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Every man should make the centenary plant his favorite flower and the undertaker his worst enemy.—Thrill Magazine.

A year ago just now Kingston was in the grip of the influenza epidemic. A recurrence this year can be prevented by taking the proper precautions.

France is going to attempt to harness the tides for power purposes. A move in the right direction, for there's not a chance in the universe of the moon going off strike.

If all the rumors are true, then the next mayor will be a man who is not at present in the city council. Indications point to a dark horse being in the running for the honors.

The news that some fine contracts have been received by the Locomotive Works is welcome in Kingston. There should be a prosperous time ahead for the people of this city.

Over half the Victory Loan has been subscribed all over the Dominion, but Kingston is yet far behind its quota. Subscribe now and send the Limestone City over the top.

The soldiers of Australia are now being granted gratuities of \$250 for each year of service overseas. But that country is not carrying the same financial burden which Canada has.

We are placing our money on the girl who can cook and sew, and is willing to do both.—Los Angeles Times. But where, O where, are you going to find that type of girl today?

Next Monday is Armistice Day. It should be celebrated by a liberal investment in the best security the world offers—Canadian Victory Bonds. Buy them for the children, and they will appreciate it when they grow up.

There is no Tory party in active operation in Canada just now, except in the Senate at Ottawa. It is in its natural home, its permanent headquarters—permanent until a country, wearied of it, abolishes it.—Toronto Star.

Many new words have been introduced into the dictionary owing to the adoption of wartime slang phrases. But there is not a word there yet which can be used to describe those who are responsible for the present cost of living.

The housing situation in Kingston is at about its worst at present. One landlord has joined the ranks of the profiteers by raising his rents by over twenty-five per cent. Surely the Board of Commerce has some power to prevent this.

It is an absolute fact that a prominent Kingstonian has refused to invest in Victory Bonds because of the shortcomings of the Union Government. But surely the faults of the government do not lessen the value of these bonds as an investment.

School teachers in Prince Edward Island formed a union and threatened to strike unless the government granted their demands for increased salaries. With over one hundred schools already without teachers, the government decided that it would be wise to grant the demands. Next!

A news despatch tells of a man in Kansas who dropped dead on being

sold the price of coal. It is a wonder that there are not many cases of this kind, especially in Canada, where the winters are so severe. The high prices of many commodities are liable to cause a severe shock to many people.

The Department of Justice at Washington has a list of thirty-five foreign-language newspapers and magazines published in New York which advocate the overthrow of the United States government by force. If Washington permits them to continue their propaganda, won't it share in the blame for the trouble they may cause?

Governor Smith, of New York, charges W. R. Hearst, publisher of several yellow newspapers, with responsibility for stirring up unrest, breeding anarchy and crime and breaking down respect for government and the orderly processes thereof. "There is not a drop of pure, clean, red blood in his body," declares the governor. Decent Americans were forced to admit the fact long ago.

There are very few streets which have been paved this year under the orders of Alderman Graham which are not showing signs of breaking up already. Earl Street between Frontenac and Albert is going now, and several parts of Princess street are breaking off close to the car tracks. That is the disadvantage of having an amateur to do work that needs expert attention.

DEMOCRACY IN THE PALACE. Elizabeth, queen of the Belgians, says that the war has taught her that there is no equality of the sexes. She was a nurse, she says, while her husband was a soldier, and she finds the same distinction running through all lines of activity. She realizes that Belgian women must do much of the work formerly done by men, but she pleads that, as far as possible, they be put at tasks fitted to their sex. She wants a sharp differentiation between the training given the two sexes at school; but she is emphatically in favor of saving women the ballot.

It is too bad the reporter did not disregard etiquette enough to ask the queen whether "unlike" or "incomensurable" would not express her meaning better than "unequal." The latter word implies that one sex is inferior to the other. The unlikeness of the sexes in mental habits as well as in physique is self-evident and so deeply seated that on some matters, at least, you can not try man and women by the same tests. "Feminine intuition," for example, is a quality which no rational man of mature years either denies or hopes to rival.

This gracious, accomplished lady has brought no more interesting message to the New World than the proof that democracy has invaded the royal palace furnished by her championship of woman suffrage.

A NEWSPAPER'S POWER. The influence of the daily press has been well summarized by Carl P. Johnson, a writer of national fame over the border, who pens this tribute:

The power of the Press exceeds that of mighty armies in full panoply of war. The daily newspaper lights the way for men and nations along the path of progress.

The newspaper is a greater educational institution than all the colleges of Christendom.

Its doors are wide open to every man, woman and child who can read. The newspaper is the bulwark of liberty, the flaming sword of justice.

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THE COMING MUNICIPAL CAMPAIGN. In a couple of months now the municipal elections will be over, and already there are indications that the coming campaign will be in some respects different from any other.

While nothing has been divulged at this date regarding the municipal ambitions of some citizens, it is whispered abroad that there will be a strong attempt to inject some new blood into the council, where it is sadly needed. The people of Kingston are not at all well pleased with what has been done during the past year. The present council was elected with high hopes of being able to accomplish something along progressive lines, but their efforts have been of such a nature that results have been very meagre. In fact, the doings of the council have been of such a nature that the council meetings have come to be regarded as somewhat of a burlesque, and they are attended by large bodies of

citizens who go there in the hope of being amused and entertained for three hours by our worthy aldermen.

