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HE DID COMPLAIN. If unreasonable profits were ap-

there was anything devious in the Shell Committee's dealings, so keen and experienced a man of business as Mr. Thomas would detect the wrong doing-Mail. of the shells, and of the politics that report weekly to the Minister of

Canada. And what was his re- ister of Militia would call the Com and to such an extent that the press, up matters of interest between itself without regard to politics, came to and the War Office. his defence. As a matter of fact 'it was Mr. Thomas' discoveries and the man to discuss and direct the representations which led to the re- business of the Shells' Committee moval of the old Committee and the and it could not be said that he was appointment of a new Committee exempt from responsibility in connec with J. W. Flavelle as the Chairman, tion with the scandals growing out Complaint has been found with the of the Committee's work. new organization. Why? Be- Meighen did not expect to be encause it is doing business on business trapped so completely." His was the principles, and is not inclined to con- challenge which was at once expec tribute too generously to the profits ed, and if the enquiry is not gone of the contractors.

Hoke Smith, in Congress, said a little strong bluffing on the part of ges. the United States Government would bring Britain to time on the question of the blockade, Suppose Smith takes the place of Lansing in the State Department and tries it.

EMPLOYERS AND RECRUITING. Col. Low will attend the Board of Trade meeting on Monday evening and address the members. idea is that the business men, the employers of labor, can help him very

abroad. The average employer was ple never should have been canvass- spread of the prohibition sentiment, in front of the hotel piano on Sunname, it expressed the opinion that for a time goes without saying.

It is very probable that some of the turn from England, and then he an men will come back unfitted by phy- nounced "that no subscriptions sical disability for the tasks they lay contributions for machine gun purdown when they enlist, but in many poses were required, as all expendiestablishments occupation of some ture for that purpose had to ge de kind can be found for them.

Regiment is certainly entitled to all said, had authorized an appeal to the sympathy-he-can be shown by the people for machine gun contribubusiness men of the city, and they tions, will strengthen his hands very much At this time the Montreal Star he ever will about physics, is poorly per in a bi-monthly town. Board of Trade as the circumstances ine guns, and it at once proceeded to charley horses.

By the way what about the forty odd colonels whom Sir Sam Hughes took to Europe in 1913, and for military observations? Are they all

### GETTING INTO TUNE.

plement of this Week's Whig has a ine guns have been purchased out point which every one will appreci- of the fund turned over to the Govate. It has to do with the tuning ernment, and these guns have been up which should take place regular- supplied to the battalions or units ly and repeatedly if the city is to be according to the desires of the pubin perfect harmony on any subject. lic. "Moreover," writes the Prem-

up before it plays, and the instru- tributions should be returned withmentalist and vocalist who do not use out the assent of Parliament." the key and keep in tune, cannot pos- Theu Parliament's consent should sibly succeed, and the argument that be immediately asked, and Parliaapplies to the individual applies also ment's consent should be immediateto the community.

they were personally interested, said it was a pity their spirit did domfnate them all the while. does not, however, and the secret

it is not hard to seek. It is time for a change. It time for all our people to tune up, tion for the Premier to take. to make Kingston and its interests their hobby, and to play on this subject as Kubelek, the artist, plays on the G string with such harmony and effect that every one is impressed.

toonist, "to keep in the key." advice is sound and worth acting

A CHALLENGE ANSWERED

Hon. Arthur Meighen has been distinctly disappointing in his de fence of the old Shells' Committee. From both Conservatives and Liberals came information to the effect that the Committee had erred seri ously in its judgment and in its re wards, and that the British Govern ment had been made to pay excessive toll because the contractors willing to take advantage of its m

The Meighen defence was decided ly weak. The Solicitor- Genera did not say that the contracts were the charges of Dr. Pugsley could no year, by mail, cash .....\$1.00 that they were made in a partizan year, if not paid in advance \$1.50 spirit, and because no Minister was six and three months pro rata. specifically charged with wrong do ing the enquiry should not go on.

He spoke too early in the debate, and too quickly. He did not reflect as he is supposed to do, and as a re sult he said, unguardedly, that if were shown that any Minister was in any way responsible the investigation would be granted.

Mr. Kyte read from Hanzard, and proved by the Shell Committee, or if from the speech of the Premier last year, the announcement respecting the Shells' Committee. It was to be composed of three manufacturers and three representatives of the Mi Mr. Thomas did, in a speech in litia Department. The Chairman Montreal, complain of the high cost | was to be Col. Bertram. He would were mixed up with the business in litia. At regular intervals the Min ward? The abuse of a Minister mittee together, and it would take

'The Minister of Militia was then with the people will have their suspicions, and they will have the same

ing and shell-making. The Govern- and by the stoppage of their traffic, ment handled the shell without the scandals of the Canadian Government, and scandals it afraid to uncover or expose.

