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GOOD NEWS COMES TO FATHER JACKMAN AFTER LONG MONTHS OF WAITING

Hears Word of Mother, Sisters and Brothers in Belgium

Rev. J. Jackman, C. S. R., of St. Peter's church, received a letter a few days ago from his brother in Belgium stating that his mother, sisters and brothers were all living.

He is naturally delighted to hear of their welfare. His brother stated that when the Germans invaded Belgium they were forced to flee from their home town and although the other members of the family escaped he was captured and held a prisoner for seventy days.

SELLING BY BOTTLE
In talking to one of the prisoners before him charged with drunkenness, the magistrate today said he was making up a list of the percentage of those before him for drunkenness, who had bottles found on them, saying that he wanted to be able to quote statistics to the session of the legislature some day with a view to having the practice of selling liquor by the bottle made illegal.

ST. JOHN AND OTTAWA WERE THE ONLY TWO

The clearing house returns for the week ended Dec. 3, 1914, as compared with those for the same period last year, place St. John in a very favorable light. It will be seen by these figures, as published in the Monetary Times, that St. John and Ottawa are the only two cities in Canada in which the returns this year have exceeded those of last year.

AT LILY LAKE
Lily Lake presented a picturesque scene on Sunday afternoon when hundreds of young men and ladies took advantage of the splendid sheet of ice and enjoyed a good skate.

SOLDIERS' LETTERS HIS DAUGHTER WINS PRIZE OFFERED BY LONDON NEWSPAPER

London Storekeepers Would Not Take Money From Richard Hayes—A Visit to Metropolis Told Of

Harry Hayes of 26 Westmorland road has received a letter from his brother Trumpeter Richard Hayes, Salisbury Plain, on his six days' leave of absence. He visited his grandmother's home at Haslingden, Manchester. He was honored by being the first Canadian soldier to arrive in Bury. He was also at the head of the mayors parade.

HIS DAUGHTER WINS PRIZE OFFERED BY LONDON NEWSPAPER

Interesting News and Verse Come to Chief Engineer of Norton Griffiths Co. Hopper

A London paper recently offered a prize of seven shillings and sixpence for the best patriotic alphabet verses, and it has been awarded to Miss Jeanie Hutchings, 28 St. George's Avenue, Forest Gate. Miss Hutchings is the daughter of the chief engineer on Hopper No. 68 of the Norton Griffiths Co., St. John. The verses follow:
A for the Allies—their Advance, too,
B for the Brave Boys in khaki and blue,
C for the call of our country—to arms,
D for the dutiful—having no qualms,
E extra special that sell in a trice,
F for the fund with "Three Feather" device,
G is the glory of Great Britain's name,
H for the heroes, with and without fame,
I for the Indians joining the din,
J is John Bull, who by jingo! must win,
K for the "knuts" with their "kermels" just now,
L for the lights of old London, so low,
M for the militant movement now made,
N for the nurses like Miss Nightingale,
O for our officers—our troops on the way,
P is for peace, preachers pray for today,
Q is Queen Mary—good luck to her guild,
R for the refugees England must shield,
S for our sovereign—stand at the side,
T Tipperary—the song of repute;
U for the Uhlans, so uncivilized,
V the Victoria Cross—ever prized;
W Wilhelm and war he has made,
X for the Xmas with truce flags displayed,
Y for the Yankees, who think we are right,
Z is the zeal of the Zouaves in this fight.
JEANIE HUTCHINGS.

AFTERNOON TEA AND SALE MARKED SUCCESS

A very successful and enjoyable afternoon tea and sale at the home of Mrs. J. H. Tillotson, Sydney street, on Saturday netted the excellent sum of \$269.94 for the men of the British navy.
In the drawing room were set out fancy goods and attractive Christmas novelties in great variety; also pictures and a table laden with dainty articles of home cookery. All were much admired and found a ready sale. The large sitting room was given over to a palmist, dressed as a witch and the mystic art was cleverly exemplified to the entertainment of the patrons. In the dining room afternoon tea was served to a very large number. The decorations all were very pretty. A striking feature in the dining room was a large model of a yacht loaned by Fred S. Heans. He not only had it but he had it newly rigged and painted, and has won hearty thanks for his kindness.
The cards for the delightful event were very dainty. All were emblematic of life on the sea. They were the donation of Mrs. H. A. Powell, Miss Nora Nevins, Miss Ford and Byron C. Tapley.

MAIN STREET BAPTIST CHURCH ACTIVITIES

The Main street Baptist church Men's Bible Study Class has resumed its work of relieving distress in the North End of the city. During the last eight years, in the winter months it has done much to relieve the poor. Fuel, groceries, clothing, medicine and flowers for the sick have been sent to many homes. This Bible study class is one of the largest men's organizations of the city, having an enrollment of considerably more than a hundred.
A week ago yesterday the pastor in behalf of the class made a present of a wrist watch to Bennett Wilson, who for eight years has been the secretary-treasurer of the class, but resigned his position as he is going to the front with the second contingent. The main street church has now twenty-six of its members connected with the Canadian forces. Nine of them went with the first contingent and the remaining number is expected to go with the second.

SOLDIERS TO REMAKE ROADS TO GET AT THE GERMANS

London, Dec. 14—A Times despatch from Belgium says that one of the greatest obstacles to the advance of the allies in Belgium and Northern France, is the extremely bad condition of the roads. The efforts of an army of French soldiers, working in the mud up to their knees to repair them during the last week having proven futile, it has been decided to remake the roads. Orders have been sent to England for 1,100 tons of spades, picks and wheelbarrows. The surface will be formed of timbers, similar to railroad ties.

PROBATE COURT

In the probate court today on application of Elspeth King, Doris King and Nancy King, infants, and their father, Harry King of Chipman, Queens county, merchant, he was appointed guardian of their estates, which consist of \$200, left to each of them by their maternal grandfather, T. Amos Goslee, of this city. Kenneth A. Wilson is proctor.
In the matter of the estate of Rev. John A. Clark, there was return of citation to pass the accounts of J. Sutton Clark, of St. George, the executor and trustee. After proof of publication and posting of the citation for the convenience of all parties, the hearing was adjourned till the 22nd instant at 11 a.m. James A. Belyea, K.C., is proctor for the surviving executor; M. G. Treed, K.C., proctor for the next of kin.

BRITISH ENVOY TO VATICAN

London, Dec. 14—The appointment of Sir Henry Howard as envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary on a special mission to the Pope has so far, not been commented upon by the British press. Since the Reformation, the only other occasion upon which the British government has sent a representative to the Vatican was the celebration of the jubilee of Leo XIII, which was attended by the Duke of Norfolk.

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Scarfs and Ties \$18.00, \$20.00, \$22.50, \$25.00, \$30.00, \$35.00
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