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NO HINDRANCE NOW. No one who is on the Patriotic Fund is required to remain in idleness or lose her relief. At the outset of the movement it was intended that the Patriotic Fund should supplement the earnings of the individual or the grants or pay of the government.

A SCHOOL EXHIBIT. The teachers and pupils will make an exhibit of their work early in June, and the money realized in admission fees will go towards the Red Cross Fund, to which the schools have already largely contributed.

STATUS OF THE FRENCH. It may have been well after all, notwithstanding that it appeared at first to be very unfortunate, that the bilingual question was discussed in the Commons, because of the information which this discussion brought out, and for the clearing up of some doubts respecting it.

PUBLIC OPINION. A Hard Shell. (Grantford Expositor.) Mr. Lloyd Harris found the Shells Committee a hard shell when he tried to extract a fuse contract from it.

Here Worship Costly. (Windsor Record.) No wonder Col. Carnegie, the \$40,000 beauty, is lavish in his praise of Sir Sam Hughes. He was getting well paid for hero worship.

Imposing On Him. (Port Arthur Chronicle.) Not satisfied with making President Wilson write all those notes to Berlin, the German Government wants him to write some to the British Government.

The Final Appeal. (Chicago Canadian-American.) When the Kaiser, who has been backing down, bit by bit, in the past year, makes the great and final appeal for mercy, there will be rejoicing the world over—even in Kaiserland itself.

years old, to an English school. The benefits which I received then I have carried with me up to the present time. I want every child, therefore, to have an English education. And the address which he made, exalting the English language, in pleading for as much consideration as possible for the French, in their desire to keep alive their language among the children, was the most eloquent deliverance of the kind that has been heard in Canada. It is a classic, indeed, that will live and be quoted long after the principals in the controversies of to-day have passed away.

Then the students' side of the question was supplied by Mr. Nickle, of Kingston, whose address showed that he had spent a great deal of time in research. He was able in consequence to submit a historical sketch of the greatest value. He began with the conquest of the French, traced the development of events so far as they affected the relations of the French and English, and showed that originally the French had no claim to a recognition of their language in either Quebec or Ontario.

EDITORIAL NOTES. Manitoba is prepared to enforce prohibition. This province appears to be hastening so many reforms, of a political and social kind, that the millennium must be at hand.

Between the bad weather and the scarcity of labor, agriculture in Ontario is getting a serious setback. Food is dear enough now. It will be dearer later in the season.

Ald. Newman will be delighted to know that the executive of the Associated Boards of Trade, meeting in Toronto, endorsed the saving of daylight scheme. A straw, as it were, to show the way in which the wind is blowing.

Captain Boy-Ed has been decorated by the Kaiser with the Order of the Red Eagle. For what? Aiding the German expeditions that were to sink commercial ships at sea? Or planning an invasion of Canada? It cannot be for his beauty.

Col. Roosevelt has definitely announced himself as a candidate for the presidency of the United States. The surprise has been that, when in office, he ever thought of giving it up. He thinks he is the one man in the republic who can do the right thing at the right time.

The Education Department of Manitoba will not assist the teaching of foreign languages in the public schools any longer. The Ruthenian and Polish languages, as well as the French, have to go for the reason that they are becoming a great trouble, through the unreasonableness of the people.

If the Senate throws out the railway relief bill there may be a nationalization of the railways right away. It may be the only alternative in the case of the Grand Trunk Pacific and the Canadian Northern, which the people have aided financially and to the extent of many millions of dollars.

Not Posted. (Hamilton Herald.) "As yet," says the Toronto News,

"the need for conscription does not appear. It is easily possible to organize recruiting more satisfactorily under the voluntary system." It is plain that the editor of the News has not had much experience in the recruiting line.

France's Choice. (Stratford Beacon.) The ex-Empress Eugenie of France was ninety years old the other day, being born in Granada on May 5th, 1826, the daughter of a Spanish Army officer and a Scotch mother. She spends most of her time at Farnborough, England. She is anxious to live to see the defeat of the Germans, the nation that humbled her own husband and drove him from France. Her fortune is estimated at \$15,000,000.

KINGSTON EVENTS 25 YEARS AGO

John McLeod gets contract to erect new Anglican chapel at Picton. Real estate agents report that property transfers are brisk. Parlor concert held at Dr. Goodwin's, Alice street, for furnace fund of Cooke's Church. Cheese sold at \$c.

Random Reels "Of Shoes and Ships, and Sealing Wax, of Cabbages and Kings."

SHAKESPEARE. Three hundred years ago William Shakespeare died at the age of fifty-two years, having written more poetry than that had to be expurgated with a pair of fire-tongs than any other man of his age. There has not been so much demand for Shakespeare's works since they were expurgated, but they can be read in a select company to better advantage, without causing a deep purple blush to break out on the forehead of the reader ever and anon.

Rippling Rhymes

UNCLE SAM. A patient man is Uncle Sam, as mild and gentle as a lamb. He takes no stock in useless scraps, in swapping swats with brawling chaps, in pulling hair and blacking eyes, just for the sake of exercise.



The Amateur Camper: "You certainly take a lot of trouble to put out a camp fire!" The Guide: "Better to take the trouble now than burn down ten miles of camping sites. Only a greenhorn nowadays fools with fire in a forest."

\$50,000 LOSS AT ALEXANDRIA BAY. Thurston Block in Walton Street Totally Destroyed—Boats Burned.

Watertown, N. Y., May 15.—Fire Friday afternoon destroyed several buildings in Walton street, Alexandria Bay, and damaged a number of boats along the waterfront in what is known as the lower bay, causing a loss estimated from \$50,000 to \$75,000. The blaze was under control about five o'clock, after it had burned for two hours, but it was along in the evening before it was entirely out.

The main loss was the Thurston Block in Walton street, which was destroyed, and the yacht Klotowa, owned by E. R. Bradley of New York, which was badly damaged, although not totally burned. The house owned by William Davis in Walton street, near the Thurston Block, was damaged also, but was not a complete loss. A boat under construction at the Thurston works was destroyed when the block burned.

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