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The Central Guardian

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HOME GUARD.—No. 3 Company of the Home Guards will drill at 8 o'clock to-night at the Drill Shed.

NO DAMAGE.—Some uneasiness was felt last evening by a brush fire back of Highland avenue towards Brighton, between 7 and 8 o'clock. The blaze was a considerable one and was magnified by many into a general conflagration, but no damage was done, except to the brush.

THE MAILS.—Seventy bags of mail were sent to the mainland via the Capes yesterday. Sixty-seven bags of mail were received at Cape Traverse from Tormentine. 38 bags still remain at Tormentine. The mail special arrived in Charlottetown yesterday afternoon at 3.30. The special left on return for Cape Traverse at 8.45 o'clock, the usual time.

FOX MEETING.—The "fox parliament" committee continued their business yesterday morning after adjournment from the afternoon before. They sat from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. with of course an interval for dinner. Considerable work was done and the committee adjourned at 6 o'clock to meet again this morning. Mr. J. E. L. McCready is chairman of the conference.

INTERESTING LETTERS

The following letters have been received by Mrs. W. D. McIntyre, now of Somerville, Mass., and formerly of Charlottetown. Some from her son, William, and the other from a lady residing in London. The latter, though of German birth, has a brother fighting in the British army:—
Lark Hill,
Salisbury Plain, England.

Dear Mother,
We have been having fearful weather, rain all the time, and such a heavy snow I would sooner have the Canadian winter any time. Our hospitals have been filled up all the time, and a number of fellows have died. Pretty tough luck, for they had not even been to the front.

Some of our fellows are across at the front now and the rest are sure to go this month as we were told last night by our colonel that Lord Kitchener had given orders for us to be across before the end of January. You may be sure that it has cheered us up a lot.

I was lucky enough to get an invitation to a home in London for Christmas and had a lovely time. I had my Christmas dinner in a German family. It seems funny, but my friend Trute's sister is married to a naturalized German's son. He is a fine old man and feels very deeply over this war. He told me that at the first of the war his

pathy was naturally with the Germans, but after studying everything carefully he had come round to our way of thinking, and since the Hun murders at Scarborough he felt no more sympathy for them.

While walking up the Strand in London a fellow came up and tapped me on the shoulder and said, "Hello, Billy, where did you spring from?" I never got such a surprise in my life as to see Eric Wheaton. He is in some British regiment. Roy Leitch has a commission in the Serbian army and a Cameron from Montague has a commission in the King Edward's Horse. They are at the front.

A fellow by the name of Gordon from Montreal, son of Mr. Gordon who formerly held the post office there, came to see me in London, and showed me a letter from his mother, telling him that Mrs. Johnstone had a grandson in the Canadian contingent by the name of McIntyre. It happened that I was in the same regiment as he. I hoped to have spent Christmas with you this year, but instead of that I have it in London.

Good bye,
From your loving son,
BILLY.

LETTER NO. 2

Dear Madam:—
I am writing you at the suggestion of your son William, whom we have been very happy to entertain during the Christmas holidays. He felt it would be gratifying for you to know that he had spent a homely Christmas in a family circle, and I have no doubt his knowledge will afford you pleasure.

Your son and my brother enlisted together in Lytton, B. C., where they were already acquainted and they tell me they have been like brothers ever since, living in the same tent and eating, but very glad to exchange for a time, their privations and strictures of military camp life for the comfort and ease of a home, and I think this was especially so in the case of your boy, who had a nasty cold upon him at the commencement of the war, and was left in better condition and wished me to say to you that his Christmas was spent happily with us.

Let me tell you that we and all of our friends who met your son, found him in a thoroughly nice fellow—a gentleman, in short, a boy of the future. I consider him fortunate, having secured my brother's friendship, and I know anything of Arthur Trute, he will stand by a friend at any cost, just as long as opportunity allows him. He is a dozen years William's senior, a somewhat unusual type of man, but in good, and you can good hands while they remain together.

I want to very sympathetically express the hope that you will regain your son's sound of life and limb when this disastrous war is over. These fellows are fully alive to the risks they are taking, and they take them cheerfully.

I am happy to know your son,
Yours truly,
(Mrs.) A. M. KRUGER.

