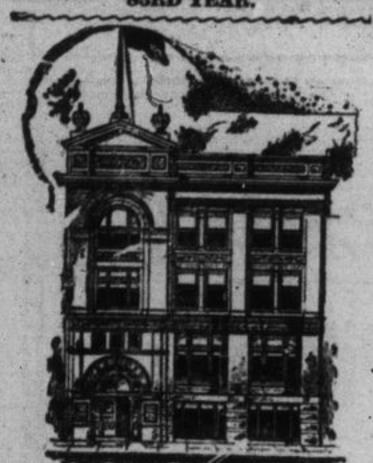
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ELECTION WORTH WHILE. The Ottawa people, in the las municipal election, pronounced in favor of proportional representation; and, if we understand the result aright, next year the Aldermen nominated for the whole city will be chosen by the Hare-Spence system. The minority as well as the majority will be represented, and by such a distribution of votes as the law provides for. The quota will be fixed by dividing the number of candidates into the number of votes, then distributing the surplus marked for any man over his competitors in the order, of preference indicated.

have an opportunity to vote on the ing them in some of the States there question, but the opportunity is not was resistance and even rioting. An desired unless the people have been appeal was made to the President, incidentally prepared for it by the and as a last resort he favored coneducation which should have been conducted by the press or platform.

Ottawa, through the Forum, which was made up or constituted of a number of thoughtful men, who met from time to time, and occasionally on Sunday, took up public questions and debated them with a great deal of power. The nature of these discussions, in all their fascinating and fruitful effects, are apparent by the decision which the people reached with regard to their manner of electing municipal representatives.

Every city should have a Forum, corresponding with that of Ottawa, and if its discussions are thoroughly land. for the most effective service is astion next year, for instance, when all quirements of the state. the members of the Council go to the polls, would do more, if put into practise, to correct the abuses or defects of that body than anything the Whig can surmise. It would do more than anything else to put the political machine out of business, since it

The President of the United States has put himself on record as against national service. The Secretary of War and the officials of the War Department have come out in favor of National Service. What happens to the Government that, like the house, is divided against itself?

THE POST OFFICE DEFICIT.

A. deficit of nearly \$3,000,000 in tion of the Government. the Post. Office Department of Canada is not what was expected. For many long years the Department was not self-sustaining, but in 1902, under the Liberal Government, business principles were adopted and in every year afterwards until 1914-15 there was a surplus, varying in size, Sir Charles Davidson list get their and in 1912 amounted to \$1,310,000. | due? The change of Government is responsible for the change in the financial condition of the Department, and because it was exploited for political

It will be remembered that the postmasters were dismissed by the hundreds and their places filled by the partisan supporters of the Administration, An attempt was first ments numbered 9,903. a bill of expense of a most imposing from a new Welland Canal.

The new rural mail deliveries 695, added enormously to the expen diture under this head, but they have contributed to the favor of the mem bers of Parliament who asked for them, and expenses under these cir The revenue of the Depart ment was increased from \$10,482. 255 in 1912, to \$13,046,000 in 1915 or 30 per cent. The expenditure was increased from \$9,172,035 in 1912 to \$15,961,191 in 1915, or 75 registered. Gen. Hughes approved per cent. The deficit does not re quire, therefore, any explanation. It is the direct and positive result of turning a useful department into ar institution for the distribution

The German blockade goesnotwithstanding the protest against tral powers. These neutrals have been serving Germany long enough Now the British navy says the block ade running must stop, and it is

VOLUNTARY ENLISTMENT. The English and Canadian papers, in dealing with the alleged failure of the voluntary system of enlistment plied, or experimented with, in the American war in 1861-1865. A writer in Blackwood's gives the data and in the contemplation of it one feels that outside of Europe, of Ger-

many, of Austria, of France and Russia, it has not been satisfactory. may be that the experience of Amercia is neither decisive nor satisfactory, and for the reason that military organization under any plan half s century ago was not advanced or per-

America's first army, that is the army of the north, and representing the strength and sentiment of the union, was made up of hurriedly recruited forces. The longest term was three years. The shortest term was three months. All told they numbered less than 50,000 Then, in 1861, the President made a call for a million men. A year later half that number had been enrolled. There was a second call. This time Hamilton, says the Spectator, will for 300,000 volunteers, and in draftscription. The law admitted of three alternatives: (1) Personal responses, (2) substitutions, (3) com mutations on payment of 260. the two years following only 118,000

men had been secured. - Of these 45,000 were conscripts, and 73,000 were substitutes. The history of bounty jumping and deserting constitute a black chapter in the war Conscription surely was a failure, but it helped in one direction; it put new life into the voluntary system of enlistment, and as a consequence 1, 076,558 men were secured.

