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The Waste of War.

Great Britain is reflecting on the waste of war as well as the extent the contractors have made money out of the South African contest and conquest.

An article in the "Fortnightly" on the "The Cost of War" is a British cry of pain and remonstrance.

The first demand for men and money was made in October, 1899. It called for only \$49,000,000, and assumed that the Dutch republics would be conquered in four months by a force of 47,000 men.

The last demand for money was made in March, 1901, and called for \$273,000,000, and showed that the taxpayer was in for an experience he had not counted on.

Altogether the house of commons has made war appropriations amounting to \$704,948,300, and even this enormous sum does not adequately represent the actual expense which has been incurred.

By March 31, the end of the fiscal year, the total cost of the war will have amounted to \$844,784,500. And yet it all could have been saved had Salisbury and Chamberlain accepted the offer of President Kruger to refer the question in dispute to the president of the Swiss republic or the President of the United States for arbitration.

The Fortnightly exhibit shows that the pay of the army, which has averaged about 200,000 men, amounts to \$121,030,000; transport has cost \$139,160,000; equipments and incidental expenses connected with them have entailed an outlay of \$50,470,000; and provisions and forage have meant the expenditure of \$147,000,000.

Such drains upon the treasury were, in Mr. Morgan-Browne's opinion—he is the author of the "Fortnightly" paper—the result of culpable extravagance. They are "a liberal education in the arts of political ineffectiveness."

They represent an unparalleled waste. And, finally, "their colossal proportions are fairly well reflected and incidentally explained in the prosperity of some enterprising British firms.

Examining the items of expenditure, the prodigal ways of the government and the plunder of the contractors are explained. In the matter of transport, for instance, the shipping companies working for a profit, convey passengers to the Cape at \$49 a head.

The government paid an average of \$98. Horses can be carried from Great Britain for \$113, and from other countries, like Hungary, the United States and Argentina, for less. The government paid an average of \$195. This seems to go beyond even that limit of wastefulness to which governments have an immortal right.

In the same way meat was sold to the army by the South African Storage Company at a rate which was just about twice that in force at Cape Town. Shortly afterwards the company declared a dividend equal to 105 per cent, and earned \$3,430,000 for its reserve fund.

Amaranth.

February 27.—The fifth local institute of Union township was held at Fairview Feb. 21st. Owing to the weather not many from a distance was present.

The institute was called to order by the teacher, Miss Lettie Whitfield. Geo. Mills was elected President, and Dr. J. M. McKibbin, secretary.

Quite a number of the citizens were present and took an active part in the discussions, which proved they were interested in school work. Questions discussed:

How can a teacher make school life pleasant for both teacher and pupils? Duty of patron and director to pupil and teachers.

Dr. William L. McKibbin gave a very interesting talk in which he said, "Visit the school and co-operate with the teacher; help the teacher along, and encourage all."

How to teach language, or primary grammar? The work of the institute was interspersed by good recitations and dialogues, which were well rendered, and proved the ability of the school to entertain.

The song by Miss Amy Hixson, entitled "Sweet Bunch of Daisies and by Mr. Ralph McKibbin, entitled, "He didn't know the way to go about it," was very entertaining and well rendered.

Much credit due them. Excellent order throughout entire evening. J. C. Hixson and H. Carnell made a business trip to Everett last week.

Garfield Miller of Piney Grove, was a pleasant caller at Levi Crawford's last Sunday. Quite a number of our people attended the social at Buck Valley and report a good time.

A mad dog scare prevails here. Ludwig Fisher's dogs were the victims, but Mr. Fisher succeeded in killing three before any harm was done.

Miss Katie Hendershot and Edward Delibiss were pleasant callers at Levi Crawford's on Thursday. Ed McKee and family spent Sunday with his brother William.

State's Traveling Libraries. The Pennsylvania Free Library Commission met in the State Library last Friday evening. It was announced that up to the present time the commission has created thirty-four traveling libraries, which have been sent to twenty-five points in the State, and thirty more libraries are now being created and will soon be ready for distribution.

To secure one of these libraries an application must come from twelve taxpayers in any town not having library facilities, or from any rural district. A library of fifty volumes is sent for six months, when it is ordered to be shipped to some other point where an application has been made.

The books in these libraries cover history, travel, fiction useful arts, etc. and the demand for them increases as the facts about them become known. They have only been in circulation a year in this State, but in some Western States they have been in circulation many years, some States having as many as 800 of these libraries. It was announced that headquarters had been established at the State Library and State Librarian Reed, who is secretary of the commission, was authorized to employ an assistant to take charge of the detail work.

