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## In The Eastern Townships



(1) A Group of Girl Campers at Waterfall, Knowlton's Landing.  
(2) Scene on Magog River, Sherbrooke.

There were troublesome times for loyalists of British stock in America at the close of the eighteenth century; they saw the surge of their beloved motherland dividing in the new world; they went through the turmoil of war, witnessed the defeat of their cause, saw the triumph of George Washington, and their anxiety culminated in despair when, in 1773, the signature of the American Declaration of Independence threatened to destroy the last tie to their mother country. Worrying of life amongst those who had torn down the Union Jack and hoisted a newer emblem, the loyalists of Vermont and New Hampshire left their accustomed homes and emigrated to the neighboring country where the British flag was still aloft.

They were a hardy race, those British-Americans who settled in the Eastern Townships of the Province of Quebec. They were mostly of English or Scotch descent, and they came across the border in groups. Many of them possessed comfortable farms, and there were few who had brought many earthly possessions with them. But they were all equipped with indomitable courage and persevering industry. That part of Canada to which they came was then

### How Was Weddings

"Crudely stated, the war had resulted in 200,000 persons in the United Kingdom being married between August, 1914, and June, 1917, who in the ordinary course would not have married," says Sir Bernard Mallet, president of the Statistical Society.

The loss of potential lives to the belligerent countries by the decrease in the number of children born was perhaps the most important effect upon vital statistics produced by the war, he said. In births the United Kingdom had suffered far less than Germany and Hungary, the United Kingdom having lost 10,000 to a million of the population, Germany 40,000, and Hungary 70,000.

The infant mortality in the summer of 1917 appeared to have been very high in several German cities, and the German rate remained some 50 per cent. higher than in England. An alteration in the sex ratio of birth appeared to be established by the figures of the United Kingdom, the proportion of males having noticeably increased. Contrary to expectations, the war had produced no effect on illegitimate births.

### Came From Newfoundland

The Daily Mail says it is feared that the Antarctic relief ship Aurora which took part in the Shackleton expedition, has been lost with all hands while returning to England. It is understood the vessel sailed from Wellington, N.Z., in June with a crew of about 22, and nothing has been heard from it since. Vessels sent out to search for it found only a life-buoy marked Aurora and some wreckage. Lloyd's recently posted the Aurora as being considerably overdue.

The Aurora, formerly a Newfoundland sealing steamer, carried the Mawson Antarctic expedition to Adelle Land in 1913 and rescued the expedition later in the same year. While going to the assistance of the Shackleton expedition early in 1916 the Aurora was damaged and returned to New Zealand, after leaving some of its crew at Rias Barrier. Sir Ernest Shackleton set out to rescue the members of the Aurora's crew in December, 1916. He found seven of them alive, but three others had perished.

### Chesterton Fined

Mr. G. K. Chesterton was fined 10s by the Beaconsfield magistrates for having an unscrupled light in his house. He admitted the offence, and said the police constable was only doing his duty in bringing the case forward.

### World's Deepest Valley

The deepest valley believed to be in Palestine. It is at least one thousand three hundred feet below the level of the sea.

## City of the Dead in Czar's Home

"A CITY of the dead." "A living tomb." This is how Harry de Windt, the noted traveller, describes, in the Manchester Guardian, the Siberian town of Tobolsk, to which Nicholas Romanoff, once Czar of all the Russias, and his family have been exiled. De Windt writes:

"Tobolsk is the ancient capital of Siberia, and contains 30,000 inhabitants, largely composed before the war of Germans engaged in the leather and tallow trades. It has been stated that the ex-Czar was conveyed to his place of exile by special train from Russia, which can hardly be correct, seeing that Tobolsk can be reached only by river. I had to travel there for five days from Moscow via Nijni-Novgorod, up the River Volga to Perm, thence across the Ural Mountains by rail to Tiumen, and down the Irtysh river to Tobolsk. The province of which Tobolsk is chief town is eight times the size of Great Britain, and is sparsely populated by Russians, Tartars, and fur-trading Ostiaks and Samoyedes, yet it was once of considerable commercial importance, which, owing to the Trans-Siberian Railway, has now greatly decreased.

"On approaching it from the river and viewed from a distance Tobolsk presents an imposing and picturesque appearance, which is quickly dispelled on closer acquaintance, for the place then assumes a listless, lifeless appearance which sinks into the soul. There is an upper and a lower town, the former being the citadel, which consists of a cluster of white-washed buildings overlooking the river from the summit of a precipitous limestone cliff.

"It is approached by a steep carriage drive, and here the ex-imperial family will probably reside permanently, for the citadel comprises the governor's palace, government offices and a gold-domed cathedral, whence there is a fine view of the river and crescent-shaped city, which chiefly consist of drab-colored, weather-bleached wooden buildings in various stages of decay.

"Neither they nor the streets are kept in decent repair, and as the latter are paved with rough planks which have rotted away in places it is somewhat risky to drive after dark, for the town is but dimly lit. The constant clatter of traffic along these wooden thoroughfares becomes maddening after a time, for it resembles the incessant rolling of thousands of drums, and is generally prolonged far into the night. The best hotel was old, dirty, and comfortable, and permeated, like many of the streets, with an odor of sewage, for the drainage here is of a very primitive description.

