

FROM THE COUNTRYSIDE

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Saddle, the house was insured, but there was none on contents.

LONG LAKE.

Dec. 24.—The fall of snow on Thursday left the roads in good condition. H. Drew crossed the lake on Wednesday, being the first to cross this year. The farmers around here are getting up wood. Some of the people here attended the school concert on the 22nd and reported a good time. A stork came to the house of F. Scott and left a baby girl. Some of the people here are very low, suffering from cancer. Mr. and Mrs. H. Drew left Friday to spend Christmas with her son, William and Clarence Drew left here to visit his sister, Mrs. M. Smith, Westbrook. William Tryon has gone to Malorytown to visit friends. Wendell Smith made a flying trip to Kingston. R. Barr at F. Scott's; Miss Pearl Crozier has gone home to spend the holidays under the parental roof. Jacob and Dexter Cronk have gone to attend the funeral of Mrs. Ethel Alberts Plevna, at her aunt's, Mrs. Alexander Jackson's, Archibald Rosenblath and family at his father's, A. Rosenblath's, Denbigh; George James and family, Ardock; at Thomas Villneff's; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jackson with their daughter, Miss Eva, who is attending High School at Napanee; Mr. and Mrs. George Flake at their son's, John Flake's, Plevna; Miss Emily Cowan, who has been attending High School at Napanee, is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents here, Mr. and Mrs. John Cowan. She is accompanied by her brother, Andrew, who has been engaged boring wells in the southern part of the county.

BATH ROAD.

Dec. 24.—The Palace school has closed for the holidays. A number of the farmers are taking their milk to Kingston. The wells received a good supply of water owing to the recent rains, as a few of the people were complaining of a shortage. Mr. and Mrs. James Wright left Thursday afternoon for Belleville where they will take up residence. Miss Lottie Hyland spent Sunday last with Mr. and Mrs. William Hamilton, Kingston.

MYER'S CAVE.

Dec. 24.—A number from here attended the tea meeting in Harlowe on the 22nd, and in Cloyne, on the 23rd, and report a good time. The recent snow storm has left the roads in good condition. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Perry quit Napanee last at Charles MacGregor's. Our school has closed for the holidays. Miss Carrie McConnachie has returned to her home in Napanee. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mills and family passed through here Wednesday enroute to Harlowe. Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Veinif and Mrs. T. D. Perry made a business trip to Cloyne one day last week. Mr. Henry and Miss Florence Henry were recent visitors at T. Dalton's. J. B. Perry has erected a new mail box.

HOLLEFORD.

Dec. 23.—School has closed. Mr. Louden has gone to his home in Hamilton. William Trusdale has an honored guest in the person of Frank Foster, convalescent from wounds received at the battlefield. Mr. Austin has a gang of men employed opening a spar mine on the property of W. J. Babcock. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jos Peters, a son, on Dec. 11th. Mr. Benson Babcock has taken a trip to Michigan. Mrs. F. Cook and children are taking up residence in Sydenham. John Bowls and family have arrived from Saskatchewan to spend the holidays with James Walker. Mr. and Mrs. John Walker and son Harold visited at H. Watson's, Hartington. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Martin at John Martin's. Quite a number of Holleford ladies are engaged in red cross work.

PLEASANT VALLEY.

Dec. 23.—The concert last evening was quite a success despite the inclement weather. Mr. H. Jamieson performed the duties of chairman. A pleasing feature of the evening was the presenting of a pair of cut glass open salt cups and sterling silver salt spoons by Miss Idell Ellerbeck on behalf of the school to their teacher, Miss Alice Walker. Frank Townsend, Montreal, is visiting friends here. Mrs. F. Meyers and little son, Toronto, are guests at A. Manson's. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ellerbeck, Tessier, Sask., are visiting friends here. A. Gowdy, is improving after his recent illness. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sears, Glenburnie, were Sunday visitors at G. Barr's, J. Cameron, Victoria, B.C., was a recent guest at A. Manson's. Harold Boyce, Queen's, is spending the holidays at home. James McMahon, Tichborne, is at A. Manson's.

FALL RIVER.

