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SCARED BLUE.

The Conservatives of Ontario are scared over the prohibition issue. With a splendid display of heroics, since proven insincere, they invoked prohibition until after the war. Now they are alarmed. The Ridgeway Dominion comes out nakedly, yet candidly, for a change of policy. It says: "The question will be, to decide whether it is up to the Hearst Government to go forward to certain defeat or to retrace its steps in part at least on the temperance question and to get in touch and sympathy once more with the electors of Ontario. Surely the temperance people, Liberals or Conservatives, do not expect the Hearst Government with eyes wide open to deliberately sacrifice itself at the behest of men who merely think they want prohibition and refuse to vote for a Government that gives it to them."

THE GERMAN CHARACTER

More than forty years ago Henry Ward Beecher wrote Germany down as a nation of hypocrites. In the light of German lies and deceit in this war, what the great preacher said in 1876 can be keenly appreciated now. "It is wonderful what had neighbors poor Germany seems to have. There is that great hectoring Belgium trying to pick a quarrel with her. There is France, recovering from her great defeat with a rapidity which shows very little consideration for Germany's feelings. Austria, too, retains her sovereignty over twelve million subjects of German race, which, of course, is exasperating to the Empire. And don't Holland and Denmark persist in holding on to their nice bits of seacoast with an obstinacy as annoying as Naboth's of old? And isn't there the Pope, who, as every one knows, has countless armies at his back ready to march to Berlin? It really looks as if poor Germany might feel obliged to go to war with somebody, just to keep the peace? And to make her cause harder, the un sympathizing persist in thinking that if there is a war in Europe at present, it will probably be because Germany—or the group of soldiers who rule Germany—choose it."

THE DECEPTION GOES ON.

The man is not the only victim of misplaced confidence. The woman is occasionally caught, and in the realm where she is supposed to reign supreme. The man is an adept in the examination of some kinds of catalogues. He has been studying them in his business for many years, perhaps, and knows exactly what certain signs and symbols mean. When he gets a catalogue of some departmental house into his hands, however, and his eye is dazzled with the splashes of color he sees in it, judiciously distributed, he is carried away and proceeds to do some fool act at once. That is not surprising. But it is surprising to see some young women, who ought to know better, snap at a supposed bargain as the guileless fish snaps at the feathered hook which the expert angler drops before it.

The Whig's cartoonist must have been convenient when the two women opened and proceeded to dissect a box of finery which one of them had ordered from afar. The togethery was there, with something of the check and cut and color described in the catalogue, but, oh, what a fraud! A glance from the

picture in the catalogue to the real thing was enough. Sold again, shabbily and unconsciously. It takes time in which to educate the people into the value of home trading. It takes times in which to cultivate that co-operation which is absolutely necessary in community building. The campaign of nearly a year in Kingston has left its effects. Presently there will be an end to these appeals, for there will be no more occasion for them.

INFLATED GERMAN HOPES.

The "German Colonial Society" is determined that the Imperial Government shall keep in view the interests of overseas Germany. It has resolved that the conquered German colonies shall be given back to the Empire, and that expiation shall be offered to the natives and German planters for all damage done materially and otherwise. German interests have been injured, and the German cause insulted. For all this adequate compensation must be demanded. The Colonial Society states that for political and economic reasons it is absolutely necessary that all colonies possessed by Germany before the outbreak of the war must be restored, and not only restored, but with additional territory. In a lengthy communication to the press the Society explains that unless this demand is insisted on German prestige in Africa will be diminished, and in numerous districts the black-white-red flag of the Empire will be brought into disrepute. It is absolutely necessary, we are told, that native Africans shall be in no doubt as to who is victor in this world-war. "If we are victorious in the European theatres of war we must leave no doubt in the minds of African natives that we are also victorious in Africa."

Colonies, we are told, are not mere matters of economic interest. They are closely identified with Germany's position in the world, and it would be absurd were Germany to acquiesce in the capture of these great regions and admit thereby that German might was unable to hold what German enterprise had acquired. What Germany wants and what she will get are two different things.

Berlin announces that works of French masters are being destroyed at Peronne by the French guns. It is France's misfortune that she must fire on her own cities, but in good time Germany will pay.

FOR A GREATER EMPIRE

Lloyd-George, the British secretary of war, recognized the part that Canadian troops were playing in the war by reviewing them as the first act of the kind since his assumption of the office. Canada, he said, had done marvelously well. "I am here to thank Canada for her contribution in this war. The brilliant description of the battle of Ypres when you saved Calais will be read for many long days with Britain's gratitude. Just as the Rocky Mountains hurl back the storms from the west, so did these heroes at Ypres break the hurricane of German fury. They held high the honors of Canada and saved the British army. You have the gratitude as well as the admiration of every man, woman and child in these islands. It is a great struggle for freedom, but in the struggle we are a federation of this great empire for an even greater empire in the future."

