

Probs.: Generally fair and cold to-day and on Saturday.



TRIBUTE TO BRAVE DEAD

Sir Oliver Lodge's Message Denotes Belief IN LIFE AFTER DEATH

A DUTY NOBLY DONE BY THOSE WHO FELL.

"But They Are Not Out of Existence—The Joy of Service Continues," He Says.

London, Dec. 10.—Sir Oliver Lodge, whose faith in life after death carries him to the point of believing that communications have been actually established between the living and the dead, has issued a "message to the bereaved," which is published in the current Christian Common-

wealth. Sir Oliver's message reads: "The amount of mourning and suffering throughout Europe at the present time is something terrible to contemplate. The loss of those who have gone over is not to be minimized; violent death while young is a serious calamity—a man-made tragedy with dire consequences—and lamentation is natural and inevitable. But it must be remembered that, from the point of view of the individuals who have gone over, there are many mitigating circumstances. They have done their duty; they have sacrificed a useful career here; they have given up all they possessed; and it will be required of them. By such a death a burden of sin is lightened; some atonement is made; good friends are waiting for them; their help can be utilized and is much wanted for the fellows who are coming over; and they themselves will continue in the joy of service.

"They would like their friends here to recognize that, and not to mourn them unduly; above all, not to consider them as gone out of existence, as extinguished and no longer real. Sorrow at their departure is inevitable, but grief which is excessive causes them pain.

"They did their work here, they will do it there; and in good time the union may confidently be looked forward to. If the truth of these matters were only clearly and widely reported, their friends would be not only more resigned, but actually more hopeful. Death alone is not to man the greatest evil, and in some sort they are happy in the opportunity of their death. This ought to be recognized by those who survive, and we should not grieve unduly for those who have only gone on before us."

ABORIGINES GIVE \$16,000 TO WAR FUNDS. Bands of Indians Are Patriotic—Their Conditions Are Improving.

Ottawa, Dec. 10.—In his annual report on the Indians of Canada, Duncan Campbell Scott, Deputy Superintendent of Indian Affairs, points out that the aggregate contributions of Canada's aborigines to the patriotic or other war funds have amounted to over \$16,000. Bands on reserve in all parts of Canada have contributed amounts varying from \$10 to \$1,000.

The total Indian population is placed at 103,531, while the Eskimo total 3,447. The Indian population is remaining practically stationary. Conditions of health and industrial and educational conditions are reported to be steadily improving in districts where Government supervision has proper scope. A gradual but steady improvement is observed in the Indian habitations and their mode of living, attributable to the influence of the Government schools. The total earned income of the Indians is placed at \$5,927,594, an average of \$50.48 per capita.

BOY BABIES OUTNUMBER The Girls Born in England This Year.

London, Dec. 10.—Despite the argument that there is no basis in science for the belief that more boy babies than girls are born in war time, the statistics of thirty-six large towns in England and Wales break all records in this country for boy babies.

From January to March, for every 1,000 girl babies there were thirty-two more boys. For April and June there were forty-three more, and for July and September fifty-five more. The marriage rate for England and Wales in the last three months was the highest ever recorded, being 21.8 in every 1,000 population.

WAR BULLETINS. The Russians have won an important victory in Prussia.

A joint meeting of the British House of Commons and the French Chamber of Deputies is being considered.

The Turks failed in violent attacks on the British forces at Kut-el-Amara.

Considerable forces of the Allies are now on Greek soil. The Bulgars are still on the offensive.

Some United States papers say the German Chancellor's speech is the first note of despair.

REIMBURSE OFFICERS OF 86TH. Hamilton Citizens Contribute to Meet Deficit For Purchases.

Hamilton, Dec. 10.—Hamilton raised over \$200,000 in a few weeks with which to purchase guns and outfit the 86th Machine Gun Battalion. Then along came the announcement that this money was not wanted for that purpose by the Government, and that it would look after the 86th. The money was returned to the donors and the officers of the battalion, who had acted on assurances given, found themselves facing a deficit of \$12,000 for purchases made. So far over \$5,000 has been subscribed by citizens to reimburse the officers.

