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| Ladies' Patent Boots | \$4.50, \$5.00, \$5.50 | 3.75 |
| Ladies' Patent Boots | \$3.50, and \$4.00 | 2.95 |
| Ladies' Dong. Boots | \$3.00 | 2.35 |
| Ladies' Dong. and Gun Metal Low Shoes | \$3, \$3.50 | 2.35 |
| Ladies' Patent Low Shoes | \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4 | 2.60 |
| Men's Calf Bals | \$5.00 and \$5.50 | 4.25 |
| Men's Gun Metal Button | \$5.50 and \$6.50 | 4.65 |
| Men's Tan Calf Boots | \$6.00 and \$7.00 | 5.50 |
| Men's Patent Boots | \$5.50 and \$6.00 | 4.00 |
| Men's Tan Patent and Calf Low Shoes, | \$4.50, \$5, \$5.50 | 3.85 |
| Men's Heavy Working Boots. | \$4.75, \$5 & \$5.50 | 4.00 |
| Men's Hockey Bals | \$2.50, \$3 & \$3.50 | 2.00 |
| Boys' Kip and Dong. Bals. | \$2.00 and \$2.25 | 1.60 |
| Boys' Calf and Kip Bals. | \$3. and \$3.50 | 2.40 |
| Boys' Heavy School Bals. | \$3.75 and \$4.75 | 3.25 |
| Boys' Hockey Bals | \$2.50 and \$3.00 | 2.00 |
| Girls' Cravenette high cut Boots, wool lined | \$2.85 | 2.30 |
| Girls' Hockey Bals | \$2.25 | 1.85 |
| Childs Cravenette high cut Boots, wool lined | \$2.25 | 1.80 |

20 per cent. discount on all other purchases of Footwear.

Now is the time and here is the place to get good serviceable Christmas presents. Come before they are all gone.

Would ask our patrons not to ask for coupons, as we are discontinuing giving same. We will, however, continue until January 15th, 1918, to redeem all outstanding coupons.

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KAISER VISITS TROOPS ON THE VERDUN FRONT

Delivers a Speech in Which He Boasts of the Great Achievements of His Army--
 A Bombastic Deliverance--The Lord of Creation is Claimed as an Ally.

Amsterdam, Dec. 26. — Emperor William visited the front north of Verdun the other day according to a Berlin despatch and in an address to the troops, thanked them warmly for their efforts.

"But for the calm and heroic warfare on the western front," he said, "the enormous deployment of German forces in the east and in Italy never would have been possible. The fighter in the west has exposed his body heroically so that his brothers on the Drina and the Isonzo might storm from victory to victory. The fearful

battles on the bloody hills around Verdun were not in vain; they created new foundations for the conduct of the war."

In a speech to the second army on Saturday Emperor William said:

"It has been a year full of events for the German army and the German fatherland. Powerful blows have been delivered and your comrades in the east have been able to bring about great actions."

"There has been no man, officer or general on the whole eastern front, wherever spoken of who has not frankly admitted that they could not have accomplished what they did, had not their comrades in the west stood to a man."

"The tactical and strategical position on the Aisne, the Champagne, Artois and Flanders and at Cambrai and the events in the east and in Italy

is so manifest that it is useless to waste words on it.

"With a centralized direction the German army works in a centralized manner. In order that she should be able to deliver the offensive blows one portion of the army has to remain on the defensive, hard as this is for the German soldier. Such a defensive battle as has been fought in 1917 was never with a parallel."

"In long preparation the enemy collected unheard of technical means and masses of ammunition and guns in order to make his entry into Brussels over your front, as he proudly announced. The enemy has achieved nothing."

"The most gigantic feat ever accomplished by an army and one without parallel in history was accomplished by the German army. I don't boast. It is a fact. The admiration you have earned shall be your reward and at the same time your pride. Nothing can in any way place in the shade or surpass what you have accomplished, however great and overwhelming it may be."

"The year 1917 with its great battles has proved that the German people has in the Lord of Creation above an unconditional and avowed ally on whom it can absolutely rely. Without Him all would be in vain."

"Every one of you had to exert every nerve to the utmost. I know that every one of you in the unparalleled drum fire did inhuman deeds. We may be frequently with you; I want something behind us; if we only had some relief."

"It came as the result of the blow in the east where it is seen the storms of war are at present silenced. God grant that it may be forever."

