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## No Enthusiasm for Uncle Sam's Break Among British Soldiers at the Front

NEW YORK, February 17.—Lack of enthusiasm, or of even mild interest, in America's break with Germany on the part of the British soldiers at the front is described in the New York Times by Alden Brooks after a week's trip along the battle front. He writes: The English Tommy is now settled in harness, and, like the thoroughly good soldier he is, has given up thinking. Questions do not concern him. And he is now cock of the walk, and though it may be a blooming good business if the Americans do join in the fray, yet there is no special need for them. English Tommy is supreme in his self confidence.

As for his officers, take, for instance, a scene in a cafe at Cassel, that little town upon the hill behind the English lines and Gen. French's former headquarters. Many of us are sitting there about impromptu tea

tables, rum tables, whisky tables. The air is thick with tobacco smoke. The windows are rattling incessantly with the reverberation of drum fire north of Ypres. Finally there enters a woman with papers.

Slowly coppers come forth from under the Sam Browne belts and the Daily Mail makes the circuit of the crowd.

In an obscure corner I eagerly read the American news in heavy print across the front page. It seems epoch-making, and yet in all that through there arises not a word of comment. Curses that even women should be playing football in England. Here comes that a drummer of a dressmaker establishment should even try to escape exemption, various swapping of stories, what each is doing in Cassel, broken down motors, special missions, but never a word of America.

Once two of them come precious near the subject in a discussion of the submarine menace, but the matter reaches an amicable settlement with the statement of one that the Admiralty no doubt has the matter well in hand, and the statement of the other that he himself knows nothing of naval matters and does not pretend to. Whereupon another officer goes to a dilapidated piano well tuned, after all, and plays—not "Tipperary," but an admirable rendering of Chopin's scherzo in B minor, from beginning to end.

Later I am introduced to several of them, and when it develops that I am an American, despite my khaki, there follows a general expression of good-will, but still not a word of America. Finally one of them, after a series of a sort of subdued laughter, says:

"There's one thing I like about your country."

"What?" I ask eagerly.

"Your women. They're an awfully jolly lot, you know, and a chap can have a clicking good time with them. I remember, once—"

So later I came boldly to the subject of my own accord. What did they think of the situation between America and Germany? There followed dead silence. I began to think I must have made some break. Then one of them said with a scowl: "Ah, really, I say now, do you think it will make such an awful difference if you do come in?" And that was all I could get out of them.

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At first it seemed to me that this Olympian indifference might be due to lack of imagination or perhaps to pose. But it has its reason. These Englishmen have learned something perhaps we Americans have not learned yet, namely, that in these cruel days only facts count and only facts are worthy of comment.

Minard's Liniment used by Physicians.

### IF YOU WERE

If you were busy being kind, Before you knew it, you would find You'd soon forget to think 'twas true That someone was unkind to you.

If you were busy being glad, And cheering people who are sad, Although your heart might ache a bit, You'd soon forget to notice it.

If you were busy being good, And doing just the best you could, You'd not have time to blame some man Who's doing just the best he can.

If you were busy being true, To what you know you ought to do, You'd be so busy you'd forget The blunders of the folks you've met.

If you were busy being right, You'd find yourself too busy quite To criticize your neighbor's lot, Because he's busy being wrong.

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### "WHY CONSCRIPTION"

