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### THREE YEARS OF WAR.

Today marks the third anniversary of Great Britain's declaration of war against Germany, and all over the Empire loyal citizens are passing resolutions recording their "inflexible determination to continue to a victorious end the struggle in maintenance of those ideals of liberty and justice which are the common and sacred cause of the Allies."

When hell broke loose in Europe three years ago, few thought that the struggle would be of such long duration. The late lamented Lord Kitchener made bold to predict a three years war; but even that great military genius was within the mark. The war is now entering upon its fourth year, and the end is not yet in sight, although there are many indications that the Teutons are weakening.

All of the great wars of history fade into insignificance in comparison with the mighty struggle now going on upon the continent of Europe, and in which all the big nations of the universe are involved.

The fight is being carried on vigorously on land and sea, in the air and under the sea. Already millions of lives have been sacrificed and billions upon billions of dollars expended. All of the enormous resources in men and money of the Allied nations are at stake, and there will be no let-up on their part until the black curse of Prussian militarism is crushed to the earth.

Germany, the greatest military nation the world has ever seen, as the result of her forty years of preparation, undoubtedly had the best of it on land during the early stages of the war. Her armies overran Belgium and northern France and at one time even threatened the French capital. They were turned back at the Marne, however, and ever since that memorable battle the German hosts on the western front have been kept well in check. The Teutonic forces, in the fight against the little nations, have been more successful, having overrun Serbia, Montenegro and Roumania, besides achieving some success on the Galician front and in Mesopotamia.

The blackest and most diabolical crimes against humanity have characterized the work of the Huns from the outset. Mean and despicable acts without number that would shock and disgrace barbarians have been brought home to them, and never once have the brutal Kaiser and his military autocrats expressed the slightest regret or offered an apology for the nefarious work of the submarine pirates and other minions who take their orders from Berlin.

The torpedoing on the high seas of the great liner Lusitania, with the loss of 1,200 lives, was perhaps the foulest act of the war, and this was proclaimed in Germany as a great naval victory and hailed with joyful pride by the German newspapers. The cold-blooded murder of Nurse Cavell and Capt. Fryatt were other appalling atrocities in a long list which will forever bear witness to the savagery and brutal lust of the Germans.

The beginning of the fourth year of the war finds the Allied nations more determined than ever to continue the great struggle which they are waging on behalf of human liberty. The United States, the world's greatest republic, has thrown its immense resources in men and money into the combat on behalf of right, and is destined to play a very important part. Only this week General Haig's men on the western front started a big drive and gave the enemy a telling punch. There is no longer any cause for discouragement. The Allied forces have the upper hand on both land and sea; the grinding process is going on slowly, but steadily, and the great war can only end with a complete victory for Great Britain and her Allies.

### PROVINCIAL CREDIT.

The Standard professes to be surprised over the fact that the Provincial Government is able to make a bond issue on satisfactory terms, and uses it as an argument to show that certain statements made at the last election concerning the financial condition of the province were not correct.

The opposition at the last election did not shout blue ruin, as alleged by the Standard, but simply called attention to the corrupt, extravagant and wasteful methods being pursued by the then government, and pointed out that the honor and good name of the province demanded a change of rulers. The people, heeding the warning, turned the rascals out and placed in power a progressive and business-like administration. A thorough audit of the provincial accounts which has since been made, showed that the opponents of the late government were well within the mark in their criticism of provincial finances, and furthermore, it bore out the statement frequently made that the old government purposely withheld information from the people.

The province has rich resources and the success of the recent bond issue shows that the investing public have every confidence in the integrity of the men who are now administering affairs. Investors now have every assurance that their money will go into the provincial treasury, and not be turned over to trust companies in Montreal for the use of stock and real estate speculators, or paid out in the form of huge rake-offs to St. John financial agents and promoters, as was the case under the old administration. Considering the political changes which have happened in the meantime, there is no reason why the financial standing of the province should not be better than it was a year ago.

The announcement is made that refrigerator cars are to be used for the transportation of fresh fish. It is about time that something was done to lessen the cost to the consumer. At the present time fishermen on Passamaquoddy Bay are paid three cents per pound for fresh fish. By the time they pass through the hands of several middlemen and express companies and reach the consumer, the price is twelve cents a pound.

The proposal emanates from "government sources" that in the approaching election those favoring conscription should unite on a single candidate in every constituency. One can almost see the Tories of Carleton county falling over one another in their eagerness to fall in line behind Mr. Carvell, M. P.

### Through Our Sieve

The fourth year of the war that was to be over in a few weeks.

Life at the front has cured the King of Italy of rheumatism, says a writer.

War conditions are also cutting down the gout in Germany.

The old-fashioned boys and the "ole swimmin' hole" have both come back.

When a man goes around complaining bitterly that he is "misunderstood" it is a sign that he has just discovered that his wife sees through him.

One of the most dangerous precedents in judicial history was set by the victorious defendant in a court trial who kissed all the jurors when they acquitted her.

If the former Czar has broken his leg while riding a bicycle, as is reported, the accident undoubtedly occurred because he was trying to ride the thing in both directions at once.

