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Dover's Cold Breakers ... 25c Musteroil Paste 25e Mentholated Balm 25c Emulsion Cod Liver Oil . . 25c Best's Liver Pills, 100 for 25c This list will form a complete medicine chest for all

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If you need a good Coat, buy now and buy right.

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Clothing Company.

146TH BATTALION.

Who Came From Within a Stone's Throw Of The Birthplace Of Scotland's Immortal Poet.

146th Battalion has given the Whig strong passions, and for his act of a short sketch of the life of Robert disobedience, seemed to take a sort Burns as follows:

To all true Scotchmen the night attributes one of the causes of that of January 25th is one that holds a dissipation which marked his early very endearing place in their mem- life, a dissipation comparatively ory. Throughout the wide wide within the ordinary custom of a world wherever Scotchmen may ga- Presbyterian life. What could Burns ther the memory of their Immortal not have made of his life had he had Rab holds a predominating part in a fixed aim? Even Burns with all

many of us who would question the that life is a race. light at the bare mention of the he showed very little marked in- tears were happin' doon his cheeks" name Robert Burns, a name which provement in his literary developbespeaks a great man, whose mem- ment, though he laid the foundations ory shall forever live Robert Burns, of those habits which characterized the National poet of Scotland, is a his after life, and which many, name revered the world over, and in from spite and envy have taken great no land more so that in Canada. In delight to enlarge upon. During him we find the truly representative this time, he carried on many love succession the principal amongst Scotchman, and as I have heard the affairs, and often we find him as the them being remark, he was Scotland condensed assistant, or the assisting confidant

the subject of Burns, perhaps, the his fair damsels springing up be- that we find him associating with writer coming as I do from within fore us. His whole position, and I companions who had no social a stone's throw of that almost sacred | think also the position of all gentle- standing. Ill health and pecuniary birthplace, may be permitted to give men, may be summed up in "Green embarrassments came along, and a very brief outline of that interest- grow the rushes Oh," considered to made him very despondent, and

His Birthplace.

25th day of January, 1759, in humble cottage on the banks of the river "Doon" (much heard of song) about two miles to the sout of the auld Toon o' Ayr. It may be interesting to note that Burns had been given to the world for one week when the frail abode, which was his the calmer dictates of reason would wrote that beautiful poem which dehome, was blown down by a storm. The original spelling of the name

being one, William Burness, (a son father's memory, thus showing his of a farmer from Kincardinshire) who was of a superior class of peasant. Of his mother very little is We provide proper known, but best let me quote the words of the poet himself from one of his letters "she was a very sabacious woman, without forwardness or awkwardness of manner."

At the age of seven years we find him the poet on the farm of Mount Oliphant in the parish of Ayr, but on the death of the proprietor, a Mr. Ferguson, the family was obliged to leave, and they next settled on the his district as a maker of rhymes, ing contracted a chill, which penefarm of Lochlea, in the parish of and one of the best at this stage was trated his bones, and laid him low Tarbolton. Under the care of a tea- "Holy Fair," depicting the quarrell with rheumatic fever. On the 21st cher, named Murdoch, Burns between two Calvinist Ministers, day of July 1796 the suffering of the -commenced his studies, and in the and it was immediately received with immortal bard ceased, and he was words of his teacher, "he would ne- great favor. This was shortly fol- laid to rest with great public solemnver have thought that Robert would lowed by "Holy Willie's Prayer," a ity: Professor Nicol says "The soul have been one to have courted the poem which so incensed the Kirk passed away, but his name shall nemuch to an old woman who resided held to see if nothing could be done The life of Robert Burns was one had a wonderful collection of tales Next followed his "Lament" which virtue and passion were often at and songs, concerning ghosts, fairies, the poet seems to regret having writ- variance. There are few homes but witches, warlocks, and such like, and | ten

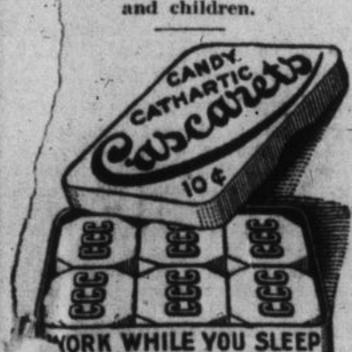
boil along there, until the flood all." gates of life shut in eternal rest."

Dawn Of Poetry. It may be said that the dawn o poetry came to him at the age of Burns was keeping com pany with a bewitching young girl,

YOU'RE BILIOUS! CLEAN LIVER AND BOWELS TONIGHT

stay headachy, have bad breath and sour stomach.

feeling fine ! Best lax ative for men, women and children.



