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CONDITIONS IN GERMANY.

Commenting on the recent strike of workmen in Germany, the New York Volks Zeitung, a journal which has the benefit of expert knowledge of conditions in the Fatherland, has this to say:

"The strike movement in Germany is on the wane. No matter how contradictory in detail are the reports reaching here about the internal situation in Germany, they all admit of one conclusion, for the present the great German revolt amounts to nothing.

"And anything else could hardly have been expected. No powerful tree falls at the first stroke. And who could deny that German bureaucracy and militarism are firmly anchored and that they still have large sections of the people behind them?

"Therefore, several more charges and attacks will be necessary before the colossus falls shattered to earth. But of one thing we are certain: That this first great mass-action of the German proletariat, coming so close on the heels of the various army and navy revolts, will soon be repeated and will continue to be until final victory is won. The revolutionary wave which, despite all orders barring it, swept over the Russo-German border into Germany, will ebb and rise, but will never entirely disappear again. Even before the war is ended the revolution in Germany will be an accomplished fact."

Ex-Ambassador Gerard expects no German revolution at present, but he sees the German morale nearing the cracking point. He said in an after-dinner speech at New York recently:

"The strikes that you hear of in Germany are not going to make Germany surrender. The talk of revolution does not amount to anything; it comes too easily through the fingers of the censor and is intended to make us halt our preparation for war.

"There will be no German revolution until the soldiers come home from the trenches. But in the German character there is a suicide point, and that will be reached as soon as the Germans really realize that, led by our great president, we are unflinchingly and wholeheartedly in the war. They are approaching that point now and we've only got to hold together. The war will be decided this year."

MAPLE PRODUCTS.

The food controller has initiated a campaign to increase the production of maple sugar. A circular letter is being sent to some 8,500 maple sugar and syrup producers in Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, pointing out the need of sugar through out the world and the extraordinary market for maple sugar to be expected this year.

The Pure Maple Sugar Association of Canada, has been asked to bring this matter before the members and urge that last year's production be doubled. At a time when the sugar ration of Great Britain has been reduced to two pounds per month, and that of France to 1 1-10 lbs. a month and of Italy to 1 pound per month, it is felt that the native sugar resources of the Dominion should be called upon to the fullest extent practicable. Maple sugar and maple syrup can be used as substitutes for cane and beet sugar in many ways which will readily suggest themselves. Under the present circumstances any addition to the country's sugar supply would be a distinct gain.

The producer of maple sugar now receives about double the price paid before the war. The demand is absolutely unlimited. Whatever may have been the case a few years ago, maple sugar-making should be profitable now. The sugar-making season comes with the approach of spring, but before the land is ready for work in the fields. The difficulty about sparing the necessary time and labor for maple sugar making, therefore, does not apply as it otherwise might.

Many farmers who used to go in for sugar making are said to have discontinued doing so when adulterated maple products came into competition

with the pure product. The Pure Maple law, however, now gives full protection to makers of pure maple sugar and syrup. The food controller urges that all those who have maple sugar equipment, whether it is the most modern kind or not, put it to the fullest possible use this spring. All maple trees which yield sugar sap should be tapped wherever possible throughout the country. This applies to farmers who have sugar maples, and to settlers, townspeople and others who are reasonably convenient to wild lands containing sugar maples. New Brunswick, especially the St. John valley, could add greatly to the country's stock of maple sugar if the farmers were once awakened to the situation and the possibilities.

The slump in the price of potatoes has not created much surprise. Indeed, it was predicted some weeks ago by officials of the food controller's office. The New England potato market has been dull for some weeks and there is little prospect of a change. Both New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island have a surplus of potatoes and even lower prices may be expected during the next few weeks.

A resident of Holland who lately returned from Germany says the Germans are greatly delighted over the peace treaty arranged with the Ukrainians and look forward to the war ending in July.

The total vote polled for the Union Government at the recent election was 1022,109, against 757,893 for the opposition. In New Brunswick 42,626 votes were cast for the government and 33,098 for the opposition.

A cable from Tien Tsin says that Japan and China are despatching troops to Siberia.

Through Our Sieve

Monie talks and it is usually in a hurry to say good-by.

Hindenburg's other "big drive" was backward, too, as it turned out.

There seems to be an overproduction of first robins and a shortage of spring.

A foolish man argues with his wife and then acts; a wise man acts first and then lets her argue.

One of the great questions of the moment is whether to dedicate one's summer to potatoes or beans.

According to Old Man Doodle, "high brow" and "lowbrow" are terms of contempt—if a man knows more than you he is a highbrow, and if he knows less he is a lowbrow.

The childlike and bland Russians have discovered that peace at any price means the other fellows price, and usually it is jammed down the throat with a swordhilt.

It is, as the Russians have also discovered a pourparler that works only one way.

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STOCKHOLDER IN KRUPPS

(Canadian Press direct wire.) Geneva, Mar. 3. — Bankers who have recently returned from Frankfurt say that Emperor William, who has been a large stockholder in the Krupps, has bought shares amounting to nearly a million pounds sterling since the war began.

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PARLIAMENT MAY MEET ON MARCH 20

(Canadian Press direct wire.) Ottawa, March 4.—An official announcement as to the date on which Parliament will assemble is likely to be made by the government this week. It is thought that with the count of the overseas soldier vote all in hand it may be possible within the next few days for the government to fix a date for the opening which would allow sufficient time for the completion of formalities. Wednesday, March 20, is still the favorable date.

MARYSVILLE HAPPENINGS

Marysville, Mar. 4. — Gunner Bruce Pincombe of 9th Siege Battery, St. John, paid a few days' visit to his home here recently. He is now visiting friends at Gagetown.

Miss Josephine White underwent an operation at Victoria Hospital Saturday for appendicitis. The operation was successful and she is now resting quite comfortably.

Miss Annie Brogan of the nursing staff of Victoria Hospital paid a visit to her mother, Mrs. S. Brogan, Saturday evening.

Messrs. William Everett and John Fletcher of Minto, spent the week-end at their respective homes here.

Mrs. James Cameron is suffering from an attack of heart trouble.

The streets were well ploughed out yesterday by Mr. Joseph Blanchard under the direction of Chairman Finamore of the Roads and Streets Committee.

A quartet composed of Messrs. J. Peterson, Richard Delong, L. D. Hiltz and F. Bailey rendered a very pleasing selection at last evening's service of the Olivet Baptist church.

Mr. Paul Dennison left this morning for Bloomfield, Kings county, where he has accepted a position.

THREE KILLED IN LAUNDRY.

Providence, R. I., March 4.—Three persons were killed and four others injured today by an explosion of the boiler in the Mount Pleasant Laundry here.

Case Will Be Resumed Tomorrow. The suit of W. Henry Maxwell vs. The St. John & Quebec Railway will be resumed in the Court of King's Bench here tomorrow. His Honor Judge McKeown sitting. It is expected that Mr. Benjamin Carson of Public Landing, the last witness for the plaintiff, who was ill when the case began will be able to give evidence. The case for the defense will begin after his evidence is taken.

PERSONAL.

Mr. E. B. Seely of St. John, arrived in the city this morning.

Mr. Horace Dorn of Toronto, is a guest at the Barker House.

Mr. A. G. Shoolbred of St. John, is in the city.

Mr. W. P. Downing of St. John, is a guest at the Queen.

Mr. Philippe Pare of Montreal, is at the Barker House.

Moncton Times: Miss Bebbington of Fredericton, is in the city, the guest of Mrs. J. D. MacNutt, Pleasant street.

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