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"With malice towards none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right, let us finish the work we are in, to bind up the nation's wounds, to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow and his orphans, to do all which which may achieve and cherish a just and a lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations."—Abraham Lincoln.

## A NATIONAL CALAMITY.

The destruction by fire of the Parliament Building at Ottawa is little short of a national calamity, and the news will be heard with great regret by the people of Canada. Early reports sent out from Ottawa stated that explosions had been heard during the progress of the fire, and this gave rise to a strong belief that the destruction of the magnificent architectural pile on Parliament Hill was the work of alien enemies. A thorough investigation will of course be held and if it is shown that the fire was the act of German agents, there will be a wave of public indignation sweep over the country from Atlantic to Pacific which cannot fail to give a great stimulus to recruiting. The Empire is now at war with a merciless foe, which will stop at nothing to attain its ends.

The flames originated among some files of papers in the reading room, and swept through the corridors of the great building with lightning rapidity. The House of Commons was in session at the time and many of the members had barely time to escape with their lives. The number of fatalities is given at six, including two women. All of the members and Senators escaped.

Today's despatches state that the beautiful library has been saved; but the main building is a total loss. Temporary quarters will be secured for the Commons and Senate, and the business of the country, the most important item of which is the prosecution of the war to a successful issue, will go on.

## NO MORE GRAFT.

The people are still waiting for some announcement respecting the tenders submitted to construct the remainder of the Valley Railway. One of the four tenders was, were understood, thrown out because it was received some hours behind time and the contractors' check has been returned. The rumor gains ground that a company in which some contractors at present working in Nova Scotia, together with other gentlemen much interested in promoting public and political work in St. John, has the inside track to build this much desired railway.

Is this great public work, which has taxed the credit and resources of this province, to be made again the football of political jackals? Is there another plunderbund plotting to profit and rake off from the needs of the province? The directors of the St. John and Quebec Railway Company should beware of the men who would influence them to place the contracts in hands friendly to them. They know what has happened and the people look to them to see that there is no more graft in connection with the construction of this work. They have a right to demand that the tenders shall all be made public at once and that every contracting firm who gave figures shall have a fair chance. The politics of the contractors, so long as they are reliable and responsible, should not prevent the acceptance of the lowest tender. The directors are on trial and the public awaits their decision with impatience.

## ON THE SIDE.

Greece is still sputtering.

Europe is making chest protectors out of steel this year.

The Kaiser did not celebrate his fifty-seventh birthday either in Paris or Petrograd.

Speaking of the alleged horrors of

war, consider the rumor that bustles and hoops are coming back into style?

Tragedy of the "lost chord"—when the bundle has been wrapped and no string is available.

So Turkey sunk the Persia? It's Bulgaria's turn next

Pity Parliament could not pass an act to extend the life of the Parliament building.

And sometimes Spring literally throws herself into the embrace of Winter. But, then, this is leap year.

PROVINCIAL POULTRY ASSOC.  
HELD ANNUAL MEETING

York and Sunbury Poultry Show Just Closed, Most Successful on Record.

The annual meeting of the New Brunswick Poultry Association took place yesterday afternoon, Vice-President A. D. Thomas in the chair.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

Hon. President—Hon. J. A. Murray, Sussex.

Hon. Vice-President—J. B. Daggett, Fredericton.

President—J. V. Jackson, Moncton.

Vice-President—A. D. Thomas, Fredericton.

Sec.-Treas.—Geo. H. Seaman, Moncton.

The following board of directors was elected:

Dr. R. B. Hagerman, East Florenceville; F. M. Brown, Centreville; (Carleton & Victoria Poultry & Pet Stock Association); Geo. W. Brown, Fredericton; J. N. Ferguson, Fredericton; (York & Sunbury Poultry Association); C. P. McGarity, Milltown; R. W. Whitlock, Bt. Stephen; (Charlotte County Poultry and Pet Stock Association); Chas. H. Smythe, Moncton; R. B. Stewart, Moncton; (Westmorland Poultry & Pet Stock Association).

On motion it was decided that an alteration be made in the list of prizes.

It also was decided that an addition be made in Mating Pens, that is that the mating pen may consist of one cockerel and four pullets; one cock and four hens; one cock and four pullets, or one cockerel and four hens.

On motion the following varieties were added to the classes:

Partridge, Columbian and Black Wyandottes be added to the American breeds.

Blue Orpingtons, Speckled Sussex, Red Sussex, Light Cornish and Dark Cornish be added to the English breeds.

