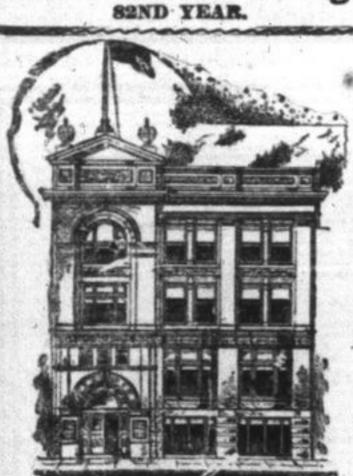
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SOME MEAN PEOPLE.

When the war, broke out a great many Americans were in Europe. The money market was dislocated. Some persons alleged to be wealthy were stranded. They applied to Then Congress provided \$2,750.000 husband her resources, but she had Parliament to die as a result of the Upon this the distressed people were ly use them. invited to draw for temporary relief. It now transpires that of the number assisted about 1,400 have failed to refund the amounts loaned to them, and the indebtedness aggregates about \$200,000. Some of the borrowers cannot be located. They are unknown at the addresses given by them. It, therefore, looks as if the United States had been imposed upon in a shameful way. Men, and women too, seem to have taken advantage of the peculiar circumstances of the case, and borrowed money from the Consuls which they never intended to repay. Their names are now being advertised in the press, but, as these were fictitious in most cases, no embarrassment will be felt. Mean people, you Surely, and it is in times of stress or distress that they usually Every one of the borrowers from the United States Relief Fund posed as an injured innocent All of them declared that they had

deserving of no mercy.

been eaught by the contingencies of

They seemed to feel

BOURASSA IN TEARS. the shamefulness of the British. puts it into war commodities the na-They wanted a collection for the Red | tion loses nothing. It prevents the Cross Society, (a worthy and gener- people from enjoying something they ous thought in itself), and on Tra- can do without, and within ten years falgar Day. Reminding the French from end of the war in Britain may of the defeat they suffered when at be employing more capital than war with the British, and through would have been able to use if the the fleet which Nelson commanded. war had not occurred. Thus a per Mr. Bourassa mourns over the loss manent check may be put to what of French colonial power. Trafal- Sir Leo calls a permanent folly, "and gar is the tragic ruin to the great while a proper amount of oversea Richelieu, Colbert, Duplex, and not again see the united kingdom de-Montcalm. "And," says the Nation- prived of the fertilizing stream of afist leader, "it is that day, nefar- capital." ious amongst all dates for France in the history of its struggles against the future. Luxury and amusement England, that they chose to ask the will not disappear from the land. people of all parts of the Empire. Under additional stimulation Britto famished India, to Australia, to ish activities will increase the na-South Africa, to Canada-yes, to tional income and there will be Canada, a quarter of which is better distribution of the benefits. French, to throw gold into the coffers The experience of the South African to assist the richest country in the War and the Franco-German War with tooked rice, fill the center with of scalded and cooled milk and four world, to help the army allied with will be repeated. Trade will be France!" That aspect of it does not creased as never before, and the naappear to have occurred to any one tion will prosper by home industry, but Mr. Bourassa. There is another home investments, and home econ aspect upon which he could have omics. It is a comforting doctrine dwelt quite so eloquently, and it is to say the least of it, and is somethe general one, namely, that out thing of an offset to the depressing of Trafa'gar Day grew the British financial statement of the Premier. supremacy at sea which has been a benefit to France as well as to England and is to-day the protection of Mr. Bourassa's Mother Country. The cruiting officer. How can he hope Nationalist leaster would not be hap- to create any enthusiasm for the colby unless he were distorting the ors into which he wanted to shoot facts and finding a grievance against holes during the last election? Has the British where no one else can he recanted or repented?

#### SIGNING OF PETITIONS.

an agitation with regard to local op- the Kaiser's emissaries have cil to test public opinion by a vote their attentions. in January. The petition, numously signed, had to traverse the pre-

tion from the people against the ref- interested." erendum, and upon an examination which must be investigated it was found that the second petition had been signed by 239 persons whose names were upon the first petition. The recital bears out the observation that has been again and again repeated, that if some one set out with a petition which called for the hanging of his neighbor it would be signed by many who would plead later that they did not know of its intent and meaning. Not that this is an acceptable excuse for lated so that upon it a given amount the performance, for it is exceedingly stupid to say the least of it. man should attach his name to a paper without knowing the purport of like the paper money which was is-

it. A signature represents the sup- sued by the Kaiser's distinguished port of an individual to a scheme, grandfather. plan, or purpose, and if he is not in favor of the proposition, and is not challenge of a subscriber to the Red prepared to assume any responsibil- Cross Fund, and told of what the ity in connection with it, he should French-Canadians are doing patri- go. not add his name. It is well to say otically. 'Tis well. He has omitthis now since Kingston may have ted, however, from his category the its petition in circulation some, of distinguished exploits of Henri Bouthese days, and every signer of it rassa. Henri was in France when should act with the utmost deliber- the war broke out, and deserted the ation. A wave of temperature colors

seems to be rolling over the land. It is coming this way and men must be prepared to meet it. For obvious reasons the temperance, question is gripping the people in a most extraordinary way.

