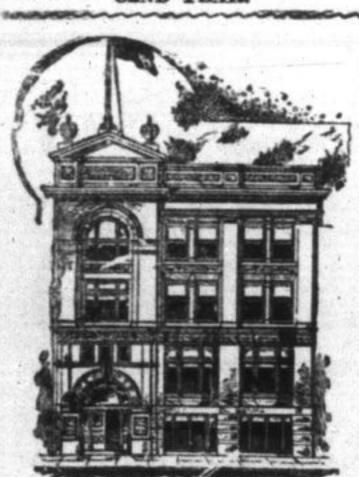
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KEEPING PROMISES

The Belleville Intelligencer makes have made will be redeemed. The it. The W. C. T. U. queers its first Liberal Government in Canada, claim by refusing aid on the ground says our contemporary, to do this. Why not be more accurate and say the first Government of any kind? The late Sir John Macdonald used to say that promises, like pie crust, were made to be broken, and the Conservative Governments have usually broken their promises.

IMPRUDENT TALK.

The Inspectors of Penitentiaries in their preface to the annual report unnecessarily discuss the criticism to which the penitentiaries have been exposed. These officials are not expected to discuss public questions with public men, and to indirectly attack the statements of members of parliament. In so doing they have exposed themselves to further, and perhaps bitter, attacks.

A SCANDALOUS RECORD.

The discoveries of the Davidson Commission, in the west, will establish more clearly the reckless and unbusiness-like methods used by the Federal Government in its preparations for the war. Granted that a great emergency came upon it, that there was not time in which to develop a perfect system of procedure, that many agents had to be employed for the purchase of remounts and fodder, the fact remains that some, if not all, of the obnoxious results followed the use of the patronage system in the public service. The desire originally-and it is

not clear that it has yet been abandoned-was to recognize Conservative politicians as the agents through whom the wants of the Government were to be supplied. These servants of the party acted perhaps as it was expected they should do in distributing the patronage. The billing of the Government for grain that it did not receive at Regina, that was never delivered to it, is an offence which the Davidson Commission proposes to deal with in the way it deserves. The giving of many commissions

to agents of the Government, sometimes when they were not sought, is another despicable circumstance, and his health. He has had a conferreprobated. The recipients should course has been marked out for the should have flung in the faces of the truce of war, will still be observed, givers their petty and contemptible but no one will be tongue-tied in his bribes. The fact that these bribes discussion of important questions. were not spurned is a suspicious circumstance.

The whole record of Government transactions, in the east and in the developed the fact that the highest west, in connection with the horses and the fodder and other things, is Court House. This tenderer, in rotten and a scandal of the most por- turn, farmed out the work to the lowtentous character.

WHAT THEY DESERVE.

An unparalleled infamy is that of the men who have been captured in New York city through the excellent work of its detectives. Explosions have occurred at sea, on steamships carrying munitions to Britain, and under circumstances that have led to the conclusion that they were the phet in the land who reads the work of some fiendish individuals. The explosives could only be secretly their secret places. stored aboard, however, with the criminal knowledge, if not the crimi-

German conspirator, is a revelation | Some of them are inclined to be pandemands of the Triple Alliance and their senses. The war on most peo- the elms that line the street called Easy. forbidden the exportation of muni- ple, however, has its steadying eftions to Britain. Dr. Dumba's re- fects.

cital of what could be done is significant in view of present conditions. His idea was to paralyze the industries of the United States by a treasonable service on the part of the Austrian employees. The Fay-Shoulz plan was to blow up the munition factories, to put them out of business, and to blow up the steamships which have the productions of these factories as the principal part of their car-And this dastardly scheme was conceived and carried out in cold The conspiracy is being gradually uncovered. It is one of the sensational events of the times. It culminates all the vicious and desperate attempts that have so far been made to strike terror into the American heart.

The debased and ruffianly Germans have merited capital punishment. If found guilty, under the laws of the United States, they may be fined heavily or given a period of imprisonment in one of the penitentiaries. Only that and nothing more. They deserve to be towed out into the harbor before or behind one of their own bombs with the clockwork apparatus and blown to atoms. The fate to which they would submit the innocent passengers of a steamship should surely be theirs, and there is nothing that is horrifying in the sug- the empire will be next?

GOING TO EXTREMES.

gest and most useful instrumentalities for good, has come under the severest criticism because of its atti-ought to take to himself. de towards the Red Cross Society

this particular time. The Red Cross Society, which has a special standing in the estimation of the world, has been making an appeal a note of the assurance of Premier from Britain for financial aid, and Norris of Manitoba, that all the pro- on account of the tremendous burmises which he and his colleagues den which the war has placed upon

that some of the funds of the Red Cross Society are being spent on cigarettes, the use of which has been hitherto condemned.

