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## THE THRIFT CAMPAIGN

The thrift campaign recently launched in Canada is bearing fruit and promises to become a real live movement. The press, the pulpit, the government, patriotic societies and indeed all regular organizations, fraternal and otherwise, are counselling thrift. This is not a fad. It is the prudent, cautious, earnest advice of men and women who have studied the situation, who have regarded with well founded fear the lavish expenditure of abnormally lavish incomes during the past few years. Extravagance has become a disease, stimulated by the exceptional abundance of money received from military sources, earned or unearned. It is unnecessary to elaborate this. Extravagance heretofore undreamed of has been rampant, is rampant now, and unless curbed will lead to conditions which will be very much worse than before the larger incomes were being received.

That very many men and women are receiving more money today than they ever did before is unquestionable. How are they using it? Very generally for extravagances and non-essentials without a thought of laying by at least a portion of it for a rainy day.

Within a short time, probably a few weeks, another Victory Loan will be launched and this will afford an opportunity for people of moderate incomes to make a perfectly safe investment which will assure them a good rate of interest, with the satisfactory assurance also of helping the country carry its heavy war burden. No better place than a victory bond can be found for the savings that, with a little effort and a little self-sacrifice, may easily be laid aside. As to the safety of the investment it is absolute. The whole dominion is pledged for the amount and all the resources of Canada are behind it. The thing is to save up for it, to resolve to take advantage of it, to determinedly resist the temptation to buy anything that can be done without and to spend nothing except what is absolutely unavoidable—and then invest these savings where they are perfectly safe and whence they will yield a steady stream of interest, be it ever so small.

## THE EXHIBITION

Only a week now remains before the opening of the Provincial Exhibition. Every arrangement, to the minutest detail has been completed by the management for the making of the biggest exhibition yet held in Charlottetown and there is every prospect of its being a huge success. Advances and enquiries received from outside sources indicate that the attendance will be a record one. The one uncertain feature in connection with the arrangements is the housing of visitors. It is unnecessary to say that the hotels and boarding houses will not be sufficient to accommodate all; it therefore remains for the citizens to cooperate with the hotels and with the management in making such provision that all who come may be assured in advance of accommodation. It is pleasing to learn that many of the best homes in the city have already been cheerfully placed at the disposal of the management, not for the sake of remuneration which it will bring but for the purely patriotic purpose of ensuring the success of the exhibition. These have handed their names to the Secretary but many more are still needed and the names of any who can let one or more rooms, either with or without board, will be gratefully received.

It is necessary that all who are willing to assist in this way should hand in their names at once, as the principal enquiry from abroad is with reference to accommodation, and the management are anxious to have the assurance beforehand in order to be in a position to guarantee accommodation. It is sincerely hoped, for the sake of the city's good name as well as for the success of the exhibition, that all who possibly can, even at the cost of a little inconvenience, will hand in their names at once to the Secretary.

## CAMBRAI OR LAON?

General Ludendorff on the western front now has the choice of the fish when asked by the chef in what style he would like to be cooked. For his offensive is done for and his retreat, though rapid, is not fast enough to escape from the Allies and get a brathing spell. The "freeing of ourselves from the enemy according to plan," as Berlin euphemistically describes the German rout, cannot be carried out. Whenever it is attempted they find the "enemy" at their heels.

The only alternative is whether the Germans shall surrender Cambrai or Laon first, but it is only a question of time when both must go. In other words, shall Flanders and Lille be given up first and an attempt be made to hold the Champagne until next spring or vice versa? In the former case what is left of the submarine bases at Ostend and Zeebrugge—little though it is—must be given up and the failure of the entire campaign be admitted. In the other it means a far less defensive front yielded and the consequent saving of man power. It is a very difficult problem for the haughty German commander, and the personal element enters into it also, as the campaign for Amiens and the Channel ports was his own.