Pratt, Md.

February 27.—The snow which fell here on January 21st has made February a fine month for sleighing and sledding; more snow was added on the 21st of February, which increased the depth to 12 1/2 inches.

George Oss, a prominent merchant of this place, made a business trip to West Virginia last week and reported the snow twenty-two inches deep there.

Calvin Hewett and Alex Cavender have returned to the Pratt woods with their saw mill, where they have been engaged in sawing bill lumber for W. H. Fry during the past three years.

They now expect to finish the work for Mr. Fry before they remove their mill, which will take them eighteen months or more. There is estimated to be, at least, one million feet to cut yet. Calvin is getting very tired of the work, and wishes the job to an end.

He has been in the saw mill work eleven years, and is now 27 years old. He says it would be impossible for him to tell the amount of feet of lumber he has sawed during that time. The haulers are Riley Youker, James Price, Jone Potts, and many others.

Mrs. Emma Crow of Mount Savage is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Henry Browning of this place. Leonard Chaney, wife and daughter, and D. A. Cavender made a flying visit to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nori Ruby last Saturday.

A new daughter arrived at Mr. and Mrs. Alex Davis a few days ago. Alex is happy as a lark. Moses Perdew while skating last Sunday, fell on the ice and strained his left leg, and also, bruised his face and head severely.

Moses says the ice is much harder than his head. Where is the Thompson correspondent? Why don't she send in her items, for by the Fulton County News we expect to learn the happenings of the county. Wake up!

Many valentines were received here. One young man who seemed to think he got them all, threw himself like a lion, and said he had more avoirdupois than the senders, and he would show them.

Practically Starving. "After using a few bottles of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure my wife received perfect and permanent relief from a severe and chronic case of stomach trouble," says J. R. Holly, real estate, insurance and loan agent, of Macomb, Ill.

"Before using Kodol Dyspepsia Cure she could not eat an ordinary meal without intense suffering. She is now entirely cured. Several physicians and many remedies had failed to give relief. You don't have to diet. Eat any good food you want, but don't overload the stomach. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure will always digest it for you.

Average Longevity. The average longevity of man and of woman varies considerably in different places and at different times. From statistics carefully compiled, it appears that in England, for instance, the average age for males was 35.9 and for females 41.85 between the years 1838 and 1854; while between 1871 and 1880 that of males was 41.35 and that of females 44.62.

In Massachusetts statistics, taken from 1883 to 1887 show an average of 39.72 for males and 42.03 for females. These must be taken as the average of white people; for, to mention but one instance, the average of the colored males in Baltimore is not higher than 21.

Strikes A Rich Find. "I was troubled for several years with chronic indigestion and nervous debility," writes F. J. Green, of Lancaster, N. H., "No remedy helped me until I began using Electric Bitters, which did me more good than all the medicines I ever used. They have also kept my wife in excellent health for years. She says Electric Bitters are just splendid for female troubles; that they are a grand tonic and invigorator for weak, run down women. No other medicine can take its place in our family." Try them. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by W. S. Dickson.

Siding Hill.

February 27.—Miss Lolo Giffin, who has been seriously ill for some time, is slowly improving. Miss Sadie Winter spent several days recently visiting friends in the Cove.

Mias Pearl Akers has returned home after a short visit with friends here. Era Mellott's were the guests of Mr. Job Hill's last Sunday. Russel Layton and sister Grace spent last Saturday and Sunday in the Cove.

Ray Garland has gone to Cumberland for an indefinite time. Mrs. Wilson and daughter, Alice visited Mrs. Rachel Hill, one day last week. Miss Minnie Funk, teacher of Mt. Airy school, spent Saturday and Sunday, at her home near Needmore.

Riley Garland of Dunlo, is visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. Job L. Garland. Wm. Geinger of Buck Valley was in this vicinity last week. I. D. Mellott, of Everett, made a business trip to Fulton a few days ago.

S. P. Winter is preparing to build a new house this spring. C. F. B. Hill filled his ice-house last week. Could Not Breathe.

Coughs, colds, croup, grip, bronchitis, and other throat and lung troubles are quickly cured by One Minute Cough Cure. One Minute Cough Cure is not a mere expectorant, which gives only temporary relief. It softens and liquefies the mucous, draws out the inflammation and removes the cause of the disease.

