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THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

The successor to the Duke of Connaught, in the governor-generalship of Canada, has been named. He is the Duke of Devonshire, one of whom not much has been heard, but one who is skilled, like most of the nobility of Britain, in the discharge of public duties. He is a close friend of the King, which is a good thing, as it keeps His Majesty in close communion with the Canadian people. If the Duke of Devonshire follows faithfully in the footsteps of his distinguished predecessor his term will be a blessing to the Dominion. The Duke of Connaught has identified himself with the welfare of our people, and, in his desire to make himself familiar with this country's ambitions and wants, is now touring it for the last time. He may be able to visit Kingston shortly. He will certainly carry away with him, as did others occupying a similar office, the highest impressions of Canada, and in the years to come, in the influential circles of England, will be able to do it appreciative service.

Bourassa recommends that the French-Canadians boycott goods and productions of English Ontario—unless this province surrenders on the bilingual question. Could any advice be more insane?

THE COMING DRY SPELL.

The Ontario License Board is taking into account what may happen when the sale of liquor stops. The Board does not cease to be when the Prohibition Act becomes effective. It is very probable that it will be busier than ever. It will be the duty of the commissioners to see that the law is observed and enforced. They will be primarily responsible for the successful application of this law.

At the same time the commissioners will be burdened with the responsibility, which is the greater, of seeing that those who have to travel through the province, on business or pleasure, are provided with the accommodation which they need. Certain hotel men have been asked what they propose to do when their licenses to sell liquor have expired, and they have answered that they do not know.

They speak correctly, but from a premises which perhaps they had not in their minds. The License Board of Ontario will largely settle the future of the hotel business. Its members are now making, or will shortly make, a survey of the province, and will seek interviews with representative men who are capable of wisely counselling with them.

The purpose is to single out the hotels which should be continued, and which, in their better equipment, will offer advantages that will be fully appreciated by the people. It will take time to bring about these adjustments, but they are assured, and the result will be that the hotels, without the bars, will be more remunerative than ever.

The "conscience men," who refused to do their duty as soldiers of the King, realized that they meant when they were sentenced to be shot. A British soldier on strike at the front is a German in disguise.

CANADIAN MEMORIALS.
There is no occasion for haste in proposing or deciding upon memorials, in the form of public monuments, and to the distinguished dead through this war. Some things naturally grow out of current circumstances, such as the Edith Cavell Club in connection with our Collegiate Institute. The young nurse

had just lost her life in Belgium, and under circumstances which made the sacrifice significant, and as the pupils of the institute were disposed to work for some patriotic purpose, it was suggested that they organize under a distinctive name. The Edith Cavell Club was the result.

This club is a tribute to the worth and martyrdom of the young nurse, and is an incentive to sacrificial service of the highest type. After the war there will be a nation-wide movement to keep alive the work of the dead, and Edith Cavell's name will shine illustriously on the scroll of honor. Doubtless, too, there will be annually a national memorial day when the people of all nations and tongues and creeds, who were associated with the Allies in the War, will offer tribute in eulogies befitting to the theme.

May 4th is the anniversary which the Americans keep each year in memory of the patriotic dead. Then the Grand Army of the Republic, or the remnant of it, decorates the graves of the fallen heroes, and recalls their records. There will be many memorials, and none so soul-stirring, so universal, in British territory, as that which will call to mind the heroism of this war, and during the next century, and by the millions yet unborn, there will be paid to the patriotic dead the homage which is their due.

Gen. Booth, the head of the Salvation Army, has a scheme for distributing the surplus women of England, on account of the war, among the dominions. But will this dominion, for instance, not have the same problem on hand, and from the same cause?

MILITARY MADNESS.

Canada once had, under an old military system, a British officer whose annual inspections were the occasions of scenes more or less exciting. Wherever he went local corps, and especially the officers of them, were prepared for humiliation and insult, and they generally got what they expected. The local correspondents of the leading papers were advised to be on the qui vive and note the effect of every explosion.

Prominent men everywhere, friends of the militia and government, had a difficulty in restraining themselves. The scarifying to which so many military men were exposed was regarded eventually as necessary to the reform, the improvement, the transformation, which had to take place in the troops before they could aspire to the necessary efficiency.

With this understanding, reached reluctantly, and with much crucifixion of local pride, the British officer aforesaid ended his term in Canada and retired. Some years later a man was found in an English forest, wandering aimlessly about, a wreck physically and mentally. What brought him to this lonely retreat, and produced the lamentable effects described, no one could surmise.

