

News From Eastern Ontario Points

THE DISTRICT NEWS

CLIPPED FROM THE WHIG'S MANY BRIGHT EXCHANGES.

In Brief Form the Events in the Country About Kingston Are Told—Full of Interest to Many.

The tax rate of Cobourg is thirty-two mills on the dollar.

The home of Hubbard Garney, mail carrier between Clayton and Grindstone Island, was destroyed by fire.

Fifteen hundred dollars per year is the rate fixed by the Peterborough Utilities Commission to the city for water service outside of fire protection.

The unveiling of a tablet by Norwood Lodge A. F. and A. M. occurred in memory of the late Russell S. Pearey, who died of wounds in France.

Suffering from poor health since before Christmas, H. J. Murney died in Goderich on Thursday. Mr. Murney was born in Cobourg, Ont., fifty-five years ago, and had lived in Toronto for the last seventeen years.

DEATH OF W. P. NILES.

He Was Leading Resident of Wellington, Ont.

Wellington, May 12.—W. P. Niles, one of the oldest and most prominent citizens of this village, died suddenly on Thursday while at the telephone office. He was for years reeve of the village, was proprietor of a large seed business, and also owned and operated the electric light plant of the village.

FINE MINSTREL SHOW

GIVEN BY THE 146th BATTALION AT THE GRAND

Which Was Filled to Capacity on Friday Night—The Programme Presented Most Entertaining

The minstrel show under the auspices of the 146th Battalion was one of the best efforts of its kind ever presented to the citizens of Kingston. The Grand Opera House was filled to capacity on Friday night when it was produced and everyone in that large audience was more than pleased, as shown by the applause that followed each number.

The first part was a series of jokes from the endmen, played by Messrs. Smith, Hackett, Vickery, Shaw, Fisher and Ferguson, and all went to produce that spirit that carried the whole play.

Miss Phyllis Devlin sang "Coming Through the Rye," Miss A. Sutherland gave "An Irish Lullaby," Miss Irene Hoag rendered "Supposing," Miss Florence Valteau "The Songs My Mother Used to Sing," Miss Timmerman "Dry Those Tears," William Mack "Roses," Mr. Vickery "My Sweet Adair," James Saunders "Mother," Mr. Shaw "I've Had My Fortune Told," George Allen "When the Dew is on the Rose," C. F. Smith "Oh! Oh! My," George Graves "Hymns of the Old Church Choir," Sgt. Mayer "S.O.S." and W. Hackett "Down Chesapeake Bay," leading the chorus.

The second part of the programme was entirely different but equally as good from an entertainment point of view. The violin selections by Miss Norma Telgmann were even better than that talented violinist has played before in public and she was repeatedly encored. The Toronto entertainers, White and Brazil, added greatly to the programme by

GANANOQUE CONSIDERS SEPARATION QUESTION.

Town May Withdraw From Counties of Leeds and Grenville.

Gananoque, May 13.—The question of whether Gananoque shall separate from the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville is still a live topic. It came before the Board of Trade on Thursday evening again, when the report of the special committee appointed to look into the matter of profit and loss which would result to the town in the event of such a step, was discussed. This report shows that the net gain to the town would be \$1,624.91.

It would appear that the town had something to gain and nothing to lose by withdrawing from the counties, but the disposition of the meeting was that action should not be too hastily taken, and the discussion was adjourned until the June meeting.

DECKHAND WAS SHOT BY HOME GUARDSMAN.

Pte. Collision Was Arrested Following Encounter Near Cornwall.

Cornwall, Ont., May 12.—Charles Lavigne, fireman on the freight steamer Saskatoon, which passed by the canal yesterday, was shot at Farrans Point by Pte. Collision of the Home Guard, and is now a patient at the General Hospital here. Lavigne, with others of the crew, left the steamer here and came to town. They did not get back in time to catch the boat before it left and took an automobile to Mille Roches. Not catching the boat there they took a livery rig and drove to Farrans Point. The shot was fired by Pte. Collision at Mille Roches. He was engaged to drive the livery rig to Farrans Point and on arriving there the men got into an altercation, when the shot was

fired. The bullet entered the cheek and came out below the ear.

Gananoque

(From Our Own Correspondent).

May 13.—About 110 officers from the Officers' Training School, Kingston, made a route march to Gananoque yesterday, accompanied by their guns. They arrived about 6 p.m. and found the town all nicely decorated with flags to welcome them. Headed by the R. C. H. A. band, which came down by train, they marched to the armoury for supper and bivouacked there for the night.