To the Allies, of course, Laon would be more important, as upon it hinges the German front running east of Verdun and that stretching north to the Belgian coast. With Laon gone both lines would collapse. With Cambrai lost it is conceivable that the Germans would try to hang on to Lille and Valenciennes with their railway connections to Le Cateau, Guise, Laon and the Chemin des Dames. Therefore it is more likely that the Germans will abandon Cambrai first, although it is the most important base between Laon and the North Sea. The British are within four miles of it now, while the French have eight miles to go to reach Laon and in more difficult country.—New York Herald.

## SOUTH AFRICA

South Africa has conquered more German territory than all the Allies combined. German Southwest and German East Africa are huge areas of rich country only lacking development.

But South Africa's contribution to the war is not limited by her achievements on her own borders. She raised 40,000 troops for these campaigns, but she sent 60,000 to other war theatres including Europe. She suppressed one rebellion of her own citizens and she prevented another gaining headway. She has built miles upon miles of new railway and now controls the second largest railway system under one management in the world. She has become self-supporting and food-shortage is unknown. Her exports to Great Britain of maize, wool and leather have grown enormously.—Vancouver World.

Before the war Canada imported butter at the rate of 7,000,000 pounds annually. This country is now exporting at the net rate of over 4,000,000 pounds per annum.

## GOMPERS IN ENGLAND

The arrival of Samuel Gompers in England is quite properly regarded as an event of great consequences. All classes of Britishers will welcome the chance of paying honor to a man who has done so much for the Allied cause, just as we in Canada have done. Three men in our history have been greeted on the floor of our House of Commons, while that body was in session—the envoy and ex-minister of the French republic, M. Viviani, the British foreign minister and ex-premier, Mr. Balfour, and the leader of the labor forces of the United States. While Mr. Gompers is not likely to interfere directly in the affairs of the British labor party, his presence in the old land must greatly strengthen the majority element which is opposed to having any negotiations with the representatives of enemy countries. He has lived practically all his life in the United States but he was born sixty-eight years ago in London.

## NOTES

The crews of German ships, interned in Chilean harbors are systematically destroying the machinery. It is said that the sabotage is practically complete. The right of sanctuary in neutral harbors has been accepted by Germans everywhere. The return for the hospitality afforded is typical of the German contempt for international law.

# MR. SHEEPBREEDER

Dear Sir:—

During the past number of years a strong inducement has been offered to every farmer to become a sheep raiser. To say that a flock of sheep is a paying proposition is a modest statement of the returns that many men are enjoying to-day. Co-operative wool selling was established in this province in 1915 and has been gaining ground steadily and with marked satisfaction to all concerned. The great key note of the work is "qua ity first."

In every case the work of establishing a superior quality can be extended to include the flock of breeding sheep and it is the intention of the Department of Agriculture in co-operation with the Live Stock Branch, Ottawa, to assist every breeder as far as possible in improving his flock, so that he will produce the finest quality of wool and lamb that the market demands.

During the past three seasons the Department gave assistance in selecting approximately 150 pure bred rams to satisfy the demand. In all cases the purchaser was satisfied with the selection which can be judged from the fact several districts and individuals have asked for a continuation of the work.

For this season, as a special war measure, the Sheep Division of the Live Stock Branch, Ottawa, has offered its assistance to the sheep breeders of this Province by way of assisting in the selection and also in the cost. Pure bred ram lambs will be placed with breeders at a fixed cost of \$25.00 delivered and yearlings at \$30.00 regardless of the first cost price of the animals. It will be seen that this is a reasonable offer in view of the fact that some breeders in this Province have sold their season's supply at \$30.00 per head. Ewe lambs and nature breeding ewes will cost \$25.00 and over according to breeding and quality.

All animals will be eligible for registration. Should you intend to purchase a pure bred ram or a number of ewes, it will be necessary that you deposit the cost price with the Department of Agriculture, as has been done for other years at your earliest convenience.