Remove the liver lowel poison which is keeping head dizzy, your tongue coat-Don't stay bilious, sick, he adachy, constipated, and full of that his genius would raise him in Cascarets from the drug store and ness and remorse at his reception. t one or two to-night and enjoy Burns had proved himself too truththe nicest, gentlest liver and bowel ful, and not one to knuckle or play eansing you ever experienced, to those who considered themselves You will wake up feeling fit and his superiors, hence his reception. Cascarets never gripe or cken like salts, pills and calomel. They act so gently that you hardly ealize you have taken a cathartic. Ellisland, in Dumfriesshire, and it lious or feverish children a whole love lyric. ascaret any time—they act thor-

ghly and are harmless.

who used to sing a song, which had been composed by a young country squire, and Burns seeing no reason why he could not rhyme just as good WRITTEN BY Q. M. S. ADDISON, as he, made his first attempt at verse writing, inspired by her, and he sang her charms in the little ballad "Oh Once I Loved a Bonnie Lass."

At the age of seventeen, Burns went to his first dancing school, in direct opposition to his father's Q. M. S., G. Addison, O. R. S., Wishes. His father was a man of of dislike to him, and to this Burns

in a personality, and the portrayer in the love affairs of others, being of what is noblest, and of much of full of a zeal and a curiosity, which what is erring in the Scottish race. stood him in good stead, or as a There is little doubt but with he'is worthy second on these occasions. the poet of the people. His life, it There are many who say that Burn's properly traced, would appear to be weakness in this direction is to be one, as if driven by passion, and regretted. But I for one do not think tired to Dumfries with his family, though to many, it may give of en- so, for, bad not Burns had no ac and there it was destined that he couragement, nevertheless in it quaintaneship with the fair sex, the was to end his days. Misfortune, folthere are many warnings, and by ob- world to-day would be deprived of lowed on by disappointed in life, renserving those, we may profit by some of the most exquisite of lyrics dered him the more susceptible to them. It however, proves that im- ever penned. He was forever sing- the seeking after that pleasure and mortal fame belongs to no particular ing of the majesty of woman, and it excitement as also applause which he is almost impossible to think of had received on his first visit to Though much has been written on Burns without the image of some of Edinburgh, and it is to regretted be one of his finest songs.

lost his father, who died full of anx- ver left him, and in a letter to a Robert Burns was born on the lety and sorrow for his gifted son. friend of his, he says, "Canst thou ers I cannot recollect the tender en- one friendly star 'to guide her dearments and parental lessons of course, and dreading that the next the best of friends, and the ablest wave may overwhelm her?" of instructors, without feeling what It was at this time that Burns perhaps condemn." Where could we picts his own life, and his struggle find a more beautiful epitaph than with the world. He regarded it "Burns" was "Burness," his father the one which Burns dedicated to his a true picture of himself.

The tender father, and the gen' The pitying heart, that felt for

human woe. The dauntless heart, that felt no human pride. The friend of man, to vice alone

a foe.

A Maker Of Rhymes. "Muses," At this time Burns owed Session that several meetings were ver fade from our literature."

Among the first books which he advisable. One of his characteris- ed, and he excelled in whatever kind read in private were the life of Han- ties was his susceptibility to the fair of verse he took up. Professor Wilnibal and the History of William sex, but it may be truly said that son says "Burns will forever be re-Wallace, and these stirred within his by far greatest love, was for garded as the glorlous representahim the hopes that some day he Jean Armour, whom he afterwards tive of his country." might become a soldier, and as he married. Writing to a friend, he himself said, "poured a Scottish pre- says, "I confess a truth between us, Burns, is it to be wondered at though judice into his veins, which would I do still love her to distraction after the years roll on, the work of this

booked to the West Indies, his trunk on the way to the ship, his last song composed, his departure was only stayed by the arrival of a letter from his friend, Dr. Blackwood, showing him a new opening for his poetic ambition. Soon followed his publications of poems at Kilmarnock, an edition which delighted the high and low alike. (A Kilmarnock Edition of "Burns" at the present time com-

mands an enormous price). Enamoured with his new fame, and desirous of seeing more of the dearned world, Burns proceeded to Edinburgh, where he arrived without one letter of introduction. During his sojourn there, in that beautiful old capital of Scotland, and which is commonly known as "Auld Reekie." he was welcomed at the tables of all the celebrieties. -His great power of conversation carried him through what to many another man would have been a very trying ordeal, and while he showed great respect for those in a higher station than himself, nevertheless he maintained his respect for himself, and gained that respect for himself which he knew was due him as a

His second visit to Edinburgh was a very marked contrast to the first. On his previous visit, he was welcomed as the lion of the hour, and was a welcome visitor everywhere. On his second visit, doors which were spontaneously opened to him, were now reluctantly opened to him, and seldom was an invitation extendbreath offensive, and stomach ed to him to call again. He had gone to Edinburgh, strong in the belief d. Why don't you get a box of society, but returned full of bitter-

A Love Lyric.

