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## BRAVERY AT THE FRONT

LIEUT. BAKER RECOMMENDED FOR MILITARY CROSS.

When Serious Break Occurred in Infantry Line He Saved the Day—Will Lose Sight of Both His Eyes. For bravery on the battlefield in France, Lieut. Edwin A. Baker, son of John Baker, of Collins Bay, R. D. No. 2, has been recommended for a military cross. Lieut. Baker has lost the sight of both his eyes as a result of doing his "bit," and is now in an hospital in England. His parents have received a letter from him.

They Are to Be Had Under Cover in All the Cities.

"Good evening, sir—what would you like?" I'd recommend the smells, sir." When the spotless-aproned waiter uttered the above in a smirky whisper at a well-known central restaurant to the companion who had persuaded him to stay down-town for evening dinner the astonished citizen "looked eight ways for Sunday." He happened to be perfectly aware that his friend never took fish of any sort, an unusual idiosyncrasy in which he shared himself. His friend "Charley" the waiter, and had returned an amiable "good evening" from the lady cashier, so it was plain that he was on familiar terms.

"Make that order two, Charley," pronounced the habitue. But it seems that the latter had not fully departed from his senses, like his acquaintance feared. "We're in rare luck," the other nudged closer to greet, "it's paradise."

By the grueling laws of the land, partridge—being both the red-dish-brown, haughty-stepping, ruffed or ruffed grouse, also his cousin of backland Ontario, known as the Canada grouse or spruce partridge—may not legally be shot, snared—or otherwise taken into your possession before October 14. But yet in a local restaurant, to be truthful—in dozens of them, here was this delicacy of the epicure's table boldly masquerading under a "fishy" disguise several days beforehand. The supply was no stingy one, for each order presently appeared crowding a generous plate, with extended wing and thigh, some plum breast, and underneath all this rich odorous brownness loomed the highly savored dressing—one-half a fat partridge each. Price? Scarcely more than an ordinary meal of roast beef or prosaic ham and eggs.

Of course the fact is that the illegal sale of game goes on each season all around us; one has only to know the ropes and be discerning enough to take advantage. Answer the question: Why do boys rob orchards? Why do blind pigs flourish? Then you know the causes prompting people who otherwise live exemplarily to become outlaws in the part-time season.

Representations made to the Ontario Government that this finest of our native game birds was in dire danger of extermination led to legislation by which for three seasons, up to the fall of 1910, partridge shooting was prohibited in toto. Thereupon Mrs. Partridge got busy to such good purpose that the rules were relaxed and hunters were permitted to go out after the marvelously multiplied birds; but it was still declared illegal for partridge to be exposed for sale. Such is the law to-day. There have been four years of this attempt to curb the pot-hunter, who does not hunt for pastime or for sustenance, but for profit, and who is in a fair way to continue his nefarious bird-murdering until there will no longer be the brown chap of the mossy bush whose thin wings and dart-like flight has so often thrilled the delighted soul of the real Ontario sportsman.—C. M. C. Toronto Star Weekly.

HAVE BEEN HONORED.

Victoria Cross For Late Major Roy.

Ottawa, Nov. 29.—Private advice which have reached Ottawa intimate that the Victoria Cross has been recommended for Major Roy of the 22nd French-Canadians, who lost his life while hurling an ignited German bomb out of the trenches in an effort to save the lives of his comrades. The medal will be sent to his widow.

The Distinguished Conduct Medal is to go to Pte. H. Compton, 28th Battalion, Regina, who on October 28th, after being dug out of the debris caused by a shell explosion, led a party of bombers, who drove the Germans out of some craters they had occupied.

The Military Cross has been recommended for Lieut. E. A. Baker, (Queen's University,) of the Canadian Engineers, for courage shown in holding a position under fire.

Major W. R. Brown, of the 26th Battalion and Sergt. Ryer of St. John have also been recommended for Distinguished Conduct Medals.