"Yesterday I saw and spoke to your comrades near Verdun, and there, passing through all minds like the scent of the morning breeze, was the thought: 'You are no longer alone.' The great successes and victories of

MAYOR MARTIN WANTS UNITY

Montreal, Dec. 26.—Mayor Medrie Martin, who does not always practice what he preaches, has issued a New Year's message in which he expresses the hope that "the different races composing the population of the metropolis of Canada will always march hand in hand." Further, his worship says: "It is in the interest of one and all to live united and to avoid all dissensions and questions of nationality, and all subjects of discord. To this end all our efforts should converge."

MEXICANS SHOT DOWN

(Canadian Press direct wire.)
 Marfate, Tex., Dec. 26. — Eight bandits were killed yesterday when ranchers and American cavalrymen fired on a band of Mexican raiders after the Mexicans had killed Michael Welch, driver of a United States mail stage and his two Mexican passengers and had looted a store at Candelaria, Texas. This was the official report received here today.

Additional reports of fighting between the scattered bands of bandits and American cavalrymen and Texas rangers have been brought here all day from the river front.

A Pittsfield lady recently won a prize of a box of cigars which she is now selling as wanted to her husband at 25 cents each, putting the proceeds in war stamps.

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 * HELL LAUGHS. *
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A laugh was loosed in the halls of hell When a courier came, old Nick to tell That Kaiser Bill—may his tribe increase!—

Had picked out Christmas to offer peace!

"Peace on earth, good will towards men!"

The devil roared, and he roared again.

While every fiend took up the tale, And added his laughter to the gale.

"My eye!" said the devil, "that's rich. 'I'll say.

Think of his picking out Christmas Day!

He's as true a Christian as the Turk And quite outdoes him in Christian work."

"I never knew so much hell on earth; People are fighting for all they're worth;

And while or course, I don't sympathize

With the ends and aims of the Allies. I'll say this for them 'at, though,

They've cornered all of the Christian stuff;

For it's plain that what they're trying to do

Is to put the Christian idea through."

"I suppose that Bill will also play The part of Santa Claus Christmas Day.

And visit round with a pack of toys For good little Belgian girls and boys

"Peace on earth good will toward men!"

The devil roared, and roared again. And every fiend climbed up his well

To join in the laugh that shook all Hell.

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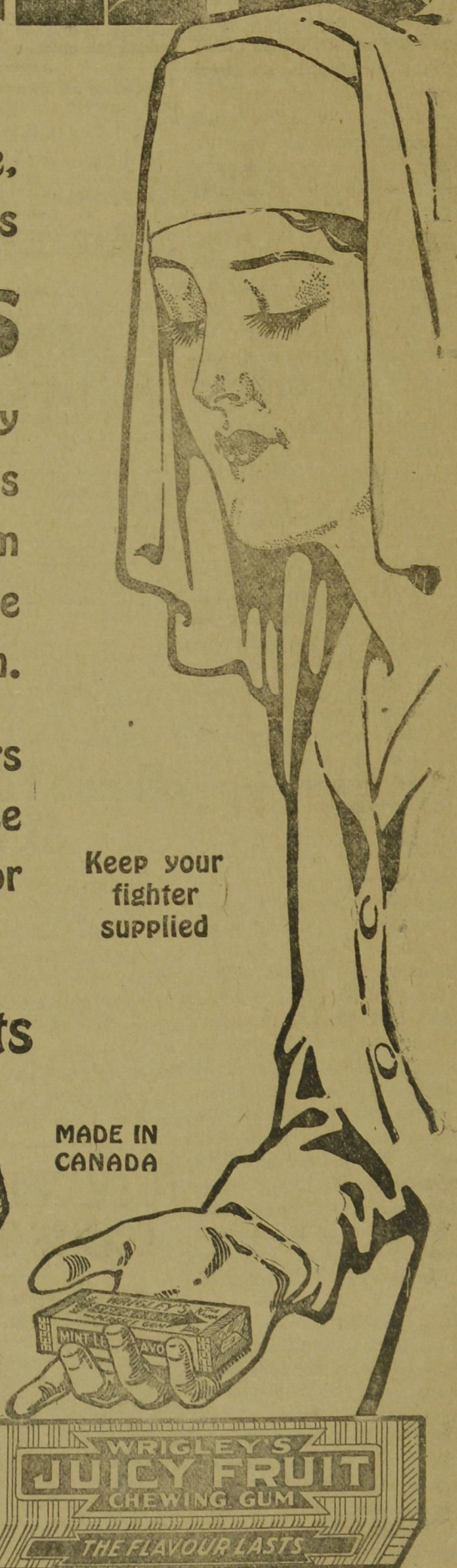
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