Burns now settled to farming at fothers should give, cross, sick, was there he wrote that beautiful

O A' the Airts the wind can blow,

I dearly loe the west For there the bonnie hassie lives. The lass that I los best

We next find Burns as an Exciseman at a salary of three hundred and fifty dollars a day. During his term of office he tempered justice

On the anniversary of Highland Mary's death 1789, he wrote this pa-

Thou lingering star with lessen-Thou lov'st to greet the early

My Mary from my heart was torn.

Next followed his "Tam O Shanhis genius failed to realize that in verse, and was written off at one re-We have all heard the saying this life a person should have an cital. Burns himself, considers this "What's in a name?" but there are aim, that there is no standing still, masterpiece. Mrs. Burns found him walking up and down the banks of truth of it. What fond reader of From the seventeenth to the the river Nith reciting loudly to himpoetry does not feel a thrill of de- twenty-fourth year of the poet's life self, and as she herself says "the

> O Tam Oh Tam ye'll get yir fari', a In hell they'll roast ve like a her-

Others poems followed in quick

Ye banks and braes O' Bonnie How can ye bloom sae fresh an

Burns began to feel prematurely old. At the age of twenty-five, Burns The power of expressing himself ne-Burns speaks very tenderly of his administer to a mind diseased? Canst father. He says "On the thirteenth thou speak peace and rest to a soul of February I lost the best of fath- cast on the sea of trouble, without

I whyles claw the elbow o' troublesome thought. But man is a sodger, an' life is a

Fraught, My wirth an' guid humor are coin An' my Freedom's my lairdship

nae Monarch dar' touch. Contrary to many reports that Burns died of a broken heart, the cause of his death, according to au-Burns soon began to be known in thorities, may he attributed to hav-

in the family. She was said to have to what they called profane writers, of great passion, and one in which have at least one copy of his magnito this Burn's says, may be attribut- It would be impossible to follow ficent works, works which are loved ed his propensity to cultivate the all the love affairs of the poet, and and valued from the lowest to the at the same time I think it hardly highest. His songs are world fame

When one studies the life of great poet live, and that wherever In 1786 Burns resolved to com- Scotsmen may gather, in whatever mence to print his efforts. Six hun- clime they may be, as the 25th day dred copies were thrown off, and af- of January approaches, with one acter deducting expenses he cleared a cord they join to do honour and little ready, money. His passage show their respect in pledging the "immortal memory of Burns."

Frederick Palmer, war correspondent, will have a bumper house to-

Often Food Makes or Breaks

all depends upon the A common cause of lessened vigor of body and mind is improper eating. Food should be selected that will supply sound, well-balanced nourishment for the physical and mental forces, and

this is richly supplied by Na

ture in the field grains.

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January

Sale of White Tomorrow UBLE DISCOUNT STAMPS

A feature extraordinary of our annual "White Sale" Come to the store tomorrow, rain or shine and take full advantage of this wonderful offer in conjunction with the phenomenal bargains in white. Double Stamps mean a 10 Per Cent Saving on All Cash Purchases.

"Dollar Day"--Saturday

STEACY'S

"The Woman's Store of Kingston."

ENGINEERS AT CAPE VINCENT.

Survey Of the Harbor Will Be Made By Corps.

Cape Vincent, NY., Jan. 27. -Definite assurances were received by officials that the United States war department will send an engineer here the first or second week of February to make a survey of the local harbor preparatory to the construction of a grain terminal here.

R. J. Frazier of the engineering corps, and possibly others, will be designated on the local work, and pend the future of the improvement known, is anxious to land the ter-



In Selwyn & Co.'s big laugh festival Twin Beds," at the Grand, on Wed resday evening, Feb. 2nd.

GERMANY'S TAX BURDEN

New Scheme To Raise Additional \$125,000,000.