That "petrified body of Satan" dug up in West Virginia is interesting; but it won't convince as long as the unpetrified article is rampaging round Europe with his present punch.

When one sees a pet dog occupying the rear seat of a luxurious auto, we are inclined to wonder what is the meaning of the expression, "life of a dog."

### JOHN D'S STRENGTH.

John D. Rockefeller tells this story: "Golfing one bright winter day, I had for a caddy a boy who didn't know me. An unfortunate stroke landed me in a clump of high grass.

"My, my," I said, "What am I to do now?"

"See that there tree," said the boy, pointing to a tall tree a mile away. "Well, drive straight for that."

I lofted vigorously and, fortunately my ball soared up into the air and it landed and rolled right on to the putting green.

"How's that, my boy?" I cried.

"Gee, boss," he said, "if I had your strength and you had my brains, what a pair we'd make!"

Victoria County News: Mrs. Harry Gilman and children, who have been spending some time at Woodstock and Fredericton, returned home last week.

## PROHIBITION

Some further comparisons between the Scott Act and the new Prohibition Act of 1916 may be interesting to those not acquainted with the provisions of the new Act.

Under the Scott Act the penalty for first violation is a fine of not less than \$50 and not more than \$100 or imprisonment for one month, and for a second and every subsequent offense, imprisonment for a term not exceeding four months. In this connection have you ever noticed that the violators of the Scott Act nearly always get off with the minimum penalty? And too, there are a great many first offenses, although the offender may have been convicted of the same offense a dozen times or more. The Scott Act allows it because as you know this Act introduces a different kind of arithmetic from that taught in the schools. The Act allows it may be the fiftieth offense to be treated as a "first offense" and the offender escapes with the minimum penalty.

Under the new Act a first offense for selling is punishable by a fine of not less than \$50 and not more than \$200, and in default of immediate payment, imprisonment for not less than three nor more than six months. For a second offense the offender must go to jail for not less than six nor more than twelve months. For a third offense the penalty is imprisonment for not less than nine nor more than twelve months; and for every subsequent offense the penalty is one year in jail.

Under the Scott Act it is sometimes difficult to prove previous convictions on account of the loss of papers, records, etc.

Under the Act the Magistrate must send to the Chief Inspector forthwith a certificate of conviction, which will be prima facie evidence of previous convictions. Second and third and fourth offenses under this Act will not be regarded as "first" offenses. The old style of arithmetic will come into play again in the disposition of cases of illegal selling of liquor.

By the new Act treating and offering to treat in public places are prohibited. The spectacle of men drinking in public places and along the streets which we have so often witnessed, will be dangerous work, as such persons may be arrested and required to tell where they obtained their liquor. Penalty for the first offense a fine of not less than \$50 nor more than \$200, and in default of immediate payment, imprisonment of not less than three nor more than six months, with or without hard labor. See sections 7 and 92. For a second offense, imprisonment of not less than six nor more than twelve months, with or without hard labor, and for a third offense imprisonment for not less than nine nor more than twelve months, with or without hard labor, in the discretion of the magistrate.

And so with other provisions of the Act. Nothing is left to the discretion of the magistrate except the imposition of hard labor with the imprisonment. When a man is convicted the magistrate cannot let him clear. The law fixes the penalty and it must be imposed.

In the enforcement of the new Act all of the local machinery available for enforcing the Scott Act now will be used together with the machinery provided by the new Act in the appointment of Chief Inspector, and the sub-inspectors appointed by him.

The election for repeal of the Scott Act will be on August 16th. Vote against the Scott Act and bring this splendid new Prohibition Act into operation.

Dominion Temperance Alliance.

## SUNDAY SERVICES

### St. Paul's Presbyterian.

Services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Prof. J. M. Shaw, M. A., of Halifax Presbyterian College, will conduct both services. Sunday school at 2.30 p. m. All are welcome.

### Methodist Church.

Rev. Geo. M. Young, pastor. The service at 11 a. m. will be a memorial in honor of the late Lieut. Guy Randolph Yerxa and Capt. Hubert Patterson Osborne, killed in action, and also a commemoration of the third anniversary of the war. Evening service at 7 p. m. The pastor will preach at both services. Sunday school at 2.30 p. m. Midweek service Friday at 8 p. m. Social service Sunday, 10 a. m.

### Brunswick Street Baptist.

Services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Rev. H. F. Adams, of New London, Conn., will preach at both services. Bible school at 2.30 p. m. All are cordially invited to these services.

### Reformed Baptist Church.

Rev. H. C. Archer, pastor. Preaching on Sunday by the pastor at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Prayer and social service at 10 a. m. Sunday school at 2.30 p. m. Prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. All are welcome.

[The Daily Mail makes no charge for publishing church notices, but it requests that they be written out and sent to the office before 10 o'clock on Saturday morning.]

## AUCTION SALE

I am instructed by the executors of the estate of the late Mrs. J. C. Vavasour, to sell at her late residence, corner Needham and York streets, on Thursday next, August 9th inst., beginning at ten o'clock, a. m., all the (wood or coal), 1 cook stove, 8 tons hard coal, 3 tons chestnut coal, hard and soft wood. At 12 o'clock, noon, house and land, freehold property, will be sold. Terms cash.

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