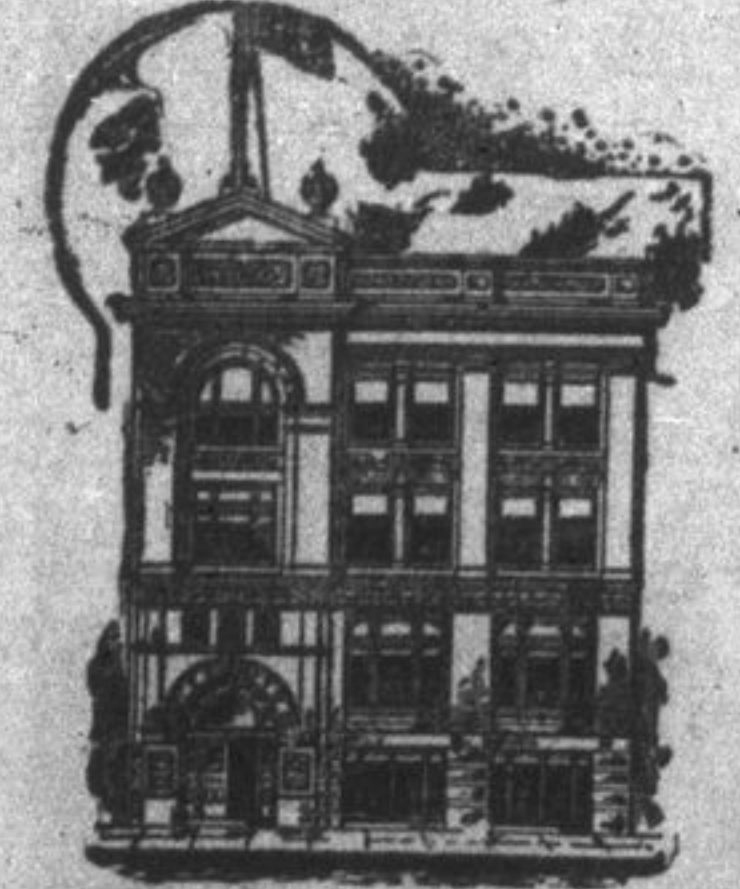


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Save up. Another Victory Loan is just around the corner.

A Canadian steamer, the Royal William, was the first to cross the Atlantic. What a pity that a Canadian airship is not likely to be the first to cross in the air!

Lord George has shown the British people that he does not intend to be a rubber stamp for Lord Northcliffe. And his people admire him all the more for the stand he has taken.

The Montreal Chamber of Commerce has approved of the construction of a tunnel under the St. Lawrence river. The metropolis built one under the mountain, so why not under the river?

Plenty of good movements are inaugurated in Kingston, but we seem to lack the stamina to stay with them until they are put into execution. Isn't that one of our greatest civic failures?

The work of the Humane Society is a noble one. The local organization in this week endeavoring to interest citizens in its activities on behalf of dumb animals. It is deserving of every encouragement.

Montreal and Toronto are squabbling as to which burg ought to be the headquarters of the Canadian National Railway System. Why not settle the dispute by selecting an up-to-date city midway between the two contending places, i.e., Kingston?

The United States, on July 1st next, will revert to 2c letter postage and 1c for postcards. Canada should take similar action. The old rate was more effective, as a revenue producer, than the higher rate.

The story goes that a soldier's life was saved by a bullet striking a button. Many a married man wouldn't stand much of a chance under this condition. This is a paragraph that married men should read aloud to their wives.

The member for Kingston has introduced a bill in the house to constitute divorce courts in Canada. I aim at harmonizing the divorce laws of the country, which are now anything but uniform or satisfactory. The bill will probably meet with the same strong opposition that defeated similar bills in the past.

Rev. Dymon Hague gave some good advice to Wyeliffe College students on Tuesday when he said: "Don't ask for money; preach the gospel. These bazaars, this cooking of pies and all that, are an abomination unto the Lord. If the church is to have any power in the future, it must not be sidetracked with sociological and philanthropic schemes." It is these things that have tended to estrange many men from the church.

A significant comparison has been made between the casualties and the number of troops overseas in the Canadian and American armies. In the Canadian army there were overseas 455,000 men, and during the war the casualties amounted to 215,433. The Americans had 1,450,000 men overseas, and their total casualties were 281,433.