Amsterdam, via London, Jan. 27 According to the Taglische Runschau, Dr. Karl Helfferich, secretary of the Imperial Treasury, has prepared a scheme for additional taxation to yield, \$125,000,000. In view of the opposition to the proposed war-profits tax, this is not included in the scheme; which embraces large increases in tobacco taxes and revenue from post offices and railways.

Wife Hired Assassins.

Hoboken, N. J., Jan. 27 .- That the assassination of Gregorio George. found slain at Dobbs' Ferry, was pur chased, and that the crime was inspired by jealousy, was confessed to the police by Kitty McCormick. George's wife and her sister agreed to pay \$500 if George was killed, the main stipulation being that the victim's throat should be cut. Miss McCormick hired the assassins at her

"Battling Nelson" Wants Divorce. Chicago, Jap. 27.-Oscar ("Battling") Nelson, yeteran of the prize ring, filed suit for divorce against Fay King Nelson, Denver newspape. woman, whom he married at Hegewisch, Ill., Jan. 23rd, 1913.

Earl Grey's Illness. has been confined for some time at & South Africa. his northern seat at Howick, is de . cidedly unwell.

SERBIANS TO GIVE TEUTONS SURPRISES.

"Give Us Enough To Eat, And We Shall Hold

Paris, Jan. 27.-The Corfu correspondent of the Petit Parisien has had an interview on the island with Nikola Pachitch, the Serbian Premier, and quotes him as saying: "The retreat of our troops from Albania to Corfu is far from completed. Those who suffered most will soon be sent to places where they will be cared for, reorganized and rearmed. "As for the others, if they are kept supplied you may be sure they

will continue the campaign in Albania with vigor. They will give the enemy some unpleasant surprises, for in Albania the roads and paths can be defended by small numbers of men and it is simply a question of transports and supplies and you alone, the Allies, can solve the prob-

"Give us enough to eat and we shall hold on and we shall fight. I am certain that with you and by peat that we are absolutely sure that the Allies will triumph and our one wish is to be able to contribute to the great victory."

CANADA BEST COAL BUYER.

Now Takes 10,000,000 Tons of Bituminous Yearly from U.S.A. New York, Jan. 27.- Exports

bituminous coal for 1915 from Hampton Roads, Baltimore Philadelphia reached, 8,135,848 tons. Only a few years ago exports totalled around 3,000,000 tons per year, and one concern did about 50 per cent. of the business. For 1913 and 1914 respectively exports from these ports averaged 4,200,000 per year. so that 1915 shows an increase of approximately 10 per cent.

Coal men regard this as most favorable in view of the great short age of ships and the practically prohibitive rates asked for charters the last six or nine months. Italy is now our largest foreign

coal customer, Cuba is second, Argentina third, and Brazil fourth. Canada, however, is our best cusomer, taking in excess of 10,000, 000 tons of bituminous yearly. The figures given are only for exports to countries in position to import coal

To Put Up Opera House. Cape Vincent, N. Y., Jan. 27 .-The firemen have a large vacant lot and in the spring it is their intention

to construct a modern opera house thereon. This edifice would have been constru ted along with the improvements now being made on the Firemen's building had not the funds of the department been tied up in the defunct bank of Cape Vincent.

WAR BULLETINS.

General Wallace won a substantial victory over the Arabs on the Egyptian border.

Sunday work in British muonition plants is suspended. The o makers will make up on over-+ time labor.

The House of Lords passed + relief. scription bill.

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This Week

1000 Lbs. Finest Creamery

Butter 36c

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two for \$5, at drug stores, or by mail on receipt of price. THE SCOBELL DRUG CO., St. Catharines "cold At Mahood's Drug Store."

Vitality; for Nerve and Brain; increases "grey

matter"; a Toule-will build you up. 13 a box, or

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Says Cream Applied in Nostrils Relieves Head-Colds at Once.

If your hostrils are clogged and your head is stuffed and you can't breathe freely because of a cold or catarrh, just get a small bottle of Cly's Cream Balm at any drug store. Apply a little of this fragrant, antiseptic cream into your nostrils and let it penetrate through every air passage of your head, soothing and healing the inflamed, swollen mucous membrane and you get instant

the third reading of the con- . Ah! how good it feels. Your nostrils are open, your head is clear, no more hawking, snuffling, blowing; Gen. Smith-Dorrien has made & no more headache, dryness or strag-London, Jan. 27.—Earl Grey, who de an excellent advance in German de gling for breath. Ely's Cream Balm - S is Just what sufferers from head · colds and catarrh need. It's a de-