During the past ten months they have done very little that has been worth while, and what has been done was put through only under the pressure of public opinion. Glaring blunders were made in awarding contracts, blunders which were only righted by the influence of the people, voiced through the columns of the public press. The whole of one important department of municipal affairs was handed over to the autocratic government of one alderman who was entirely ignorant of the methods necessary to carry on the work, and a trained official was forced to take a subordinate place to this greenhorn. The council has this year been dominated by one man, and that a man who fought to the last to oppose schemes for the benefit of the citizens he was elected to represent. He was the leader of the opposition to the scheme to provide houses for the people of Kingston. He fought the granting of a sum of money for the building of a school, and indications are that the tenders will not be higher than they were six months ago. And the other aldermen did nothing to oppose him in an effective manner.

The public are tired of this. They realize that there is too much deadwood in the city council. At least two of the aldermen have yet to make their maiden speeches, with ten months of the year gone. This is not as it should be. The election is drawing near, and the people should begin now to prepare to take an active interest in it, so that when the day comes, there will be a strong infusion of new blood into a body which needs refreshing.

Between Two Fires. (Ottawa Journal). Between those who want things done and those who don't want them done, the Board of Commerce is in anything but a popular position.

Two Awful Spectres. (Toronto Telegram). The farmer at Ottawa is a spectre that need not necessarily frighten Canadians who have lived through a lifetime experience of the lawyer at Ottawa.

Hearst's Consolation. (Joseph Herald). Whenever the Legislature convenes Sir William Hearst has the satisfaction of realizing that it will not be from him that will come "the speech from the throne."

PIRATES SEIZE SHIP AND ROB PASSENGERS. Black Sea Ports Infested by Bands of Robbers Who Loot Vessels.

Constantinople, Nov. 4.—Pirates concealed in the steerage of the ship Maria overpowered the crew while the vessel was bound from Novorossiysk for Belgium, and robbed the passengers, obtaining fifty million roubles.

On arriving at Batum officers of the vessel made a report of the robbery to the British police, who captured several of the pirates.

Pirates frequently land along the shores of the Black Sea and rob villages. At Trebizond recently pirates boarded a Greek schooner and stabbed or threw overboard its crew of fifteen men. They also captured the Russian steamer Constantine while the vessel was bound from Batum to Constantinople.

Hon. N. W. Rowell, in attendance at the international labor congress at Washington, is looking after Canada's coal supply from the United States.

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Rippling Rhymes THE CRISIS. The crisis of a year ago looks flabby, now its days are over; but, oh, what fits we used to throw, when that cheap crisis had the floor! We viewed that crisis with alarm, it was a frightful thing to see, it couldn't fall to wound and harm the bulwarks of our liberty. It cried around a day or two, and then abjectly looped the loops; another crisis loomed in view and called for walls and mauls in whom I've seen a hundred crisis come and rear themselves on end and go; I've seen my neighbors stricken dumb by threats of coming doom and woe. And still our country jogs along, and finds release from every plight; and if a dozen things are wrong, about a million things are right. When'er a crisis blows its trump, the rabbit-hearted tear their hair, and say we're headed for the dump, in haste—but I refuse to scare. I've heard the cry of "Wolf" so long, I look on wolves as hope and joyous souled galeots. Bring on your crisis, one by one, or trot them forth in groups of eight; the optimist will take his gun, and make the blamed things pull their freight.

—WALT MASON.

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Dominion Happenings of Other Days.

"Le Canadien." About this date in 1866 the first issue of "Le Canadien," a paper printed entirely in French, appeared in Montreal. The journal was born in stormy days, and its career was one of almost perpetual trouble, ranging all the way from petty persecution to suppression by the authorities of the time.

It appeared first at a time when there was friction between the Governor, Sir James Craig, and the legislative assembly. There was much opposition in the assembly to the presence of the court judges as members of the legislative council. Then Mr. Hart, a Jew, who had been elected to the assembly by Three Rivers, was expelled from that body because of his faith. Three times his constituents returned him to his seat; then that body attempted to solve the situation by passing a law that no Jew was eligible for nomination. A bitter controversy broke out between the Governor and the French Canadian majority in the province. So sharp were the criticisms of "Le Canadien" that he suppressed the paper and arrested some of the sympathizers with the assembly with which he was clashing. Soon after he was removed from office.

The paper continued its course until May, 1837, when trouble came again. This time it was the rebellion in the province. It pleaded for moderation, although intensely loyal to what it believed the interests of Lower Canada. It urged the people not to revolt, declaring that little good could come from such a source, but its words were unheeded, and shortly there were many who had uttered regrets that they had not accepted its sane message. For a number of years later it continued its way with varying success until finally, its stormy career ended to the regret of many and the joy of those whose wrong doings, or alleged evils, had fled so fearlessly.

IS A QUEEN'S GRADUATE

THE ADJUTANT OF WITLEY HOSPITAL RETURNS.

Major J. S. Fitzsimmons is Back After Splendid Service in Great War.

Major John S. Fitzsimmons, who was Adjutant of the Canadian Hospital at Witley Camp, has arrived from overseas and is staying with his parents at Rockport. He docked in Montreal on Oct. 28, and was in Kingston on Friday evening.

Major Fitzsimmons is the son of J. Fitzsimmons, collector of customs, at Rockport, Ont., and is well known to many, who visit the Thousand Islands. He graduated from Queen's University in 1916, with the degree of B.A., M.D., and master of surgery, and enlisted immediately. He went overseas with the rank of captain and became medical officer of the 3rd Artillery brigade. He was wounded early in the autumn of 1917 with a bullet through the leg and was shell-shocked the same day.

For four months he was in hospital and although he partially recovered, he was not well enough to return to France and was placed on the medical staff at the Canadian Special Hospital at Witley where he remained until the hospital closed. He became adjutant at the institution and was later promoted to be major. He qualified in a special course in straightening limbs and deformities caused by the war and also qualified in a special flying course.

German has been declared the official language of Courland by General Avaloff Bernont's West Russian Government.

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