

From The Countryside

some Harlowe friends motored to Kingston and spent the week-end with Pte. Asa Thompson...

Frontenac

INVERARY

July 23.—Mr. and Mrs. James Dixon and family are away to the States on a week's visit with Mrs. Dixon's sister, Mrs. Ellen Ball...

ARDOCH

July 22.—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dunham and family have taken possession of the Trout Lake Hotel, Ottawa, lately occupied by William McCulloch...

VENNACHAR

July 22.—The all day rain on the 21st was a very welcome visitor in this vicinity, as the grain and pasture was getting quite dried up...

SANGREY

July 21.—John Murphy is engaged by Thomas Barrett taking off his hay crop. Patrick O'Connor installed a hay fork in Thomas Young's barn on Friday...

Lanark

July 23.—An old and respected resident passed away at her residence here on July 16th in the person of Mrs. Joseph Palmer Sr. She was about eighty-nine years of age...

SUNBURY

July 23.—Haying is pretty well on in these parts and is an excellent crop. The funeral of the late Mr. Arthur, from Kingston, was held on Tuesday last at Sand Hill cemetery...

PRESENTED MEDALS AT QUEEN'S HOSPITAL

Sergl. A. E. James and Pte. F. Davis Decorated.—Brigadier-General Victor S. Williams presented medals at Queen's military hospital to-day that were awarded for distinguished conduct on the battlefield...

Lennox and Addington

NORTHERBROOKE

July 23.—The heavy recent rains have continued improving our already favorable crops, and garden produce is now plentiful. Blueberries are still quite plentiful, and of excellent quality...

A Modern Philip Sidney

Unveiling the portrait medalion at Rugby School of Rupert Brooke, who passed away at Lennox in April, 1913...

There can be little doubt that it will be the same with the memory of Rupert Brooke. "The homage," writes Mr. John Drinkwater, "that has instinctively been paid for 300 years to Philip Sidney, who is known not a line of his poetry and scarcely an event of his life, is a whole some and springs from the better parts of human nature...

Perhaps there was nothing more attractive, more irresistible about Rupert Brooke than his immense capacity for happiness. "He seemed always ready for those who love his poetry, but the many spirits that will quicken at his name, knowing but vaguely of a brief and fortunate life, a brilliant personality, a poetic genius which they will not be curious to explore, a supreme sacrifice, will quicken worthily and to their good."

There are only three things in the world," his friend and biographer, Mr. Marsh, reports him as having said with much emphasis in answer to some "Carbonaro" who had been talking like a Philistine, "one is to read poetry, another is to write poetry, and the best of all is to live poetry."

Writing of him in 1913, Mr. Marsh says, "Henceforward the only thing that he cared for—or rather felt he ought to care for—in a man, was the possession of goodness; its absence he regarded as the worst of evils, sometimes with ferocity. A year later, in a letter to a friend from the Pacific, he writes, "That is the final rule of life, the best one ever made, 'whoso shall offend one of these little ones—remembering that all the 800,000,000 on earth, except oneself, are his little ones.'"

Literary critics have spoken of the "greatness" of Rupert Brooke, and then paused almost astonished at the boldness of their own conviction that such he was. Yet it was impossible to deny him the title of greatness. The volume of his writings is slender, and their range is not very wide. A few brief books of verse, his letters from America, his writings on the Elizabethan drama—yet they do not make a very imposing display, any more than do the collected works of Thomas Gray—and yet here there is not merely the promise but the actual fulfillment of the poet, in perception and in craftsmanship.

He brought to his task immense earnestness, has been said, and he deeply he revered his art—but he never fell into the snare of taking his own achievements too seriously and there was constant light and laughter across the written page—the unself-conscious freedom of one to whom it was natural to try to be himself. His sense of humor, and what Mr. Henry James has called his "curiosity," which made him a perpetual adventurer, delivered him from any morbid introspection and secured the balance an extreme sensitivity might otherwise have destroyed. His earlier poems lacked necessarily that warmth and breadth of a richer knowledge of men and things which were his later, but their music is as fresh, the deftness in the choice and making of words amazing, while much that he as yet did not know his rare imagination had intuitively surmised.

The "rat centre" of the world is declared to be London, England. It has been estimated that the British metropolis has as many rats as human beings.

