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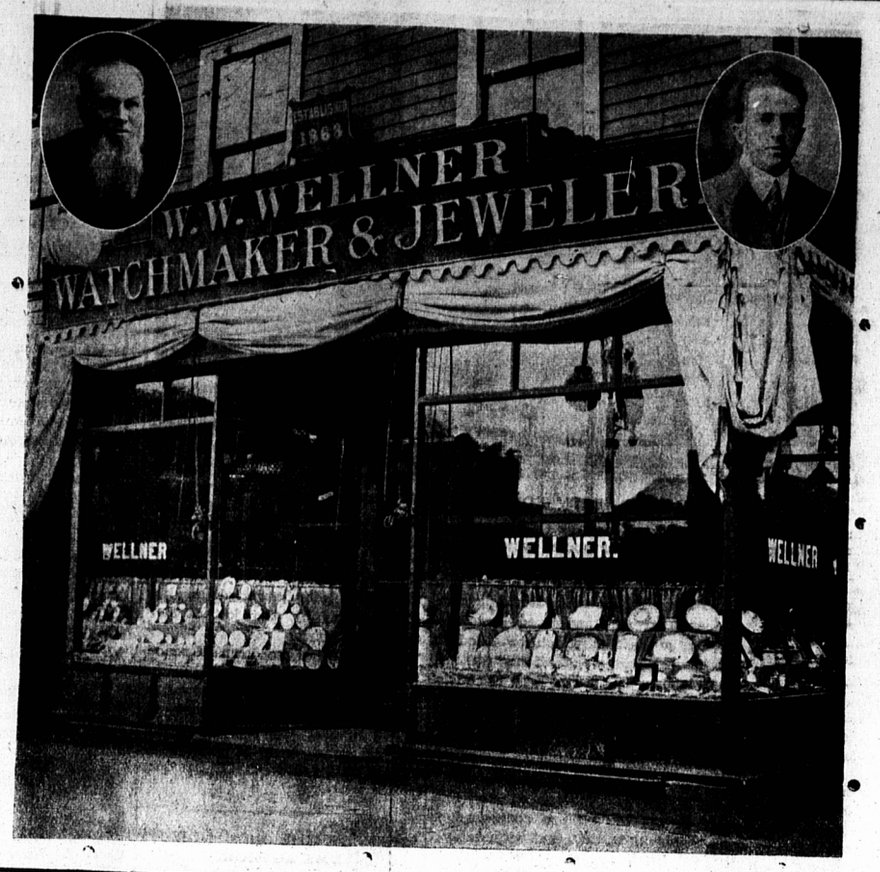

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The most exacting purchaser of Christmas gifts will find in our stock many quaint and original pieces of precious gem jewelery. May we suggest for "Her." present Onyx Rings, Lavolliers, Necklaces, pearls, earrings, etc.

For "His" present:--Emblem Rings, Tie Pins, Cuff Links, Watch Chains, etc.

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Realizing that there would be a large demand for wrist watches this Christmas, we have purchased what we consider the finest assortment we have ever shown. Our stock includes such lines as the Waltham and Mars. Our prices range from $15.00 upwards.

Today We Announce Our Readiness for Christmas Business

And in this announcement we desire to tell you that we have prepared wisely and well.

Our stock is superb—our service complete—and we desire that you inspect carefully every article of interest.

With buyers coming in greatly increasing numbers, assortments and varieties must necessarily decrease.

Thousands of articles come from markets too far to permit of reordering. Among these are the unique novelties in which early shoppers find the greatest joy in selecting.

And so we advise Christmas shopping while the stocks are full.

The cut above shows the home of W. W. Wellner, Ltd. The inset at the upper left corner is of the late Mr. W. W Wellner who was the founder of the business in 1868. The other inset is of Mr. L. E. Wellner, the President of the Company.

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The exquisite designs we have just received in a recent shipment of

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The exquisite monograming we do in colors gives this line an individuality unique and pleasing.

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The Famine In China

By John H. MacVicar

It almost seems as if the famine in China had come upon the world overnight. The news which went out at the end of August that millions in the northern provinces of Chihli, Shantung and Honan were face to face with starvation came with startling abruptness.

Had the menace escaped earlier notice? By no manner of means. A drought that had lasted for a full year could scarcely have passed unobserved, either by the Chinese themselves, or by those from other lands who live amongst them. All summer the ceaseless drum-beat of rain-processions kept the flaming air vibrating. The Chinese in fact, resorted to every known expedient for inducing a downpour, but with out result. Dingy images, with the paint-skin and mud-flesh pealing from their wooden anatomy, were dragged out of cobwebbed recesses in shrines and temples, and placed in the blazing sun to force a touch of fellow-feeling for human hunger pangs.

Dead bodies, even, were dug up and exposed to the stolid stare of superstitious throngs in order to exorcise spirits that were suspected of having haunted the agricultural districts and prevented such clouds as gathered from pouring out their contents. But to the intense agony of the whole population, throughout the entire twelvemonth there had been no soaking rain.

When all that was going on, why should the famine have taken the world by surprise? In part, it may have been due to the political distractions. A powerful organization known as the Anfu Club dominated Peking and had been selling the Chinese Republic body and soul. Gradually the suspicion seized the better elements amongst the people that the republic must be standing on its moral head, or else seeing things upside down, and that the only way matters could be righted was by revolution. The overturning of the Anfu Club so absorbed attention as to obscure for a while the consciousness that any famine spectre was emerging. Some Canadians on the ground, from whose minds forebodings were not absent steadied themselves by recalling former occasions when similar peril had threatened but had been averted. Rather than speak prematurely they remained silent.

