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## FRIENDLESS GERMANY

Some Germans have been asking themselves why Germany is today without a friend among the nations? They find the question difficult to answer because like the best of their fellow-Germans, they cannot see any reason why Germany should be friendless. Because Germany has done what she thought right by methods that commended themselves because they seemed to be necessary to accomplish their end, individual German cannot understand that to other nations these methods and their object are alike hateful and oppressive. Hence their bewildered surprise and the shock that followed upon realization that Germany far from commanding respect and trust, had become the parish nation of the world.

Under the domination of Prussian militarism the whole German people had become infatuated with the notion that force had raised them in little more than a generation from comparative insignificance as a world power into a position which entitled them to enter a bold challenge for world supremacy. Force, to use the words of Prof. Bergson, had wrought this miracle, had given them glory and riches. Therefore force must contain within itself some mysterious or divine virtue of which the German was the ordained possessor and so destined to impose himself and his "kultur" on other nations, no matter at what cost. The end justified the means.

The doctrine of force has, as its necessary concomitant, its gospel of lies and deceit. This is again singularly shown in the case of German diplomacy during the eventful days that followed Austria's ultimatum to Serbia. The British ambassador at Berlin was assured by the imperial chancellor that the German Government knew nothing of that ultimatum and was not wholly in accord with its terms. But in his examination of the record submitted for the various nations now engaged in war, Mr. James M. Beck, the distinguished United States lawyer who has assumed the functions of a final arbiter, establishes clearly by the admissions of the German foreign office that it was consulted by Austria previous to delivery of the ultimatum, and that it not only approved of it but gave Austria carte blanche to proceed. In simple fact the German Government waited war and made Austria its scapegoat. Toronto World.

## PERSONAL

Misses Lorna and Gladys Parker of Millerton, are visiting Miss Ethel Allison.

Mrs. John Matchett leaves this week to visit her daughter, Mrs. J. Matheson of Alberta.

Miss Agnes Pittman of Boston, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pittman of Douglastown.

Mrs. T. W. Crocker left for Stanstead, P. Q., yesterday, to visit her daughter, Mrs. Henry T. Ball.

Miss Gertrude Clarke of Jacquet River spent Sunday in town the guest of her aunt, Miss Helen McLeod.

Vincent Pittman and Simon Driscoll of Douglastown, have returned to their studies in Carleton College.

Miss Alice Harrison returned Thursday to Summerside, after a visit of nearly a fortnight to her parents here.

Mrs. James Lyon of Millerton spent several days in town last week, the guest of Mrs. Richardson at the Baptist parsonage.

Mrs. J. F. R. MacMichael gave a party on Saturday evening in honor of the birthday of her daughter, Miss Helen. The evening was spent with music and games. Refreshments were served during the evening.

Those present were Misses Grace McCarron, Evelyn Price, Mabel Scribner, Hazel MacMaster, Helen Armstrong, Helen Savage, Marion MacArthur, Lillian Rundle, Elva McCurdy, and Miss M. Stuart.

# Canadians Distinguish Themselves in Action

## Germans Fled After Trenches Fell Before Furious Bayonet Charges

London, Jan. 16.—2.06 a. m.—The Canadian regiment at the front has distinguished itself in a stirring bayonet charge at a place near Ypres, known as "Dead Man's Alley," according to The Daily Chronicle's correspondent in northeastern France. "The Germans," the correspondent says, "had moved a great mass of men against this spot on the British front. But helped the thin British line to hold, but the hours were bare-ly even until the Canadian regiment hurried up from the rear. "Suddenly there was a roar of voices and a long line of slouch-hatted men with fixed bayonets rushed forward with the battle cry, 'For Canada and Old England.' "The Germans broke before the charge, which carried everything before it. Trench after trench fell and the Canadians did not cease until the Germans brought up their artillery. The ground gained extended over a mile in front."

## RICHIBUCTO NEWS

### Personal and Local Happenings Of Interest to Readers From the Shiretown of Kent County

Jan. 16.—The meeting of the Kent County Council opened on Tuesday afternoon in the Court House, and concluded the business this morning. The Warden A. F. Coates of Coates Mills, presided and the secretary, F. J. Robidoux was in his place.

One item in the financial business may be noted, viz. that the grant to the Moncton hospital has been increased to \$500 dollars for the present year.

Mrs. F. J. Robidoux, who has been with her sister, Mrs. W. A. Russell, Shediac, since a week before her bereavement, came to town on Thursday, remaining until today, when she returned to Shediac.