Ten million to fifteen million bushels of sweet potatoes are lost every year through disease.

Order and Tranquillity Prevail.—(Canadian Press Despatch.) Paris, July 25.—Rumors of mutiny and other troubles among the Jungo Slavs were denied, officially at Lathach, in Jungo Slavia, according to a despatch received from the Lathach, via Vienna and Baden. The despatch said that it was stated officially that order and tranquillity prevailed throughout the country.

SHOULD OBTAIN BATTLE SITES

Hon. Mackenzie King Advocates Purchase of as Much Ground as Possible.

Ottawa, July 25.—The Government of Canada should take immediate action to obtain adequate stretches of land on the sites of the most famous battlefields in which Canadians were concerned in both France and Belgium, said Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, on his return from England, where he has studied industrial conditions and adjustments. "I have taken the opportunity of going over the territory in France and Belgium where Canadians have been fighting since the arrival in France, and I have been struck with the exceedingly difficult work which was always given them to do, and with the tremendous nature of the obstacles upon which they overcame. None can go over the ground without being impressed with the immense importance of the tasks continuously assigned to the Canadians. Their task has been to take and hold key positions throughout the progress of the campaign."

TURNING TO ENEMY TO SAVE SITUATION

(Canadian Press Despatch.) London, July 25.—The Bolshevik army is being driven back to Petrograd by the northern Russian army and the Poles. Many Bolshevik troops have been driven over to the anti-Bolshevik forces to save themselves from starvation.

THE GOVERNMENT'S PROPOSALS ACCEPTED

Peace Workers Are to Be Allowed Sufficient to Meet Present Wages.

London, July 25.—An official report issued after the conference held to-day between Premier Lloyd George and the executive body of the Miners' Federation, said an agreement had been reached and that the principle laid down by the government in its proposition has been accepted. The government's proposition, based on the interim report of the Sankey Coal Commission, that the reduction of the output through reduced hours would be less than ten per cent, afforded the government assurance that peace workers should not suffer any loss in earnings and that the price of coal would be increased by an amount necessary to correspond with the ten per cent reduction in hours. In order to carry out this agreement, says the report, it is necessary to fix a different average of reduction in working hours, a seven hour day and after an examination of figures it was decided to accept the forty-seven minutes as a basis for this calculation.

YORKSHIRE STRIKE HAS BEEN SETTLED

(Canadian Press Despatch.) London, July 25.—Strike of approximately a quarter of a million men in the coal mines, and which threatened to paralyze many industries, was settled to-day.

METAL TRADES STRIKE FAILS

According to Statement of J. G. Merrick After the Conference.

Toronto, July 25.—At the close of the joint conference between the representatives of the metal trades workers and employers, which was held in the offices of the Toronto Employers' Association, it was emphatically stated by James G. Merrick, secretary of the association, that the strike had failed to attain its ends, and that the machinists and pattern-makers had decided to return to work on the terms of the forty-eight-hour week with the fifty-hour pay. This, he added, would bring to a conclusion a strike that had affected 10,000 men and had lasted for more than three months.

Taft Has Plan to Save League.—Washington, July 25.—A plan for "interpretations" in the senate acceptance of the League of Nations has been suggested by former President Taft in the hope of uniting a middle ground enough Democratic and Republican Senators to defeat any radical amendment of the covenant, and in the end obtain its ratification.

The suggestion has been received with earnest consideration by the group of Republicans who favor the League idea and who already are at work on a definite programme of interpretative reservations which they declare they have reason to believe will be accepted by the administration.

Arrival of the Bulgarians.—(Canadian Press Despatch.) Paris, July 25.—The arrival of the Bulgarian peace delegation in Paris will take place a day later than was expected. The delegation, which was to have reached Paris this morning according to the original plan, stayed over a day at Lusane, Switzerland. It will arrive here to-morrow morning.

Even the Lining Goes.—"What are you mumbling to yourself?" "A Shakespearean quotation: He who steals my purse steals trash." "But what's the application?" "I've just bought a ton of coal."

Two chairmen will likely be selected for the Liberal convention. Premier Gwynne, Quebec, and Premier Murray, Nova Scotia, regarding the leader to be selected it is understood that while the western members will insist on a western man, Hon. Mr. Fielding seems to be the favorite of the eastern Liberals. The United States is in a race against a coal shortage and has only two months to win.

