

## A WAR PROPHECY AND ITS ORIGIN

Remarkable Story Told in a  
British Paper

The Staffordshire Advertiser of Saturday, March 18, contained in Onlookers' Column of Events of the week the following:

I do not vouch for the accuracy or otherwise of the incident referred to below, but it comes from a correspondent whose bonafides are indisputable: The wife of a tiller of the soil was washing up the dinner things one day recently and had the misfortune to drop a plate on to the floor and broke it. Instantly a voice from behind said, "That is the first." The woman looked to see who was speaking, but no one was there. She went into the next room, but no one was there except her four months old baby in its cradle. She returned to her culinary duties with worse nerves than before, with the result that she let another plate fall, which shattered, and immediately the same voice rang out, "That is the second." That was too much for the poor woman, because no one was to be found anywhere in or outside the cottage, so she went for the local doctor. When he arrived, she told him just what had happened, so he said, "Bring me a plate." She did, and he deliberately dropped it on the hard floor, with the expected result, and again the voice, as from Heaven, distinctly said, "That is the third." The doctor now shared the woman's misgivings, but quite undaunted he asked for still another plate out of her small stock. She did so, and he said, "We will go into the other room" (where the baby was). He took up a position quite near the cradle, and again he let the plate fall, to meet the fate of the others. The same voice, only clearer, again said "That is the fourth," but to his utter chagrin and astonishment the voice came from the mouth of that four-month-old child. Before either he or the mother could recover their surprise sufficiently to speak, the wonderful child continued, "In one, two, three, four months the war will end," and the infant's soul immediately fled to its place on high.

The issue of March 25 had this supplementary paragraph:  
A good deal of interest has been taken in the last paragraph which appeared under this heading of our issue of March 18. As I expected, doubts have been cast upon the truth of the story, which I quite agree from several points of view appears an impossible one. I have been asked in two cases to give the name of the correspondent and vouchers for the correctness of the statement, and have forwarded the name and address of his informant, although, for obvious reasons, it cannot be given in this column. It seems to be a very fit case for the Psychological Research Society to take up.

### BENTON.

There has been a very exciting time around the village this last two weeks when it was found that the man who had worked all winter on this Gunstock wood could not get their pay. It is very hard on the men. Messrs Murchie & Eagles have got the affair so terribly mixed up no one knows how it will end.

Mr. Harry Boyle has gone on a visit to Livermore to see his sister, Mrs. P. O'Donnell.

Mrs. Louise Connolly Bolger is very ill; Dr. Griffin is in attendance. The Catholic people of Benton have not seen their new pastor yet and are all anxiously waiting that pleasure.

Marshall Boyle of Livermore has been visiting his friends and relatives for a week at Benton. Since October there has been nine funerals in this village.

Miss Etta McElroy is at present at Island Falls working at millinery. Frank Anderson is expected home for Easter.

J. C. Bolger is at Edmundston assistant telegrapher. Mrs. Frank Murchie took a trip to Edmundston last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Burpee are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Frank Murchie at Benton.

Our soldier boys seem to like to come home to spend Sunday. May God guard them all.

Mrs. Clapham has been called to St. John by the illness of her aunt, Mrs. W. Howard.

The ship of Captain Alfred Howard having caught fire had to be towed to a harbor in France in flames. His wife and little daughter were on board. She was a Miss Deacon of Benton. No lives were lost but cargo was badly damaged.

## WHAT THE DAYLIGHT SAVING PLAN MEANS

It is proposed to utilize during the summer months some of the early morning sunlight, which is now often wasted while we sleep, and thereby to add an hour's sunlight at the end of the day.

This is to be accomplished by moving the hands of the clock forward an hour on the first day of May and backward one hour on the first Sunday in October.

This will entail—  
1. No earlier rising than at present, because we shall continue to rise at the same hour by the clock.  
2. No loss of sleep.

The chief advantage to be gained is that we should have daylight for an hour later every evening during the summer months. This would be most valuable in May, June, July, August and September.

The effect of the scheme would be to make the day fit man's requirements more closely. We would simply add one hour each day to the daylight available for rest and recreation after our day's work is finished.

The gain of one hour of sunlight each evening yields more advantages than would a half holiday each week. For the whole period in each year covered by the proposal the gain will amount to 153 hours' sunlight, the equivalent of say fifteen whole holidays.

The cost of artificial lighting will be reduced as it will not be necessary to light up until an hour later than at present.

The enjoyment of life will be increased, and the health of the people improved. More out of doors will increase our efficiency. It will also decrease eye strain.

The plan has been adopted by St. John, Halifax, and practically all the Towns in the Maritime Provinces, and in all the Cities and Towns of Western Canada.

### Mutt & Jeff in College

Gus Hill's production of Bud Fisher's cartoon character play, MUTT & JEFF, has another new title to add in every detail called MUTT & JEFF IN COLLEGE. No better comedy environment is imaginable. Our heroes MUTT & JEFF are financed for a College education by the students of Stratford College in return for their services as expert foot ball players. They win the big game by clever strategy and are lionized on commencement day. During the graduation exercises Mutt & Jeff offer a specialty depicting some of the greater scenes from Shakespearean tragedies, with ludicrously funny results. The play may well be termed a riot of hilarious laughter from the start to the finish. The musical numbers which are all new are the exclusive property of Mr. Gus Hill and not interpolated popular songs which are used in most all musical shows along the line every week. It comes to the Hayden-Gibson Theatre, Tuesday, April 25th. Take the Kiddies.