BRAVED PERILS TO SERVE

Major Huntington Makes Thrilling Journey Of 8,000 Miles.

Ottawa, Dec. 10.—After passing through many perils on an 8,000-mile journey to enlist for overseas service, Major S. A. Huntington was yesterday appointed to the 72nd Battalion, Seaforth Highlanders, being raised at Victoria, B.C., and has returned to take up his duties.

Major Huntington came from the uppermost corner of Alaska, crossing the Nazina Glacier with dog teams in record time. He was engaged as secretary to the late Henry Bratnaber, the most famous consulting mining engineer of the north, who represented the Guggenheims, of the United States, and the Rothschilds, of England. The famous engineer was ill, and when Huntington signified his intention of enlisting his superior requested the secretary to bring him out.

The trip was successfully made, although five other boats that started before and after the little party, were crushed to atoms in the ice floes, and their occupants, two women and eight or ten men, went to watery graves. On the way down Huntington and his companions found the wrecks of several boats in the ice.

The destruction was wrought on the Tanana River, down which he had to paddle to Fairbank, about 900 miles from the starting point. For 400 miles of the hazardous trip Huntington and his companion saw no living soul. They went on from Chena to Dawson, another 1,000 hard miles, and out by White Horse and Shagway. The trip was made in 34 days.

"I got Mr. Bratnaber alive to his relatives, but he died in California some weeks later," said the Major. "He was the greatest friend Alaska ever had."

WHY MANY WOMEN GET BADLY FRAYED NERVES.

Result of Wanting Something They Ought Not to Have—Poise is Remedy.

New York, Dec. 10.—Frayed nerves as a result of wanting something they ought not to have is the disease of many American women, according to Mrs. Mildred Manley Easton, who spoke on "The Magic of the Within" at the meeting of the Life as a Fine Art Club at the Hotel Astor to-day.

Mrs. Easton said when she assailed herself was to massage her face. "I massage a cheerful look into it," she explained, "and that's the first step toward attaining inward cheer and poise.

"Half the wrinkled faces women have come from burts to their ordinary, common, shameful pride—because they can't have things as nice as their neighbors. Then they begin to pity themselves, and with self-pity we lose power. Cultivate poise—not the self-assurance that says 'Hurt me and I'll throw a plate at you,' but the poise that will help you to control your tongue and temper, and through them the world."

TO HAVE SPECIAL SERVICE. Minister Asks 2,400 He Has Wedded to Reunion.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 10.—"I have married loving couples at 'high noon,' at midnight, in hacks as they eloped, under Christmas trees, and married one couple in a balloon. Now I want to inform myself of the happiness I have helped to bring about."

So said the Rev. F. L. Streeter. He has made 2,400 hearts beat as 1,200 since he became a clergyman in 1880. He will hold a special service for those he has wedded in the Armistice Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kan., on Dec. 12th, and will preach on "Courtship and Marriage," a subject which never grows old, he says.

"I expect that one-third of the people I have married will attend the service, for they live around here," he added the venerable clergyman. "I have the satisfaction of knowing that nine-tenths of the marriages I have performed have turned out happily. A few wives and husbands have quarrelled, but I have used my best offices to reconcile them."

HOLIDAY GIFTS

Bargains and Suggestions in Practical Christmas Gifts for Saturday Shoppers!

Christmas Gloves. FOR WOMEN—Real French Kid Gloves at \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.65 Lined Gloves. FOR MEN—Dent's English Cape and Suede Gloves 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 up to \$3.00 Lined Gloves. FOR CHILDREN—Lined and Unlined Gloves, from \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 up to \$4.50 50c to \$1.00 EVERY PAIR BOXED

Christmas Handkerchiefs. Thousands to choose from at very special prices—for Men, for Women, for Children. Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, from 12 1/2c to 50c. Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs, from 8c to 25c. Hand Embroidered Handkerchiefs, from 25c to \$3.00. Swiss Muslin Handkerchiefs, from 3c to 18c. Boxed Handkerchiefs, from 15c to \$1.50 a box.