"There was a theatre (generally closed) and a so-called restaurant, which was unpleasantly suggestive of some low-class dive in New York or San Francisco. Amusements there were none, by day or night, except the arrival or departure of a river steamer, which appeared to afford the inhabitants their only relaxation.

"Some of the shops were fairly good, especially those for the sale of antique jewelry and silver, where sleeve links, scarfpins, and other articles fashioned in the shape of a bell were constantly offered to me. For Tobolsk is as proud of its bell as Lucerne is of its lions or Berne of its bears—the bell of Oughlitch, which for tolling the signal for an insurrection was banished here by a czar of the sixteenth century.

"In the Dark Ages Siberian exiles were deprived of their nostrils by means of red-hot pinchers, but this being obviously impossible in the case of the metal offender, its suspenders were publicly removed in the presence of the Czar and a huge concourse of people, and this unique exile has now found a resting place in the local museum.

"Tobolsk presents at all seasons of the year a drab and desolate aspect, especially in summer, when the only trace of greenery is a public garden composed of stunted birch and cedar trees, dusty shrubs, and scentless flowers, intersected by weedy paths ankle deep in wet weather. A dilapidated and deserted bandstand occupies the centre, and near it is a stone obelisk with the inscription 'To Yermak,' the dauntless warrior who with a handful of Cossacks captured Western Siberia three centuries ago from a formidable Tartar force.

"The prison here is the most dismal looking structure, inside and out, which I have ever beheld, yet it is well in keeping with its mournful surroundings. This, in short, is a city of the dead in more ways than one, for Tobolsk has the highest death rate of any town in Siberia, a fact partly attributable to defective drainage and partly to the extensive and stagnant marshes by which it is surrounded, and which are a fruitful source of every malarial disease.

"Look down from the citadel on a summer evening, and the town below you is invariably concealed by a lake of dense, fever-laden mist which has crept in at sunset from the neighboring swamp. Summer is a season of dull grey skies, incessant rain, and swarms of mosquitoes; winter of intense cold, combined with damp, in a climatic combination unknown in other parts of Siberia, which elsewhere is invariably sunlit, dry, and bracing. Political exiles have told me that they would rather serve a five years' sentence in the depths of Russian Asia than reside here in comparative freedom for six months, although it is much nearer Europe."

The estimated national expenditure in Great Britain on education, natural science, and art for the forthcoming year—1917-18—is £21,412,175.

# The Store

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Men's Black Cashmere Socks, grey heels and toes; worth 40c pair Saturday 2 pair for 50c.

Rush sale of Men's and Boy's Caps worth up to 75c, choice 37c.

Boys print and gingham blouses in a clear away at 39c each.

A table of Boys' Suits, good serviceable cloths; smart styles to fit boys to 15 years; your last opportunity to buy a boy's suit that is worth buying for \$5.00.

11 only young men's first long pant suits, a real value at \$15 Saturday \$10.

Boy's Balbriggan shirts and drawers, all sizes, worth 45c. Saturday 25c.

Opening sale of spring and summer dress goods—Voiles Gingham, etc., worth up to 60c yard choice 39c.

Fibre Matting, reversible, hard wearing, good designs, tan hues and greens; one yard wide, worth 65c a yard, Saturday 45c, a yard.

Mattresses single and double bed size; art ticking covered. Saturday sale, each \$3.87.

Genuine oil shades mounted complete on rollers, worth 85c each (green only) for 55c.

Bungalow Nets—white, ivory and cream; good choice of patterns, the 35c quality for 25c.

3 only Dining Room Suits, fumed oak finish, Queen Ann's designs; China Cabinet, 6 chairs, dining room table, and Buffet. Special value at \$70. Saturday \$69.

Save your carpets and Rugs—have a Mud Mat outside the door—a full line of them in the carpet and rug department, each 45c to \$2.50.

A table of Gingham, Muslins and Dimities worth 25c and 30c, Saturday 15c a yard.

30 only Breakfast Cloths, 54 x 54, worth \$1.50 for 1.00.

Bleached Table Damask, to-day's value 75c and 90c a yard, Saturday 50c a yard.

Grey and white striped Crash, 20c value for 14c.

Stamped Nainsook Combinations, made up with embroidery heading at waist, worth \$1.50, sale 78c.

A table of Ribbons for hair or sashes, width 4 1/2 to 7 inches, worth up to 75c for 25c.

Silk Stripe Voile, 36 inches wide, old rose, pink, sky, navy and cadet blue, value 75c to \$1.00 for 48c.

Corset Covers, white cambric, embroidery trimmed, all size 23c.

Ladies' White Cambric Drawers, value 75c. for 48c.

White Voile Blouses, value \$1.75 for 1.19.

One table of Children's Hats, clearing at \$2.00.

Ribbed Cotton Hose, sizes from 5 to 10, Saturday 29c.

A lot of Corsets, size 18 to 30, assorted Styles, worth \$1.75, choice 1.19.

Ladies' Cotton Vests, short and no sleeve, Saturday 18c.

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