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PLAYING THE PART.

The trenches were dreary in the interesting them. extreme after the long-continued rain

sodden men.

"Soldiers!" came the derisive answer from one of them. "I'm not placed by soldier; I'm a bloomin' bulrush."

"Hurry up out of this, my gallant soldiers," was the cheery call of the sergeant to his waist deep and raip

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Paris, Jan. 4—The peace conference according to the "Petit Parisien" will proceed as follows.

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to ferment in the blood and cause a fresh attack.

They mean an extremely weakened Alta., writes:—"Last summer I was greatly troubled with pimples breaking out all over my face, arms and neck. I was advised to try Burdock Blood Bitters, and after taking two bottles, the pimples had almost all disappeared. I shall always recommend this remedy to anyone afflicted with skin troubles."

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## FUTURE OF BELGIUM AMONG

Belgian Parliament Wants a Stronger Guarantee of Neutrality Than a "Scrap of Paper."

Paris, Jan. 4.—The famous treaty which Germany designated as a "scrap of paper" will come up for early consideration before the peace congress. This is the treaty made in 1830, when the great powers of Europe recognized Belgium as being separate from Holland and guaranteed the neutrality of

It was the disregard of this neutrality and the invasion of Belgium by the German troops which brought Great Britain into the war. The Belgian parliament recently adopted unanimously a resolution asking for establishment of the independent sovereignty of Belgium and the abandonment of the guarantee of neutrality. The resolution adopted by the Parliament was in response to the speech from the throne made by King Albert when he re-entered Brussels.

After expressing gratitude to the nations aiding in the deliverance of Belgium, the resolution says:

"The tragic and glorious hours which Belgium has experienced, give which in the past limited its sovereignty and enervated its international action. Belgium will thus pass to the rank of the great powers which are mistresses of their own destinies."

Incidentally, Germany's designation of the treaty as a "scrap of paper" involves the general question of establishing some means of guaranteeing the inviolability of treaties.

### A FUSSY RABBIT.

While out motoring an auto party cided to have a meal in the open. One of tem went into the village store to get the things necessary for a Welsh "rabbit."

"I want a pound of cheese and large square crackers for a Welsh rabbit," he told the storekeeper.
"I have the cheese," was the reply,

"but I ain't got no arge crackers; how would some small ones do?"
"Sorry, but we must have large ones

for the rabbit."

"Well you know best, of course, but that there rabbit of yours seems a mighty fssy eater for an animal."

Toronto Globe.—The opening for the development of poultry and eggs is very great. Mr. P. C. Elford, the Sup-erintendent of the poultry division of the Experimental Farm of Ottawa, fig-

the Experimental Farm of Ottawa, figures as follows:

If every farm in Canada maintained a flock of 100 chickens, which is well within the limits of what is possible, and in every city, town and village did its share in keeping only ten chickens in each backyard and garden, we could produce 700,000,000 dozen of eggs per year for export over and above domestic consumption and eat twice the number of eggs we do now, at that. At 40c, per dozen our egg exports would pay the interest on the national debt, and wipe it out entirely in less than six years. than six years.

Honest, now, what kind of a world would this be if everybody kept their New Year resolutions?

Cheerfulness is the prevailing note of the Paris hotelkeeper, it is reported, despite certain shortages. No shortage will be apparent in the bill.

A man's wife is something like the Equator; in a subconscious way he knows she's there, of course, but he can look right at her without seeing her,

Soldiers Home



Coming Campaign

## War Work and After-War Work of the SALVATION ARMY

"FIRST TO SERVE-LAST TO APPEAL."

If one institution in the Empire was prepared for war, it was the Salvation Army. For fifty-three years it has been relieving distress wherever and whenever the need arose.

The Salvation Army has always been organized on a military basis—inured to hardship, sacrifice and service. It is always in action, day and night.

When the War came, intensifying human suffering and the need for bodily and spiritual help in a thousand ways, the Salvation Army was ready.

The twelfth day of the war found the Salvation Army at work behind the lines in Belgium. It has maintained 197 huts, 96 hostels and 40 rest rooms; 1,200 uniformed workers and 45 ambulances have been in service at the frontin addition to taking care of the needs of soldiers' families here at home, assisting the widows and orphans, and relieving distress arising from the absence of the soldier head of the family.

Hostilities have ceased, leaving vast and complex problems, and these problems arise notwithstanding all the Repatriation work the Government has undertaken, in addition to the granting of pensions. Above and beyond what other agencies are accomplishing, there are thousands of cases of urgent human need among soldiers' families that the Salvation Army is trained and equipped to meet-provided the financial help is forthcoming. Hence-

# JANUARY 19th to 25th

While it could do so, the Salvation Army has carried on without any general appeal. Now the crisis has arisen, because our three hundred thousand soldier boys are returning. The budget for essential work during the coming year has been prepared. A million dollars must be raised to continue the after-the-war activities, which include:

## Hostels for Soldiers

Salvation Army hostels are vitally necessary for the protection and comfort of the soldier at the many stopping places between France and his home here in Canada. These hostels—or military hotels-provide good food, clean beds, wholesome entertainment at a price the soldier can afford to pay. In addition to hostels already in operation, many more are needed near stations and landing places, from Paris, through London, Halifax, St. John, right through Canada to Vancouver. If the boys do not have the hostels, WHERE would they go?

## Care of the Wives, Widows, Dependents and Orphans of Soldiers

Scores, and hundreds, of cases could be cited where soldiers overseas have been comforted by the assurance that the Salvation Army had stepped in to relieve their families from dire need. For instance, a mother with six children is discovered —no fuel, weather freezing, food and funds exhausted by sickness and other troubles. They are taken to the Salvation Army Emergency Receiving Home for a few days until their home is made habitable once more. Widow of soldier sends for help; Salvation Army workers cope with immediate necessity—send mother to Maternity Home, three children to Emergency Home. Winter and 300,000 boys returning increase the demands on the Salvation Army, whose personal help alone is of avail.

### Keeping the Family Unit Intact—Home Visitation

The women of the Salvation Army on their visiting rounds accomplish the apparently impossible. Is the discharged soldier out of a job? They find him one. Is the wife sick, the home-work piling up—are the children neglected? They nurse the wife, mother the children, wash and scrub. Is there need for food, fuel, clothes or medicine? They are supplied. Influence is brought to bear to guide the older children. Whatever can be done to keep the home intact, is joyfully done in the true spirit of the Master.

### When the Soldier Needs a Friend

As long as a Canadian soldier needs the comforts the Salvation Army can offer, he will find them available. The Salvation Army Lassie will be there with the hot coffee, the pies, chocolate, magazines, writing materials, and always the spiritual comfort for which the boys feel the need over there. The Salvation Army Lassies have heard and carried out the last wishes of many a man who has made the supreme sacrifice. Until the last homeward-bound soldier is happily re-established in civil life, will you not help the Salvation Army to combat the discomforts and evils that beset his path?

The service of the Salvation Army, founded on sacrifice, demonstrates the true Christian spirit. It is directed to the extension of the Kingdom of Christ. For two generations the Salvation Army has stood out and out for God.

It approaches practical problems in a practical way and achieves results. It co-operates with all—overlaps none. It recognizes neither color, race, nor creed. No organization does greater work at less cost. To carry on its great work among the 300,000 returning soldiers and their families, it must have financial help. On its behalf members of the Dominion Government, business men, and returned soldiers endorse this appeal for funds.

"Let Your Gratitude Find Expression in Service."

THE SALVATION ARMY MILLION DOLLAR FUND COMMITTEE

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