#### FINANCIAL OUTLOOK.

Mr. Asquith's reference to the financial outlook in Britain, his reference to it as being very serious, recalls the many things that have been said and by men who were supposed to be well posted. Lloyd-George, to open a skating rink. while he was Chancellor of the Exchequer, said the nation would win which had the money, and he encouraged the thought that Britain would be equal to the financial strain the American Government for helps of several years. She would have to and sent it to England on a warship. them and he hoped she would wise- war.

A different impression has been left by a writer in the London Daily News, a member of Parliament, who sees in the superstax, "the beginning of the end." He had a vision of what would happen after the war. The whole trend or tendency of life would be changed, and the condi tions of the present would have passed away-the grand scale of life, the vast hotels, the display of jewels and gold, the costly food and drink, "Al would have gone into the darkness leaving not a wrack behind."

all this. The war has added two billions sterling to the national debt for one year. A three years' war will mean an addition of four billions sterling. This will necessitate the raising in interest of \$200,000,000 or one-twelfth of the national come. | Sir Leo says it is childish to suggest that universal poverty be the result of this taxation. points out that the people of England, before the war, loaned about \$200,000,000 a year abroad. This badly over it. The 1,409 of them who are now registered as delin- will be loaned at home, and its earnquents appear to have deceived the ings will be paid in England and cir-American officials who were in culated there. This will not impov

charge of the Relief Fund, and are erish There is another phase. The Goy ernment spends more money and the people less, and when the Govern-Henri Bourassa is in tears over ment takes the money of the rich and benefit of England of the dreams of investing will take place, we shall

Sir Leo is quite optimistic as to

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Hon, Mr. Blondin is a poor re-

Germany plotting mischief China! Is it astonishing? Stratford has been the centre of there any place in the world where tion since September. Then the been at work? The Celestials can temperance men petitioned the Coun- hardly expect to be exempt from

The Montreal News, Conservative, experience. The license holders, in the Shells' Committee, when mem- a time, but in the end we hate him. in defence of their interests, or vest- bers of it have been "giving busied rights, hastily called up a peti- ness to concerns in which they were

McKinnon, a banker, gets out of the penitentiary in order to enlist for the war. Why not give all the convicts a chance to serve their country and win back their freedom by work in the trenches? Why should an exception be made in the McKinnon

Germany is financing the war by the issue of script which is manipumay be loaned again and again In No the course of time it becomes worthless, in which respect it will be very

Mederic Martin has accepted the

#### 25 YEARS AGO

Ewen at the Locomotive Works this buy them."—Philadelphia Leiger. morning, and he had three toes brok

J. Sloan shot eight pairs of partridge in the Sydenham district. Capt. Joseph Dix, of the schooner White Oak, is making preparations

Hon, Lionel Walrond, Unionist member of the House of Commons divorce colony in Reno, Nevada, met for the Tiverton division of Devon on the street one day. Billy's masince 1906, died in Scotland from ma, a divorcee had just married the tubercular laryngitis as the result of ex-husband of another divorcee. exposure in the trenches in France. He is the seventh member of British

fame makes some poor selections.

a singer secretly envies him.

The fool delivers his words

money and still retain his friends is

he gets into a religious or political argument.

We All Know That. "Your dad is an old crank," said the youth who had been told by her father that 11 o'clock was time to

Dad overheard this remark. "A crank is necessary in case of the lack of a self-starter," he retorted.-Pittsburg Post.

Very Clever. Mrs. Dents (excitedly)-Isn't our pitcher perfectly grand, Tyrus? He hits the club nearly every throw!-Joplin Times.

Why He Needed It. "There are things more valuable than money," ruminated the phil-

"Sure!" retorted the iconoclast. A bar of iron fell on Joseph Mc- "That's the reason I need morey to

> Convenient Apology. If a boy is real naughty his mother apologizes by saying: "He's just ike his father."-Judge.

