

HEARD ON THE SIDE

A story is being told about an elopement which took place in the city recently. A short time ago a man was given the position of janitor of one of the local churches. He filled the bill well, and a woman whom he introduced as his wife helped him in his work. A few days ago the couple mysteriously disappeared, and following their disappearance there were developments of a sensational nature. A strange man appeared on the scene, who was in search of his wife, and when shown a photograph of the missing woman, members of the congregation stated that the picture was that of the woman who had posed as the wife of the missing janitor. As far as can be learned, the missing couple have not yet been located.

The weather has been so mild this winter that the local plumbers cannot realize that it is really the winter season.

"Just had six calls all winter for frozen taps," said one plumber on Saturday. "Last winter I was rushed with orders all the time; in fact, it was hard to cope with the work."

This appears to be the experience of all the local plumbers, but, the man of the house, who has so many ways of spending his money, is greatly pleased over the open winter.

Here is a most pleasing piece of news. A local grocer, who carries on a big business, was heard to remark that he felt sure that within twelve months the price of food-stuffs would be about normal.

Eggs are taking a drop in price, but they will have to take a bigger dip to compare with the prices twenty-five years ago. The Whig files of a quarter of a century ago state that eggs were plentiful at fifteen cents a dozen. Although eggs were plentiful on the market on Saturday at 40 cents, there was one man going the rounds of the houses who had the nerve to ask eighty cents a dozen for what he had. He did not do a rushing business.

Wolfe Islanders were always noted for having the dancing craze, but judging by the number of dances advertised in Kingston, it does not look as if the Limestone City is going to take a back seat in this respect. The latest to join the happy throng of dancers are the local "posties," who are going to hold forth at the city hall Friday night.

Long skirts are coming in again—and just in time to help out in the spring cleaning of the streets. A few of the new creations have been noticed on the streets the past few days.

We are soon to say good-bye to our conductorettes. If some of the lassies could be induced to write a story about their experiences on the Kingston street cars, we feel sure that it would make interesting reading.

There is a plan on foot to have a chair in road-making established at Queen's University. Perhaps the City Council would arrange for Ald Graham and his colleagues on the Board of Works to take this special course.

Here's a new one for the tippers who are complaining that there is not enough "kick" in their two per cent. Put a drop of ether in it. We read about this in a newspaper the other day, but would not advise any person to put it into practice.

When it comes to things out of the ordinary, you must hand it to the court presided over by Justice of the Peace George Hunter. Last Friday a man summoned for an infraction of a war measure act called up Col. Hunter on the telephone and said he was guilty of the charge and would meet his fine. This is certainly cutting down the work of the court.

An Ottawa man had his wife before the police magistrate because she refused to get up in the morning and prepare his breakfast. This was a very small matter to go to court about. How many Kingston men get their own breakfast every day and never make a complaint about it? Lack of space forbids us to give the names of the local "hubbies" who have to do their "bit" along these lines. Kingston "hubbies" are thankful if they can find enough in the larder to have a good meal.

Ice Harvesting Speeding Up. Cape Vincent, N.Y., Feb. 25.—The harvesting of ice is being pushed with all possible haste here. The Booth Fisheries are filling their local house. Cars are also being filled for the railroad.

Fourteen years in the penitentiary is the sentence meted out to William Robertson at Port Hope for assaulting Governor McLaughlin and his wife at the jail, and breaking jail. A party of a dozen prominent men went on the tug Pratt from Port William to Silver Islet, twenty-four miles distant, thus opening that summer resort for the season.

Advertisement for Gillett's Eye Lotion, featuring an illustration of a man's face and the text 'EATS DIRT', 'MADE IN CANADA', and 'GILLETTS EYE LYE'.

NEWS FROM THE DISTRICT. Clipped From the Whig's Many Bright Exchanges. Ten heads of Trenton families were in court for not sending their children to school. Melancthon Roblin, who for many years ran a blacksmith shop in Picton, died in Toronto on Feb. 16th, aged sixty-seven years. Matthew Stinson, who has been in poor health for several weeks past, died at his home in Seymour on Sunday, aged seventy-four years. The death occurred in Seattle, on Feb. 11th, of Mrs. J. L. Barrie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Murphy, former residents of Brockville. Ganansique council has given its approval for the holding of an Old Boys' reunion in that town. It will likely take place next July or August. Walter Mackenzie, Picton, celebrated his eighty-fourth birthday on Saturday. His many friends are pleasant to see him pass another milestone so hale and hearty. Mrs. E. A. Morden died at Vancouver. Deceased was well known in Lennox county. She was formerly

Advertisement for Gray Hair and Hair's Health, featuring an illustration of a woman's face and the text 'Gray Hair', 'Hair's Health', and 'A preparation for restoring natural color to gray or falling hair, for removing dandruff and for a healthy scalp. It is a hair tonic and a hair restorer, ready to use. Price 25c per bottle, 50c per 3 bottles.' The death occurred at her home