### MACHINE GUN MUDDLE It was thought that the end had

been reached of a machine gun con

troversy, but this is not the case There never should have been any of a recognition of the men when occasion for a difference of opinion upon the subject, because the peoaddressed on this sbject in a recent ed for funds for machine gun purissue of Industrial Canada. Speak- poses. That the proceeding had the South Africa. ing of the employers, and in their encouragement of the Government the way should be opened for the ser- good deal of money had been collect tice of every returned and honored ed and paid over to the Militia Department before the Premier's frayed out of the public treasury. The Commandant of the 146th No member of the Government, he

return this money to the subscribers. But the Government has not returnthe money it has received. -The amateur. One of the most terrify- fewer cloves in our vest pockets. ground is taken by the Premier that if any sum should be returned all of at the front and on the firing line? it should be "and a part of the amount received by the Government has already been expended for the The cartoon which adorus the sup- purpose intended." Several mach-The orchestra which does not tune | ier, "it is doubtful whether the con-

ly given. The transaction is inde-What is the matter with the peo- fensible. Nor is the excuse that ple anyway? Why these jarring some of the money has been expendnotes that sometimes disenchant and ed at all acceptable. Suppose it has The people are out of been spent. It can be refunded WALI MASON, tune. They are, in other words, out from the public treasury, out of and turns his whi A contemporary noticing the tre- equipment should come. The Gov- war." mendous energy which some people ernment could, of course, ask conput into a special work, in which sent to transfer the amount subscrib

ed for machine gun purposes to some patriotic fund, and the people would be glad to know of the transfer. To money, is a most extraordinary posi- duced. - Do you catch on?

BRITAIN'S REAL BLOCKADE

n protesting to Britain that "Let us all work,' says the car- with their trade; and it will be for ed upon or robbed. Britain to show that the only trade The enemy has been operating quite freely through the neutrals, and the statistics of the United States tell

During the fiscal year of 1914-15 trick. the trade between the United States and Germany, directly, fell off \$316,-000,000. But the trade with other and contiguous countries increased it amounted to \$64,000,000, or four times what it had been in the prevlous year; to Sweden, \$64,000,000, or an increase of four times; to Norway, \$30,000,000, or nearly four times greater: while the increase of trade with the Netherlands was as Germany can be accounted for. The tion cotton, wool, rubber, fats, dairy products, etc., which Britain thought she had closed out of Germany were going to her quite freely, though by roundabout way. A new item trade was the 4,000,000 pairs boots which were ordered for the German army, and went from the

United States by the neutral route. There is to be an end to all this circuitous traffic with the enemy be guided in its war by International the grits! law, and not by Orders-in-Council. Britain has the best of the United States in that in her new and drastic policy she is following the practice and the law of the United States during her Civil War. The United States attached great importance to the continuous voyage and the ultimate destination of international trade, and judged by this law the United

States has not a case against Britain. Britain is the Mistress of the Seas. and she is going to use her navy in exacting toll from every neutral that presumes to run the blockade. far in deference to the Foreign Offi- indignation about it. ce and its regard for diplomatic procedure Britain has been somewhat force and effect as the proven char- defeated in the blockade of Germany. The end of diplomacy and patience has been reached and hence-Australia has set the model and forth there is to be a real blockade, the pace in the matter of volunteer- and the neutrals, within a few days,

have learned just what this means

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Will the Allies score a victory this year? All depends, says Lloydscout the collections, to disapprove George, upon the manner in which of them, and yet refuse to return the the munitions and the men are pro-

The Government is clearly afraid of an enquiry into the shells' busishe down on the ground that it was the must not or should not interfere British Government that was impos

Though the Province of Quebec had extraordinary war expenditures during the last year to the extent of over \$1,000,000, it had a surplus of about \$200,000. Liberal economy and liberal good management worked the

great as that with the other neutrals. can outwit Sweder in its attempt to In this way the bulk of trade with bulldoze Britain on the pulp ques-

> ment because it is not more pronounced upon the subject of pensions and allowances to the disabled of our troops. How can recruiting be carried on satisfactorily while the outlook for the returned men is so discouraging?

Arthur Meighen, the Government's The Adriatic may be an open door soothsayer, would have the people as it were for contraband trade, but believe that the Liberals, quite as can be menaced and perhaps dos- much as the Conservatives, profited ed by the British submarines which by the favoritism of the Shells' Comare now qu'te active in all the alien mittee. Very likely. The patronage waters. The United States, through of the Government is handed out Secretary Lansing, wants Britain to with an eye single to the comfort of

Use of Milk. (Hamilton Spectator.) Maybe the Teutons are milk in the manufacture of tions, with the idea that it may cow

Easily Wearied.

(Ottawa Journal.) Most of us want the shell-order business investigated, and all of us In glasses ........... 17c & 20c get weary at Hon. Dr. Pugsley's loud

The Lid Is off.

The lid is off at Oyster Bay. T. R. 10 lb. tins has it ready to thrown into either ring-the Republican or the Pro-

Is Doing Well. In a letter to his father, William

THIRST.