This comparison tells very effectively the great part played in the war by Canada as compared with the United States.

HISTORY'S GRIM PLEASANTRY.

When the first Assyrian Empire was at the height of its magnificence and power there was a monarchy rivalling it in splendor in the north among the mountains of Ararat. This was the Kingdom of the Proto-Armenians, as Prof. Sayce calls them—the fore-runners of the present-day Armenians whose ancestors conquered them, intermarried with them and took over their culture as well as their cities. And of this monarchy the city of Van, still standing and still beautiful, was the capital.

Not one trace of the great Assyrian kingdom or its people remains but the Armenians, though persecuted and oppressed for centuries, are still a vital, heroic race, and those who have survived the massacres and deportations of the last four years believe they are to build up a new and free Armenia.

Multitudes of them are now herded in the streets of Mosul, the ancient Ninevah, just across the river from its excavated ruins. They are on their way home from exile, though sick, weak, starving, so that many will die by the roadside before reaching the goal of their homesick dreams. But the Easter season of 1919 is bringing them a new, revivifying hope and the help of strong hands and generous hearts from across the sea.

A DEBT OF OUR HEROES.

The "Last Post" Naval and Military Contingency Fund is circulating a pamphlet, prepared by Arthur H. D. Fair, honorary secretary of the fund. The object of this association, as stated in one section of the pamphlet, is "to prevail upon the government of Canada and the other partners of the British Empire to consider the wisdom of assuming the responsibility for adequate and decorous interment of those who have faithfully answered the Empire's call, whether they be on the active or retired list at the time of decease, and this in answer to a rational and deep-seated sentiment of the public."

The aims of the association are worthy ones. The desire to ensure that no soldier or sailor shall have a pauper's grave is one in which the vast majority of the citizens of Canada will heartily concur. It is the duty of our country to meet this debt which we owe to our heroes when they go the way of all flesh. It is gratifying to note that the aims of the association have been endorsed by various branches of the G.W.V.A., by various boards of trade, and by individuals high in service of the Empire, both in Canada and in Britain.

The suggestion of the association that a government department known as the "Last Post Department" be created is perhaps puffing the matter on too large a scale, but public sentiment should certainly demand that a branch of the department of militia and defence, pension, or soldiers' civil re-establishment be made responsible for seeing that each and every soldier has a burial fitting for a man who has fought in defence of his Empire and his country. The scheme is a good one, and its merits are ably put forward in this little pamphlet.

PASS THE HOUSING BY-LAW.

No further delay should be countenanced in utilizing a share of the several millions of dollars which are available for the relief of housing conditions, and of which Kingston badly needs its portion. It is true that the housing committee report was adopted at the last meeting of council, and that the city solicitor is drawing up a by-law for submission to the council next Monday. But so far nothing definite has been accomplished. In fact, it is hinted that there is little prospect of the by-law being passed. The majority of the aldermen do not seem to realize that it is up to them to provide for the relief of the housing situation. There has been too much delay already, and things are not being done as quickly as they should. That is exactly where the trouble lies, for if there is to be any tangible amelioration of the housing conditions this summer the work of construction must be promptly begun. The influx of thousands of our men from the front is having its effect upon the housing conditions all over Canada, and in Kingston that is very true. The large numbers of soldiers who have returned are finding it almost impossible to find accommodation, and rapacious landlords are taking advantage of this to boost rentals.

Perhaps never in the history of the city of Kingston has there been such a demand for houses that would suit the masses. Construction was at a standstill during the war, and naturally there is a great shortage. The money which is available, and of which Kingston can have a share by passing the necessary by-law, will make it possible for the returned soldier especially, to whom we owe so much, to

be housed at a moderate rental, or to secure his own house on easy terms. Laggard methods mean added discomfort for those in humble conditions which exist in parts of the city. Every day is precious now, and what is most to be feared is lack of enthusiasm on the part of our aldermen. They have great responsibilities to the citizens who elected them. They have great responsibilities to the community, and it would be well for them to consider whether it is not their duty to enable those who are anxious to do so to take advantage of the Ontario Housing Act by passing the by-law on Monday evening.

An Empire Calendar.

April 26-29, 1849.