Emma Busby, Tamworth. She was highly esteemed and a social worker in the Pacific city. Rev. Mr. Terrill, pastor of the Wellington Methodist church, has received a call to Norwood, and accepted the same, expecting to take up his duties in July. On Feb. 13th a quiet wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John G. Wood, Ivanhoe, when their youngest daughter, Florence Elizabeth, was united in marriage to William Ernest Bateman, Tweed. The Hastings district branch of the Canadian Mining Institute has been formed, with headquarters at Deloro, Ont. The officers are: Chairman, S. B. Wright, Deloro; vice-chairman, George H. Gillespie, Madoc, Ont.; secretary, R. A. Elliott, Deloro. The death occurred at her home at Bayside of Mary Ketcheson, wife of Mrs. James Ketcheson. Mrs. Ketcheson had been ill about one week with pleurisy and pneumonia. The Late James D. Truesdell. Brockville, Feb. 25.—On Friday the death occurred at his residence, Tin Cap, of James D. Truesdell, one of the best known residents of Elizabethtown. He had been ill for the past two years. Deceased was a son of the late H. C. Truesdell, and was born sixty years ago near Potsdam, N.Y. When four years of age he moved with his family to Addison, and some years later took up residence at the Tin Cap. With the exception of five years spent in Watertown, N.Y., and New Haven, Conn., he had spent the rest of his life on the farm where he died. He was educated in Elizabethtown and at the Brockville Grammar school. Some years ago the late Mr. Truesdell was married to Miss Martha, daughter of the late Thomas Mailey, Brockville. She survives, also two sisters, Mrs. Mary Algire and Mrs. F. E. Broadway, both of Grand Forks, N.D. The deceased was one of the progressive farmers in Eastern Ontario.

Advertisement for Sloan's Liniment, featuring the text 'WHEN YOU SUFFER FROM RHEUMATISM', 'Almost any man will tell you that Sloan's Liniment means relief', and 'Sloan's Liniment Kills Pain'. 50c, 60c, \$1.20.

Advertisement for Grand Trunk Railway System, featuring the text 'GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM', 'AGENCY', 'FOR ALL STEAMSHIP LINES', and 'Special attention will be given your family or friends, going to or from the Old Country.' For information and rates apply to J. P. Hanley, C.P. & T.A., G.T. Ry, Kingston, Ont.

Advertisement for Cunard Anchor-Donaldson, featuring the text 'CUNARD ANCHOR ANCHOR-DONALDSON', 'Regular Passenger Services to all British Ports', 'CUNARD LINE TO LONDON', and 'ANCHOR-DONALDSON TO GLASGOW'.

ARE YOU AWARE OF THESE FACTS?

GREAT BRITAIN After March 1st of this year, practically all manufactured goods from other countries will be barred from the United Kingdom, except those imported under special licenses, which at present are difficult to obtain. This regulation amounts to almost total prohibition of imports of manufactured goods, except those purchased directly by the Government of the United Kingdom. The object of this prohibition as announced by the British Government is: To have British goods manufactured in British factories, and thus give employment to the rapidly demobilizing British Army and the war workers.

FRANCE The tradesmen of France, generally speaking, are not permitted to buy manufactured goods from other countries except under special licenses. France is determined to keep her own factories busy and thus furnish employment for French soldiers and war workers.

The industrial systems of Britain and France are disorganized by the transition from war to peace. Consequently, they are being given the greatest measure of protection ever known in history. They are erecting encircling walls to shut out goods manufactured by other countries.

CANADA During the war, Canada scrapped many peace industries for war industries. The reverse is now being carried out. Canada must provide positions for over 200,000 soldiers who are not yet demobilized. When the armistice was signed, there were about 700,000 people employed in Canadian manufacturing establishments. This number included a considerable percentage of the 300,000 soldiers who were discharged during the course of the war, and also the makers of munitions and war material. Canada must use her utmost efforts to retain these in employment or to find them new employment.

Canadian industry during readjustment is not safeguarded by an almost impassable wall similar to those now being erected by Britain and France. Exclusive of the special war tariff, levied generally on imports, both dutiable and free, by the Government for the purpose of raising war revenue, the Canadian Customs tariff in the fiscal year 1918 imposed an average rate of only twenty-one and two-fifths (21.25) per cent. on dutiable goods coming into Canada.

Yet, at this critical time, insistent demands are heard from certain sections of Canada that sweeping tariff reductions must be made immediately without any preliminary study of the probable result on commercial and financial conditions. If these demands are met other countries will be encouraged to dump their surplus manufactured goods into Canada and increase unemployment here.

Shall we tear down even what safeguards we possess, at the very time that older and stronger countries are so greatly increasing theirs?

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