But now, beyond all question, a famine is in progress, a situation the like of which has not been known in China since 1877. In wide regions the suffering is already acute. On a low estimate twenty million people are affected. Some forecast that before the winter is over between thirty and forty million lives will be threatened. In that portion of the Province of Honan which is situated north of the Yellow River, an extensive region lies from which no crop whatever was taken. It is mainly in the prefecture of Changte, but the other two prefectures of Weihwei and Hwaiking are not unaffected.

The writer has travelled day after day through a considerable portion of the territory—not by any means the worst—and found the people eating chaff and leaves. Their animals— cows, oxen, donkeys, mules—in great droves have either been killed for food, or driven far off to be sold for a song to some greedy profiteer. When, at long last rain fell and made it practicable to sow the fall-wheat, in spacious districts through which the writer passed, animals were so scarce that the plough had to be drawn by hand. In many instances only the seeder was used to scratch the surface of the soil Famine prices early began to prevail. Gaoligang the coarsest kind of food, in normal times costs one dollar a bushel. Now it costs $6.25.

The great mass of the people have pawned their clothes and have no money with which to redeem them. Children are openly put up for sale and infants abandoned on the roads. Crowded "trains of mercy" on which free passage is granted by the Chinese Government, carry to and fro distracted refugees looking in vain for spots where abundance can be found. For many, millet-gruel mixed with leaves is the only mocking nourishment available. This spells torture and death within a few weeks or months

The Famine Relief organizations in China with the urgent appeals for funds and approved methods of self-help for the able-bodied are hard at work doing their best to cope with the situation; but even on the lowest estimates the problem before them is not unlike that of providing food for all the armies in the Great War: with this difference that in that situation all the world was interested, and more or less ready to deny itself in order to make the food supply go round. Help from Canada which is absolutely indispensable, in order to be effective needs to be prompt

Many of the leading Chinese are contributing generously and taking action. But that the Chinese Government can be counted to do next to nothing is indicated by the following editorial comment which appeared recently in the North China Daily News of Shanghai, one of the most influential British Journals in the Orient: "The question arises whether there is any real ground for supposing that the Chinese Government is capable of dealing with the problem now confronting it. Considering all the circumstances, to expect it to produce a thoroughly practical and comprehensive scheme and more than that, to be able to provide the necessary machinery for its effective operation, would be rather like expecting it to perform an administrative miracle. The Chinese Government is obviously and hopelessly unprepared. With a depleted treasury and the wholly administrative organization vitiated by political antagonism and duplicity, is it to be wondered at that the Government finds itself without men and without means to meet the crisis? It is extremely probable that the bulk of the work will fall upon private enterprise assisted by a few conscientious and energetic officials."

By the time these lines are read in Canada the cold weather will have set in. Without their winter garments which they have no money to redeem from pawn without fuel and without food, the sufferings of the masses [illegible] will be great. Canadian help is urgently needed. It cannot be sent too soon.

Weihwie, Honan, China

October 26th, 1920.

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Yours gratefully,
JOHN WALSH.

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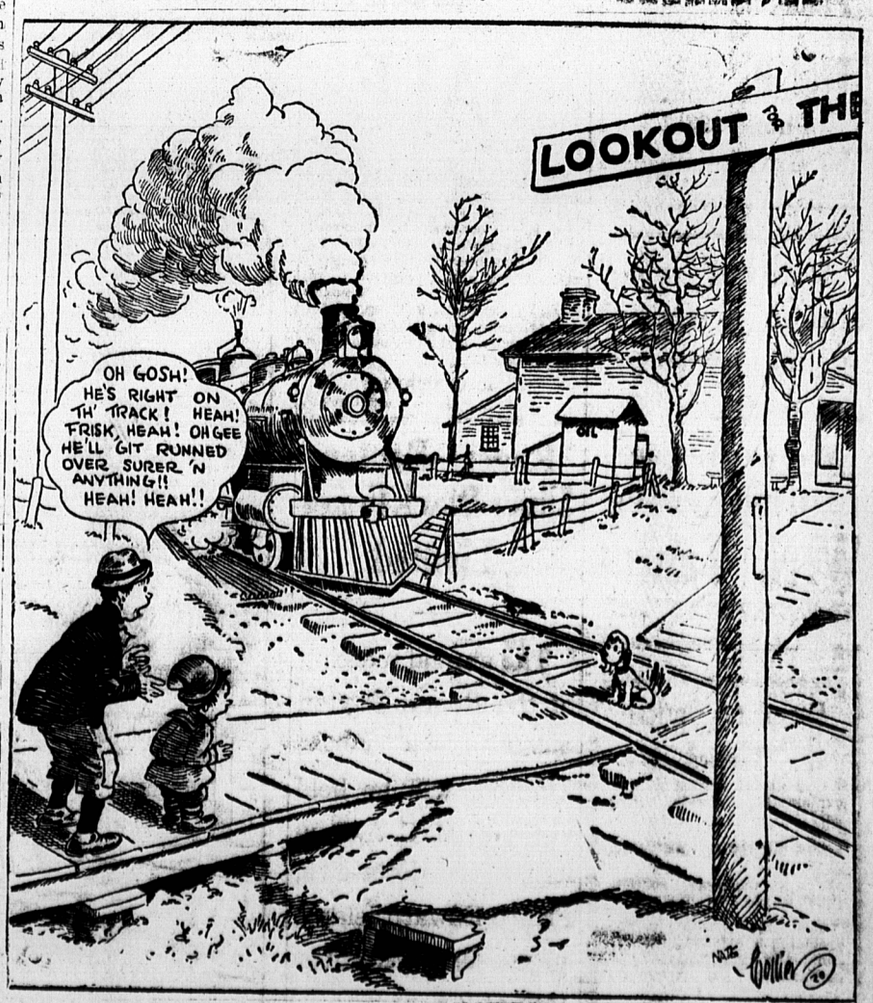

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