Montreal never saw a wilder scene than that which ushered in the dawn of April 26, seventy years ago. The fact that there was little bloodshed was entirely due to the sagacity and the coolness of Lord Elgin, at that time Governor-General, but the incalculable damage that was done through the destruction of the Parliament buildings and the almost complete loss of the splendid library, in addition to the vandals' destruction of many private residences shows the temper of the mob and the inability, or the unwillingness, of the police and military to cope with the rioters. The storm had been brewing for some weeks past, during the heated discussion of the Rebellion Losses Bill, and when the Governor-General came from Monklands to give the royal sanction to the measure, it proved the spark that fired the powder barrel. There was some hostile feeling displayed in the galleries, and Lord Elgin was hissed and hustled as he entered his carriage. Later in the evening a mass meeting was held on the Champ de Mars, in which the leading citizens—who ought to have known better—addressed the crowd. With a wild rush the half-maddened crowd rushed to Youville Square, stood, and after stoning every window, stormed the building, doing wanton damage to the furniture and hangings of the Assembly. This did not satiate the appetite of the mob and fire was set in several places until the whole edifice was in flames. The library of over 20,000 volumes was lost as well as priceless records. Next day the assembly met in Bonsecours Market and the mob continued to have the upper hand, destroying many valuable residences in St. Antoine street. The rioting again rose to a serious stage on April 28th, when Lord Elgin drove to Montreal to prorogue parliament, and he narrowly escaped serious injury, if not death, at the hands of the mob. After this exhibition of mob rule the capital alternated between Toronto and Quebec, until the final choice settled on Ottawa, and thus Montreal lost the opportunity of being the Capital of the Dominion.

Vankleek Hill Appears Annoyed.

Vankleek Hill Review: This man of Parliament for Kingston, must have great digestive apparatus. He "swallowed himself" so completely in the House of Commons last week that not a trace of him can be found. It was a disgusting performance. In other words, Nickle moved a strong resolution (in full accord with Canadian sentiment) to abolish future "titles" in Canada. Then upon the polite request of party politicians he withdrew his resolution and deserted his principles. He is an average Canadian politician.

Rippling Rhymes

WAR BOOKS I'm tired of your stories of sorrow, of bones and helmets of tin, and so I am going to borrow a book that will kick up a grin. Perhaps you will say I am breaking a gallus to find something funny to read. But I am so tired of the trenchers, of chargers and bugles and horns! A book on such topics just wrenches my system clear down to my corns. I'm tired of the kings and the colonels, I'm tired of the traitor and spy; I'm sick of the translated journals which harrow my soul till I cry. I've sighed till I'm weary in sighing, I've wept till I'm weary of brine; and so, all conventions defying, I ask for some humor in mine. The years have been slow and distressing, the sad years of sorrow and wrong; to laugh is a joy and a blessing, when he have been so long. The most of the warbooks are lemons, they're bloody and gloomy and vain; so hand me some stories by Clemens, who's known to the rabble as Twain. And even old Joshua Billings, and Artemus Charlie Brown Ward, are better than stories of killings, and corpses heaped up by the cord. I've wept till my weeper is weary, I've sobbed till my sobber is sore; so lend me a book that is cheery, that isn't all sticky with gore. —WALT MASON.

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But one he saw, a tender plant, And he stooped compassionate; This one, he said, I must transplant. 'Twill suffer should I wait.

It needs a fairer, sunnier clime Free from the cold and rain; It could not bear the noontide heat, Earth's sorrows and its pain. There is a place I have prepared Where such as this may grow. In matchless beauty, radiance, fair, My love and praise to show.

And so with gentle, loving hands He took it to its place, There to unfold in heavenly light, The mystery of Grace.

With tear-dimmed eyes we view the spot Left vacant since she's gone, But we can trust His love so wise And say, "Thy will be done."

RECOMMEND W. J. FAIR.

As the City's Representative on the Suburban Section of Road Area. At a meeting of the Civic Finance Committee, held on Friday night, the members decided to recommend to Council, the appointment of Ex-Ald. W. J. Fair, as the city's representative on the suburban section of the road area.

Anthony Rankin, M.P.P., was present, and gave the members a forecast of the work that is to be carried on this year.

An American officer just arrived in Paris from Fiume says it was reported that a total of fourteen divisions had been moved to Fiume by the Italians. Practically all the inhabitants have left Fiume.

It is officially denied that U. S. Ambassador Page at Rome had offered his resignation upon learning of President Wilson's attitude toward Italy in the peace conference.

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