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ITALY'S ATTITUDE

Should the serious illness of the Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs terminate in his death there is sure to be a change in the attitude of the Italian government towards the war now raging in Europe. It is said to be largely due to his influence that Italy is not now participating in the terrible conflict. General Zupeli, the new Minister of War, on taking office very promptly ordered home one hundred thousand Italian troops who have been campaigning in Tripoli, and the announcement, has been made that the whole army will at once be mobilized. Although a member of the triple alliance Italy will cast in her lot against her ancient enemy Austria. It is a well known fact that the Italian people hate the Austrians just a little less than the French do the Germans. In times past she has felt the iron heel of the Austrians; she has suffered all manner of persecutions at their hands and a feeling for revenge must be strong among the people. She would like to recover possession of the provinces which Austria took from her by conquest years ago. Both sides have courted the favor of Italy since the present war broke out, and in this connection there is no doubt that the famous interview which Winston Churchill recently gave out to an Italian newspaper was intended as a feeler. He stated that the present war must be followed by a readjustment of the boundaries of Europe on national lines, and that there must be an end to oppression and subjection. This sentiment would undoubtedly appeal strongly to the sympathy of the Italians, just as the Kaiser's declaration that "win or lose I will never forget your treachery" would incense them. The loss of her provinces to Austria rankles as keenly in the Italian breast as the loss of Alsace and Lorraine does in the breast of the average Frenchman.

In the recent war with Turkey Italy proved herself to be one of the world's greatest nations. She has an army of four million men and can place two million in the field in a short space of time. In addition to this she has a well organized and powerful navy. Should Turkey participate in the war as seems altogether likely, Italy is certain to take the plunge on the opposite side. The active participation of her great army and navy in the war would assist materially in bringing it to an early conclusion.

SUGAR PRICES

Sugar producers and sugar refiners will profit immensely by this war, says the Montreal Journal of Commerce. In Great Britain the sugar refineries have been taken over by the Government, who are seeing to it that exorbitant prices will not be charged to consumers of sugar. In Canada and the United States, the price of sugar has shown marked advances, but nothing has been done in either country by the Governments to interfere with the prices charged.

In the spring of the present year, refined sugar sold in New York City at less than 4c. per pound, and raw sugar at less than 3c. per pound, duty paid being the lowest price for over a decade. This was partly due to the fact that the Cuban crop, amounting to 2,500,000 tons, was the largest on record, while the domestic best sugar crop, amounting to 655,000 tons, was also a record crop. In addition the sugar from Porto Rico, the Philippines, Hawaii and other places brought the total up to considerably over 4,000,000 tons, which is the annual consumption of the United States.

The outbreak of war changed the situation. Germany and Austria-Hungary are the two most important sugar beet producers in the world. As soon as war commenced they were unable to export sugar and Great Britain, France and other countries turned to Cuba and the United States for their supplies of raw sugar. In August, 36,879,000 pounds of refined sugar were shipped from New York to Europe, while 15,400,000 pounds of Cuban raw were trans-shipped at New

York for Europe. The result of these shipments was to advance the price of raw sugar 3c. a pound in New York. The price of refined sugar advanced to \$7.50 per cwt., and raw sugar to \$6.50. The prospects are favorable for another heavy crop in Cuba, while the high prices prevailing this year will stimulate the growing of sugar beets in the United States and Canada. The present price is a trifle below the recent high, but it is doubtful if it will go much lower until there is some change in the European situation.

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ON THE SIDE

Time to dig up for that barrel of apples.

Apparently the only effective fort is a nation's army.

Germany is trying to enforce secrecy, and yet is not glad that the Japs have closed her Yaps.

Cold weather may be coming on in France, but it will be hot enough at Ostend.

Holland is trying to comfort the Belgians but most anything is "Dutch" comfort after losing Antwerp.

There is a thick fog in the Woeyre region. Woeyre would have thought it?

From the way it is daily hurled about in the news, this Preemysl must have been the boyhood home of Vouck.

"Decision along the Aisne believed far distant." They couldn't take much longer if they'd gone to law about it instead of the war.

St. John Globe:—The fifty-six thousand dollars collected from the lumbermen of New Brunswick as a bonus on sections of the public domain sold to them should be subject to the authority of the legislature of New Brunswick. No individual and no political party should use it. The force of public opinion, if properly expressed, would compel those in charge of this fund to give it up, for it can never be employed for the corrupt purposes intended in its collection. What better use could it be put to than in succoring the families of those who are fighting in defence of this land?

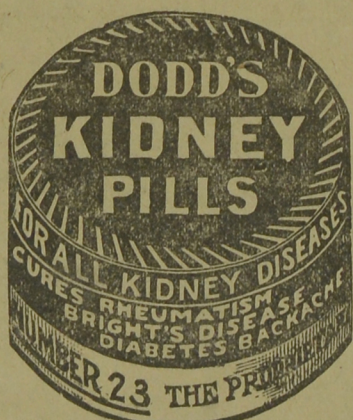
Chatham World:—The local government will meet in Fredericton this evening and will consider the Dugal Commission report and the making of a grant for Belgian relief. This does not necessarily mean that any action will be taken. The government is strong on "consideration" and weak on action.