We Canadians say our first line of defence is in France and Flanders. THIS IS TRUE. The men fighting there are doing as much to protect from destruction our Canadian homes, as if they were holding a line running from St. Stephen to Newcastle. If that part of Canada East of the above line were in the hands of the enemy, it would be the duty of the rest of Canada to get it back. It would be absurd for the man in Quebec or Ontario to say—"I will fight for my own country when war comes." Just now all the Allied nations are in one boat. We must sink or swim together. If one falls—we all fall. Their line of defence is our line also. The Belgian or Frenchman is protecting with his body the Home in Canada just as much as the Canadian soldier. We must consider that part of France and Belgium now in the enemy's hands as if it were part of Canada that were taken. It is our duty to get it back. We have been blessed by the fact that war has not scorched by its breath of destruction. We have been blessed by the fact that war has not scorched us by its breath of destruction. We have seen its work. Let us confine the fire to the burnt district. Every physically fit man in France and Belgium is at war. The fields are farmed, the factories are kept going, the railways are run, by the noble women of these countries. They have suffered and starved, and toiled and died for us. What are we doing for them? Where is there even an isolated instance in Canada of one of our citizens missing as much as a meal by reason of this war? Let us stop and think. Is it just? Are we doing our full share?

SANDY MACRAEKEN.

### The Thirtieth Annual Report of the Manufacturers Life Insurance Company Discloses a Year of Wonderful Progress

The Thirtieth Annual Report of The Manufacturers Life Insurance Company is one that should occasion general satisfaction to its thousands of Policyholders.

The Insurance issued and revived in force \$89,118,359, a net increase amounted to the large sum of \$13,629,213, making the total Insurance of \$5,372,187. The Premium Income showed an increase of \$141,360, and amounted to \$3,373,598, while the Income from Investments was \$1,286,043, an increase of \$130,517, making the total Income \$4,659,641, an increase of \$271,877. The payments to Policyholders amounted to \$1,782,380, in addition to which there was set aside

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a further sum of \$2,007,105 for Reserves and Dividends for Policyholders.

The mortality experienced was very favorable, being 30 per cent less than the amount provided for.

The Assets of the Company were valued on the stringent basis laid down by the Dominion Insurance Department, and amount to \$22,694,435, an increase of \$1,949,757, while the Policy Reserves are now \$18,659,352.

After setting aside a special Contingency Reserve of \$200,000, the Surplus is shown as \$2,527,835. As an indication of the conservative method adopted in preparing the Balance Sheet, it may be pointed out that had the Company complied with the Canadian Government requirements only, a surplus of \$3,426,963 would have been disclosed. The Annual Statement shows substantial growth in every respect.

## May Increase Supplies For Allies

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New York, February 28.—A news agency despatch from London today says:

"England is trying to figure out what 'armed neutrality' by the United States might mean."

"Lack of any 'overt act' by Germany since the breaking of diplomatic relations with the United States, and the imminence of the closing of the Congressional session, led today to a vast amount of speculation on the possibility of the United States continuing its position of having broken with Germany but not having actually joined with the Allies in a declaration of war against Germany. A considerable group here believes the United States will adopt a 'benevolent' as well as an armed neutrality; that the benevolent neutrality will be manifest in an increasing amount of supplies to the Allies, and in greater co-operation in financial arrangements."

"Failure to receive American mail regularly is seriously interfering with the business of British concerns having agencies in the United States, as well as ordinary business correspondence."

### Teething Time A Time of Worry

When baby is teething is a time of worry to most mothers. Baby's little gums become swollen and red; he becomes cross; does not sleep well; is greatly troubled with constipation; colic or diarrhea and sometimes even convulsions seize him. During this period no thing can equal the use of Baby's Own Tablets. They regulate the bowels and stomach and make teething so easy that the mother scarcely realizes baby is getting his teeth. Convincing the Tablets Mrs. Arthur Archibald, New York, N.Y., writes: "I used Baby's Own Tablets when baby was getting his teeth and I found them an excellent remedy." The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

### ANDOVER.

(Too late for last issue.) Mrs. N. J. Wooten entertained at a snowshoe tramp and Valentine tea on Feb. 14th, for her daughter's, Isabel and Francis. The guests were Edith Beberidge, Josephine Bedell, Mary MacKinnon, Mona and Thelma Scott, Noreen Masters, Bertha Spike, Katharine Flemmington, Anette, Darch, Wallace, Alex and Donald Matheson and Humphrey Flemington.