Hoping to have your consideration in this matter and thanking you for your co-operation in the past, I am,  
 Yours Very Truly,

**W. J. REID,**  
 SEC. SHEEP BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION

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## DAILY SELECTIONS FOR GUARDIAN READERS

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### ACTIONS AND WORDS

Here's sentiment worthy to keep in your mind  
 As you travel through life, for it's true you will find  
 That you're not so much valued by what you may say,  
 As by what you may do in a practical way,  
 For unless you perform what you say you can do  
 Grave doubts will arise that you're honest and true;  
 Though your voice be as sweet as the song of the birds,  
 Remember that actions speak louder than words.

Nor would I discourage the message that cheers,  
 Or the prayers or the blessings of sympathy's tears;  
 They are always in order, they help in their way  
 To hasten the dawn of Millennial day,  
 But a little more gold sandwiched in with your prayers  
 Would banish more tears and lighten more cares;  
 Though your voice be as sweet as the song of the birds,  
 Remember that action speak louder than words.

I think that, whenever a man is trying to do the little errands of the Lord that come his way, the spirit of the Lord will catch him up for something larger, whether he be a minister, a manager, an office employee, an overseer, a farmer, a what-not. Do the first work you can find for Him and He will give you more and larger errands. Shouldn't you like to be known in your community as "the man that runs on God's errands"? Well just, begin by saying, "Lord, if you have any errand that is too little or too disagreeable for anyone else to do, please let me run on it for you."—John F. Cowan

The average man can't realize how easy it is to pass the contribution plate and forget to chip in until he tries it.

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## YOUR PROBLEMS SOLVED

BY REV. T. S. LINSKOTT, D. D.

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Dr. Linscott, in this column will help you solve your heart problems, religious, natural, social, financial and every other anxious care that perplexes you. If a personal answer is required, enclose a five cent stamp. No names will be published; if you prefer, sign your initials only, or use a pseudonym.

### SYSTEMATIC GIVING:—

"There is considerable controversy in our church whether Christians are obliged to give at least ten per cent of their income to God; Some take one side and some another, what are your views?" asks "One in Doubt." It is a clear case that Christians should give systematically and not in a haphazard way. The Jews were required to give ten per cent of their income and if in that unenlightened age they were required to give that amount it would seem that in this more favored day we should give at least that sum.

### CHURCH DIVISION:—

"Our church is divided over the election of the superintendent of our Sunday School. Some wanted the old one to be elected and others wanted a new one and the latter got the majority of votes. The defeated man says he is going to leave the church and there are a number who say they will do likewise. What would you advise me to do?" asks "A Pastor." You need the wisdom of the serpent and the harmlessness of the dove in order to settle this controversy. I would see the leaders of the dispute personally and throw them back upon God and their conscience, pray with them and get them to pray for each other, and pray much yourself.

C. P.—You ask "Do you think it

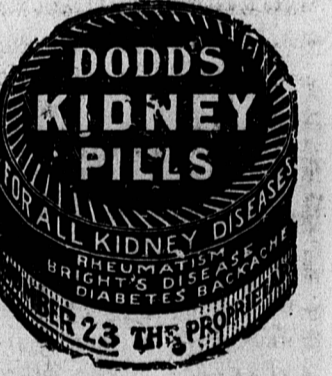
would be wise for me to marry the one I have in view?" I am not a mind reader, nor a conjurer, nor a prophet. I know nothing about you nor the "one you have in view"; I do not know whether you are a man or a woman and how can you expect me to give an intelligent answer to your question? Tell me some of the facts and I will give you my advice. The fact however, that you are in doubt, inclines me to say don't marry him, or her, as the case may be, until you throw them back upon God and their thing you ought to do.

Ask for Minard's and take no other

### YANKS ASK THE BRITISH NOT TO SEND JUST NOW

LONDON, Sept. 10—Owing to the difficulties of supply and transportation, the American military authorities have requested the new British committee, which was organized to send parcels and gifts to the American soldiers at the front, not to

begin their distribution of food and ordinary articles of wearing apparel at the present time. The British committee has therefore decided to postpone the sending of such parcels until these restrictions are removed.



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