Dec. 27.—Sleighbing is excellent now. The people are busily engaged drawing pulp wood. J. Armstrong's sale was well attended, and everything was sold at a high price. Miss Annie Guigue and John Badour, both of Sharbot Lake, were quietly married at the bride's home on Dec. 15th by Rev. T. B. Moody, Maberly. School closed on Dec. 22nd, and the teacher, Miss Hodgins, has returned to her home. Ross Gray and Herbert Duffy, both of Toronto, spent Christmas under their parental roofs. William J. Orr, Scotch Line, is spending a few days with old acquaintances in this locality. A. Gray made a business trip to Crow Lake on Friday. Mrs. John Charlton, Jr., and little girl, Edith at A. Gray's. Mr. and Mrs. William Kirkham and little girl, Alice, spent Sunday at Dan Kirkham's.

CROW LAKE.

Dec. 25.—Roads were in fine shape for Christmas. Many are improving the time hauling pulp wood and other wood. The bazaar held by the Ladies' Aid on Dec. 15th was a success over \$800 was made. A fire which took place about five in evening put a spell on the place hence there were several things unsold. There was a good programme in the evening. The money will be used towards building a church at this place. James Mahon had the misfortune to lose all his household belongings by fire which destroyed the house in which he and family were living. They were away when the fire started. The cause is unknown. They were on a farm belonging to

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BATH.

Dec. 23.—Miss Northmore, Brooklyn, N. Y., is visiting at Dr. Northmore's, Miss Adams, Westport, is visiting at Maxwell Robinson's. Daniel Robinson has been seriously ill but seems some better to-day. School has closed and the teacher has gone to their homes for the holidays.

VENNACHAR.

Dec. 25.—The heavy snow storm to-day made the Plevna-Denbigh stage one hour late. John Gilmour is on a business trip to Napanee. John McPherson is at G. M. Beane's, William Holmes and family at Charles Ball's; R. W. Conner and Mrs. Conner at Robert Conner's; Zara Snider and wife at A. H. Gregg's; Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Jackson, Kingston, at John E. Irish's; Miss Ethel Alberts Plevna, at her aunt's, Mrs. Alexander Jackson's; Archibald Rosenblath and family at his father's, A. Rosenblath's, Denbigh; George James and family, Ardock; at Thomas Villneff's; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jackson with their daughter, Miss Eva, who is attending High School at Napanee; Mr. and Mrs. George Flake at their son's, John Flake's, Plevna; Miss Emily Cowan, who has been attending High School at Napanee, is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents here, Mr. and Mrs. John Cowan. She is accompanied by her brother, Andrew, who has been engaged boring wells in the southern part of the county.

STELLA.

Dec. 21.—A local option rally was held in Victoria Hall on a recent date and it was largely attended. Two representatives of the Dominion Alliance, Messrs. Griffith and Lancaster, entertained the audience for the evening with lantern slides and addresses. The ladies of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church held their annual bazaar and oyster supper and concert in Victoria Hall on Thursday afternoon and evening, December 16th. It was very largely attended and about \$120 was realized. The steamer Wolf Islander made her annual special Christmas trip to the island on Thursday last. The day was ideal and about 180 people boarded the steamer to do their Christmas shopping. Kenneth Miller and John Willard have enlisted for overseas service. This makes the eighth man to go from the island. Edward McMullen is busy with his hay press. \$14 is the price being paid for good hay. A union concert was held in Victoria hall on Wednesday evening last. The programme was rendered by the pupils of S. S. No. 1 and No. 5. It was well attended. The pupils of S. S. No. 4 held a concert in the school house on Saturday evening, Dec. 18th. The schools have all closed for the holidays and the teachers have departed for their homes. The ladies who have been teaching and attending the Normal and Model schools have arrived home. J. B. Gibson, who has been ill for some time, is still confined to his bed. Mr. and Mrs. Hugi Marshall and family spent Christmas in the city. Visitors: S. M. McDonald, Buffalo, N.Y., at W. M. McDonald's; Messrs. Strain and Askins, Chatham, with friends; H. Brown, Buffalo, also spend a few days with friends here last week.