DROPS 10,000 FEET.

Col. Maitland Experiments Safely With Parachute Invention.

London, Nov. 29.—Col. Maitland, of the Royal Naval Air Service, jumped with a parachute Saturday from an aeroplane which was 10,000 feet in the air. He landed safely.

Col. Maitland has been experimenting with projected developments of the aerial service, and arrived at the point where it was necessary to determine whether an airman could land safely by parachute from such a height.

"Some one had to do it," he said. "There is only one person I care to ask. I will make the attempt myself."

It took the colonel fifteen minutes to make the descent, but he solved the problem satisfactorily.

Judas of Cavell.

London, Nov. 29.—A message from Brussels, forwarded from The Hague by the Exchange Telegram correspondent, says that the French soldier whose confession to the German authorities resulted in the arrest and execution of Miss Edith Cavell, has committed suicide by hanging in the military prison there.

His Many Virtues.

Beck's Weekly, Montreal.  
President Wilson never uses slang, never drinks and never swears. And never fights.

HOW TO GAIN FLESH

Remarkable Statement Of A Woman Who Was Nothing But Skin and Bones.

Laugh and grow fat is a homely saying, but Mrs. Elizabeth L. Morris of Hammond, La., tells of a more reliable method." She says:

"I cannot say enough in praise of Vinol, for it saved my life. I was weak, nervous, run-down, could not sleep, was unfit for work and was nothing but skin and bones. Three doctors had all failed to help me. One day I saw Vinol advertised, took courage and bought a bottle, and soon made me feel better. I continued its use and such a change! I have regained my strength, flesh and health, am perfectly well, and the doctor was surprised to see such a change in me in such a short time." Elizabeth Morris, Hammond, La.

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CAPTURE OF BAGDAD WILL BE MOST IMPORTANT WIN OF WAR

Outside Battle Of Alamein—British Are Within Reach Of A Great Victory In Mesopotamia.

London, Nov. 29.—Bagdad, the ancient Mesopotamian city which Germany has long desired to make the capital of her future colonial empire in the Middle East, will probably be captured by the British within the next few days.

The Anglo-Indian force, which has fought its hazardous way northward from the Persian Gulf, is now within ten miles of the city of Caliph, and is opposed only by weak outer defences, which the Turks are reported to be constructing. Every present indication points to Bagdad's speedy fall, carrying to the ground Germany's plans for a great Imperial dependency in the Mesopotamian plain.

The younger and more ambitious school of German statesmen have been preaching that unless Germany possesses Bagdad and the surrounding area there can be no large future for German colonial expansion. Germany's desire to become one of the greatest world powers of all time will be lost, declares this school of statesmanship, unless the Kaiser rules in Bagdad.

The Germans are now constructing a railway at great expense, connecting Bagdad with Constantinople, 1,500 miles away. The tracks are about 80 per cent. completed. Over this line the Germans can hardly hope to send a large force to redeem Bagdad. The railway runs near the Mediterranean coast at several points, and it would be less difficult for the Allies to land troops and cut the line than it would be for the Germans to keep the communications open.

If the Germans hope to drive the British from the Mesopotamian area, the work in all probability will have to be done in the peace conference after the war. This is, Germany would be compelled to trade her colonies elsewhere.

For the British, the capture of Bagdad will represent the most important victory of the war—except perhaps the battle of the Alamein, which the Allies have won. The Mesopotamian district where the Anglo-Indians are operating is the cradle of the world's civilization. Its present decay inevitably must give place in the future to a new era of progress.

