

NEWS IN GENERAL

England is to have her prisoners of war help with the crops in the fields.

Only \$100,000 has been subscribed for the relief of sufferers from the Lusitania disaster, whereas for the Titanic relief committee \$2,000,000 had been subscribed.

Since April 150,000 horses have arrived at Newport News, Va., for shipment to the Allies for use in the war.

Mites contributed by American Sunday School children have provided thousands of testaments, printed in Russian, for soldiers in the field.

To an error in the orders issued by Edgar H. Bloom, a telegraph operator at Hagerstown, is ascribed a head-on collision of two trains near Thurmont on the Western Maryland railroad on Thursday night, when six lives were lost and many persons hurt.

Alex. Hager is a Connellsville merchant who believes that advertising pays; and he is also convinced that home newspapers constitute the best possible medium through which to exploit his wares.

That a brighter business outlook is dawning is the report which more than 300 officials of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad system brought to their annual meeting a few days ago, at Deering Park, Md., from the industrial and agricultural communities in which they are engaged in handling traffic over its 5,000 miles of line.

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Song and Story .....

Only a Dad.

Only a dad with a tired face Coming home from the daily race, Bringing little of gold or fame To show how well he has played the game, But glad in his heart that his own rejoice To see him come and to hear his voice.

Only a dad, of a brood of four, One of ten million men or more, Plodding along in the daily strife, Bearing the whips and scorns of life With never a whimper of pain or hate For the sake of those who at home await.

Only a dad, neither rich nor proud, Merely one of the surging crowd Toiling, striving, from day to day, Facing whatever may come his way; Silent, whenever the harsh condemn, And bearing it all for the love of them.

Only a dad, but gives his all, To smooth the way for the children small, Doing with courage stern and grit, The deeds that his father did for him; This is the line that for him I pen, Only a dad but the best of men.

Though I have been trained as a soldier, and participated in many battles, there never was a time when, in my opinion, some way could not be found to prevent the drawing of the sword.

Endorsing Lord Roberts. The late Lord Roberts once sent his orderly to the bank to cash a check and the clerk wanted it endorsed.

"What for?" demanded the soldier. "Well, it's the rule and I can't pay you the money until you do endorse it," he was told.

"Oh, all right," grumbled the messenger. So he took back the check and bit the end of his pen in deep meditation for a minute or two. Then he wrote this:

"I beg to say I have known Lord Roberts for several years and he has proved himself times without number, to be as brave as a lion, but always kindly considerate to those who serve under him, and I have therefore great pleasure in respectfully indorsing his check."

Try it, but Quicker. Betty Botter bought some butter. "But," she said, "this butter, if I put it in my batter, it will make my batter bitter. But a bit of better butter Will make my batter better." So she bought a bit o' better Butter than the bitter butter And made her batter better. So 'twas better Betty Botter Bought a bit of better butter.

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SIGNERS OF HIGH RANK.

Some of the Nation's Fathers Were Men of Wealth and Distinction.

Among the men who pledged their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor in support of the principles of the Declaration of Independence, risking all in breathing life into the nation, were persons of high rank and distinction. Some of them possessed fame which passed the boundaries of the colonies and was recognized in the mother country.

Stephen Hopkins, whose tremulous signature is familiar to every person who has seen the Declaration, was chief justice of Rhode Island before the war, and he was the first abolitionist. He introduced a bill in the colonial legislature to prohibit the importation of slaves and carried out his ideas practically by giving freedom to all the slaves he owned. Besides all this, he was a great mathematician, and his name will go down in scientific history as the observer of the transit of Venus in June, 1761. He was one of the founders of the Public Library at Providence, a member of the American Philosophical society and the founder and patron of the free schools of Providence.

The trembling of his hand when he signed the Declaration was not due to fear—to which he was a stranger—but to palsy. He was a sufferer from that malady for many years.

Richard Stockton of New Jersey was probably the best known lawyer in America. As early as 1764 he had been

John Hancock, John Adams, John Jay, Robert R. Livingston, George Washington, James Oglethorpe, Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Jefferson, James M. Smith, William Ellery Channing, Roger Sherman.

SIGNATURES OF SOME OF THE SIGNERS.

made a sergeant-at-law, in those times a position of high distinction in his profession. In 1798, when he visited England, he found that his fame had preceded him, and he was received everywhere with the greatest respect. A Edinburgh he was formally received by the lord provost, and the citizens by unanimous vote conferred the freedom of the city on him in recognition of his great learning. He was a member of the king, who made him a court judge of New Jersey. Still he cast his lot in with the American patriots, saw his great estate seized and ruined and finally died from the effects of brutal treatment while he was a prisoner in the hands of the British.

Josiah Bartlett of New Hampshire, besides being one of the first members of congress to vote for the Declaration of Independence, was also the first American physician to discover the virtues of the now universally used drug, quinine. He was eminent for his surgical skill long before the war broke out.