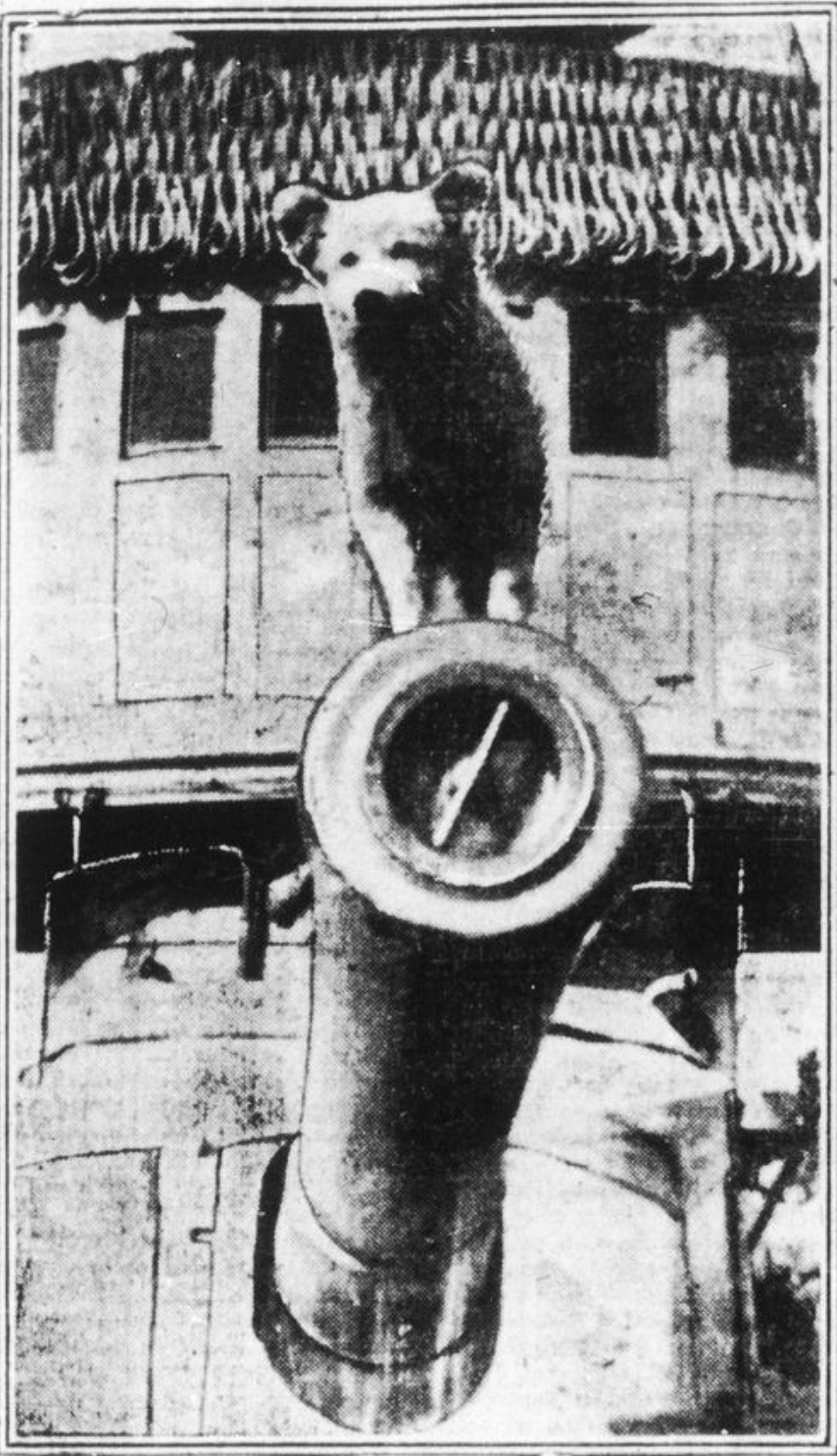
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MAPLE GROVE.

Dec. 24.—The men are taking advantage of the sleighbing and are drawing wood to Sydenham. A number from here attended the Christmas tree at Desert Lake and report a good time. The teacher has closed school for Christmas holidays and has gone to her home. W. Wilson and Mrs. M. Kemp spent a day in Kingston recently. The Anglin mine is running full blast yet. A Sears at M. Lee's. The Misses Lucy and Mae Wilson visited at W. R. Wilson's on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. M. Lee visited at S. Whaley's recently. Misses F. Kemp and W. Thompson called on Mrs. M. Lee one day last week. G. Campbell at Mrs. M. Kemp's; Mr. and Mrs. S. Stephenson visiting friends at Desert Lake. Mr. and Mrs. J. Campbell, Winour at W. Wilson's.

FRANKVILLE.

Dec. 27.—The Sunday school con-



"THE DOG WATCH."

