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A very Merry Christmas to all our subscribers and patrons.

THE CHILDREN'S DELIGHT.

What is the one greatest pleasure on Christmas day? It is not opening costly presents or greeting one's lover or eating the Christmas turkey. It is watching the children when they have their first glimpse of the stockings or the tree.

The ecstatic awe, the eager delight, the increasing joy as details begin to come out of the first glorious chaos—that's the biggest thing of all.

Have you an elderly, lonely aunt, a friendly—or grouchy—old gentleman, in your circle, a forlorn girl, working away from home, a youth in your office whose home is many miles away? Why not share your Christmas with someone like that?

You don't need to invite them for dinner if you don't want to break in upon the family group. Invite them to breakfast and to see the kiddies at the tree for an hour in the morning before church time.

For loneliness or selfishness, or for grumpiness, this is the best medicine in the whole wide world.

EXIT JOHN BARLEYCORN.

Old John Barleycorn, who has been getting hard knocks from all quarters since the war began, has been given a real solar plexus blow by the Union Government of Canada. Announcement is made from Ottawa that the manufacture and importation of intoxicating liquor is to be prohibited at once and it is intimated that inter-provincial traffic in booze, which has assumed quite large proportions since the various provinces adopted prohibition, is also to be stamped out. It is certainly a drastic measure of reform, made necessary by the exigencies of the war situation, and we believe it will meet with the hearty approval of the country. Prohibition was not an issue at the recent election, and it may be urged that the government has no mandate to deal with the question. This is in a sense true, but it will not likely affect the situation to any appreciable extent. The government was given a very emphatic mandate to "carry on" and if, in the opinion of the powers that be, the liquor traffic with its attendant evils and economic waste, stands in the way of greater war efforts on the part of Canada, it must go down and out.

As Hon. F. B. Carvell pointed out in a recent speech, the Empire is now in a deadly grip with a cruel and merciless foe, and it is necessary to do things for the common good which in ordinary times would be looked upon as undemocratic. This is why the traffic in intoxicating liquor is to be stamped out in Canada, and it is a reason which should commend itself to all patriotic citizens.

Eight of the nine provinces of Canada are under provincial prohibition, Quebec being the only province where liquor is now legally sold. Even in that province the temperance movement has made marked progress, as evidenced by the fact that the city of Quebec has adopted the Canada Temperance Act, while scores of municipalities have been in the dry column for months.

The big wholesale houses of Montreal, where the traffic is now centered, and the breweries and distilleries of Ontario, will all be put out of business by the action of the government. They will probably be given a few months to get rid of their stocks, and then, it is to be presumed, the lid will be jammed down tight.

There will naturally be great rejoicing among the temperance reformers of the country over the action of the government. What they have been working and praying for for years has been brought about by a union administration almost with the scratch of a pen. The distillers and importers will of course put up a vigorous kick, but if they are well advised they will accept the situation with good grace, and wait until Canada shall have disposed of a little business she has with the

CHURCHES HAVE ENDORSED GOVT. IN ITS ACTION

Strong Resolutions Approving of Prohibition Order-in-Council Passed Here Yesterday.

At Sunday services in the Baptist, Methodist and Presbyterian churches of Fredericton a message from the headquarters of the Dominion Alliance to Rev. W. D. Wilson, chief liquor inspector for the province, was read from the pulpits. The message was in relation to the order in council of the Dominion government prohibiting the importation of liquor into Canada after December 24th. In the several churches resolutions approving of the action of the government were moved and passed unanimously. They will be forwarded to Sir Robert Borden, premier, and Hon. F. B. Carvell, the representative of New Brunswick in the cabinet.

Germans before submitting any claim for compensation which they might have.

It rather looks at this stage as if old John Barleycorn has had his day so far as the Dominion of Canada is concerned. It is certainly a great reform and we believe Canadians are destined to witness others just as sweeping in character before many months pass over their heads.

OVERSHOT THE MARK.