Adventurous British

Will Attempt Once More To Reach the South Pole

THE old call of the land of Eternal Silence is upon many British seamen. With the war ended, the adventurous spirits are anxious to be off on voyages to the Antarctic; to the South Sea Islands; to the uttermost ends of the earth. This call of the unknown is strong upon Britishers who have inherited through long lines of ancestors the desire to explore and conquer.

A newly-formed Antarctic expedition is to be led by John L. Cope, who was with the Shackleton expedition from 1914 to 1917. He expects to remain in the frozen regions nearly six years.

"There are those who may express the opinion that further expedition to the Antarctic is hardly necessary," said the explorer, in talking of his undertaking, "but those who are in on the plans will admit this is untrue. They are being laid the foundation and building stepping stones whereby civilization may receive permanent benefits."

"To assist as much as possible in that wished for consummation will be the endeavor of the British Imperial Antarctic Expedition. "We hope to start from England in the early summer of next year on Scott's old ship, the Terra Nova, with a roll of some fifty-eight sails, including the shore and ship parties."

"1. To ascertain the position and extent of the mineral and other deposits already known to exist in Antarctica, and obtain data for their practical development as a further source of imperial wealth.

"2. To obtain further evidence of the localities and migrations of whales of economic value, and to create British industries in this trade.

"3. To investigate the meteorological and magnetic conditions in the Ross Sea area and at Cape Annet in connection with their influence in Australasia and South Africa, respectively.

"4. The circumnavigation of the Antarctic continent.

"5. The obtaining of further scientific data of economic importance.

"It is an ambitious program, but we shall have plenty of time in which to carry it out, as the expedition will not be returning until 1926.

"The first year we intend 'wintering' on the 'Great Ice Barrier,' that huge mass of ice between King Edward VII., Westward and South Victoria. No party has hitherto spent a winter there, so that it will be a novel experience for us.

"Accompanying us on the Terra Nova will be an airplane in which, at a suitable start-off point, some of us hope to fly to the South Pole.

"To provide against failure the machine will be equipped with sledge, provisions and tent, as a forced landing in polar regions under such conditions may well entail a very long 'halt.'"

"I hope, though, for success, in which case a return journey to the South Pole from the 'barrier' should easily be made within the twenty-four hours.

"That there are possibilities of commercial development of the Antarctic regions is well known. The capability of the economic resources being once proved and aerial navigation made a more or less usual affair, the good that will accrue will be incalculable.

"The cost of the expedition, which, by the way, is being organized in connection with the Falkland Island Dependencies, will be somewhere around \$500,000. Already kind offers of assistance in various ways are reaching us.

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INCIDENTS OF THE DAY.

Local Notes and Items of General Interest. Last of the black currants Saturday at Carnovsky's. The steamer Brockville takes you away from the regular channels and through the beauty spots of the Thousand Islands.

St. Mary's Red Cross Society at Mowat Hospital. St. Mary's Red Cross Society gave an excellent concert at the Mowat Hospital Thursday night. Capt. F. Roche was elected chairman, and he filled the bill in his usual cheery manner. Many excellent items were rendered, including solos by Mrs. Eysel, of Kansas City; Miss Ardagh, Miss Devlin, Messrs. Murphy and Eva, and several others.

Barbers' Arbitration. A board of arbitration has been agreed upon between the boss barbers and the journeymen barbers now on strike. It has been agreed to appoint two from each side who will appoint a chairman. Sessions will be opened for the taking of evidence, probably this evening, if the board is completed in time.

Will Not Bring It Down. (Canadian Press Despatch.) Washington, July 25.—President Wilson does not now plan to present the defensive treaty with France to the Senate until after he returns from his tour of the country. This statement was made to-day at the White House.

The French Standing Army. (Canadian Press Despatch.) Paris, July 25.—It is officially announced that all the French army reserves will be mustered out shortly, leaving only the classes from 1915 to 1920 as the standing army of France.

It is impossible at present to give legislative effect to the government's trade policy, Premier Lloyd George said to-day. He suggested that the trade restrictions expiring in September should, therefore, be extended.

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