The night was held a well patronized assembly in Turner's Hall. They left during the morning for the return trip. A number of military men came down from Kingston on the evening train to participate in the doings.

At St. John's Church on Wednesday morning, Miss Amelia Burridge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Burridge, North street, was united in marriage to Samuel Turpin of Kingston. The nuptial mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Kohoe, after which the bridal party repaired to the home of the bride's parents, where a dainty breakfast was served. Mr. and Mrs. Turpin will reside in Kingston.

Frank Reid, of the staff of the Bank of Toronto here, has joined the Army Service Corps in Quebec with a lieutenant's commission. Miss Sadie Lee, spending a short time here with her sister, Mrs. George Little, Charles street, has returned to her home in Smith's Falls.

Lightning Fired Barn.

Brookville, May 13.—A severe electrical storm passed over this section and reports indicate that considerable damage was done by lightning. A large double barn with contents, belonging to Sandfield McDonald, a farmer living near Lansdowne, was destroyed by fire. Live stock stabled in it were saved with difficulty.

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SCOTLAND IN NORWAY.

Famous Quarter of Bergen Has Escaped Destruction by Fire. At last news has arrived of the escape of the notable quarter of Bergen in Norway from destruction in the terrible fire of January 29th.

The business part of the city has gone, costing some 2,200 houses of commerce. The connection between Norway and Scotland in days gone by was very close. Since the sixteenth century an important portion of Bergen was called the Scots town, and a good portion of that quarter has now been swept away by the fire; but the important part, Scots street, and Scots Guild Hall, and the old Scots Guild Hall, have escaped destruction. The fire broke out on the side of Muren, and Scots Street takes off on the other side, the side from which the wind blew.

On the Toro-Almening, across which the fire leapt in a sheet of flame 100 yards wide, there stands the statue of President Christie, who guided the proceedings of the Storthing which drew up the Norwegian Constitution in 1814, and secured the independence of Norway from Sweden. The Christie statue has not suffered, and the Scots in Bergen and the reason to be glad, for Christie traced his descent to Andrew Christie, who came to Bergen with Montrose in 1647.

The buildings on the north of the harbor have quite escaped, among them the well-known Hanseatic Museum and Heston Hall. It was here that Isabella Bruce, sister of King Robert Bruce, resided during her brief marriage with the Norse King Eric, who died in 1293; and in Bergen she remained until her death in 1258.

The great fire began opposite Muren in Strand Street. Muren is a stone house in the middle of the street, with a passage way through it. History tells us that "the Scottish lady" once resided in the house. The Scottish lady was Lady Anne Bothwell, the first wife of James Hepburn, Earl Bothwell, whom he married in Denmark, and afterwards deserted. But a few weeks after Bothwell's marriage to Mary Queen of Scots he fled to Carberry Hill. Bothwell had to flee to Carberry Hill. Bothwell had to flee to Carberry Hill.

His two ships reached the coast of Norway near Bergen, and as the ship's papers were suspicious a Commission was appointed to investigate the case. Meantime Lady Anne Bothwell put in an appearance, summoned Bothwell before the Court, produced her marriage certificate and obtained judgment in her favor, whereby he agreed to pay her an annuity to be had regularly from Scotland, and to have the Falken, one of his ships, to her in name of expenses.

Bothwell himself was ordered by the Commission to be sent to Copenhagen that the Danish Government might decide his fate. And these days in Bergen were his last days of liberty, for he died after a long illness in a Danish prison in 1578. And thus ended the romance of the Scottish lady.

And the house she occupied in Strand Street still stands, scorched, indeed, by the flames of the Bergen fire, but intact, for it is of stone. Thus, although part of the Scots quarter in Bergen has been burned, the part that matters, with its historic houses, still stands, and the Scots quarter will continue to make Bergen of special interest to the Scotmen.

Colonial Force in Egypt.

The three Southern Dominions have contributed largely to the making of the new Levant army. Australia provides Egypt. In Cairo one might suppose that it was the Commonwealth rather than the Old Country that occupied the land. The big men with the rising sun badge and the tunics with pleated backs are everywhere in the town. And their numbers are rapidly growing. The Anzacs landed on Gallipoli two divisions strong, and now every other day ships arrive bringing drafts for the depleted battalions of the old First Australian and New Zealand Divisions, or fresh units for the new formations. New Zealand is doubling or trebling her contingent. The South African force has already been engaged in the Western Desert.