This era will be directed either by Great Britain or by Germany. The bargaining at the peace conference after the war will determine nothing more important than this new Mesopotamian ownership. Representations made to the Ontario Government that this finest of our native game birds was in dire danger of extermination led to legislation by which for three seasons, up to the fall of 1910, partridge shooting was prohibited in toto. Thereupon Mrs. Partridge got busy to such good purpose that the rules were relaxed and hunters were permitted to go out after the marvelously multiplied birds; but it was still declared illegal for partridge to be exposed for sale. Such is the law to-day. There have been four years of this attempt to curb the pot-hunter, who does not hunt for pastime or for sustenance, but for profit, and who is in a fair way to continue his nefarious bird-murdering until there will no longer be the brown chap of the mossy bush whose thin wings and dart-like flight has so often thrilled the delighted soul of the real Ontario sportsman.—C. M. C. Toronto Star Weekly.

A NATIONAL HUMILIATION

Committee Divided Up The Orders Among Themselves.

Montreal Herald.

We have evidence which seems difficult to contradict that a scandalous exploitation of patriotism has been perpetrated under the auspices of the Dominion Shell Committee.

Here are the allegations: The Dominion Shell Committee, representing the interests of the British taxpayer in Canada, sat around a table and handed out contracts entrusted to them to themselves at prices representing around 400 per cent. profit.

In other words, this committee, formed out of pure patriotism to assist the Empire in augmenting the much-needed ammunition, did not concern themselves with getting the work done as economically as possible, but did concern themselves with profiting to the fullest possible extent out of the agony of the Mother Country.

The Committee were entrusted by the Mother Country with the award of large orders for the machining of shells. These shells could be machined profitably for \$4 each. The Committee did not get competitive bids for the work, but divided the contracts among their own members at \$5.15 per shell!

When D. Thomas came home, and discovered how the Committee were handing the money which the British War Office had entrusted these noble Canadian patriots with spending, he did

get some sort of competitive bidding—with this result, that the Committee cut down their own earlier prices a cool 50 per cent., and once more awarded the contracts to their own members, despite some embarrassing publicity and the offer of one Hamilton manufacturer to machine the shells at cost.

Has anything more cynically audacious ever been done in the name of Patriotism?

Dunston Himmelman, Humberstone, was thrown off his wagon when the horses ran away, and the wheels passed over his head, killing him instantly.

Though very ill in bed, Robert O'Neill of Lachine, hearing cries for help, jumped into the icy water of the canal and saved Andrew McMillan from drowning.

Sir Edward Carson stated at a London banquet that neutral nations had lost a great opportunity in this war.

## FRENCH CRUISER DID ITS WORK

Haïtian Government Promises To Be Good.

Paris, Nov. 29.—The French Government has recognized the Haïtian Government of President Dartigueave, having received a satisfactory response to its protest. France protested against the treatment of French citizens in Haïti, and in particular against the violation of the French legation last July, when General Guillaume, the President of Haïti, was removed from the legation building by a mob and shot.

The French cruiser DesCartes, which has been in Haïtian waters for several months, has been ordered to depart.

## NEW COLLECTIVE NOTE

From the Allies To Greece Being Considered.

Athens, Greece, Nov. 29. The Triple Entente sent to the Greek Government Friday a new collective note outlining certain measures which the powers desire Greece to take in conformity with the preliminary agreement reached recently. Premier Skouloudis had a long conference with King Constantine after receiving the note. A Cabinet meeting followed on Saturday, and it was announced that only a few of the Allies' suggestions were acceptable to Greece.

## ONLY HALF THE PRESCRIPTION.

Beck's Weekly, Montreal.

"Eat less," admonishes Henry Ford, who seems to have succeeded Andy Carnegie as adviser-general to the universe. But it will be noted that Henry does not add the rest of the prescription—and walk more.

## GERMANY'S COPPER FAMINE.

Basel, Switzerland, Nov. 29. The copper roof is being taken from the Imperial castle at Donaueschingen, Germany, and will be used in the manufacture of munitions of war. This roof weighs many tons.

Dr. Aaron Matthews, Brantford, drowned himself owing to nervous trouble.

Probs.: Colder to-night; snow flurries. Tuesday, colder.

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