"My Three Years in a German Prison"

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famous general passed. I had a dis- conducted themselves always in a treatment of some sort, but tinet view of his features. When we manner absolutely above reproach. got back to the jail my companion announced with great gusto to his fellow-officers that he had seen Gen- one of the non-commissioned officers eral Hindenburg. As they received submitting this question to the Brithis announcement with incredulity, ish prisoners: "When shall we have I was called upon to corroborate the peace?" The answer was invariably statement of my escort, and then they the same: "We did not know" How looked upon me with actual envy. could we? However, the question According to their view of thinking gave the Prussians an excuse for pro-I was one of the luckiest men on longing a conversation, during which times she would be so dizzy she earth! The miere sight of so great a we would be told that Germany wish- would have to put her hand general, they thought, should be re- ed for peace, but that the obstacle something steady like the back of garded as a red-letter day in a man's was England. On mo. a than one oc- a chair to keep from falling. She life history! Such was their venera- cassion several among us-notably a suffered from nervousness so that tion, respect, and admiration for the Belgian name Dumont, who never some nights she could hardly sleep chief-of staff. Bismarck in all his minced his words-retorted: "But at all, and she never did know what glory was never arrayed in such a why did you start the war?" On it was to get a good night's rest. halo of glory as Hindenburg wore in one occasion a non-commissioned of She kept growing weaker and weakthe mind's-eye of the Germans of ficer, to whom this question was di- er, and was so bad off that twice in that day.

The German people are not demon- neither did she start it. strative. They are taciturn and "You are quite right; you are a know what else to do when a lady dreamy. One day I was on the sta- thousand times right as to starting friend of hers told about Tanlac. tion platform waiting for the train to it," cried Dumont ,giving expression bought the first bottle about three take me and my guard to the park. to his anti-German sentiments, The noon editions of the newspapers was not Germany that started were on sale and were being bought war. We, the Belgians, started it!!!" with avidity. They contained some The remark was greeted with gensensational story or another. It was, eral laughter, and the non-commisaccording to the best of my memory, sioned officer, in confusion, turned on the report of the Austro-German of- his heels and left us. fensive directed against the Italians in November, 1917. The advance on the enemy and the capture of forty thousand prisoners were announced in scare headings.

After glancing over the news myself, I turned to observe the attitude of the readers around me. I continued my observations as the train moved out of the station, and I did not notice one smile among the whole crowd of Germans; nor was there any apparent desire on the part of any man to discuss the events with his neighbor. To them the news appeared to be one of the most natural events in the world. I asked myself: Have these people commenced to realize that all these victories do not Bring the war any nearer to the end they desire? Or, has their feeling of enthusiasm become deadened by three years of unrelenting fight? leave it to the reader to appreciate now, in the light of subsequent ev-

The first American citizen interned in the Stadtvogtei was an unhealthylooking man whose name I now forget. It was during the absence of Mr. Gerard, the United States Ambassador, in the month of October, 1916, I believe. This man claimed that he never would have been interned if Mr. Gerard had been in Berlin. He often expressed to us fears as to the security of Mr. Gerard. He was under the impression that Germany desired his disappearance, and that on his return to Germany the United States. Ambassador ran a great danger of being sent to the bottom of the sea, He was convinced that Mr. Gerard was extremely hated in Berlin and two years ago today, January 31, was considered the enemy of Ger- 1917. man's interests.

It may not be out of place to mention here that at one time there was quite a controversy in the German newspapers concerning Mrs. Gerard. Certain sheets had accused Mrs. Gerard of lack of good manners, and this Central Ontario Fairs Association to the extent of having on one occasion pinned the Iron Cross to the



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CHAPTER XXV. (Continued.) | collar of her pet dog and to have pro- Railway and a valued employee of artistry of metropolitan artists. in the course of one of my walks menaded the streets of Berlin with the company for twenty-three years. of the German people the great that the semi-official newspaper Le home at 116 South Church street, General Hindenburg. Accompanied Gazette de l'Allemagne du Nord" Olatha, Kansas. by an officer, he was driving in an published an editorial on the subject. "Mrs. Spivy has been in poor automobile along the street which It was therein stated that the allega- health for fourteen years," he conborders the Tiergarten. My escort tions against Mrs. Gerard were false tinued, "and almost every month and I were on the sidewalk when the and that Mr. and Mrs. Gerard had during that time she was

> 'Very seldom a day passed without rectly put, insisted that Germany the past six years she was given up never wished nor planned the war, to die. We thought we had tried

(To be continued.)