Mediterranean breeds Black Leghorns instead of A. V. White Minorcas.

Golden and Silver Campines added to Dutch breeds.

Turkeys should read White Holland Geese, African instead of A.O.V.

In live Utility Poultry Wyandottes Rhode Island Reds, Orpingtons, Plymouth Rocks and A.O.V. all compete together.

It was decided that the Utility Breeding Pens be struck out and the addition be made to Breeding Pens, Brahmas, A.O.V.; Langshans A.O.V.

In Dressed Poultry and eggs changes in prizes were made.

In regard to prizes being paid on Bantams it is left to the executive of the local exhibition.

It was recommended to ask the government to purchase 220 coops, size 24x27, and thirty large Turkey coops.

The following dates have been chosen by the different associations for

their next annual poultry exhibition and are as follows:

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Moncton, Jan. 17th, 18th, 19th and 20th.

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A MOTHER'S DUTY  
TO HER DAUGHTER

Her Health Must Be Carefully Guarded As She Approaches Womanhood.

The mother who calls to mind her own girlhood knows how urgently her daughter is likely to need help and strength in the years between early school days and womanhood. It is then that growing girls droop, become feeble, "foodless and nervous." Nature is calling for more nourishment than the blood can supply. Signs of distress are plainly evident in dull eyes, pale cheeks, weak and aching backs, fits of depression and often a dislike for proper food. These signs mean anaemia—that is bloodlessness.

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Spain Wants To  
Remain Neutral

(To be Continued.)

Paris, Feb. 4—"Spain wishes above all things, to remain neutral," said Count Romanones, the Spanish premier, in an interview accorded to Andre Evells, a noted French writer. "That is the unanimous sentiment of the country, irrespective of party, and discussion therefore, among Spaniards who may hold divergent views regarding the war are of a purely theoretical interest. All of us here, suffer at least morally from this great war."

Claim Act Of Piracy  
Was Not Illegal

(Canadian Press.)

Berlin, Feb. 4, via London—Information reaching the Associated Press today, indicates that under no circumstances will Germany admit that the sinking of the Lusitania was an illegal act.

The news instructions forwarded to Ambassador von Bernstorff, according to this information, contains simply one phrase of the new formation of the proposed note of regret of the sinking of the Lusitania.

The suggested sentence is short, consisting of only eight words, and does not contain the word "illegal." It represents the extreme limit of Germany's concessions in the Lusitania case.

Armenian Refugees  
En Route To The U. S.

(Canadian Press.)

London, Feb. 4—A number of Armenian refugees, who escaped from Russia, says Reuters' Berger correspondent, arrived yesterday in Bergen on the steamer Bergenford, on their way to the United States, where they have been promised assistance by wealthy compatriots.

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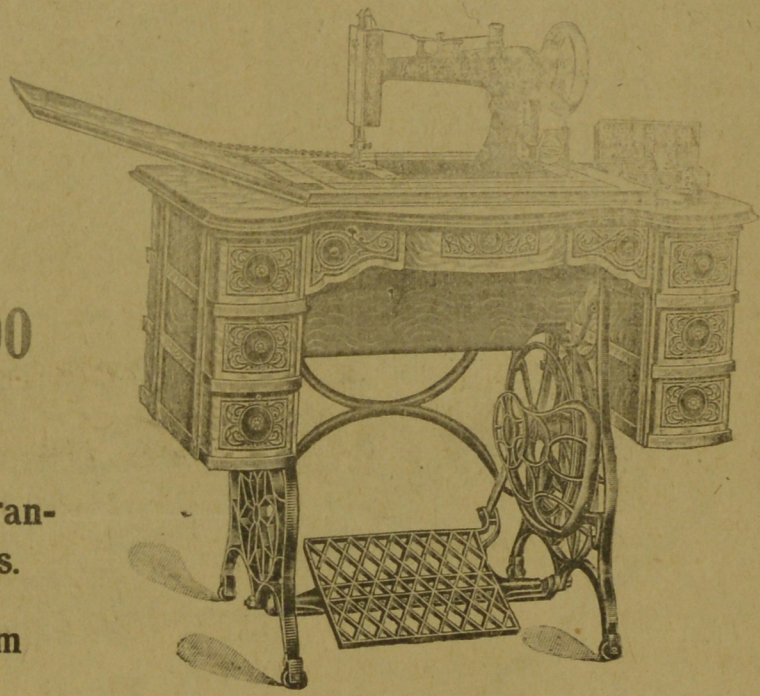
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