This is the result exactly of the at tempt to enforce conscription in Eng-The modified plan of condirected, the training of the voters scription, which has been approved, is held in abeyance while another apsured. Our Council could very peal is being made to the unmarried profitably spend an hour-occasional- men of Britain, and the effect is satly in debating municipal reforms. isfactory. All the eligible men will I The discussions being attended of apparently be found, and the next course with all the information class will be called, and the next class which should follow reasonable re- after that, and the recruits found in Proportional representa- sufficient number to meet all the re-

6,00,000 effectives out of a population of 45,000,000. Hence it may be said to have beaten all records in would secure the election of the best like as great a success in the next great many men who have to use Some of the brainiest men this countries are tied for third place.

EDTORIAL NOTES.

Bilingualism in Manitoba will the Winnipeg Free Press. Its campaign of education in 1912-13 was most complete and convincing and paved the way for the promised ac- garrulous helpmeet.

Mitchell, of Regina, one of Government's pets, who committed series of offences in connection with the Remount Department, has been sentenced to two years' imprisonment. When will the others on the

One of the highest authorities in England, and lately returned from the Western front, says the French can cut their way through the German lines at any time and advance into German territory, but with the loss of a million men; and France is not sacrificing her fleroes.

A corps of engineers, from the made to justify the dismissals, com- United States' Army, has made a surmissions being appointed to hear vey of Oswego Harbor in view of complaints against the officials. In deepening it for the trade which is no case was there a fallure to sup- expected from the new Welland Canof the Post Office Department were survey the Kingston Harbor and the blinkety blink blank snow !" There was a total of ment promised? Without dredging

5,357 changes, and the new appoint- and deepening Kingston Harbor is Here was not going to get any special benefit

The report that five hundred Canadians have been hurt, sent out Saturday's despatches, seems to have been incorrect. There has been no engagement in which any large nun ber of men could be injured. There however, a heavy bombardmen going on in the vicinity of Lille, an something serious may be the result

as an advisor on military matters of the plan. Why has it not been put into operation? Who has jected to it? . Is there any higher authority in Canada on military mat ters than the Minister of Militia?

Make A Swap.

(London Advertiser.) Britishers own \$350,000,000 work of property in Germany, and Ger mans own \$500,000,000 worth Britain. Let's trade.

> An Army of Colonels. (Belleville Ontario.)

way to end this war quickly would

Laying all jokes aside, the best

be for General Sam to create two milion more honorary colonels A Dark Suspicion. (Toronto Mail.) King Constantine of Greece pro ests that he is not pro-German or

Pro-Ally, but simply pro-Greek There is a suspicion that he is chief It ly pro-wife. The Pope Backs Belgium. No talk of peace till Belgium has

His Holiness puts into words one of the Allies' most fixed resolves.

is the gist of a message from the

reconstituted as a free people.

Origin of Grip. (Hamilton Spectator.) La grippe must take its cue from folks, whom most of us have who grab hold of one's hand never seem to know when to let Of course, if it's a girl's that's

No More Nonsense.

(Toronto News.) It may be necessary for the On Government to dissolve Legislature and ask the direct judgof the country on the regulations to ensure adequate English teaching in the schools of the Prov-

Old Pals Arrested.

(Manitoba Free Press.) Because Dr. R. M. Simpson will have to return to Winnipeg to stand his trial upon the serious charges set forth in the warrant upon which he was apprehended in London it is not desirable that there should be newspaper discussion of his case at this It is, however, quite in order to point out that, notwithstanding the violent exclamations of the newspaper organs of Sir Rodmond Roblin and Mr. Rogers, he is not the victim of persecution.