The British minister hits upon one of the vital and splendid traits which the British Empire will reap from this war. The federation of the empire has been brought about in a way and degree that never could have been attained but for this war. When the war has been ended and we have settled back into the conditions of peace, remarks the London Free Press, the world will look out upon a British Empire more compact, more real and inseparable, than any could have supposed to be possible. The large questions of the unity of the empire have been disposed of. We are of one mind that the empire shall continue as a grouping of powerful nations having ties of blood and mutual interest that bind us together as with hands of steel. Hereafter there will be no doubt in any mind as to what it means to affront and attack the empire.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Russia has abandoned grog herself, but she has made Austria groggy.

Verdun—it was well said of you that you held the keys of death for Germany.

Ontario has the poorest system of protection from forest fires of any of the provinces.

Germany alleges that Russia began the war. But Russia has only begun to fight now.

The popular and most appropriate interpretation of that old degree of B.A. now is "British Advance."

It sounds like an anomaly to say

that the Teutons are getting it in the neck on five fronts, but such, nevertheless is the fact.

The utilitarian feature of the auto is being developed today to a greater extent than the pleasure seeking side ever attempted. Proof of this is found in the numerous garages that are to be seen in many of the strictly agricultural sections of Ontario.

The German authorities, in taking the food census, will even investigate the stocks in private households. Perhaps they will not find everything they are looking for. The announcement is likely to cause numerous householders to hide whatever preserved sausages they have in stock in chimneys and other secret places. A two-pound salami, or a string of knockwurst, is as valuable in Germany today almost as a scuttie full of iron money.

The new Parliament Buildings will cost ten million dollars if Hon. Robert Rogers, minister of public works, is permitted to carry through the plan he has undertaken, says the London Advertiser. Not one word from Parliament or the people has been received to give Rogers the right to proceed, yet he has let a contract, and has had the walls of the old building torn down, despite the testimony of architects that they were, on the whole, sound, and represented a value of at least \$2,000,000.

PUBLIC OPINION

The Reason. (Detroit Free Press) The reason there are so many divorces is because girls don't pick their husbands as carefully as they do their hats.

Going to Extremes. (Manchester Guardian) The attempt to make a fashion of shabbiness during the war is not likely to succeed. And it is not necessary.

Honor for Mr. Baillie. (Toronto Globe) How would it do to confer Col. Wesley Allison's honorary colonelcy on F. W. Baillie, the head of the Hamilton firm that turned three-quarters of a million of war contract profits into the public treasury?

Doubt. (New York Sun) The Kaiser says to his army: "With God's gracious help I am convinced that your future deeds will equal those of the past and a present." Surely some of the deeds referred to were not done "with God's gracious help."

Over 8,000,000 Teutons Lost. (Montreal Star) The Teutons have lost over 8,000,000 men during these two years of war. Dug end to end, their graves would form a trench four times around the whole frontier of Germany, sea and land. But the

Random Reels

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

THE BEE. The bee is a small, nervous insect with a roaming disposition and a sharp, inquisitive stinger. Those who have met this stinger when it was working at high voltage declare that it leaves one of the most and pleasant sensations known to the cuticle of man.

The bee was put on earth in the first place for the purpose of producing honey. It was not intended that the bee should turn aside from this beneficent task to assault people who had unintentionally sat down upon it, but this occurs every day; thus proving that behind mild and humane countenance the average bee hides the instincts of a head. Even at camp meeting the bee pursues his endearing way, causing large, blue bumps to arise on the neck and calves of preacher and layman alike. The true test of a man's religion is to come out from camp meeting in a high state of exaltation and after sitting down carefully upon the apertuous stinger of an embittered bee rise and sing of the long meter doxology. This is a great deal better test of true religion than stalling away from church whenever a collection is about to be taken for home missions. The bee does not believe in equal

Simply Murder. (New York Herald) Food scarcity in Germany may justify a diet reduction for prisoners to the limit of what is absolutely necessary for the support of health. To go beyond this is simply murder if persisted in. The laws of nature and humanity dictate that if prisoners cannot be fed they must be released or exchanged.

Hidden From the Germans. (London Spectator) Fifteen years ago Lieutenant-General Smuts was in arms against us. Now he writes his dispatches like any other British general: "My lord, in accordance with your instructions, I assumed command of His Majesty's forces," and so on. There is a secret imbedded there which is hidden from the Germans.

KINGSTON EVENTS

25 YEARS AGO

Blackberries were plentiful to-day, at 60 cents per pair.

The last census places the population of Frontenac County at 13,500. Efforts are being made to have the car works at Belleville removed to Kingston.

THE ORIGIN OF "JOHN BULL."