These effects were in part attributed to bereavement. There were those, however, who attributed it to remorse, following a meditation over the tyranny which the aforesaid officer practised towards his subordinates in official positions. A time had apparently been reached when he repented of his snappy speech and cynical criticism, when he realized how utterly irreconcilable were his words and acts with the authority he was supposed to exercise in a thoughtful way, and mind and body collapsed under the strain.

There is another man in Canada who is walking in the footsteps of this unfortunate British officer. Some day he will come to his senses, and it will be well for him if he can guard against the melancholia which eclipsed another's stoicism and destroyed his usefulness.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Dr. Bryce, of Winnipeg, predicts a great revival in the west as the result of the proposed church union. There is surely room for it, in some places at least, judging by the revelations in the courts.

Sir Roger Casement blooms out in a new role. He toured Germany, he says, in the interests of Ireland and of her freedom? He offers no evidence in support of this contention but his own word, and it has, unfortunately, been seriously damaged by his association with the Huns.

The daylight saving scheme has gone to smash in Hamilton, Galt and Guelph. Local legislation was not respected. Something stronger is required. Perhaps a federal act will be passed next year, and then all the clocks will be changed and there will be no question as to the regularity of the proceeding.

At funerals in New York lay friends of deceased citizens speak of their virtues at the grave. The custom is said to be very popular. It will go all right so long as the funeral orators confine themselves to facts expressed in ornate language. The average layman is not, however, as well versed in funeral as in post-prandial praise.

Henry Ford denies that he disapproved of the enlistment of his factory men for service in the American

army. On the contrary, he declares that he will protect every one who fights for his country, and will guarantee him his old position when he returns from the war. Ford is a man of peace ordinarily, but when his country is in the fight he is in it too.

PUBLIC OPINION.

Were Jaw-Breakers.
(Port Arthur Chronicle)
Przybyl went into the disarray long ago. The Russians have just won a battle close to Buczacz.

The Tomb of Kitchener.
(Quebec Telegraph)
Kitchener sleeps in a greater tomb than the Abbey of Westminster, and his monument is a national arms.

A Hard Question.
(Montreal Mail)
Another thing we would like to know is why the Militia Department waited for the extreme hot weather to prohibit the kill.

Abolish The Kilt.
(Hamilton Spectator)
Abolition of the kilt for overseas battalions has been announced. Yes, it's true, sir. Bare knees are to be superceded by soft hearts.

Promised to Be Good.
(Montreal Star)
Having promised to be good, Greece now gets another loan from the Entente Powers. It's a wise King who knows on which side his bread is buttered.

Rough on Some People.
(Ottawa Citizen)
Sir Sam Hughes asserts that Col. Allison is one of the "biggest and best men we have in Canada—and one of the cleanest, too." That is pretty rough on a lot of folk in this air country.

A Worthy Example.
(Toronto News)
If a relative of the King cannot be spared from the front to accept his appointment as Governor-General of Canada, there are still some Canadians at home who should be on the fighting line.

Canada's Monuments.
(Brantford Expositor)
The Toronto Telegram very wisely discouraged movements which have been started in some places in Canada towards providing monuments for Miss Cavell and Lord Kitchener. There is no hurry about this sort of thing. After the war, there will be many monuments to be considered, together with the establishment of Memorial Day, but they will keep until the business of achieving a decisive victory over the Huns has been completed.

KINGSTON EVENTS 25 YEARS AGO

Lieut.-Col. Straubenzee is in Peterboro, inspecting the 57th Battalion.

Kingston Cricket Club was defeated by Ottawa by 210 runs to 109.

A pew was stolen from Williams-ville Methodist Church last night.

Random Reels

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

THE HOTEL TOWEL.

The hotel towel is an imitation of a drug store awning which can be found in almost every hotel, after a careful search through the "base" stains from the neck of the patient, uncomplaining drummer, and is usually made of some leather-faced material which is guaranteed against flaws or defects in workmanship during the lifetime of the washee.

Some hotels in the smaller and less pretentious precincts do not keep more than one towel, which in course of time assumes a care-worn and low-spirited countenance. There are very few of these hotels left, owing to the teaching of hygiene in the public schools, but whenever they are found they are always erected on a roller, which is pawed at gingerly by fastidious guests. Some states have stringent laws against the roll-away towel, but the law does not say anything about giving a man a room next to an all-night poker party or a bed alongside a steam radiator which can't be shut off by anybody except a licensed plumber. This teaches us that in some respects the law is a crude and ignominious failure.