WAR BUZZLES



FRENCH TOOK TWO GERMAN And a number of prisoners in Alsace,

Find a prisoner. YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

Upside down at right shoulder,

MET AT BELLEVILLE.

ent of fairs, was present and gave an loan, but was refused. interesting and practical address in Not being able to obtain any monwas not altogether in the interest of farmers that high prices should prevail as had prevailed during the war. It would be much better for the farm

ers if normal prices prevailed again. Officers were, selected as follows. President, A. McFarlane, Melrose; Hay, Campbellford; Auditors, J. A. Alternative, A. Nicholson. Belleville, arles would have to be provided

Parliament To Meet Feb. 11th. Parliament, according to p Prime Minister Lloyd-George Andrew Bonar Law, the Government tending. The time used in giving the throne. Sir James Lowther will be re-elected speaker of the House,

from Laibach says that King Peter of Serbia, who has been ill for some time, has suffered a second stroke of apoplexy."

Western Publisher Dead.

Portland, Ore., Jan. 31.—Henry here have re-opened under Allied control. Only small sums of gold Western Publisher Dead. land Oregonian for nearly sixty and silver were found in the vaults, years, died last night. He was the bulk of the currency being paeighty-three years old.

NEIGHBORS ALL TALKING ABOUT IT

Spivy Says Wife Does Work First Time in 12 Years— Gains 28 Pounds.

never got any relief that we could notice. She had no appetite, there were mighty few things she could eat, and what little she did force down soured on her stomach and gas would form and make her so miserable that she would have to lie down for awhile. She almost always had an awful pain in the small of her back, and she suffered from blinding headaches and someeverything to help her and didn't months ago, and almost at once she began to show her strength was coming back, but the wonderful improvement has been in the past two

"She has a good appetite now. thing has been the matter with her times not that, nerves they are so quiet now, and It has all been done ungrudgingshe sleeps about nine hours every ly, gladly, to help in the great work night. She has gotten so strong the country has had before it. But that she is doing all the housework now that the war is over it is time for our family of six and doesn't that the musician be restored to his mind it a bit, and it is the first proper place so far as his legitimate time in twelve years that she had fees are concerned. Those enerbeen able to do any work at all. She getic committees which have taken is more like she used to be fifteen it for granted that the meagre pubyears ago than I ever hoped to see licity attached to the average conher, and I feel just like everybody cert appearance is sufficient in the else that knows of her improvement way of compensation for the sacri-

Fernleigh by Ervin Martin, in Ar-lits fruits. dock by M. J. Scullion, in Sharbot Lake by W. Y. Cannon.

BREMEN CITY REDS WERE STARVED OUT

Ended by Lack of Funds.

Tageblatt, of Berlin, came to an end, Scots, showed the influence of French but because the Radicals were finan-

cially "starved out." The Spartacans, following the usual practice, appropriated the various funds of the city at the beginning of their rule. The Spartacans paid their supporters until the com-Belleville, Jan. 31 .- The annual paratively limited sums were exmeeting of the Central Ontario Fairs hausted, when the high salaries and Association was held here and was application for the unemployed attended by many delegates, J. ceased, The Workmen's and Soldiers' Lockie Wilson, Toronto, superintend- Council then asked the banks for a

CONDITIONS IN PETERBORO

Cannot Get Teachers, Must Raise Sal-

Peterboro, Jan. 31.—Eleven pub-1st Vice-President, Clem H. Ketche- lic schools are closed and nine are son, Sidney; 2nd Vice-President, A. without qualified teachers in East Nicholson, Madoc; Sec.-Treas., Dr. Peterboro, according to a report submitted to the Peterboro County Kerr, Belleville; M. J. Hill, Madock; Council by Richard Lees, Public Representative to the Provincial School Inspector. The inspector ad-Fair Association, T. A. McFarlane; vised the councillors that higher sal was chosen as the next place of educational retrogression would continue in the county. The trustee found themselves unable to securperience at the old rate of salary. The enza epidemic. There are only two average loss was about four weeks.