Some of those who spoke at the public reception to a returned soldier in the City Opera House Saturday evening seemed to forget for the moment that the political campaign ended on the 17th instant. Receptions to returned soldiers have in the past been singularly free from politics, and most of those who visited the Opera House Saturday evening must therefore have been astonished at some of the remarks they were called upon to listen to. The reception was under civic auspices and the several speakers were simply asked by the deputy mayor to say a word of welcome to the young man who was being honored. Nobody was asked to expatiate on the victory won at the polls by the union government on Monday last, and the gratuitous utterances made on that subject, however well they might have sounded on election night, were not in good taste, to say the least. People who voted in the minority on Dec. 17th have a perfect right to assist in welcoming returned soldiers, but it is not fair that they should be called on to listen to a discussion of controversial matters.

Col. McLeod's majority in York, as compiled by the returning officer, was 2,908. The soldiers' vote, which it is said will number about 2,000, has yet to be counted.

Through Our Sieve

The night behind Christmas.

Welcome to our fair city, Santa.

We have to stand for a good many rotten imitations of Santa Claus.

A good way to keep cheerful is to keep on giving.

As a horrible example Russia impartially serves all nations.

Lots about Christmas Eve, but nothing about Christmas Adam. Could you think of a worse one?

Cheer up, dear heart! Don't take it so hard. You may think you have troubles, but just suppose you were the Kaiser!

The government's report that there is a shortage of fur-bearing animals this fall will not be taken seriously while so many of them are tripping up and down Queen street.

What every girl would like for Christmas: Something to pet about six feet high wrapped in khaki, and garnished with a sprig of mistletoe.

"Woman's faults are many. Man's are but two—everything he says and everything he does."—From a club woman's paper. And with both his faults they love him still.

Back to Zero Weather

The mild weather of the latter part of last week changed suddenly to zero weather. Saturday and Sunday nights the thermometers registered below the cipher.

Mr. Henry H. Stuart of Newcastle, is in the city, en route to his home in Newcastle.

REV. F. L. CARNEY DEALT WITH THE ELECTION

Referred in Service Yesterday to False Statements in Circulation During Recent Campaign.

At the second mass at St. Dunstan's church Sunday, the pastor, Rev. Father Carney, took the opportunity to refer to the Federal election of Monday last and the numerous statements which connected himself with the election. During the sixteen years in which he had been pastor of St. Dunstan's church he never had referred from the pulpit to politics in spite of all the statements which had been current recently to the effect that he had issued instructions as to how members of his congregation should vote. He had known the preceding Sunday that stories concerning himself had been put in circulation during the election campaign but he had made no reference to them as whatever reference he might make probably would be misinterpreted the next day.

Rev. Father Carney spoke particularly concerning the story in circulation to those who voted for the Unionist government and that he had instructed members of the congregation to vote against the government. He gave an absolute denial to such stories which members of the church knew personally to be false. The pastor also made reference to the women who had been largely instrumental in spreading these false stories and applied the term "agents of the devil" to them. He also referred to the anonymous letters attacking the Catholic church which had been circulated throughout the city.

UGH! ACID STOMACH, SOURNESS, HEARTBURN, GAS OR INDIGESTION

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Arrived at St. John.

Among the returned soldiers arrived at St. John is Pte. G. Jones, Nashwaaksis, enlisted in the 71st Regt. at Fredericton during the first few weeks of the war, and who was one of the first of the Canadian boys to reach the front. He escaped the gas at the first battle of Ypres by some fluke, which, he says, he cannot explain, as he was in the thick of it. His first wound was received May 20, 1915, at Festubert, in a scrap with the bayonets when a German made a lunge at him, but he parried the blow which was aimed at his stomach and only received a slight wound in the leg. His enemy soon recovered and would have done for him had it not been for one of his pals behind him, who shot him before he had a chance to do further damage. The second was a shrapnel wound in the right leg on the Messines front, July 25, 1915; the third was in February, 1917, when he lost one of his eyes from the effects of weeping gas.

ENEMY AIRCRAFT DESTROYED.

London, Dec. 24.—Four German airplanes were brought down by British army aviators on Saturday, according to the statement on aviation activities issued tonight by the War Office.

TO ISSUE NEW LOAN.

Berne, Dec. 23. — Switzerland will issue in January a new loan of 150,000,000 francs at five per cent. The cost of Swiss mobilization to date amounts to one billion francs.

Mr. Fred Jewes of St. Stephen, is in the city. Mr. C. R. Palmer returned on Saturday from a business trip to Boston.