Popular mascot of H. M. S. Hyacinth, whose favorite roosting place is on the top of the big gun forward. During a recent engagement with a German torpedo boat he remained there till the gun got too hot for him to stay longer.

cert on Christmas Eve was a pleasure to both old and young. The programme consisted of dialogues, songs, and recitations. W. D. Livingston acted as chairman. The tree, laden with gifts for the little folks, was very attractive. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnston, of Sask., have arrived to spend the winter among friends. Mr. and Mrs. E. Lehigh and daughter Dorothy, Regina are spending the holidays with friends. Rev. A. E. Hager has been conducting evangelistic services at the Mitchell apartment for the past two weeks. E. T. Richards, a veteran farmer of Kilmour's Corners, is the owner of four ewes, which raised him nine lambs last season. On Monday last, James L. Gallagher, was taken suddenly ill, but is improving. John Davidson spent Christmas with his mother in Orillia. Mrs. Edgars, and Mrs. Walter Brown, left on Wednesday for Ottawa. Wilfrid Hewitt has purchased the Herbert Lehigh farm at Kilmour's Corners. Little Red Cross Allies are making preparations to give a supper in Forrester's Hall.

Lanark

MABERLY.

Dec. 25.—A Maberly correspondent says that it is a nice how-do-you-do to read in the newspaper that the German prisoners at Kingston were offered turkey for Christmas but refused it and would be given goose. This is a different kind of treatment than is given to British soldiers while war prisoners in Germany. One of our soldiers tells that last Christmas those lucky enough to be able to steal a few potatoes got them, but those that were less fortunate ate potato skins. Some difference from goose, eh?

Crown in Autumn.

With the approach of winter in Canada the country loses its charm for many persons. The green of the fields and the riotous verdure of the woods are gone, and the brown expanses of dead grass and weeds are relieved only by the naked blackness of the forest trees. This, however, is a splendid time to go a-field to look for birds. If the wild life is less abundant now, even more sparse is the human life, and so you will have the country more to yourself. One of the birds very sure to be seen and heard in a walk is the crow, for many of his race spurn the popular bird-movement southward in the autumn when the north begins to freeze. I like him best at this time of the year. There is no young corn for him to pull now, no birds' nests to pilfer, and no young chickens to steal. He has few places where he can hide, and his black shape looms sharp against the snow-clad hills. At this season crows are highly gregarious creatures, especially at night, when they sometimes collect by hundreds or thousands in some favorite grove.—T. G. Pearson in Family Herald.

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A BISHOP'S STORIES.

Dr. G. F. Browne Recalls Episodes of a Long Career.

Because his career has covered such a wide range of interests—university life, fishing, mountaineering, and because he possesses that keen sense of humor which has led him to seize upon the lighter side of his work, revelling in anecdote and story, the reminiscences of Dr. G. F. Browne, formerly Bishop of Steepney and Bristol, are the most entertaining ecclesiastical memoirs published in recent years. He tells with glee, for instance, how one little mite of Steepney, to whom he had spoken, referred to him as "the man with the tight legs," while when he first went to Steepney, "feeling very queer about my bishop's hat," he was greeted by three factory girls in feather, "one of whom, with a well-acted air of having been struck dumb, exclaimed in tones of sympathetic admiration, 'Oh, my boy, what a lovely hat.' His Mother-in-Law's Rebuke. A keen fisherman, Dr. Browne frankly tells how the pursuit of salmon once led to friction with his mother-in-law. "I was always tried to catch a 'perfect head,' and his mother-in-law, who was 'with all her charms, of an imperious nature,' met him as he entered the house after eleven at night. She had sent my wife off to bed, and stamping in her wrath, finished off, very staccato, with, 'Why—didn't you—cut—the string—and let—the wretched—thing—go?'" King Edward's Story. Talking of his Cambridge days, Dr. Browne says that the rough-and-ready joke and repartee was worth many votes at the county elections. One year the Lord Royston of those days, who was an undergraduate, was the candidate for the county. "He was supposed," says Dr. Browne, "to have got into not quite the right kind of difficulty over a horse—say Orinoco, for want of a more correct name. In the middle of his speech an opposition farmer shouted out, 'Ow about Orinoco, my lord? All right,' was the reply; 'wait till I have finished and I will tell you.'"

At the finish of the speech the man who wanted to know about Orinoco was pushed to the front looking very hot and silly. "You want to know about Orinoco?" "I do, my lord." "Well, it's like this—Orinoco's a horse and you're a lass!" The roar of laughter with which this sally was received rings in my ears still. It was scandalously audacious, ludicrously unfair, and it took just because it was. I once told this story to King Edward, an old friend of Lord Royston, at Biarritz. He laughed heartily, and told an excellent story in reply, as he always could do. A certain peer, who had just succeeded an excellent father, and was not a man of careful life, was making a speech on some local public occasion. He had had a little too much, shall we say, cider. He told his audience he hoped to walk in his father's footsteps. "You'd better learn to stand steady in your own, my lord!"

