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THE HUNS AS IMITATORS.

A correspondent asks if it is true that the world owes a deeper debt of gratitude to Germany for valuable inventions than to any other nation. We have dealt with this before and again answer, No. The Germans have been imitators. Also they are excellent advertisers, which counts for much. The electric light, the gas light, the acetylene light, the flashlight, the safety lamp, the kerosene lamp and the friction match were the inventions of people in other countries. The steam engine, the most useful invention, perhaps, ever made, was the combined and perfected invention of Englishmen and Scotsmen. America applied it to ship propulsion. The telegraph was invented by a Scotsman, the phonograph by an American, and wireless telegraphy was the discovery of an Italian with an Irish mother. Even in the domain of instruments of war the Teuton does not shine as an originator. The machine gun he largely uses is the invention of an American, Lewis. Smokeless powder, percussion caps, nitro-glycerine, dynamite, the torpedo, shrapnel, automatic cannon, magazine rifles, breech-loaders, revolvers, maxims, silencers, ship's armor, submarines and aeroplanes were all the invention of non-Germans. Even the old tale of the discovery of gunpowder by a German Monk, Schwartz, must be given up, for it has been shown that the Moors used it centuries before and that Roger Bacon, an Englishman, had described its composition as early as the twelfth century.

The grain reaper was an American invention, the mowing machine and thrasher English, the cotton gin an American, the spinning jenny an English, the fly shuttle an English, the knitting machine English, the power loom English and the sewing machine American.

Aniline dyes, vulcanized rubber, gas engines, liquid gases, thermometers, barometers, pianofortes, barbed wire, cut nails, plate glass, circular saws, band-saws, airbrakes, bicycles, pneumatic tires, the automobile, typewriters, adding machines, cash registers, steel pens and many other conveniences claim no German as their parent. Photography is French, the moving picture American, bacteriology French, antiseptic surgery English, vaccination English, and even the discovery of the circulation of the blood was made by an Englishman. In engineering no German work can compare with the Suez Canal, the Panama Canal and the Assuan barrage.

The metric system is French; the founder of modern chemistry was French, of botany a Swede, and sociology a Frenchman. It will thus be seen that Germany has been anything but a leader in the world's pioneering.

THE VICTORY LOAN.

The campaign for the next Victory Loan will be launched in the course of a few days, and the response should be a very generous one. The government proposes to ask for \$300,000,000, and there should not be the slightest difficulty in raising that amount. The Canadian people are in this war to a finish, and want no peace with the murderous Huns until they are beaten to a frazzle. We now have them on the run and there must be no let up to our war efforts. Hundreds of millions of dollars have got to be expended by the government in the next few months, and it is up to the people to supply the money. War loans yield a substantial rate of interest and there is not the slightest doubt that within a short time after the conclusion of peace the value of the bonds will be greatly enhanced. New Brunswick must do its full duty in the approaching campaign.

Colonel Grasset, Toronto's Chief of Police, was formerly of the opinion that prohibition would not prove effective in a city like Toronto. After two years' experience of prohibition, he says: "I regard the Ontario Temperance Act as a signal success so far

as outward indications are presented to the police. Records show a steady falling off in the number of arrests for drunkenness." The saloon is gone, and will not return, says the Globe.

President Wilson's statement of war aims has commended itself for its clearness, comprehensiveness and justice to the judgment of public opinion throughout the Allied world. It has now won the endorsement and approval of the Inter-Allied Labor Conference, which is meeting in London. This is not merely a great compliment to the President; it is an assurance that Labor accepts the conditions as laid down by Mr. Wilson as the right basis for a just and enduring peace.

It does not, as the Boston Herald suggests, make Berlin any more cheerful to reflect that many of the men who captured the St. Mihiel salient crossed the ocean in German liners, and that their equipment was partly paid for with German money safely invested by the American custodian of alien property.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

Do your Christmas shopping early. With prohibition everywhere, how can a woman drive a man to drink?

You never hear of a man accusing his wife of driving him to near beer.

Mrs. O'Hevens wonders if it will be all right to clean her gloves with gasoline on Sunday.

Even when a wife didn't marry a man to reform him, it's astonishing how much of it she finds to do.

In spite of the frequency with which the mighty have fallen, very few have ever fallen for themselves.

Since the Hindenburg line has been broken Mrs. Hindenburg has been hanging the weekly washing on the backs of kitchen chairs.

In a recent speech the Kaiser committed acts of frightfulness against the rules of logic.

Hindenburg should have taken the precaution to patent his line. The Allies are infringing on it.

After a woman has married twice for love her woman friends consider her hopelessly queer.

Why it flatters a woman to be told that she looks like an actress is more than mere man can understand.

Food for thought went to a high price in Vienna the other day. They were willing to pay big money for circulars dropped by the Italian aviators.

Sometimes when a man tries to sell us something guaranteed to last a lifetime, we suspect he does not think we look very healthy.

THE CITY SIDEWALKS.