Acting Premier Clarke has been able to demonstrate that it is possible to carry on the government of the province with a cabinet of four members. There is far less scrapping now than was the case a year ago when the cabinet had six members.

Signs of an early election continue to multiply at Ottawa. It is now said that Hon. L. P. Pelletier, the postmaster general will have to step down and out. It was the Tory press that first gave currency to the report.

It is said that the action of Premier Borden in ridding his cabinet of some of the useless timber is likely to be followed by a general election.

The fiscal year of the province closes on October 31st. Already the department of public works is beginning to show signs of activity.



His Honor the Lieutenant Governor arrived in the city this morning, and is a guest at the Queen.

PRETTY WEDDING AT SPRINGHILL CHURCH

St. Peter's church, Kingsclear, was the scene of a happy event at three o'clock Wednesday afternoon, when Miss Ethel M. Ferris, daughter of William Ferris of that place, was united in marriage to Dr. A. H. Prescott of Woodstock. Rev. Manzel Shewan performed the ceremony in the presence of relatives and friends. The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was charmingly costumed in white satin with white tulle veil and orange blossoms and carried a shower bouquet of white roses. She was attended by her sister, Miss Laura Ferris, as bridesmaid and by Miss May Allen as maid-of-honor. Dr. C. T. London of Canterbury, was best man. Mrs. John Cameron of this city, presided at the organ and played the wedding march. At the conclusion of the ceremony the choir sang "The Voice that Breathed O'er Eden." After luncheon at the home of the bride's parents, Dr. and Mrs. Prescott drove to the city and took their departure by the 5.50 train on a trip to the United States. Upon their return they will reside at Woodstock.

LOCAL NEWS

HELD ENJOYABLE PARTY

An enjoyable party was held yesterday afternoon at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Powers, Smythe street, in honor of their son, Eugene Powers. A pleasant time was spent in games and other amusements.

TO STUDY AT TRURO

Mr. Fred McKenzie, who has been engaged in experimental work at the Dominion Entomological Station at the University of New Brunswick during the summer months left this morning for his home at Nerepis Station where he will spend a few days before proceeding to Truro to resume his studies at Nova Scotia Agricultural College.

WAS INJURED AT VALCARTIER

Mr. Otty Cruikshank, son of Conductor A. O. Cruikshank, has returned to his duties on the staff of the Bank of British North America in this city. Mr. Cruikshank enlisted for overseas service with the first Canadian expeditionary force but was forced to return home from Valcartier owing to injuries he received, when several heavy pieces of heavy artillery went over a bridge during the military manoeuvres at that place, making it impossible for him to pass the necessary medical examination.

BIG GAME HUNTERS

A party of sports composed of Messrs. H. C. Hopewell, Fred F. Bryant, William Bodwell, N. Bodwell, James Clemens and G. B. Badgers of Boston, G. B. Ogan of St. Louis, Mo., and A. S. Foster of Toronto, Ont., arrived here this morning and are guests at the Barker House. They are enroute to the Hopewell Camps at Cains River where they will spend a few weeks hunting big game. Mr. W. Moffat of New York, arrived here this morning and is registered at the Queen Hotel. He will hunt big game at Cains River with James Somerville, the well known guide.

TO HOLD MEETINGS IN RURAL DISTRICTS

(Continued from page eight.)

22nd, at 8 p. m., at School House. Dumfries, Saturday, October 24th, at 8 p. m., at School House.

Millville, Monday, October 26th, at 8 p. m., at Hall.

Temperance Vale, Monday, October 26th at 8 p. m., at School House.

Canterbury Station, Tuesday, October 27th, at 8 p. m., at Hall.

The Provincial Patriotic Fund has been organized and yesterday Lieutenant Governor Wood announced that the headquarters will be at St. John. Mr. C. B. Allen of St. John, has been appointed the secretary-treasurer of the provincial organization and the provincial representatives appointed by the government are H. H. McLennan and J. F. Robertson of St. John, and Hon. J. K. Flemming of Woodstock. The following representatives have been chosen for the different centres:—Fredericton, Mayor Mitchell and Dr. T. Carleton Allen; Moncton, Mayor Gross and W. H. Price; Miramichi, Hon. L. J. Tweedie and Hon. John Morris; St. John, Mayor Frink, Senator Thorne and Messrs. Barnhill, Schofield and secretary-treasurer, C. B. Allen.

The relief committee of the Patriotic Fund held a meeting in the Board of Trade rooms yesterday afternoon and considered nine applications for assistance from families residing in the city and county. No action was taken on the cases were held over until a later date.

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