An answer to an inquiry as to the origin of "John Bull": Every country has a nickname and is represented in pictures by an animal. The British lion is the animal that stands for England, and John Bull is its owner and master. The lion is the counterpart of John Bull in the nation. The name of John Bull comes from a work written by John Arbuthnot, a witty doctor and writer, a great friend of Swift and Pope. He was born in 1667 in Scotland and died in 1735. The sketch he wrote dealt with political affairs of Europe at the time, and the countries were made to appear as men and women. England was John Bull and Queen Elizabeth was Mrs. Bull. The church was Mr. Bull's mother. Scotland was John Bull's sister Peg, England, the nation and country was made to appear like a good-natured man but not without faults. As roast beef and plum pudding are the national dishes, the name of Bull answered well. John was shown to be an honest, plain dealing man, courageous and rather hot-tempered. He was always supposed to be ready to meet the French king with any sort of weapon, in earnest and in play. He was difficult to deal with, especially if anyone tried to master him. Treated with kindness and a little flattery, he could be led like a child.

ALL THE MEMBERS ARE RESPONSIBLE.

It is wrong to speak of prohibition in Germany, sea and land. It is a government measure. The Ontario Government is responsible for it, is entitled to the credit, and must share in the responsibility and the risk. If any Ontario minister was opposed to it he ought to have resigned. All the party supporters of Mr. Hearst and the government are responsible. They considered it in the caucus, and they approved of it as a body. If there were men who objected to it, they did not give effect to their objections. They did not leave the government or the party.

Random Reels

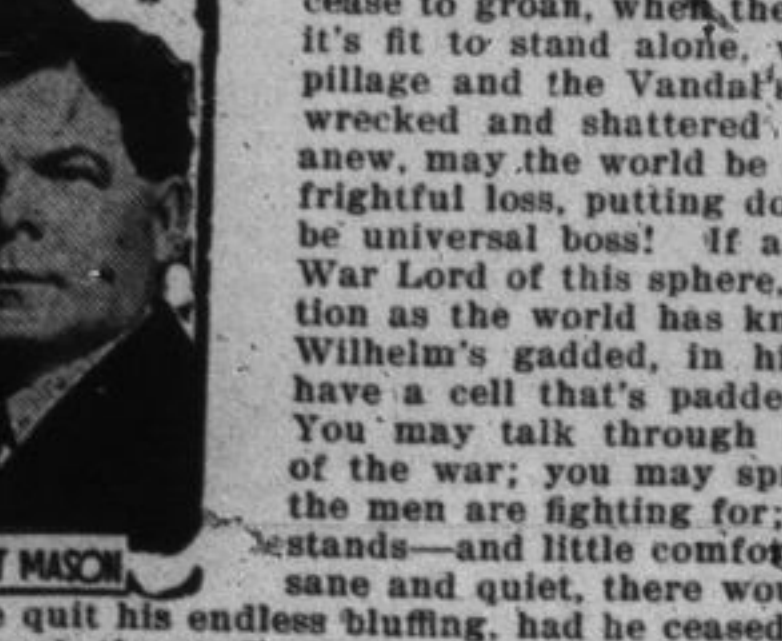
THE BEE. The male bee is not allowed to look or dress any different than any other bee, and is the most henpecked individual in existence. It is a sad sight to see a swarm of masculine bees trooping, boosed by a queen bee who probably does not know how to vote the Australian ballot. There is nothing more humiliating, unless it is the sight of a full-grown husband who has become so cowed that he has to fall on both knees in order to get a second helping of the pie plant pie.

The drone is a member of the bee family which toils not, neither doth it spin. It has been very successfully imitated by thousands of energetic citizens who have solved the problem of how to live without work and yet maintain a battery of sport shirts that would choke a shoe drummer's trunk.

Rippling Rhymes

AFTER THE WAR

When the weary war is ended and the nations cease to groan, when the Right has been defended till it is fit to stand alone, when the Hun has ceased to pillage and the Vandals' work is through, when the wrecked and shattered village starts to build itself anew, may the world be saner, wiser, chastened by its frightful loss, putting down the king or Kaiser who'd be universal boss! If a crazy king's ambition to be War Lord of this sphere, threatens such a dire condition as the world has known this year, if he gads as Wilhelm's gadded, in his military pride, he should have a cell that's padded, where the lunatics abide. You may talk through forty seasons of the causes of the war; you may spring a hundred reasons that the men are fighting for; but this fact above the riot stands—and little comfort yields: Had Old Bill been sane and quiet, there would be no bloodsoaked fields, he'd knock the stuffing from this nation and from that, he'd knock his hat, he'd knock his headpiece, he'd knock his rattled, had he known less martial heat, all the nations now embattled would be busy growing wheat. When the bugles sound "Cease Firing," let us block the little game of the monarch who's aspiring to an Alexander's fame.



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PROMPT DELIVERY

A French torpedo boat destroyer torpedoed an Austrian submarine Tuesday, north of the island of Cortu.

The latest Prussian official casualty list adds 67,461 to the Prussian losses, making a total of 2,917,387 since the beginning of the war.