A Perfectly Good Husband. Two small boys belonging to the

found a perfectly good husband that The average man can see where some other lady threw away." -

"So you've got a new papa, Billy,"

### Sleepytime Tales

went out to gather some nuts to stow bright as in the daytime and the litaway in his hole for food for his tle Gnomes went scampering from three little chipmunks and his wife. tree to tree gathering nuts as fast He had picked up two or three and as they could. So fast did they work Sir Leo Chiozza Money challenges stowed them away in his mouth that in a little while they had more when he heard a noise that fright- nuts than Mr. Chipmunk could have ened him so that he fell from the gathered if he had worked all the branch and hurt his foot.

Mrs. Chipmunk fixed it up for him as soon as he got home and made in front of the Chipmunks home and him a soft bed of leaves to lie on, when Mrs. Chipmunk looked out the The next day he was very sick and next morning and saw the big pile o could not go out to look for nuts, nuts she ran quickly to tell Poor Mrs. Chipmunk could not leave Chipmunk of their good luck. him and so the family went hungry. of that day she and the little ones will One day Mrs. Chipmunk sat in front were busy carrying the nuts into the of their home telling the children hole and piling them up ready for that she did not know how they were the long cold winter. going to live through the winter without food and that she was very had put the children to bed, she sa

ried home and told the other Gnomes am sure," said Mr. Chipmunk, all about it and they all decided they was our friends, the Gnomes."

for their poor friends. It was a Once upon a time Mr. Chipmunk lovely night and the moon shone as

They made a big pile of the nuts

One of the Gnomes was passing "I have been wondering who and heard what she said, so he hur- those nuts there for us." "Why I

## "Low Cost of Living" Menu

Menu for Friday

PREAKFAST Fish Hash

LUNCHEON Salmon and Rice Bread and Butter Baked Apples

DINNER St. Regis Scalloped Oysters Potntoes Fried Carrots Quince Pie

BREAKFAST potatoes. Fry in butter and flat cakes.

LUNCHEON

WINLT-MASON

DINNER

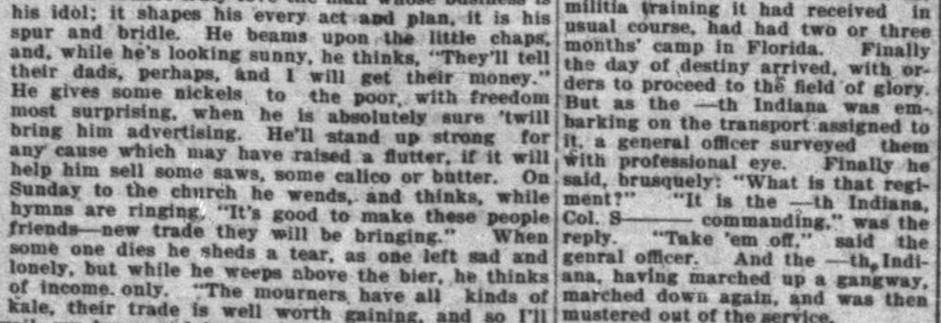
one by one, in the egg mixture, then in cracker crumbs and lay in a butstered baking dish. To each layer add salt, pepper, a drop of onion juice, and a tablespoon of chopped celery. Repeat until the dish is full, then add a cup of rich milk and dot the top with butter. Bake about half an hour.

Fried Carrots-Grate enough carrots to make one cup. Add a beaten eggi half a cup of milk, half a teaspoon of baking powder, and Fish Hash-Mix together two cups flour enough to make a batter which of boiled cod and one cup of mash- will run off a spoon. Fry in small

Quince Pie-Pare, slice and stew five quinces and one apple, until soft. Salmon and Rice-Line a mould Press through a sieve, add one pint creamed salmon, cover lightly with beaten eggs. Sweeten to taste. rice and steam half an hour. Serve Turn into a pie plate lined with paste

### Rippling Rhymes

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kale, their trade is well worth gaining, and so I'll mustered out of the service. scribed course, and with a singular thinks it is time there was a change man in every clime, and with gold bricks we rate him; he puts it over for whoop around and wail, my lungs and larynx spraining." We find this

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him the dollar, and he went to the dents went into his establishment, icebox, amid the laughter of his cusintending to turn the tables on him. | tomers, and returned with three pigs' One of them said: "Please let me feet. Handing them to the student. A certain meat dealer was noted have a yard of pork for a dollar." he said: "Three feet make one yard." for his cleverness in playing jokes "Give me the dollar first," septied The students retired somewhat cresthis customers. One day five stu- the meat dealer. The student gave fallen over the failure of their joke,