Philip Livingston of New York was a man of great wealth and distinguished ancestry, a direct descendant of a regent of Scotland, a king of the Hebrides and the Earl of Livingston, in Scotland. His father was the founder of Livingston Manor, on the Hudson. Philip himself was the most prominent merchant of New York city. He was the friend and correspondent of Edmund Burke, and Burke's friendship for America and defense of her cause were due to Livingston's lucid explanations.

STATE GUARDS AGAINST DREADED LOCKJAW.

Pennsylvania for the past four years has had a larger toll of accidents resulting from Fourth of July celebrations than any other State. In 1914 more than twenty-five per cent of all the accidents which occurred on the Fourth of July, were in this state. It is hoped that this unnecessary toll of deaths and accidents will be reduced this year by the growing sentiment for a safe and sane celebration.

Restrictive measures relative to the use of fireworks and fire arms is the only way in which this can be accomplished.

In order that such accidents as occur may not be followed by deaths from tetanus or lockjaw, as it is commonly known, Dr. Samuel G. Dixon, Commissioner of Health, has made arrangements for the State-wide distribution of tetanus antitoxin. This will be furnished without cost to the poor.

It is essential that tetanus antitoxin be administered within twenty-four hours after the wound has been received. Any physician can secure immunizing doses of 1500 units upon application if he will certify same as for the treatment of persons too poor to pay.

Dr. Dixon urges the prompt use of antitoxin to prevent lockjaw following explosive or other wounds. He says: "Do not consider any such wounds trivial, but send for the physician at once. If it is impossible to promptly secure his attendance wash out the

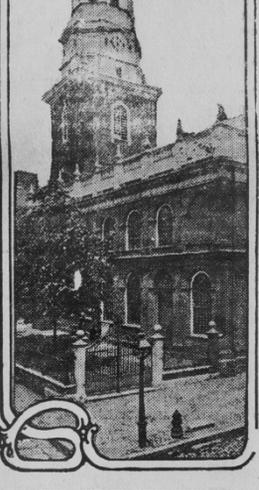
THE JULY 4 CHURCH

Historic Building In Which Many Signers Worshipped.

OLD Christ church, the historic and sacred edifice in Philadelphia where three-fourths of the signers of the Declaration of Independence worshipped, commemorates the nation's birthday every year with impressive patriotic and religious services. Representatives of the Lutheran, Presbyterian and Episcopal churches, the religious bodies that were active in the life of Philadelphia when independence was declared, generally participate in the services.

Last year the services took the form of a prayer and thanksgiving to Almighty God for the blessing of civil and religious liberty. Addresses were made by Bishop Garland, representing the Episcopal church; the Rev. Dr. William H. Roberts of the Presbyterian general assembly and the Rev. Dr. Edwin Heyl Delk of the Lutheran church. The services were conducted by the Rev. Louis C. Washburn, rector of Old Christ church.

The order of service was the one adopted in 1785 by the church to be used every year on the Fourth of July. The service was attended by representatives of President Wilson, Mayor Blankenburr, the Colonial Dames, the Sons of the Revolution and of the Pine Street Presbyterian church, whose pastor, Dr. Duffield, like Dr. White, rector of Old Christ church, was a chaplain of the First Continental congress. The clergy of the diocese in their vestments, with the other guests, met in the Neighborhood House and proceeded into the church while the histor-



CHRIST CHURCH, PHILADELPHIA.

bells of Old Christ church were ringing as they did in 1776.

The entire church was filled with persons who worshipped in the same pews where knelt the churchmen and patriots of the Continental congress.

Bishop Garland, at the conclusion of his address, read the following poem written by him for the occasion:

INDEPENDENCE DAY. Lord, in thy house this sacred day We kneel where patriots knelt to pray; They pledged anew their faith in thee Then took up arms for liberty.

Not in their strength, but in thy might They trusted to defend the right, And thou didst guide them by thy hand And 'stablished firm our fatherland.

God of the patriots, be our guide; Protect this land for which they died; Give us our fathers' faith in thee To live for truth and liberty.

wound thoroughly with boiled water, using it as hot as can be borne; remove every particle of foreign matter and until the Doctor arrives apply wet cloths saturated with a solution made by adding a teaspoonfull of salt to a pint of boiled water."

The anti-toxin stations in this vicinity will be: Somerset, J. S. Picking; Johnstown, J. Ringold and Bedford, F. W. Jordan.

PURCHASED COAL LAND. By the return of J. N. Kauffman, a missionary of the Mennonite church in India, the Cambria Steel Company was enabled to have a deal consummated at Holsoppe by which the latter company acquired title to about 208 acres of coal land which belonged to the Christian C. Blough estate. The purchase price was \$25,000. The Cambria Company had held options on this land for some time and this land was needed by the company to fill out its holdings in Conemaugh township. It is understood that no plans have been made for coal operations on the land in the near future.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

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