard of success, save what a man is worth. The wonder is we can admire the man that Lincoln was, who had for money no desire, and fought in virtue's cause.

GERMANY IS EXPECTED

TO TEMPORARILY HALT ITS SUBMARINE ACTS.

Washington Believes That the Kaiser's Sea Policy Will be Discontinued Pending Negotiations.

Washington, Aug. 27.—Count Von Bernstorff, the German Ambassador, conferred with Secretary Lansing nearly an hour yesterday and while both refused to discuss their meeting in any way, it was understood the Ambassador reiterated that it was not the intent of the German Government that any Americans should be lost on the Atlantic.

Another communication, supplementing that which the Ambassador transmitted to the State Department Tuesday, is expected from Berlin and pending its receipt, Count Bernstorff will remain at the Embassy in Washington.

It is confidently believed the next announcement that pending further negotiations, submarine warfare on passenger ships will be discontinued and that submarine commanders already have been instructed to sink no merchant vessels without warning.

It is understood that Germany, at the same time, will revive her proposition for a modus vivendi for relaxation of British restrictions on neutral commerce. German officials this was explained, consider that the victories to the arms in the campaign against the Russians permit Germany to recede a step on the sea.

Count Bernstorff reiterated his previous disclaimer of any intent that Americans should be harmed and it was indicated that to-day's conference was arranged by the State Department rather than the Ambassador.

LINING VESTS FOR DEFENDERS

Practical Use For Discarded Long Kid Gloves.

Feminine ingenuity is at its best these days. No one is ashamed to make the best of all resources and to waste nothing. A striking example of this is shown by a certain group of Irish women. They are making windproof waistcoats for the men in both the land and naval corps. It is said that layers and layers of woollen cloth are of no more avail in warding off the biting onslaughts of wind than if the cloth were not there. The ingenious women referred to have taken to lining the waistcoats they are making with the long wrists of white kid or suede gloves. This lining makes a perfect windshield. Several pairs are needed for one waistcoat. The hint is one which many a Canadian woman will be glad to make use of, and in case she has no gloves she can use chamois skins although they are expensive. Those who have discarded gloves should save them for some friend who would be glad to use them. If any are inclined to help the Irish ladies the gloves may be sent to Mrs. Moore, Dromin, Delgany, County Wicklow, Ireland.

Not a Dangerous Man.

Toronto Star. Complaint is made that Hon. Robert Rogers is being unfairly attacked because of the defeat of his friends in Manitoba.

In reality, the election ought to present Mr. Rogers in a new and better light. The hints have been describing him as a sort of tyrant of the prairies. Clearly he is not that. He is not a dangerous man. He went after the Scott Government in Saskatchewan, and the Scott Government won a handsome victory.

Rumor at least connected him with Sir Rodmond Roblin. Sir Rodmond felt. Rumor connected him with the rejuvenated party under Sir J. A. M. Aikins. That party emerged from the election with four or five seats out of forty.

We therefore see no reason for attacking Hon. Robert Rogers on party grounds. Like some well-advertised remedies, he is pleasant to take, and harmless. Nobody can accuse him of bossing the West. The common belief that the Hon. Robert Rogers is a crafty and ruthless tyrant is a myth.

Sir Jam and Sir Sam.

Toronto World. When this parliament opened less than four years ago, it had one knight in the House of Commons, Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Since then the additions have been Sir Edmund Osler, Sir Adolphe Forget, Sir Robert Borden, Sir George Foster, Sir George Perley, Sir Herbert Ames, Sir Jam Alkins, and Sir Sam Hughes. The total knightlyhood since the Borden administration came in is between twenty-five and thirty.

A wedding took place at St. Michael's church, Belleville, on Wednesday. The groom was Michael Joseph McCarthy, Toronto, and the bride Miss Mary McCauley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McCauley, Belleville.

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