The South African, the majority of whom are of British birth, are all infantrymen. Many of them, from their past training, would have preferred a Colonial cavalry regiment, foot-slogging, but they one and all wanted to get to France and fight Germans, and as they were told that only infantry could be used in France, they enlisted in the newly-formed infantry brigades. By so doing they forfeited the high Colonial pay and became British soldiers at the same rate of pay as the men who join in England. They are men who in ordinary times are accustomed to the—according to British notions—extravagant South African wages, and no doubt insist jealously on the last shilling on them, but for the chance of getting to grips with the Germans in Europe they were willing to waive the question of pay.

Many a loafer thinks he is killing time, but time continues to do business at the old stand.

A woman's tongue is mightier than a man's fist.

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A Hindu University in India.

India has already university educational advantages under Christian, or Mohammedan management. The Hindu University, of which the foundation stone was laid at Benares a short time ago by Lord Hardinge, marks an epoch in the progress of the Indian people.

Rajahs, noblemen, landholders, middle-class men, and even poor persons have subscribed no less than Rs.9,000 (\$3,000,000) to establish a university to give education to young Indians in Hindu religion and philosophy, in addition to teaching Occidental literature, arts, and sciences. Never before in the annals of British-India have Indians shown so much initiative, industry, and resourcefulness to establish an institution.

The Hindu University marks a new departure in Indian educational methods. All the universities so far in existence are Government institutions, fight shy of giving religious, or even moral, instruction, but are examining bodies, like the London University, and not residential universities, as Oxford and Cambridge are. The Hindu University is being specially founded to provide instruction in Hindu theology, and is to be an Indian replica of Oxford.

The Government, in granting a charter, have reserved powers of supervision, and intervention in case of mismanagement. While Indian extremists find fault with such reservations, the moderate section of Indians think that the Administration has not acted arbitrarily.

Ruses of Sailors.

The ruses employed by the British sailor during the present war, when they come to be related, will make one of the most fascinating and romantic chapters in the history of the sea. A good sample of the sort of thing may be seen in the latest report from the Cameroons. The enemy was very anxious to board, some wrecks in the river, which promised to yield a good supply of useful stores. To prevent this a large number of empty petrol cans were collected on the British flagships, and in due course several picket-boats were despatched to lay these out around the wreck. The crews made the utmost show of the business for the benefit of the spying eyes ashore, with exactly the result anticipated. The Germans, quite persuaded that a very dangerous minefield had been sown, gave the spot a wide berth.

Old Dining Club.

The oldest dining club in England—older even than "The Club"—is the Dilettanti Club, founded in 1734 by Sir Francis Dashwood. Prominent among the original members was Lord Sandwich, whose name is crystallized in half a dozen languages through his ordering a waiter to place some meat between two slices of bread and bring it to him as he sat at the gaming table. Since 1784 the Dilettanti have dined together on the first Sunday of each month from February to July, inclusive, their present meeting place being the Grafton Galleries, where their magnificent collection of pictures is housed. Lord Rosbery, who was elected in 1870, is now the senior member of the Dilettanti.—London Chronicle.

Mining is Active.

Increasing activity in the gold mining industry of Western Australia is reported from practically all the fields. The output of gold for last month from the Murdoch Goldfield was a record one 6,949.25 fine ounces being recovered from 11,341.88 tons treated. From the Fenian Mine a rich strike is reported at the bottom level, the stone, studded with gold, being estimated to yield handsome results.

Fear of Alimony is One Reason Why Some Men are Shy about Marrying.

It isn't because he wears his hair short that woman wishes she were a man.

Just Arrived!

