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Talk about loyalty! Sauerkraut in New York city is to be re-christened "Liberty cabbage."

Boar Law says he expects that Russia will ultimately pay her debts. That will be good news to holders of Russian securities in this city.

Fifteen days' supply of flour only can be stocked, according to the new regulations. Householders defying this law are liable to punishment.

Gasoline is selling at \$6 a gallon in Germany. There are 1,200 automobile owners in Kingston who are thankful they don't live in that unhappy land.

A Chinese army is on its way to the western front. Thus the Orient joins with the Occident in the determination to overthrow German barbarism.

The saloons in the United States are being rapidly driven out of business. This week 3,295 bars in Michigan and 500 bars in New Hampshire closed their doors.

One commendable feature of the new war taxes is that a larger toll than heretofore will be taken from the incomes of the rich. The luxuries and not the necessities of life are put under tribute.

There is one man, at least, who practices what he preaches. Lord Rhonda, British Food Controller, became so ill from the effects of extreme war dieting that he has been forced to resign his arduous duties.

Le Canada, a French-Canadian organ, styles the Union cabinet at Ottawa "the Cabinet of Death" and declares that it is happy that no French-Canadian forms part of it.

The Khaki Call, the official organ of the returned soldiers, advocates the creation of a "Memorial Day" for Canada, similar to Decoration Day in the United States.

Under the new regulations, 12,000 class A men in Montreal, between the ages of twenty and twenty-two, will report for duty.

Trapping and woodcraft flourished in the days when Eastern Ontario was a virgin forest, but one might be excused for thinking that these occupations were now things of the remote past.

A. G. deBrughe, of the Tin Cap, near Brockville, has just completed a most successful season of trapping. His catch consisted of twenty-one skunks, eight coons, twenty red foxes, four minks, twenty-four weasels and 168 muskrats.

NEWSPAPERS HARD HIT.

Since the war started about 1,200 American newspapers have gone under and over 500 others have amalgamated with contemporaries.

NO MATERIAL AVAILABLE.

In the House of Commons on Monday a Quebec member was told a very plain truth in a very plain way by the Prime Minister.

Mr. Du Tremblay: "I wish to ask if it is the intention of the government to organize a French-Canadian brigade under the new Military Service Regulations?"

Sir Robert Borden: "The Minister of Militia and Defence will give a reply at some later date to my hon. friend. I do not think that there is any material available just at present to organize a brigade."

The material for brigades from Quebec is conspicuous by its absence.

A NOVEL METHOD.

New Zealand has developed a novelty in taxation, or rather in the combination of taxing principles with the fine art of raising a loan.

Dr. Bruce on Commission. London, May 3.—An important British Commission will shortly visit the United States.

Strip People of Clothing. London, May 3.—So acute is the scarcity of clothing in Germany that men and women are being attacked daily by ruffians in the streets of Berlin.

New German Financial Group. London, May 3.—A new financial group is to be established in Germany by the Hohenlohe family.

Spy Shot At Paris. Paris, May 3.—A Swiss citizen Nivergelet by name, was executed as a spy at dawn yesterday at Vincennes.

FOOD GRUMBLERS. Some womenfolk who frequent restaurants in Ottawa declare they actually rise from their meals feeling hungry.

MOVIES AT THE FRONT. The Y.M.C.A. War Work Council of the United States is developing an interesting work of great possibilities among the soldiers at the front.

Public Opinion. That Kitchener Rumor. If Kitchener has been taken prisoner by the enemy, how long do you suppose the enemy would have kept the secret?

The Issue. The issue of this war is not merely democracy or autocracy. It is also Christianity or Kultur—only another name for brutishness.

Knows The Hun. When summer comes, and the women and children are at the beaches, no doubt the German air-fleet will raid the east coast of England again.

The Usual Way. When the Germans begin to "beat it" back the Kaiser will forget that he started the big offensive of three weeks ago, and will begin at once to find a "goat."

Advice to Ireland. Ireland ought to take another quick look at Belgium and dismembered Poland and jump into the game of beating Germany with more zeal than ever.

BABY ESCAPED UNHURT. But Two British Soldiers With It Were Killed. With the British Armies in France, May 3.—A French baby was found by two British signalmen during the fighting in Flanders.

A VEGETABLE RESERVOIR. A Mexican Plant That Hoards Moisture in its Stem. In the desert of Sonora, Mexico, there is a plant, the guarequi, which hoards its water supply.

Michael Carmody, Montreal, a one-time resident of Smith's Falls, who is one of the oldest and one of the best engineers in the employ of the C.P.R., is the first to have his name painted in gold letters on the engine he runs.

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The base of the stem is swollen to form a hard woody structure, which in time attains the size of a large squash. The gray of the sands of Sonora is imitated in the color of the covering of the mass, which presents the appearance of a worn boulder projecting above the sand, and the structure is almost as hard as stone.

It is really nothing more than a vegetable reservoir designed to hoard up the scanty moisture and dole out the precious fluid in time of need. In many instances this stored moisture would be precious to man or beast, but the natives say the liquor is poisonous.

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AN HOUR GAINED. I set the clock an hour ahead, one night before I went to bed; 'twas at the government's request and I obeyed the mild behest. A greater sacrifice than that I'd gladly make, you bet your hat. And so, as I've already said, I set the clock an hour ahead; and now I get up with the birds and greet the dawn with fervent words; I see the good old sun arise and climb the well-known eastern skies. It is a wondrous thing, I say, this breaking of another day. Like countless jays, I always slept while rosy-faced Aurora swept night's clouds and cobwebs from the sky, and let the best of life go by. While morning miracles took place I snored a deep sepulchral bass; in my soft couch I lay asleep, and snored "The Cradle of the Deep." While morning spread its gorgeous hues, its purples, violets and blues, I snored, with rhythm deep and slow, "The Heart Bowed Down by Weight of Woe." By wisdom's admonition-'led, I set the clock an hour ahead; at 9 o'clock I made it 10, and now I get up with the hen, and see the greatest show on earth, and caper with exceeding mirth. The hour I gain at dawn of day is worth a fortnight in the hay. —WALT MASON.

THINGS THAT NEVER HAPPEN



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