Mrs. Robert Darrah and little son of Islay, Alberta, came last Saturday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Long. Mrs. Darrah had only been out of the hospital a week or so before leaving Islay. Her mother would have gone to her only that Mr. Long was, and is, seriously ill with a sore foot.

Mrs. Guy Pierce went last week to St. John to be near Mr. Pierce (one of our recruits) during his stay there. She will later go to Truro, N. S. her old home, to spend the winter with a relative.

Robert Stewart, organist in St. Mary's Church of England, acted as organist in Chalmers' church on Sunday evening.

The annual congregational meeting of the united congregations of St. Andrew's church, Rexton, and Chalmers' church, Richibucto, was held in the church at Rexton, on Thursday the 7th inst.

The meeting was opened by devotional exercises conducted by the pastor, Rev. Archibald Lee, B. A.; and afterwards, at his request, Edward Hannay was asked to preside.

After the minutes of the last annual meeting had been read by the secretary of the congregation, A. B. Carson, reports of an interesting nature were read from the Sunday Schools, Ladies' Aid Society, Women's Missionary Society, treasurer of the church, John A. Cameron, and the session. From the reports presented, the following facts are extracted: The year 1914 was a good year for the congregation. The amount raised for congregational purposes was in round numbers \$1,550; for the Missionary Budget, \$400; by the Women's Missionary Society, \$75; besides a box of clothing for Trinidad, valued at \$20. The Sunday schools were faithfully looked after and had a prosperous year.

The communion roll had a net increase of 20 members. Twenty-five new members had been received during the year.

Both pastor and people are to be congratulated on the good report of 1914. May 1915 be even better.

Launce O'Leary, cavalry recruit, was a recent guest of his aunt, Mrs. A. Coster Anuraux, who is one of the buyers in our Red Cross Society.

Rev. J. J. McLaughlin has recovered from his severe cold. Services in St. Aloysius church have this week been conducted as usual.

Mrs. Edward McInerney is confined to her home through illness.

T. O. Murray, who spent his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Murray, has returned to his studies at the technical school, Halifax.

J. Owen LeBlanc, College Bridge and Joseph Flanagan, Moncton, were his guests during part of the holiday season.

J. Cameron Murray, after spending vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Murray, returned to his studies at St. Francis Xavier College, Antigonish, N. S.

Councillor Robert Murphy, of Bass River, Wolford parish, reported that during the low temperature in the holiday season, the thermometer registered even lower at his home than was reported from Richibucto.

That water had frozen where it was never known to freeze before and that the record on a reliable thermometer for three mornings was 32, 25 and 38 degrees below the cipher.

There has been skating on the river a great part of the time, and although a few inches of snow fur-

## REXTON ITEMS

### Of Interest to Readers From Our Regular Correspondent.

Jan. 18.—A horse race took place on the river Wednesday afternoon, which was very interesting. Those owning the horses in the race were M. T. DeMille, A. J. Curran, John Dickson and these took the first, second and third prizes respectively.

The river presents a sheet of almost all glare ice and ice boats and skaters are seen everywhere. These with the smelt-shanties and fishermen's rigs make the river look like a busy little village.

The smelt fishermen are still at work but are getting very few fish, the price has dropped to three cents per lb. During last week's thaw a large quantity of large sized bass was caught. Up river these were sold at ten cents per pound. About 40 tons were taken in all.

Robert Bell of East Galloway, while boring a well in his house a short time ago, came across a seam of coal 18 inches in depth.

A basket social and dance was held in the hall at Upper Rexton, Wednesday night. Although the night was very cold and windy the affair was well patronized, the net proceeds of fifty dollars was given to the Red Cross Society here, and was afterwards sent to the head office at Toronto to be used for hospital supplies.

This makes one hundred dollars in cash sent to the head office within about a month's time. This along with all the articles of clothing, etc., sent by our society, shows that we are doing excellent work.

## PATRIOTIC COMMITTEES MET ON MONDAY

(Continued from page 1)  
Rev. Mr. Bates asked why, if a woman and one child in Newcastle were paid \$20 a month, why a Donktown woman and child should get only \$13. He objected to the sum of only \$13 a month.

Mayor Morrissey explained how the payments were to be made. According to the Montreal Scale before them, a wife was entitled to \$30 a month from both funds—\$20 separation grant and \$10 from the Patriotic Fund. For a child under five years of age, 10 cents a day additional, or \$3 a month; for a child five to ten, 15 cents a day, \$4.50 a month; and for a child from ten to fifteen, 25 cents a day, \$7.50 a month.