> Sailors Boycott German Food. Copenhagen, Jan. 31 .- The Nor wegian sailors' organization has sist in carrying food to Germany members of their organization who

Germans Re-open Bank. Constantinople, Jan. 31.—The Ger-

"You ought to hear the way our to millions of homes the best per- Philip II wished to entrust the eduneighbors are talking about Tanlac formances of the world's supreme cation of his children. since my wife's recovery," said W. musicians, and made it possible for From that time to the present the A. Spivey, motorman No. 95, for the the most isolated settler in the wilds list of women composers is fairly Kansas City Metropolitan Street of civilization to hear nightly the fine continuous. The change from coun-

in the park during the last year of the animal thus "dressed up." The He and his wife and interesting revolution; but the half of its influ-conditions, Francesca Caccini and my imprisonment, I saw the then idol alleged incident created such a stir family of children live in their own ence has not yet been fully appreci- others in Italy composing operas as ated or taken advantage of by those well as madrigals. France, too, who have musical education seriously soon became a home of opera; and at heart. There has been until quite Elizabeth Claude de la Guerre won recently a more or less scornful ac- some success in this field, earning the ceptance of the talking machine by respect of Louis XIV. music teachers and musical educapraise," which has-retarded the use of the phonograph as a means

are now, of course, open to ridicule, since artists of far higher musical authority than themselves use the talking machine as a vehicle to place their performances before the public. It is worthy of note, to, that those who hear the great artists via the phonograph are often treated to a better rendering of a given number than those who hear the artist in the flesh on the concert platform or the operatic stage . And this, for the eason that the artist, who is recording will often perform the piece from ten to fifteen times, improving the rendering by a study of the record previously made, until the final record is well nigh perfect.

As far as the ordinary household is concerned, the phonograph must be as close to reaching a "saturation point" as it perhaps ever will; but the greater sphere of usefulness in the school is as yet almost untouch-

Calling Should Not be Cheapened. One of the by products of the war has been a universal demand that and can eat anything she wants musicians gave their service, free of like apples, cabbage, pies and cost, to all descriptions of charity, meats of any kind. Any one of war relief, funds for all sorts of salthese things before she began to vation and comfort. The musician take Tanlac were just like poison to has answered that call with unwaverher. She doesn't suffer a bit from ing accord. He has given more than sour stomach or gas and she gets his artistic services; he has gone to so much good from what she eats personal expense to make that serthat she has gained twenty-eight vice possible. The printer has repounds in the past two month she ceived pay for his programmes; the is entirely rid of that pain ... her hall rentals have been paid, but the back and the headaches are gone, musician has received nothing more too. Nobody could tell that any- than a committee's thanks -some-

that Tanlac is the best medicine fice made by the artist who contributes to its success must be given to Tanlac is sold in Kingston by A. understand that the professional mu-P. Chown, in Plevna by Gilbert Ost- sicians' calling is not to be cheapler, in Battersea by C. S. Clark, in ened by a never-ending donation of

Some Women Composers. With the development of contrapuntal music, women composers of higher position began to appear. In the sixteenth century, they were to be found in many countries. Italy offered Maddalena Casulana, Vittoria Domination in German Port Aleotti, Francesca Caccini (daughter Calegari, Catterina Assandra, and several others, who composed tets, madrigals, and finally operas. Berlin, Jan. 31.—The Spartacan France boasted of Clementine de domination of the Germa port of Bourges, a really gifted composer. Bremen; according to reports to the The unfortunate Mary, Queen of



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Phonograph as Means of Teaching. were successful in their day. Mad-Just as moving pictures popular- elka Bariona was a German composized the great histrionic artists and er of the same period. Another regave them nightly audiences of many markally gifted woman was Bernada millions, so the phonograph has given de Lacerda, of Portugal, to whom

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