There is a peculiar inappropriateness in the attitude of the W. C. T. U. under the circumstances. Cigarette smoking may represent ordinarily a milder form of evil. All smoking is a habit which can be dispensed But a smoker can be toler ated and his offence condoned when a cigarette or a pipe brings solace to him at the front. The men who are either in the trenches, or in the hospitals, appreciate the pipe or cigarette, and the comfort of it is not to be denied.

Moreover the W. C. T. U. hurts ching one whenever she was hungry. the Red Cross Society needlessly by assuming that the money given to it for the relief of the soldiers and sailors is spent to any extent or in any proportion on tobacco or cigarettes. Money aplenty is being expended on the "weed," but it is the money which is contributed for the purpose by the Over Seas and other Clubs and by the friends of the soldiers and sailors. No part of the millions which has been contributed right away that Fuff had disobeyed up on that old desk again. to the Red Cross Society is being used for any purpose outside of that set forth in the constitution of the

The W. C. T. U. has, therefore, to atone for the injury it has done to the greater organization in casting a reflection upon its work, and withdraw the resolution which passed so unkindly and without the enquiry which would have guarded aginst its publication.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Fort William never was so busy as it has been this fall in the shipment of grain. True, a lot of this is going via Buffalo and the Erie Canal to New York, there to be shipped to Britain. The diversion of trade from Canada may be due to a shortage of grain-carrying vessels.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier is going south for a season in order to recuperate once which cannot be sufficiently ence with the Liberal leaders. The have been above suspicion. They next session of parliament. The butter, stirring all the time.

> Another Royal Commission is at greased griddle. work in Winnipeg, and already it has tenderer got the contract for the new est tenderer, and in so doing pocketed \$128,133. This is political jobbery of the rankest kind.

Von Bissing, the German Governor of Belgium, suspects that there are spies in the camp. He bases his opinion upon the discovery of German plans to the enemy. He should recall the story of the King of Syria and Elisha. Perhaps there is a prothoughts of the Germans even in

The Chicago Scottish-American nal participation, of members of the says the Britains are always calm in a crisis. Not always, friend! Some-The confession of Fay, the chief times they are excitable enough.

Need of the Hour. (Guelph Herald.) The Greek King doesn't want Cpyrus half as badly as he needs a swift kick into the Aegean Sea.

A Good Example,

(Toronto Globe.) Miss Cavell was proud to die her country. Let the men able bear arms resolve that her death shad not be in vain.

Ford's Latest.

(Hamilton Times.) Mr. Ford says he would make war so terrible that nobody will want to engage in it. Well, what is the matter with the present war? Could anything be more terrible?

Needs of the Hour.

(Toronto Globe) Men and munitions are the twin The struggle must be won in the field and in the factory. more willing the offer to fight and work the sooner will the stress be

A Generous Offer.

(Ottawa Citizen.) The Steel Company of Scotlandthe land where men are supposed to | Church. be a bit close-would be willing to turn over its war profits to the na-What other steel company in

Should Talk Less.

(Brantford Expositor) "Eat less" is the advice of Mr. Henry Ford, who seems to have constituted himself adviser-general the universe. "Talk less" is an equally wise advice which Mr. Ford

Keeping Up the Army.

(London Advertiser.) ish ranks since the 1st of October Cairo. means that there must be an unending stream of fresh men to keep up Kitchener's army. To fall below the standard he has set would be peril-

> Why They Won't. (Toronto Star.)

Greece and Roumania have no de-

Bulgaria, and Austria, supported by Germans, unless really powerful allied armies are thrown into the Balkans to take the heavy end of the fighting. And who can blame them?

(Windsor, Record.) It's pretty tough on the Grit papers to be told by the Tory opposition that the reason they are refraining from criticizing the Borden administration is because there is nothing to find fault with. Yes, verily, charity is kind and long suffering.

25 YEARS AGO

The executive committee of the diocese of Ontario has been called to sider the request of the vestry of St. George's Cathedral to mortgage the property for improvement pur-

C. Watts, Wolfe Island, has harvested off one quarter of an acre, 400 bushels of mangols and 25 bushels of beets and carrots. The thirteenth annual convention of the Ontario Women's Christian

Temperance Union opened in Cooke's

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY.

To Give the Money For a Dinner To the Hospital.

Prof. P. G. C. Campbell has been unanimously elected honorary president of the Arts Society of Queen's to University. The nominations for offices were made on Tuesday.