Decorations for Women.

A decoration exclusive to women is the Imperial Order of the Crown of India. This was founded by Queen Victoria, and is bestowed upon the wives of the Indian Viceroy, upon certain of the native Indian princesses, and very occasionally upon noble women connected with the Viceroyal Court. Lady Randolph Churchill is one of the best-known women who have been the recipient of this coveted decoration. The Order was instituted by Royal Warrant on January 1st, 1878, and the first investiture took place on

Province Aids Recruiting.

The Ontario Government has distributed \$24,500 to the various military units of the Province at work recruiting for overseas service. According to Hon. W. H. Hearst about fifty units have participated, the division having been made after careful investigation and study of the situation by military men. The total announced includes the \$5,000 which Hon. Mr. Hearst on the recent recruiting tag day promised to contribute to the Citizens' Recruiting League Fund, the understanding being that this money will go to the Toronto military units. The distribution just completed carried into effect the promise made on behalf of the Government by Hon. W. J. Hanna several months ago at Massey Hall, when the Government also made known its intention of spending half a million dollars on machine guns. Unlike other funds provided for machine guns by municipal organizations the Ontario contribution is now being converted into guns, which will shortly be available.

Fatalities Among Alpinists.

In view of the fact that every man or woman who walks up a mountain with alpenstock in hand is a climber in the eyes of the public, it is not at all strange that the appalling annual fatalities in the Swiss Alps are laid at the door of one of the noblest of sports. The truth is that these fatalities—there were 106 last year—are relatively few and far between in the ranks of genuine alpinists, the amateur and professional mountaineers. They who climb with ice ax instead of alpenstock are cautious—first, last and always. Considering the risk taken, few of them lose their lives. Most who meet this frightful death in the Swiss mountains have always been either over-thinking or downright reckless tempters of fate. With a complete disregard of common sense, these unfortunates go where they have no business to go save in charge of an experienced guide, and sometimes the mere reaching out for a coveted wild flower sends them to their doom.—Spur.

London's First Bank.

Ranking, seeing that it flourished in the ancient world—in Greece, at Rome and at Babylon—most so far as England is concerned, be regarded as a comparatively modern business. During the so-called renaissance banking reappeared in Italy. From Italy the business of banking spread to France, then to Holland, and it was introduced into England by one Francis Child, who established the first bank in London in 1663. Hitherto London merchants had deposited their cash in the mint of the tower of London. But when Charles II. took it into his head to borrow traders began to lodge their superfluous cash with the goldsmiths in Lombard street. Francis Child was one of these, and a few years Lombard street became full of banks. The Bank of England was founded in 1694.—London Globe.

April 28th following, when twelve ladies in all were decorated amid scenes of pomp and ordered splendor such as had rarely been witnessed in Great Britain.

The insignia of this coveted Order is very beautiful, consisting of the Royal Imperial Cipher, V.R.I., in diamonds, pearls, and turquoise, with an oval ornamental border of pearls, surmounted by the Imperial Crown. The ribbon is of light blue watered silk, edged with white.

Puns on Tombstones.

The punster is irrepresible; he even indites his jokes on tombstones. An epitaph in Waltham Abbey informs us that Sir James Fullerton died "fuller of faith than of years, fuller of resolutions than of pains, fuller of honor than of days." There is another of Daniel Ferris: "Though strange, yet true, full seventy years was his wife happy in her tears." This was written of an organist: "Here lies one blown out of breath, who lived a merry life, and died a Merideth." Another says: "Here lies Thomas Huddleston; reader, don't smile, but reflect as this tombstone you view, that death, who killed him, in a very short while will huddle a stone upon you."

Saved the Situation.

Some time ago a local corps in England was reviewed by Sir Ian Hamilton, and there is a story told that one of the officers was mounted on a horse that had previously distinguished itself in a bakery business. A wag in the crowd is supposed to have recognized the horse, for he shouted out, "Baker!" The horse promptly stopped dead, and nothing could urge it on. The situation was getting painful, when the officer was struck with a brilliant idea, and remarked, within hearing of his steed: "Not to-day, thank you." The procession then moved on without further delay.

An Ancient Device.

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