To the Editor of the Mail.
 Sir—At this season the sidewalks are rendered rather dangerous, very untidy and pretty unsanitary, by the dropping leaves being allowed to form coverings for said sidewalks. Would it be a very costly piece of work for the City Street Department to have this remedied? The sidewalks are meant for pedestrians, and bicyclists who are detected riding thereon are brought before the magistrate. Then why not keep those sidewalks in fit condition?

The roads are rotten enough, anybody will admit, but the sidewalks are indescribably bad all the year around. Where there's a will there's a way. The chairman's name is "Will," and he shouldn't have to be shown the way. There's no time like the present. Next year won't do; it will have its own duties.

Respectfully,

FIX IT.

Interscholastic Football

At a meeting of representatives of St. John High School, Fredericton High School and Rothesay Collegiate School held in St. John Saturday plans were arranged for the opening of the Interscholastic Football League. After a discussion on the removal of the side quarters back of the third quarter, a schedule was drawn up as follows: October 4, Rothesay at St. John; October 9, Rothesay at Fredericton; October 18, Fredericton at St. John; October 19, Fredericton at Rothesay; October 26, St. John at Rothesay; November 9, St. John at Fredericton.

CONSTIPATED CHILDREN

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CANADIANS CONSTANTLY ON THE WATCH

With the Canadian Forces in France Sept. 22 (By J. F. B. Livesay, Canadian Press Correspondent) The week on the Canadian front has been one of active watchfulness marked with continued patrols and raids on both sides of the Canal Du Nord, which lends itself to this type of warfare.

One post has been taken and retaken no fewer than four times and the operations have netted us a number of prisoners and a machine gun, even the German raids resulting in prisoners to us.

Shelling has been continuous with gas predominating in the German strafing. Several German planes and balloons have fallen to our pilots. Yesterday a German balloon was cut loose by our artillery and drifted rapidly away at a great height. It is confirmed that German pilots are using parachutes.

Our artillery has dominated the situation, frequently neutralizing the German batteries and causing many fires as well as destroying observation points and bridges, of which there are many in this district.

LOCAL NEWS

Examination on Wednesday

An examination for rangers and scalers will be held Wednesday at the Crown Land Office for the benefit of some ten candidates who recently made application.

Fined for Setting Fires

A fine of twenty dollars and costs was imposed last week upon the man who started a fire without a permit at Anderson, Restigouche County, during the dry season.

Fire Last Night

The firemen were called to the residence of Mrs. R. M. Pinder, Charlotte Street last night for a fire which had caught from a fireplace and got into the plastering of one of the walls. It took some time to put the blaze out.

Sons of England Decorate Graves

A number of the Sons of England decorated the graves of deceased members of that order yesterday. Eight graves were decorated at the Rural Cemetery, one at the Old Protestant Burying Ground and six at the Forest Hill Cemetery. The decoration marks no particular historical incident but is an annual proceeding of the order.

Public is Much Interested

The Travelling Exhibition Car which is touring Eastern Canada under the auspices of the Canadian Forestry Association has met with an excellent reception from the public in the northern sections of the province which first were visited. The car will be at the C. G. R. station in Fredericton on Thursday after eleven o'clock in the morning. Friday morning it will go to Chipman.

ALBERT SHALE MAY BE BROUGHT HERE FOR FUEL

Experiments So Far Conducted Have Proved Successful—Gray Shale the Kind Tested.

The coal shortage which has caused considerable comment for some time, has led to new steps being taken to find a substitute other than soft coal or wood. Many suggestions have been made but prove impracticable under the circumstances.

The Fuel Controllers are listening to any suggestions that will help their plans, which promise to be very difficult to carry out under ordinary circumstances. The Albert shale has for some time been under the supervision of the ardent people interested in obtaining a good substitute for hard coal. The gray shale is being dug up in the search for oil shale and is being tested now for fuel purposes. So far as the shale has been tested it has proved a successful substitute.

The cost would be much less than the anthracite, as the only cost would be the transportation and cost of delivery. Whether it can be burned in a hard coal furnace has not yet been found out, but as the various tests are still going on, it may fill every condition.

If it proves as good a substitute as it is thought, the public will be freed from much worry over the coal situation.

It is probable that Fredericton people will import shale in case the experiments are successful.

Mr. Joel Belov of Philadelphia is at the Queen.
 Mrs. L. D. Fowler and daughter are visiting Mrs. R. M. Pinder.

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City Hall Clock Slow

It has been called to the attention of the public time after time and is almost an historical event now that the City Hall clock is obstinate and persists in keeping its own particular time. Whether it is because of the war or the decided changes in the weather lately the clock is approximately four minutes behind the time. Many strangers will come and go saying that Fredericton is behind the time so citizens should zealously guard the time and see that it is made right. The Cathedral and Post Office clocks also are slightly slow.

Mrs. R. M. Pinder has returned from Brown's Flats where she spent several months.

Conservation Recipes

The Women's Food Conservation Committee of Fredericton has issued an attractive book of "Conservation Recipes," which every house wife should have.

The book contains 35 pages and about 160 recipes, besides some very valuable and useful information.

The books will be offered for sale throughout the Province.

In Fredericton the stores of Jas. S. Neill, C. W. Hall and McMurray & Co. have them for sale.

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