'Canada's war expenditure date has totalled \$145,000,000

LIBERAL PRESS.

What French-Canadians Are Doing Montreal Herald. Apropos of Archbishop Bruchesi's stirring appeal to French-Canadians to assist to the utmost of their power in the fight for Empire and freedom, it is instructive to take stock of what French - Canadians are doing in this respect. There are now two French-Canadian battalions in Europe, the 22nd, which has already done noble work in Flanders, and the 42nd, now in course of training in England. In Canada there are Sir Ian Hamilton, when in Canada, in course of formation the 57th, in garrision at Quebec; the 69th, in garrison at St. Johns; the 150th, wanted all the men of military age which is being recruited by Colonel Barre; and the 153rd, which Major Asselin is organizing. In addition a French-Canadian Battalion is being formed at Quebec, under Colonel Readman, another at Rimouski, and still another at Three Rivers. An Acadian Battalion under Colonel Daigle, is being recruited in Nova Scotia and there is talk of recruiting still another French-Canadian battalion at Hull. In fact, it is expected that the French-Canadians will this summer form a complete and distinct division of the Expeditionary Forcethis without 'counting the numerous French-Canadians enlisted in other battalions. At least 2,500 of them went in the First Contingent,

CONSERVATIVE PRESS.

Campaign Fund.

Montreal Mail. The Daily Mail will go farther and assert that if the campaign fund for both parties were taken direct from the public treasury to the exclusion of all other forms of contribution it would be infinitely more profitable from the standpoint of the public in-Our public men would then be free to serve the public unhampered by the obligations which go hand in hand with the present sys-

INDEPENDENT PRESS.

Free Wheat.

The grain growers of Manitoba, determined to have free wheat, have resolved, it is reported; to put free wheat candidates in the two vacant Manitoba constituencies. They have also tabled, for further deliberation, a resolution for a third, or free trade It would not be surprising to learn that this action is meant to rebuke those Liberals who would en-

gage with the Globe's ideas. We are authoritatively informed that the grain growers seek free wheat not only for the advantage of the higher prices which usually rule on the other side, but also to assure another exit. They say that the natural route for wheat is by Great Lakes, and by that the bulk of the crop will always go. But, in years like this, it will be of the greatest importance to have another route.

25 YEARS AGO

About 25,000 bushels of potatoes have been purchased in this section for shipment to Philadelphia. There are one hundred men work ing in the M. T. Co's. shipyard.

A night school under the auspices of the Separate School Roard has been opened in the Brothers' School

ject which is located inside the head while in the attitude of running and sometimes refuses to venture would never miss, finally catching up to give physical exhibitions and parout. It is given to man to help dis- with it and working it into an ora- ticipate in mat bouts before circus The United States secured only tinguish him from the brute, but at tion on our national destiny. The crowds next summer. His contract, 700,000 effectives in a population of times falls several yards short of its brain of a member of congress is calls for \$1,200 a week.

The brain is sometimes used to third round. think with, and is a great aid to an . There would be less brain fag in

thought. Some of our great men have been signed by Houghton and The brain is a small, compact ob- have had their photographs taken Calumet. down some thought which posterity popularly supposed to weigh more The brain is cleverly concealed than that of the ordinary voter, but from view by thetears, eyes, nose and sometimes the voter is hard to con- Wanderers, is still the leading goal

their brain several hours each day try ever produced did not look as if unhook it and hang it in a spare they had more intellect than they Lieut. Jack McManus, the well-250,000 men it will have done some- room on reaching home at night; could carry. They may have had known St. Michael's player, who was thing which will stand to its everlast- where it cannot be disturbed by the more of something else than they expected to join the Toronto Argoconversation of a faithful and lov- could carry, but it was not intellect, nauts, is now laid up with an attack ing wife who has not seen anybody One of the saddest sights on the of diphtheria. all day but the hired girl. A brain American platform to-day is when which can be detached from its sur- one of our great men mounts the roundings and put in cold storage stage lugging a once active brain season's hockey team, Carson Kenpresently be at an end. Thanks to without gathering moss is a great which has been run through a bfew-dall, who has just returned from the boon to a tired citizen who would ery, and then tries to wring a few front, will figure in the Montreal rather sink out of sight in a popular rotund sentences out of it. The hu- City League fixture on Monday evenmagazine than discuss the new min- man stomach can stand this strain ing at the Arena, when McGill meet ister's wife with a kind-hearted but for quite a while, but the brain usually refuses to respond after the

earnest thinker who is trying to lo- this republic if more people would cate something that looks like a get to bed before the milkman makes