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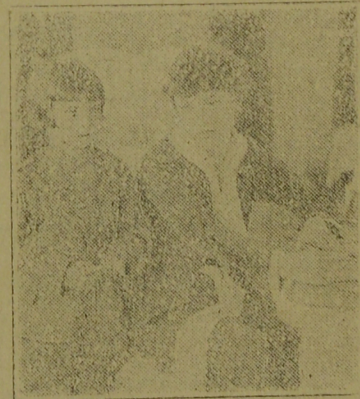
RETAIL

"REDEMPTION" PRAISED BY CLERGYMAN

(By Rev. Thomas B. Gregory.)

"Redemption," the photo-drama founded on the career of Evelyn Nesbit, is a beauty. I say this unhesitatingly—a beauty and a joy. I would not have missed it for a thousand dollars. It did me good through and through and all over. It was a feast for my eyes and a treat for my soul.

An honest confession is good for the soul, and I am going to confess right here that I have not entertained a very exalted opinion of Evelyn Nesbit, but after seeing her in those films I fairly



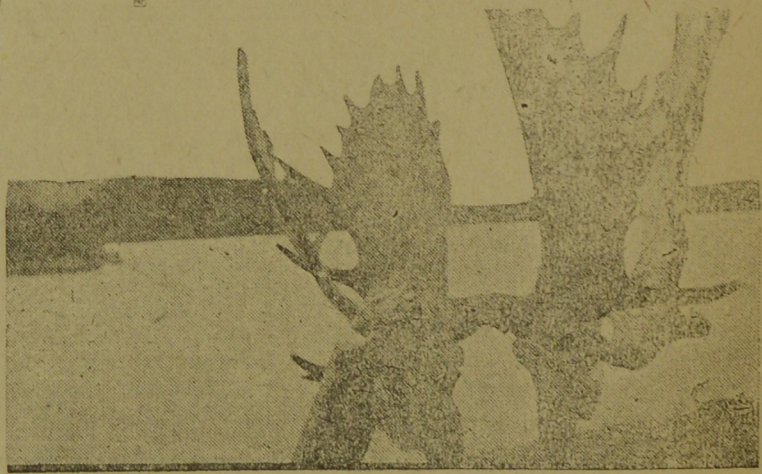
Evelyn Nesbit and Her Son, Russell Thaw.

loved her—loved her for what she had suffered and for the victory that she had won over the forces that had tried so hard and so persistently to drag her down to the bottom of the abyss.

You know, for one who has any decency in him at all, it is a joy to be forced to change his opinion for the better. It's a mighty mean, low down sort of man who enjoys thinking evil of people.

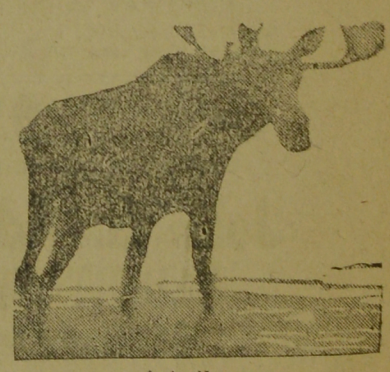
After seeing Julius Steger's picture-poem on the life of the once notorious little vaudeville dancing artist, I am

Unique Find In Ontario



The locked antlers.

IN September and October during the rutting season, the hunter occasionally hears the sounds of terrific combat between those giants of the forest, the bull moose. With their formidable antlers these huge creatures can snap a young birch tree like a piece of matchwood, and although it is only rarely that the bull moose will attack a man, if he does so the man has little chance unless he is quick with his high-powered rifle. The other day on St. Ignace Island, twenty-one miles south of Rossport, on the C. P. R., a pair of locked moose horns was found as the tragic record of a combat. They had evidently been fighting when the antlers became entangled and, unable to extricate each other the two animals died there of starvation, their



A bull moose.

remains being licked clean by the bears who prowled around in the forests of Ontario.

free to confess that I admire her immensely, for her unconquerable womanliness, for her deathless mother-love, and for the brave way in which she fought her way up out of hell to the light and joy of the upper regions.

It does one good to see a production like "Redemption." The great majority of us are inclined to look too easily on the dark side. We lack faith in human goodness, in the indestructibility

of the little spark in the ashes; and when ugly rumors concerning people come to us we exclaim far too quickly "I told you so."

"Redemption" is an illustration of the fact that things are never as bad as they might be.

Dr. C. R. Fletcher arrived from New York today to spend Christmas with relatives.