The following letter was received by Mr. Everett Johnston, of Brookfield, P. E. I., from Sergeant Broad, with the Expeditionary Force. Among the oats donated by Mr. Johnston, he placed apples, with a note asking for an acknowledgement from whoever happened to get the oats, and a short time ago he received the following letter which speaks for itself and tells how the address of the person who actually ate one of the apples and how the same was enjoyed and appreciated:—
Sergeant W. Broad,
No. 4 Company, A. S. C.,
8th Divisional Train,
British Expeditionary Force.

Dear Mr. Johnston:—I hope I have addressed you right. The above is the address of the person who actually ate the apple. It was quite all right, thanks. The oats were used by the horses of our unit. They enjoyed them I don't doubt. Of course it is awfully patriotic of you people to give to the Old Country, and we at home appreciate it. We just simply roll about in the mud. The poor fellows in the trenches must have an awful time of it. Of course, they are relieved fairly frequently, usually at night time, on account of snipers, who are always waiting to pick anyone off who unduly exposes himself.

But this is all out of my province, I'm really having a good time. We just simply care the provisions up in a point in the rear of the trenches, quite hard. In autumn they are gathered

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where it is taken over by the regiment and distributed by them. Practically speaking we run no risk, except perhaps from shell fire. The troops here are, generally speaking, well cared for. Food and clothing are very plentiful and the people at home send us no end of cigarettes and comforts to us. Of course, it is a bit monotonous, stuck in one place for practically months on end, still as long as we are giving them as good as we get (which we are and a jolly sight more, too), there isn't much sense in grumbling. I am sorry that this letter isn't more interesting, but I am an awfully poor scribe even at the best of times, so I'd best chuck it and remain,
Yours faithfully,
W. BROAD, Sergt.

From An African Tree.
How many people have ever heard of vegetable butter? And how about tallow is obtained from trees?

We, in this country, have little acquaintance with such products; but in Europe, several of them, derived from different species of trees, are used in considerable quantities and it is evident that their employment is destined to become long to be greatly extended. A tree known to botanists as *Bassia butyrosa* grows wild on the west coast of Africa. It is called "shea butter," and is derived, by pounding and pressing, from the seeds, which are about three inches long. The thick shell encloses a kernel which, under the microscope, is found to be composed of thin wall cells almost entirely filled with minute globules of oil. When this oil has been extracted in the manner above described, it has a consistency of ordinary butter, with an agreeable smell like that of chocolate. First it is light green in color, but soon turns almost white. Not only is it excellent for eating, but first-class soap and candles are made from it.

What is known as "cra-wood tallow" is derived from seeds of the *cra-wood*, *Carapa guianensis*, which grows wild in Guiana and Brazil. It is used on a large scale in those countries, but chiefly for making candles and soap. The seeds, which are of large size, contain 70 per cent. of fat. When they are broken and boiled the fat separates out as a yellow butter, which has a slightly bitter taste, due, curiously enough, to a small quantity of styracine. This, however, is entirely removed by prolonged boiling, so that the butter is rendered edible. "Nutmeg butter" comes from the seeds of the well-known nutmeg tree which, originally native to the Malay Archipelago, is now cultivated in many tropical countries. The fruit is of the highest of a peach, and has a single seed which is enclosed in a carmine envelope. The seed is the nutmeg of commerce, and the envelope is "mace."

All nutmegs that are broken or damaged by insects are roasted, ground and pressed, to get the precious fat, which, by the way, is now manufactured in every country in Europe, being utilized for cosmetic and medicinal purposes. In which connection it is worth mentioning that a tallow fat known as American putney butter is obtained from a nearly related species of tree in South America.

In Europe at the present time are manufactured great quantities of "palm butter," which is derived from the fruits of the oil palm, *Elaeis guineensis*—a tree originally native to Guinea, in Africa, but now extensively cultivated in Brazil and the West Indies. The plum-like fruit, resembling the olive in consistency, is such long and in color to vermilion red, grows in thick clusters. Usually they are gathered and allowed to become over-ripe, in heaps, whereupon they are crushed in mortars and wrung in bags, to separate the oil—the latter being derived from the flesh of the fruit.