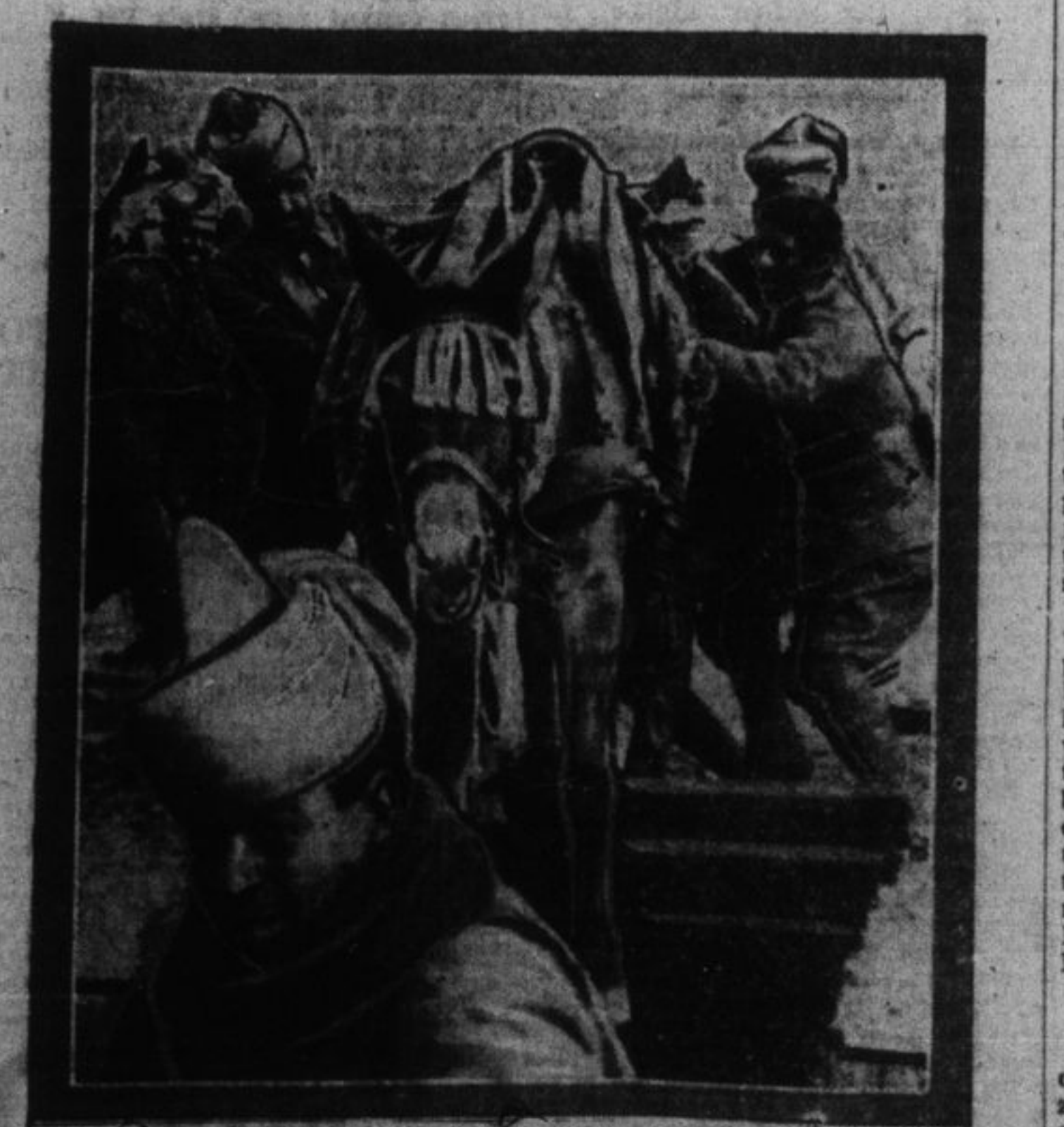
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Laces in Summer Gait It is predicted that laces are to be used extensively this summer, not only to trim our blouses and dresses but in many instances lace of some kind will form the most important part of the garment. The styles of the period between 1830 and 1850, now so popular, have naturally created a demand for this kind of trimming. The design of the laces most sought after is simplicity itself, consisting of flowers and old-fashioned bouquets. The colors are black, white, and black and white mixed. Lace for founcing will be in demand and many a "left-over" skirt will owe its increased width to godets of lace. Equally as effective and much less expensive will be the new embroidered organdie founcings. Warm Weather Clothes. Polka dot material in white, with the large dot preferred, are accompanied by white linen blouses having the collar, and cuffs of the former and finished with a plating of white or a half-inch hem. The large sun hat, usually a sailor, is made of the fabric to match. This type of dress seems likely to prove popular for general wear this summer. Several separate coats following the lines of the sweater have been made of plain colored ribbon with cretonne collar, cuffs and belt, the skirt will owe its increased width to the same. Edith M. Burtis, one-time associate editor of a prominent woman's magazine, resigned her position in order to establish herself as an adviser to manufacturers and merchants regarding the desires and needs of women consumers of the country. Statistics show that women live longer than men on an average.



HOW A MULE MET ITS MASTER IN THE INDIANS. This photo taken with the British Egyptian force, shows Indians watering mules at a well. True to his nature, the mule showed great stubbornness, and was more inclined to jump into the water than walk the plank. But his stubbornness availed him nothing against the Indians, who have the patience of Job.