President Moxley of the Adsculapian Society proposes to dispense with the dinner this year, and turn over to Dean Connell the money that would be spent on the dinner for the Fifty thousand gaps in the Brit- support of Queen's Hospital in

> The Athletic Committee is greatly concerned about the money it will need this year. The first claim is the instalment on the gymnasium mortgage and interest, amounting to

> The Alma Mater Society has appointed J. Gilchrist as president, and E. Corkill as vice-president for the rest of the term to fill vacancies.

Sleepytime Tales

FLUFF'S DREAM.

Once upon a time Fluff, the cat, went into the library and went fast asleep on the desk. She had been told many times not to get up on the desk but she didn't care. As she lay there she dreamed of a dinner of mice and was having a great time reaching out her paw and cat-

was called out. Fuff went to the I shall have to punish her severely" couch and curled up on a nice new smooch all over the new pillow.

saw the black streaks and knew cat and vowed she would never go

her, so she went to find the cat Fluff meanwhile found that she didn't have anymore nice dreams about the kitchen to see what the cook

When she heard her mistress voice calling her, however, she ran troubled her and she knew she had Then her tail began to twist and disobeyed by getting up on to the and crawled across the desk leaving "Look at Fluff's tail. She has been mistress had been writing when she my letter and my nice new cushion.

Fluff didn't get any supper that When her mistress returned she down there, she was a very sorry

mice, so she got up and started for

into the library, for her conscience This acid causes the food to fermen wave and when she suddenly woke desk. Her mistress hunted until of vital internal organs, cause acute her tail was all covered with ink and she found Fluff in the library, took headaches, interfere with the action of very wet. Fluff stretched herself one look at her tail and exclaimed: the heart, and charge the blood stream a black streak all over the letter her on the desk again and has spoiled that to quickly dispel a dangerous

sofa pillow her mistress had just night as a punishment and had to for this purpose there is nothing quite made. So there was a big black stay in the cellar for two days and, bisurated magnesia taken in a little as she couldn't find any mice, even water immediately after meals.

Menu for Thursday

BREAKFAST Baked Prunes Vegetable Hash

LUNCHEON Corn Beef with Potnto Cakes Jelly Cake Tea

Onion Soup Sliced Ham Potato Souffle. Bolled Parsnips Hearts of Lettuce with. Boiled Dressing Fried Turnovers

BREAKFAST

Vegetable Hash-Chop carrots, and last the beaten whites of amount of potatoes. Fry brown in bake fifteen minutes in a hot oven.

LUNCHEON

Corned Beef and Potato Cakes -Mix two cups of cold chopped corn beef with two cups of hot mashed potatoes, a tablespoon of milk and one egg. Form into small flat cakes and brown on both sides in hot butter.

Onion Soup Chop four onions and three slices of bacon and boil until the onions are soft. Add two cups each of water and milk, let come to a hard boil, stir in a tablespoon' of dissolved flour and boil one minute longer. Serve at once.

Potato Souffle-Boil and mash pothe yolks of two eggs and half a wood floors of all kinds. All orders cup of milk, butter, pepper, and salt, 40 Once of the prompt attention. Shor atoes to make three cups. turnips, parsnips, and half the eggs. Turn into a baking dish and

Fried Turnovers-Mix one pint of flour, half a teaspoon of cream-of-Graham Griddles-Mix two cups of tartar, quarter of a teaspoon of soda. graham flour, half a teaspoon of bak- Sift well together, add a small piece ing powder, one egg, and milk to of butter and mix with the sweet make a thin batter. Bake on a hot milk. Roll thin, cut out the size of a small saucer, fill with stewed apple, and fry in hot fat.

Rippling Rhymes

THE LONG ROAD



That roads are lang to Easy street, is true—all winners preach it; and if you move on sluggish feet, it's doubtful if you'll reach it. I see some lads who work for hire their leaden trilbys dragging; the smallest effort makes them tire, and all they know is lagging. They face their work with dismal croaks, and grumblings stale and wheezy; they'll never bask beneath the oaks that line the street called Easy. The road is long to Easy street, too rough for any telling, and one must tireless be and fleet who there would have his dwelling. Oh, watch the men who there abide, the men who dance and gambol, and you will see upon each hide the scar of stone and bramble. They met disaster with a smile, their men was bold and breezy, they vaulted over fence and stile, and reached the street called Easy. The sluggard which astonishes the world. The icky. A few of them, of the North-United States has not yielded to the cliffe type, act as if they had lost fortune overwhelms this man with spirit cheesey; he'll never rest beneath

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