Mrs. Walter Gillet entertained the younger set at a birthday party for her niece, Noreen Masters.

Mrs. Frank Sadler entertained on Monday afternoon at a thimble party.

Mrs. Harry Tibbitts gave a very pleasant knitting party on Friday, from 3 to 6 p.m. Among those who accepted were Mrs. James Porter, Mrs. Sutton, Mrs. Kuyper, Mrs. N. J. Wooten, Mrs. Bates, Mrs. Wm. Spike, Mrs. Matheson, Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. MacAlary, Mrs. Flemington, Mrs. Curry, Mrs. Wm. Hoyt, Mrs. George Baird, Mrs. Robt Irving, Mrs. Stewart. A very dainty lunch was served.

Guy G. Porter returned on Saturday from a trip to Boston.

The Social dance under the auspices of Howard Lodge F. & A. M. came off on Friday night. About 38 couples were there. The local orchestra provided first class music. At midnight a lunch was served.

The young people of Andover and Perth spent a social evening at the Baptist parsonage with Rev. and Mrs. McFadden. X. Y. Z.

### ON MARRIAGE.

The following are a few interesting facts about marriage:—Some marry for the sake of a good companion and never discover their mistakes. This is fortunate.



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### The Flavour Lasts!

Never marry a man for his reputation. It is liable to be only a reported affair, borrowed from his ancestors.

Many marry to spite someone else, only to learn that they themselves have the worst of the transaction. Marriage is a lottery full of chances; herein lies its fascination. All like to chance it, because everyone thinks to win a prize.

The most affectionate people before marriage seldom hold out in the same proportion after the knot is tied. It is better philosophy to commence only as you would live afterwards. From the matrimonial market the saints of both sexes were culled long ago. Do not expect to marry one.

Woman is sometimes the real cause of unhappiness in the married relations of life, but in the majority of instances the case is reversed, and she is really the true character in it. No man or woman is perfect, and in selecting a life partner compatibility of temperament, a loving disposition and a thorough knowledge of each other's character go a long way towards the promotion of lasting happiness.

### MARRIED

A very pretty wedding took place on Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 14th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert D. Ray, parents of the bride. The contracting parties were Miss Susie M. Ray, Richmond, and Mr. Gordon Neal Hoyt, Debec, who were united in holy matrimony by the

Rev. John Rees Jones, Rector of the parish. The bride who was dressed in white crepe-de-chene, entered the room where the ceremony was performed, to the strains of the well-known bridal chorus. Mr. Kenneth Neal supported the groom while Miss Margaret Folkins who was daintily dressed in blue crepe-de-chene acted in the capacity of bridesmaid. At the conclusion of the ceremony the assembled guests sat down to a sumptuous repast which was in full accord with the splendour of the event.

The bride was the recipient of a number of presents and on the previous day was honoured by a shower when more than fifty persons met at the residence of Mrs. Kilburn Currie. The happy couple left for Debec later in the evening amid the congratulations and felicitations of those present.

### Prizes at Short Course

Each of the pupils whose name appears below, won \$5 in prizes, awarded in Home Economics, at the short course in the Vocational School:—

Millinery and Sewing, Miss Helea Estabrooks, Florenceville. Theoretical Cookery, Mrs. J. C. Hartley, Woodstock. House Planning and Furnishing, Mrs. Clayton Steves, Woodstock. Home Nursing and First Aid, Mrs. Frank Good, Fredericton.

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Onion, S.B.'s Prize-taker, Red Globe.....	.05	.25	.65	2.10
Parsnip, Elcomb Giant Hollow Crown.....	.05	.15	.35	.....
Peas, Stratagem, large pods, vines 2 ft.....	.....	.....	.10	.35
Radish, Set Turnip, White-Tip, earliest.....	.05	.15	.40	1.00
Tomato, Jewel, very early.....	.05	.35	1.00	.....
Tomato, Success, large and smooth.....	.05	.35	1.00	.....
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