When a young man becomes so

parched intellects and golf sticks. desecrated by the hotel piano assas-

thirsty for knowledge that he is will- The thirst for travel is a very

rewarded with track medals and Some kinds of thirst are all right to cultivate, and leave no regrets or One of the most depressing forms headaches in their wake. When we of thirst is the deadly thirst for mu- learn to discriminate in our thirsts, sic which has attacked the vocal as we do in our neckties, we will

Thirst is a condition of the human public is that of the self-possessed throat caused by lack of lubrication. male vocalist with an unquenchable we know. Owing to the rapid and pernicious thirst for ragtime music who camps good, soul-satisfying lubricants are day afternoon and throws huge becoming scarcer than sack suits in chunks of nasal resonance up the elevator shaft." Why is it that our The most popular thirst in this laws seize upon the inoffensive form nation is the thirst for knowledge, of the stray milch cow and place her which drives thousands of our young in gloomy confinement, and at the men to college every year with same time allow the Sabbath to be

ing to peel potatoes and sleep on a commendable variety which has wire cot in the basement of the gym- been considerably reduced in scope nasium in order to get it, the chan- by the European war. Prior to the ces are about fifteen to two that he outbreak of the war this thirst took will absorb and retain more know- great numbers of Americans to forledge than the boy who sleeps in eign lands and enabled them to par silk pajamas and doesn't peel any- with their incomes in a scientific thing but the pasteboards. The kind manner. There is nothing that will of thirst that keeps a good old fa- make a stout, red-cheeked income ther back home humped over with look blue about the mouth quicker night work, sending money to a boy than a long stretch of foreign travel, who knows more about poker than unless it is starting a daily newspa-

ed, and does not propose to return, chords of the willing and unsubdued have more money in the bank and

### Rippling Rhymes

LOOKING AHEAD.



In future years we will not boast, as we are boasting now, that we had forebears in the host upon the Mayflower's prow. Nor will we boast of Norman blood, or how our sires shed gore, when they crossed o'er the raging flood, with Bill the Conquerore. We'll say, when gathered round the board, "By Woden and by Thor! Our fathers sailed with Henry Ford, and put an end to war! They cranked their ship with fiery zeal, and sailed for Peace's sake, with Henry at ers' lists for Kingston. There are feet, while three times as many cords the steering wheel, his foot upon the brake. Across many repeaters, with about 3,500 ac- of pulpwood as in 1914 were taken the briny deep they slid, and twanged their peaceful tual voters. lyres, and when the ship began to skid, they calmly . A hen owned by R. J. Bushell laid. A falling-off, however, is shown in changed the tires. The monarchs in their anger roar- two eggs in one day. One was don- other timbers, of which 59,308 feet ed, above the martial din, What have we done that ble-yolked, and measured 8 by 6 1/2 were cut, as against 77,451 feet in Henry Ford should come to rub it in?' The sol- inches, and the other was 6% by 6 1914. diers, with their crimsoned hands, remarked, "By inches.

Mother Goose, the stuff's all off when Henry lands, There is much distress in Kings- sold was in the region of 175,000 acof sympathy and accord on the great which Sir Robert Borden has already battleships sailed home, when Henry tooled his good tin ship across the overrun with applications for work, ber of acres was slightly down from those completing their homestead reruled that all moneys for military men panted for; our fathers sailed with Henry Ford, and put the lid on plied.

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son, who is at the front, says that well. He says they have been having a little snow and cold weather but nothing compared to the weather in Canada.

The Plain Truth.

(Toronto Star.) The British navy has rescued something like 1,200 German sailors from the sea in the course of this war. 'The Germans have not rescued one British sailor so far as

The Conundrum

(Guelph Mercury.) How did four million boots get to Germany from the United States during 1915? These are commodities of war, and absolute contraband. The neutrals surrounding Germany must be laughing f their sleeve at Britain.

How Can They?

Down in Quebec a man, crazed by liquor, killed a twelve-year-old girl and then cut the throats child's mother and himself. And yet some men who go to church on Sunday vote for the continuance of the monstrous liquor evil.

An Election Might Help.

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

> Lead of the Motherland. (London 'Mail.)

The Melbournne Age congratulates the motherland upon giving the Dominions a lead, "which some at least will surely follow." Australia and New Zealand have now enforced compulsory training for some years, with results which may surely be Revenue Exceeds \$2,000,000-Mosttraced in the magnificent deeds of the Anzac troops.

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ly From Timber Dues.

Toronto, Jan. 22 .- The approx mate revenue of the Department of Lands, Forests and Mines for 1915 is \$2,195,000. The chief item \$1,500,000 from wood and forests which included \$928,000 received from timber dues. The output of timber was 407,874,000, board feet of pine timber sawlogs and square

The total extent of Crown lands homesteads were made to 1,355 people which was about 400 fewer than Four hundred and thirty forest A man who has made good doesn't a year before. Six hundred and fires were reported, of which 372 did twenty-one patents were issued to no damage.



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