Rippling Rhymes

THE SNOW.

the snow comes down and enshrouds the lea. What fun to wade in the dazzling flakes, without a fear of Vice-President Woody Tegart of senting the National League. rheumatic aches! What fun to ride on a speedy the Ontario Amateur Lacrosse Assosled, till curfew summons the kids to bed! What ciation has enlisted, and is wearing Ottawa Free Press: If the attackfun to fashion a ball of snow, and throw it straight the three stripes of a sergeant in the ing end of the Ottawa, hockey team as a boy can throw, and see it break on some pil- 139 h Battalion, with headquarters at was as powerful as the defence end grim's neck, and hear him quote from the works of Cobourg. He, will shortly commence the Senators would now be out in Heck! The snow means oodles of wholesome joy a six weeks' non-commissioned offi- front of every team in the league. to the glowing soul of the growing boy. But the cers' course at Kingston. snow means grief to the ancient gent, whose step is feeble, whose back is bent. He coughs his diaphragm Toronto Globe: The Ottawa Daugh- pext to last. Wanderers, the league inside out, and he has the grip and he has the gout; ters of the Empire were unnecessarily and some others, too. He has to shovel a little track, claration against professional hockey.

There were unnecessarily leaders, have been scored upon 21 times; Canadiens, the second team, 26, and Quebec, the third team, 25.

There were misled by the disproper- A well-known hockeyist, who has had and some others, too. He has to shovel a little track, claration against professional notaty.

and he slips and falls and breaks his back, and the They were misled by the disproportant description of the team never attempted any considerable references.

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Sault Ste. Marie Star: Many new

back hair, and in many instances is vince and votes for somebody who is getter of the N. H. A. with nine talso thoroughly hidden that its exist- short on brains and long on bunk. lies to his credit. Malone, of Quethe success of its voluntary plans, ence is not suspected even by the The quality of the brain cannot al- bec, is second, while Roberts, of the and if Canada can register anything immediate relatives of the owner. A ways be seen from the outside. Wanderers, and Smith, of Quebec,

Officers of the Brantford Hockey Club have been striving hard for several years to put that city on the amateur hockey map. - This winter they have made a very creditable howing. The intermediate team has won four games without a loss.

easy for Yankee clubs to play ama- can Baseball League said Saturday teur hockey with imported players as that the American and National it is for Canadian ball clubs to play League seasons doubtless would open amateur ball with players from the Wednesday, April 12th. The two other side of the line. The differ- schedules, arranged to avoid conflict ence is that Canucks have too much of dates wherever possible, will be The schoolboy shrieks with exultant glee, when sense to try to put up the bluff.

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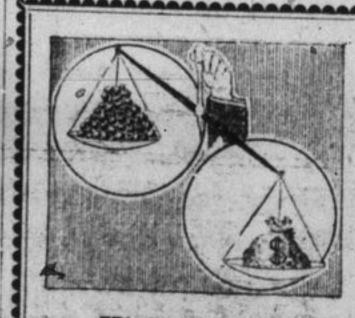
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ountains not more than a few dozen professional hockey players, the amateurs number thirty thousand

Toronto Telegram: It is just as President Johnson of the Ameridrawn up later by Mr. Johnson and Barney Dreyfuss, the latter repre-

Only 15 goals have been counted on port the charge, and 1887 employees at. When will a corps of engineers kers and spoils his lid, and he calls aloud, in a voice of woe, "Oh, blank papers devote to the professional side his career, stated Wednesday night of the game, and it may be valuable when he ascertaind the result of the of the game, and it may be valuable when he ascertaind the result of the information for them that, while Toronto game, the Senators had no ery man would try and be as good as Canada has on this side of the Rocky tricks in their attack, and that por- his neighbor.



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