All modern hotels which cater to the luxurious in man place one long, limber towel in each guest room, with the understanding that when this has been worn out another will be sent up if the telephone is working. It is a great disappointment to a neat and tasty guest to cover his face with hotel soap and then discover that there is nothing in the room that looks like a towel except the bedspread. Most traveling men carry an extra shirt in their grips in order to meet such emergencies as this.

In all hotels which charge \$5 a day and up, mainly in the large cities, has been introduced the greatest labor-saving device of the age, the paper towel. The man who invented the paper towel should be pensioned by a grateful government, instead of being forced to remain in hiding. This towel is made of a low grade of wood pulp and a circulation of air, and when thrust violently against a two-day beard is harder to pry loose than or towel, but the law does not say anything about giving a man a room next to an all-night poker party or a bed alongside a steam radiator which can't be shut off by anybody except a licensed plumber. This teaches us that in some respects the law is a crude and ignominious failure.

Rippling Rhymes

SOLEMN SANCTITY

Some pious men are on this earth, who think that any kind of mirth is sacrilege or sin, and they would tumble from their perch if any one should enter church and wear a cheerful grin. So gloomy is their house of prayer, you'd almost think a corpse was there awaiting for the hearse; all festive words their souls annoy, and they will squelch the signs of joy with chapter and with verse. "Serve Him with mirth; His praise foretell." I've heard the grand old anthem swell, all through my passing years; but those who sing it sing as though His service meant the depths of woe, and misery and fears. Why make your creed a doleful thing? Why pull long faces when you sing, or grovel when you pray? Jehovah made this world so glad, he doesn't mean us to be sad throughout our little stay. I do not often seek the Kirk, because if ever smile or snirk my tollown features wore, a deacon'd dr. and push me down the aisle and through the large cathedral door.

WAR BULLETINS.

Raid on the German trenches resulted in the capture of many prisoners, with practically no casualties to the British.

Prince Henry of Bavaria was wounded on the battlefield, but not seriously, a Munich despatch says.

Victory was won by the Italians on Mount Isidore.

History of Sugar.

Sugar, which we are being asked to economize, bears something of its history in its name, which is believed to derive, through various modifications—the French sucre, Spanish azucar, and Arabic sakkar—from the Sanskrit, Sharkara. It was in India, apparently, that cane sugar in the dry granulated state was first prepared. The date of the introduction of sugar to England is uncertain, but large quantities of Egyptian sugar were imported via Venice in the Middle Ages. In very early times the use of sugar appears to have been unknown. The sweet sap of the Indian weed seems to have been first cultivated in the country extending from Cochinchina to Bengal. Thence it was imported to Europe under the name of saccharum, and used in medicine. It was in the seventh century that the art of sugar-bolting was carried to China from India, but Egyptians taught the Chinese sugar refining.—Tit-Bits.

Many Cantabs at Front.

Austin Fabb, the printer of the Cambridge Review, has been collecting statistics since the war began to show the part taken by Cambridge men, past and present, in the great war. He has just issued his sixth list of the men on active service. Trinity has sent 2,670 men into the forces, while Pembroke an number 1,164 and Caius 1,147. Of the other colleges half a dozen have at least 600 on their war list, these being Clare with 815 names, Emmanuel 720, Trinity Hall 641, Christ's 627, King's 602, and Jesus 600. The grand total for the university amounts to 11,834.

The casualty list grows daily, and already 2,000 Cambridge men have been reported as killed, wounded, or missing. Most of these were officers.

Premier Hughes' Advice.

The Hon. W. M. Hughes, Australia's Prime Minister, recently visited the Bowdoin-Coutts Schools at Westminster, where he was scholar, choir-boy, bell-ringer, and pupil teacher. "Live a simple, honest, straightforward life," he told the boys, "telling as few lies as possible, no lies that are mean and petty, and doing no mean or petty thing. When you have found out what you want in life hold on to it—stick to it with all your soul and all your strength, and it will be yours."

A Pensioner's Record.

A unique record has been achieved by an Army pensioner of Bramley, Yorkshire. He is sixty-seven years of age, has served twenty-two years in the Army, and has reared thirty-one children, including twelve daughters. Sixteen of his sons are serving in the fighting forces.

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