When the oil is fresh, it has the consistency of cow's butter, is bright orange-yellow in color, and possesses an agreeable odor of violets. If exposed to the air, however, its color soon fades and the smell becomes disagreeable. It is very good to eat. The fruit kernels yield another kind of oil, which is likewise edible, and highly suitable for pharmaceutical purposes. "Cissed vegetable tallow," as it is called, comes from the seeds of a tree, *Stillingia sebifera*, which is cultivated not only in China and Italy but also in the West Indies and to a great extent in South Carolina. The seeds are as big as hazelnuts, black, and covered with a layer of white fat, quite hard. In autumn they are gathered

ered, pounded in stone mortars, heated, pressed, and filtered, to separate oil and soap-making. The common cocconut of commerce which is, with one exception, the largest of all seeds, is much more oily than is generally supposed, its "meat" containing from sixty to seventy per cent. of fat. When the kernels are taken out of the shells, boiled, then results a milky mass, which, being heated in pans, gives up the oil—the latter rising to the surface and being skimmed off. This fat is "cocconut butter," deemed, in the tropics, most admirable for alimentary purposes. "Cocconut butter," of course, should by no means be confused with the familiar cocoa butter, as well as with the pomades, as well as with the manufacture of soap. Cocoa butter is a by-product of the manufacture of cocoa from the chocolate bean. Chocolate, for eating purposes, contains all the oil of the bean, but cocoa removes, takes the form of a hard, slightly yellowish substance.

THIS IS THE HOUSE THAT KRUPP BUILT

(From the New York Life)

This is the house that Krupp built. This is the gun that was made in the house that Krupp built. This is the spirit of militarism that appropriated the gun that was made in the house that Krupp built.

These are the generations of iron men that are responsible for the spirit of militarism that appropriated the gun that was made in the house that Krupp built.

This is the ruler who is the culmination of the generations of iron men that are responsible for the spirit of militarism that appropriated the gun that was made in the house that Krupp built.

This is the war that was waged by the ruler who is the culmination of the generations of iron men that are responsible for the spirit of militarism that appropriated the gun that was made in the house that Krupp built.

This is the future of hatred and scorn of the various countries, and bleeding and torn that were wrecked by the war that from sheer greed was born that was, waged by the

ruler who is the culmination of the generations of iron men that are responsible for the spirit of militarism that appropriated the gun that was made in the house that Krupp built.

J. P. MORGAN KNOWS NOTHING OF LABOUR.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—J. P. Morgan, testifying here before the inquiry being conducted by the Federal Commission on industrial relations into the great philanthropic foundations, and the cause of industrial unrest, denied that his banking firm dominated a half of the railroads in the United States, as was alleged by Samuel Untermyer when he was a witness. Mr. Untermyer said that Morgan controlled practically all the railroads in the country.

"We certainly do not control half of the railroads," Mr. Morgan asserted. "The idea seemed to amuse him," he laughed and continued: "I should like to think that we did." Mr. Morgan confessed his lack of knowledge regarding labour conditions in the corporations of which he is a director. Some of the questions put to him by the Commissioners appeared to amuse him. Several times he laughed to himself before answering. Into other replies he sandwiched chuckles between his words.

The officers of corporations as executive officials were responsible for labour conditions among the employees, Mr. Morgan declared. He was in favour of the "open shop," and considered that in labour disputes the employer should "play the part of any decent man." Philanthropic foundations had done considerable good, he believed.

PCPE'S PRAYER FOR PEACE SEIZED.

PARIS, Feb. 3.—Periodicals containing the text of Pope Benedict's prayer for peace, which he had directed should be read in all churches on Feb. 7, were seized on Sunday by the police of the Department of the Seine, according to the *Figaro*. The incident was soon noted, however, after explanations had been given by the authorities by Cardinal Amette, Archbishop of Paris, and the embargo was withdrawn.

The motives for the seizure were not announced, but it is believed the *Figaro* says, that the Government feared the expression of hope for an early peace might be misinterpreted by the public and have a depressing effect upon opinion.

PRINCE OF WALES VISITS CANADIANS.

LONDON, Feb. 3.—The Canadian stationery hospital at Le Touquet, near Boulogne base, had the honor of a visit from the Prince of Wales. His Royal Highness received a commission in the Grenadiers at the opening of war. Soon afterwards he proceeded to France to join General French's staff.