### RECRUITING

This week, up to date, recruiting has been pretty good in the county. There was a substantial increase in the Battery, as shown by the list below. Three men signed on for Company 4 Divisional Army Service Corps, among them being Hazen Scott of Lower Woodstock, who has had experience in military matters. He is also an ex-councillor for the Parish of Woodstock.

One company of the 140th Battalion left Perth for Hartland on Wednesday. Perhaps it is better late than never.

Taken on strength 65th Battery since Monday:

John Burns Grant, Woodstock.  
Sperry E. Tapley, Woodstock.  
Robert Aiken, Debec.  
Wm. Donald McLardy, Sask.  
Charles F. Mowat, Houlton.  
Lee N. Stairs, Lower Southampton.  
Hazen Stairs.  
Seely B. Stairs.  
Alfred H. Munroe, Pinder.  
Hillard London, Monticello, Me.  
Strength of 65th O.S. Battery, C.E.F., to date 62 men.

A lot of complaint is heard about the delay in the mails. There is no objection to the action of the department in the recent order given regarding American mail, but there are evidently some boneheads appointed to carry on the work. One prominent firm in town received an order for goods from Montreal ten days after it was mailed. Why is Canadian mail held up anyway? Letters from Houlton arrive here two weeks after mailing and the same delay occurs in all letters mailed from nearby towns on the American border. It would appear that the whole fault lies with the officials appointed to do the work.

Have you tried the delicious ice cream made by the Sanitary Dairy? Sold in any quantity. The bricks are meeting with popular favor.

### RED CROSS WORK

Central Northampton—On April 1, there was sent forward to headquarters, a box containing the following:  
48 pr socks, 11 grey flannel day shirts, 5 white flannellette helpless shirts.  
Mrs. Elsmore Robinson, Pres.  
Mrs. Donald D. Diblee, Sec-Treas.



### Country Doctor Found the the Right Lintment

"Down East," as they say of Maine, there lived good old Doctor Abner Johnson. It was in a little country town where every family knew the value of keeping a good liniment on hand.

They were hard working people, often exposed to cold, and nearly everybody had the "rheumatiz," especially muscular rheumatism, and hard work gave them sprains, bruises and such pains.

The doctor studied and experimented and finally found a recipe for a liniment that took the pain right out of all these ails. It somehow seems to get right at the trouble and takes the pain away quick. Yet it is so harmless you can take it inside as well as rubbing it on the skin.

So the recipe found by good old Doctor Abner Johnson was put up in bottles and called "Johnson's Anodyne Liniment." Probably you have heard of it many times. Whenever you want a good liniment remember and buy "Johnson's Anodyne Liniment," the recipe of old Doctor Abner Johnson. It can be bought wherever medicines are sold.

### A TRIBUTE TO MEN

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them to the depleted battalion with its efficient staff of officers and N. C. O's train and supply the fighting force by which other battalions may win honor and New Brunswick her standing in the Annals of the World War.

They are very proud of their famous sister battalion the 26th, whose ranks they will soon be filling and their pride is only exceeded by their eagerness to get in the "scrap." I learn from the general staff that they left Valcartier with a good reputation, especially marksmanship which accounted for their reaching England long before many battalions senior to them.

At Bramshott the same eulogy was accorded them, and here at Westernhanger a visit from the general officer elicited the remark that the 55th were a "fine, clean body of men," and they still remain in the Shorncliffe command, because hardly any more battalions will go to France as a complete unit—reinforcements now being the procedure.

You must pardon me for occupying so much of your valuable space but I feel it my duty in justice to this almost unknown battalion to tell the people of New Brunswick they are a battalion of which they may be well proud and I shall have done them honor when I have caused their province to remember and keep an eye on them. They are worth it.

In closing I may add that as a fitting name for them it would be within the bounds of truth to call them the "Loyalist" battalion, since research proves 85 per cent of them are descendants of New Brunswickers among whom are many loyalist families, and here in the peaceful surroundings of the ancient Westernhanger Castle of Henry the Eighth fame lies dormant a formidable Canadian fighting force.

I remain yours sincerely,  
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ALL NEW



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Fun  
Music  
and  
Girls

See

Mutt & Jeff  
as Students  
then try and  
stop laughing

See  
Mutt & Jeff  
as Students  
They will surely  
keep you  
laughing

Bring the  
Kiddies to the  
Big Show

Advance Tickets on sale at Gibson's, now, Out of town people  
can phone or write for reservations that will assure  
them of good seats

Prices: \$1.00, 75c, and 50c

C. A. Rogers who has been working for Thomas Scott at Drummondville, Quebec, since last September, is expected home today (Friday).

Mr. L. C. Prurie, St. John, was in town Thursday.

Fire, Sunday morning, almost totally destroyed the residence of Michael McManus on Broadway. It was first seen at the rear of the house and rapidly gained headway. Most of the furniture was removed. The loss is partially covered by insurance.

## FARMERS -- ATTENTION

We wish to take this opportunity of thanking our many customers for their patronage in the past and to inform one and all that we are moving from our old stand at the Bridge to the

Brick Block, Connell Street

lately occupied by Clarke & Johnston and J. P. Pickles, where we will be prepared at all times to supply any wants in the line of Farm Machinery

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