Christmas Neckwear. 100 doz. New York Novelty Neckwear, which includes Novelty Bows, Vests, Collar and Cuff Sets, Crepe, Organdy and hand embroidered Separate Collars—priced from 25c to \$2.50. Boxed in Gift Boxes. Dainty Tea Aprons At 25c, 39c and 59c. BOUDOIR CAPS A wonderful range to choose from, priced at 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25 on up to \$2.50. BEAUTIFUL WHITEWEAR Bewitching Lingerie, priced from \$1.48 to \$10.50. Neatly Boxed for Gift Giving.

Coat Sale--Sensationally Underpriced! To-morrow Less 33 1/3 Per Cent

Flannelette Nightgowns Special for Stout Women. 10 doz. White Flannelette Nightgowns, sizes 43 to 60—well made of fine, soft, fleecy imported Shaker; reg. \$1.50. To-morrow 98c. Double Discount Stamps Saturday 9 to 12 o'clock. To-morrow morning is the last morning of our double-discount stamp giving—so be wise and avail yourself of the opportunity of saving 10 per cent. on all of your necessary and gift purchases.

Attractive and Complete Assortments Of Holiday Novelties and practical Gifts abound in every department—and all are exceptionally moderate priced. PLEASE SHOP EARLY!

Steacy's "The Store With the Christmas Spirit"

Suggestions from the Jeweler for Christmas. A Cabinet of Sterling Silver for the Home, \$75.00. Pearl Handled Dessert Knives and Forks, in Cases, from \$12 up. Manicure Sets in Silver, Ebony, and White Ivory. Gentlemen's Signet and Stone Rings, Tie Pins and Retainers, Cuff Links, Safety Razors, Wrist and Pocket Watches, Watchmen Chains, Travelling Sets, Military Brushes, Lockets, etc. Ladies' Card Cases in Sterling, and cheaper; Necklets in profusion; Bracelet Watches, expanding from \$12.00 up, with guarantee; Diamond Rings and Earrings, Pearl Beads and Rosaries. SMITH BROS. JEWELERS AND OPTICIANS. Issuers of Marriage Licenses.

New York Fruit Store. NEW ORANGES 20c and up to 50c a dozen. NEW GRAPE FRUIT 3, 4 and 5 for 25c. NEW DATES 10c a lb. NEW MIXED NUTS 20c a lb. CALIFORNIA PEARS 30c a dozen. BANANAS 15c and 20c a dozen. Fruits delivered to all parts of the city. 314 PRINCESS STREET. Phone 1405. SEE OUR WINDOW. For a full line of Fall and Winter Boots. The newest and best, ranging in price from \$6.50 down. Sam Brown Belts for Officers \$7.00. Pigskin Leggings \$6.00. JACK JOHNSTON'S Shoe Store 70 Brock Street.

Best's Display of Xmas Candies. Is the finest shown. The biggest assortment of the finest Chocolates, from MOIR'S, LOWNEY'S, GANONG'S, PATTERSON'S, CLARKE'S, LUNDY'S. Something to please everyone and all nicely packed for shipping. Order early. At Best's The Popular Drug Store. Open Sundays.

DAVIES' Extra Special This Week 1,000 Tins Early June Peas 2 for 15c. 1,000 Tins Red Ripe Tomatoes, 10c. 1,000 Tins Choice Quality Salmon, 10c. The Wm. Davies Co. Ltd., Phone 597.



Xmas Buying Made Easy. Our Forethought and Plannings at Your Disposal. Great preparations made for Xmas shoppers. Smoking Jackets, House Coats, Dressing Gowns and Bath Robes. Very early buying enables you to secure any of these lines at old prices. They are made expressly for us in London, England. E. P. Jenkins Clothing Company.

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