The Prince visiting the Canadian hospital was accompanied by Lord Claude Hamilton, Lieut.-Col. Stanley Barry, also of General French's staff. The visit was unexpected. The Prince made the rounds of all the wards which are named after the different provinces. He manifested the keenest interest in the welfare of the patients and met several men from the ranks of his own regiment.

The Prince before leaving expressed to Colonel Shillington his extreme satisfaction at the general efficiency of the hospital. Incidentally, the Prince, while on active service, has been hunting with several packs of beagles imported from England soon after war broke out and which provided considerable sport for the officers who thus repeated the practice of their ancestors in the Peninsular campaign.

WHAT GERMANY MAY DO TO GET COPPER.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 3.—"So far as copper is concerned, by making use of all the bronze monuments and the copper cupolas of the churches, and collecting all the copper we have used for other purposes in the last few years, Germany will be able to hold out for thirty years in the war." Thus spoke Dr. Schuster, secretary of the German Iron Founders Union, at the annual meeting of the Union in Dusseldorf, according to a despatch received by the *Tijd*. Dr. Schuster is reported as having added: "If necessary, in the conquered parts of Belgium and France we shall seize everything made of copper."

FLOUR TWO DOLLARS MORE THAN A YEAR AGO.

ST. JOHN, Feb. 3.—Extraordinary conditions have advanced the price of flour to a figure never in advance of what it has been for some time, the present price being just about two dollars in advance of the price of a year ago. The wholesale price of standard Manitoba brands advanced twenty cents per barrel on Tuesday and standard Ontario brands advanced twenty-five cents on Monday. The dealers state that the advance in price of flour is solely due to the enhanced price of wheat. Wheat in Winnipeg was 144 on Thursday and in Chicago it was 147. These quotations are practically sixty cents per bushel in advance of the price of a year ago. Roughly speaking, the price of flour advances five cents per barrel for every cent advance in the price per bushel of wheat. Consequently, according to a leading local dealer, the price of flour is not high proportionately.

The one thing that is of importance to the consumer is that, according to the consensus of opinion of the dealers, the price will go still higher.

BELGIANS RETURNED TO OWN COUNTRY

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 2, via London.—The *Tijd*, in its issue of this afternoon, describes the return to Malines, Belgium, of 540 Belgians who have been interned and held in Germany as hostages since the beginning of the German invasion of Belgium. Although there has been no explanation of why these people were being sent back, the opinion generally held, the *Tijd* says, was that Germany, unable to feed all the prisoners in her hands, was seizing the opportunity to send some of the Belgians back home. The correspondent says the returning Belgians were all ragged and dirty.

HOTEL ARRIVALS

VICTORIA.
H. H. Acorn, Souris; J. D. Stewart, Georgetown; C. Sutherland, North Sydney; Mrs. Perry, Mr. and Mrs. E. McQuarrie, Summerside; G. S. Inman, B. R. Holman, Charlottetown; C. S. Garroway, Halifax.

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THIS CAP STAYS ON EVEN BEFORE KING.

YORK, Eng., Feb. 3.—For the new Cap of Maintenance which the King is presenting to York, the estates committee of the corporation have adopted a design prepared by the York School of Arts and Crafts, which is said to be, as far as can be ascertained, a reproduction of the cap of the fourteenth century period when the first one was presented to the city. Instructions have been given for the drawing to be forwarded to the King for approval.

The Cap of Maintenance is a head covering bestowed by King Richard II. upon the official appointed to carry the city sword, who wears it on all state occasions, not uncovering even in the presence of royalty. It is doubtful whether the present cap is the original one presented by King Richard II. It is known to have undergone repairs, the last in 1579, and is now certainly very old and delapidated in appearance.

HOW TO CURE A CHRONIC COUGH

Told in the Following Letter by a Jackson Man Who Knows from Experience. His Word Is Good.

Jackson, Miss.—"I am a carpenter, and the gripe left me not only with a chronic cough, but I was run-down, worn out and weak. I took all kinds of cough syrups but they did me no good. I finally got so weak I was not able to do a day's work, and coughed so much I was alarmed about my condition. One evening I read about Vinol and decided to try it. Before I had taken a quarter of a bottle I felt better, and after taking two bottles my cough is entirely cured, all the bad symptoms have disappeared and I have gained new vim and energy."
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