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AMATEUR FARMING

Throughout this province, as is the case throughout Canada and the United States, the campaign for food production is taking shape and it promises shortly to become a veritable epidemic.

To those who are not practical farmers and are undertaking to cultivate vacant or abandoned areas in the country or back yards or vacant lots in the City, a word of caution may not be out of place.

No amateur or inexperienced gardener or farmer should risk sowing or planting seed except on the advice of some experienced farmer or one of the government's agricultural experts.

This kind of enthusiasm this year should be turned into healthy channels, channels that will persist to the end of the season.

SAVE THE APPLES

In connection with the campaign for the prevention of waste now being carried out all over the country our readers will remember the hundreds of barrels of apples that have been allowed to rot on the ground in this province year after year.

Especially preparation should be made for the harvesting of the early varieties which must be disposed of within a few weeks.

THE WAR

Five weeks ago yesterday, on April 9th, the British offensive opened on the Arras front. The French attack along the Aisne opened a week later.

In the same time the French have taken over twenty-nine thousand prisoners and more than one hundred and fifty cannon, including some heavy guns.

We may sum it up then, that the British and the French in one month have captured more than fifty thousand prisoners, nearly five hundred cannon, and almost a hundred square miles of territory.

In this time the losses of the Germans have not been less than three hundred thousand, and the Allies together have probably lost not less than two hundred and fifty thousand, the difference being represented by the prisoners.

On the military side, the last month has been the most promising for the Allies since the war began. It shows a superiority in guns and in material which has hitherto either lain with the Germans or been possessed by Allies who still lacked the necessary training to use it.

It is true destruction by submarines during the past month or two has been serious, true also that Russia is for the present at least little better than a silent partner in the game.

WHAT THE GERMAN MUST FACE

The German does not realize the depth of wrathful indignation aroused by his crimes against humanity. Imagine, when peace comes, a German commercial traveller, peddling his goods in Lyons and Glasgow!

NOTES

Contracts for the supply of German iron to Dutch importers now contain a clause to the effect that the contract shall be regarded as void if on the date specified for delivery the iron districts of Lorraine are not German property.

"SPUD ISLAND" NOTES

Sir.— If a great many people never before heard of this "Spud Island" of ours, they probably have heard of this year of spud famine.

Potatoes in Ottawa will be now selling for 50c to 70c a gallon, or about three cents a piece, certainly dearer than oranges.

I am, sir, etc. J. A. M., Hermanville, P. E. I., May 9, 1917

55TH CHAPTER OF ISAIAH

One of the greatest chapters in the entire Bible is the 55th Chapter of Isaiah—Old Testament or New. Nowhere else a greater confidence in God's loving kindness; such a message to humanity of His mercy and forgiveness; such a statement of His Divine Fatherhood and our own common brotherhood.

DAILY SELECTIONS FOR GUARDIAN READERS

Furnished by W. S. Louson, TWO NATURES.

Everyone has two natures, and who ever has even a slight acquaintance with himself, must at times be conscious of two forces battling within him.

Oh, my friend, it would be better if we were loved while they were with us Than to say them o'er a grave!



Miss Spring-Time

Dons a garden hat with streamers, underneath which blooms a love of a frock with a surplice jumper affair that comes right to the front with its gracefully looped sash.

Chamoisette Gloves in all white, and White with black points at \$1.15 a pair. PATONS LIMITED.

Silk Gloves in Pongee, Brown, Grey, White and Black at \$1.25 at PATONS LIMITED.

A FEW SPECIALS FOR SATURDAY.

- Fleece lined hose, 25c a pair
Cotton Hose, 15c a pair
White silkline hose, 30c a pair
Buster Brown sisters hose for the Kiddies in White, Pink and Blue 5/2 to 9, at 30c per pair.

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Saturday Specials

Ladies Ready-to-Wear Department

Black Underskirts 98c, \$1.25, \$1.35 and \$1.50 up to \$5.75.

Silk and Wood Sweaters, all colors and prices.

Sport Coats for Misses and Ladies all new styles.

Ladies Sport Skirts all New York styles in checks and stripes not too alike.

Ask to see our New Blue Suits from \$22.50 up, just the thing for now. One piece Dresses in Navy and Blue.

We have just received a lot of White Dresses for Misses and Ladies from \$3.95 up.

Fibre Silk ankle hose in all the new and popular shades at 60c and 85c a pair at PATONS LIMITED.

We have just what you want in silk Hose in all the new shades at just the right prices. PATONS LIMITED.

If you want something real nice, come and see our Gloves, Silk Hosiery in Black, White, Maize, Pearl, Taupe and Navy, White with black embroidery, or Black with White. PATONS LIMITED.

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FREE WHEAT

GOVERNMENT'S POLICY EXPLAINED. By Sir Thomas White, Minister of Finance.

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Sir THOMAS WHITE: Well, the Senate charged the Bill so that it was lost to the country. Then we established a system of interior elevators in the West. We were most interested in that subject. We said: Whatever money is necessary we should spend.

Sir THOMAS LAURIER: You had better sit down then.

Sir THOMAS WHITE: I have learned in the course of my life that it is not always wise to follow the advice tendered by an opponent. My right hon. friend perhaps remembers the old Latin saying: Timeo Danaos et dona ferentes—I fear the Greeks when they come bearing gifts.

the banks, taxation upon circulation; a few hundreds of thousands from trust companies, loan companies and insurance companies; taxation upon luxuries; business profits tax. There has been no discrimination against the farmers in our taxation measures to meet the expenditures of the war.

Sir WILFRID LAURIER: Hear, hear.

Sir THOMAS WHITE: To promote toleration and harmony—

Mr. LEMIEUX: Hear, hear.

Sir THOMAS WHITE:— so that if we are at war, all parts of this country should be as one in the prosecution of the war. Now then, my hon. friend puts forward as a criticism of this Budget that it would please the people of the West. I say again, for myself and the Government, that if the people of the West are pleased with what has been done, they are not more pleased than we are that we

have been able to do it for them. The hon. member for Assiniboia (Mr. Turiff) puts forward an amendment. He is not content with what has been done. He puts forward a useless, an unnecessary, a trivial amendment. It is a genuine amendment? Or it is a political expedient destined to fail of its purpose? Well we know what it is. My hon. friend from Assiniboia has no doubt as to the validity of what has been done. I have enunciated the policy of the Government today, and there has been read to this House the opinion of the Deputy Minister of Justice as to the effect of our action under the War Measures Act. Why does he put forward this needless amendment? He desires to embarrass the Government, he moves it on a resolution to go into Committee of Ways and Means. His amendment will not deceive the people of the West for one moment, not for one moment. It suggests on its face a want of confidence in the Government. It reflects on our intentions, it asperses our motives, it casts unfounded doubt upon our action under the War Measures Act. It should, without hesitation, be voted down by this House.

(The End.)

105TH BATTALION DRAFT FUND

MAJOR A. A. BARTLETT, HON. TREASURER.

At the request of the Officers in charge of the 105th Battalion draft, Lieut. Strong, Major Bartlett has opened an account as trustee of their funds in the Bank of Nova Scotia:

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Daughters of the Empire per Mrs. Bagnall \$25



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