Absolutely safe. Acts at once. "One Minute Cough Cure will do all that is claimed for it," says Justice of the Peace, J. Q. Hood, Crosby, Miss. "My wife could not get her breath and was relieved by the first dose. It has been a benefit to all my family."

Joseph A. Douglas was killed at his home in Laydon near Topela, Kansas, by falling from a load of corn. Mr. Douglas was the witness in the historical Armstrong murder trial in Illinois, when William Armstrong was cleared by Abraham Lincoln. Douglas swore at the trial that the moon was very bright at the time. Mr. Lincoln then produced an old almanac as his only witness, by which he proved that there was no moon on the night in question.

List of Jurors drawn February 15, 1902, for March term of Court beginning at McConnellsburg, Monday, March 17, 1902. GRAND JURORS. Ayre—Geo. W. Humbert, A. W. Johnston, Jr., R. M. Kendall.

Belfast—Thomas Truax. Bethel—Charles Rankin, Brush Creek—D. C. Hart, E. J. Cleveland, Mark Lodge. Dublin—S. D. Jones. Licking Creek—Geo. W. Mumma, Edw. Swope. McConnellsburg—John Selsor, D. T. Fields.

Taylor—Geo. W. Taylor. Thompson—Fulton Gordon. Tod—D. A. Gillis, J. Irwin Simill. Union—J. Clayton Hixson, John Stride, John Creek, Levi Crawford, Chas. Sigel.

Wells—A. G. Anderson, T. H. Ramsey. PETIT JURORS. Ayre—Edward Keyser, William Ott, Robert Mellott. Belfast—W. R. Palmer. Bethel—John P. Fisher, George Booth, Geo. F. B. Hill, Frank Schetrompf, Isaac Bishop, Samuel Winters, John H. Litton, Aaron D. Hess.

Brush Creek—T. R. Starr. Dublin—S. C. Burkhardt, Geo. Charlton, Gracey Nangle, Calvin Baker, Lem Cline, James D. Stevens. Licking Creek—Joseph M. Mellott, Howard Hollenshead, Matthew Mellott, D. D. Hann, Thomas C. Metalar.

McConnellsburg—John P. Conrad, Ralph Road. Taylor—John W. Laidig, Benjamin Denny, Calvin L. Henry. Thompson—J. K. Miller, Asa Breakall, John Secrist, A. V. Funk. Tod—W. Harry Wible, A. J. Pittman. Union—William Geinger, Albert Schetrompf. Wells—Benjamin R. Alexander.

J. K. JOHNSTON'S Announcement of Fall and Winter Goods

Advertisement for J. K. Johnston's Fall and Winter Goods. Includes images of men's black socks, men's heavy boots, men's nightröbes, and men's heavy shoes. Text describes various items and prices.

J. K. Johnston, McConnellsburg, Pa.

Advertisement for Philip F. Black, Manufacturer of Sash, Doors, Newel Posts, Hand Rails, Stairs, Banisters, Turned Porch Columns, Posts, &c. Includes details about products and contact information.

Advertisement for Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. Text describes the benefits of the medicine for various stomach ailments and provides contact information for the manufacturer.

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REFORMED—Rev. C. M. Smith, Pastor, Sunday school at 10:30 a. m. Preaching on alternate Sabbaths at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

TERMS OF COURT. The first term of the Courts of Fulton county in the year next commencing on the Tuesday following the second Monday of January, at 10 o'clock a. m.

BOROUGH OFFICERS. Justice of the Peace—Thomas G. Sloan, L. H. White, J. H. Doyle, Constable—John H. Scott.

GENERAL DIRECTORY. President Judge—Dan S. McSwain, Associate Judges—Samuel Kirk, David Nelson.

SOCIETIES. Odd Fellows—McConnellsburg Lodge No. 744 meets every Friday evening in the Corner Building in McConnellsburg.

Washington Camp No. 42, P. O. of A., of New Green, meets every Friday evening in P. O. of A. Hall, B. B. of A., of New Green, meets every Friday evening in P. O. of A. Hall.

John Q. Taylor Post No. 15, W. M., No. 589, meets every Saturday on or just preceding full moon in Laidley hall, at 2 p. m., at Buck Valley.

Wesleyan Ladies' Corps, No. 50, meets at 8 o'clock and closes at 4 p. m. Gen. D. B. McKibbin Post No. 402, G. A. S. meets the first and fourth Saturdays in each month at Pleasant Ridge.