Motion carried.

Dr. Harrison said that the Relief Committee would evidently have to again go over each case on their list.

On motion of H. H. Stuart and Rev. Mr. MacArthur, the Relief Committee were authorized to enrol Mrs. Chesley K. Gray and make her the proper payments for time her husband has been enlisted.

Mr. Park said that the committee to be appointed would ask the County Council how they wished to have the parishes apportioned between Newcastle and Chatham districts.

On motion of Messrs. Park and Richardson, it was resolved to appoint such a committee.

The following were chosen: The Mayor, Revs. S. J. MacArthur and P. W. Dixon, and Messrs. Park and McCurdy.

Mr. Park reported from the Recruiting Committee.

Mr. Park said a thorough canvas should be made in every part of the District. More money would be needed for the fund, as likely, more contingents of soldiers.

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organization. Mr. Ames said that every citizen should be canvassed. Who was to assume the responsibility for all this if the council should not. He invited suggestions.

The Mayor said that as soon as we should find out what parishes we included, it was for this Society to see that the whole district was organized. The Executive Committee must assume the responsibility for such organization.

Col. Maltby suggested that the councillors of Newcastle District be asked to meet with us some evening this week to discuss organization of the different parishes.

To Mr. McCurdy's query, the Mayor replied that he thought the duties of the Finance Committee were permanent. Newcastle had besides what it had raised for the other funds, sent \$1400 in cash and a \$1200 cartload of flour to the Belgian Relief. Each bag of the latter had been stamped "From Newcastle, Miramichi, N. B." About \$1000 had been collected towards its payment.

The secretary reported that besides the county's \$500, the Newcastle Patriotic Fund up to January 9th totalled \$1765.97.

Mr. McCurdy said that to add to this was \$150, one half of the total subscription of the Highland Society. After discussing arranging to meet County Council jointly with Chatham Committee, meeting adjourned.

## Health Wrecked Through La Grippe

### It Generally Leaves the Patient Debilitated and an Easy Victim to Other Diseases

One of the foremost medical writers says: "It is astonishing the number of people who have been crippled in health for years after an attack of la grippe or influenza." The real danger from this disease, which sw. cps over Canada every winter, is during convalescence, when the characteristic symptoms, the fever, the catarrh, the headache and the depression of spirits pass away. Grip leaves behind it weakened vital powers, thin blood, impaired digestion and over-sensitive nerves—a condition that makes the system an easy prey to pneumonia, bronchitis, rheumatism, nervous prostration and even consumption." It is a condition that calls most emphatically for a tonic for the blood. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are a tonic especially adapted to meet this need as they purify and enrich the blood. They tone up the nerves and give vigor, strength and health to the debilitated system.

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## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

### Asks for Rigid Investigation Into the Charges Made Against the Minister and Staff

To His Honour the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

Gentlemen:

Owing to the statements being made by certain men in this Province, that the Minister of Public Works was not honest and that he is not expending the public moneys in the best interests of the province, and due to the fact that these gentlemen did not accept the challenge I made to them last Session to make their charges outside the walls of the Legislature so that I could give them the opportunity to prove same in the Courts of the country, I feel it a duty I owe to the people I represent in the Government, to myself and to my family, to ask the Government to appoint a Commission to investigate such charges, and also appoint an official Auditor to examine the books and accounts of the Department and to report to said Commission his findings.

I trust that my request may be granted, and thus give these persons who are maligning my personal reputation and the reputation of my staff, an opportunity to either make good such charges, or else render themselves liable to prosecution for slander.

(Signed) John Morrissey, Fredericton, N. B.

January 11th, 1915.

Fredericton, N. B.

January 7th, 1915.

The Hon. John Morrissey, Minister of Public Works, Newcastle, N. B.

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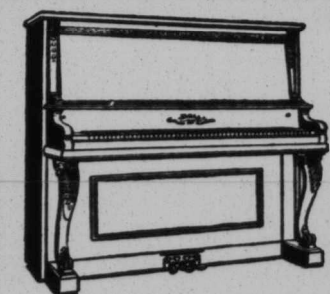
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Now, Sir, as these reports are of such a serious nature and in fairness to yourself as head of this Department and the other members of the staff and myself, I would respectfully urge that you arrange, if possible, with the Premier and other Members of the Executive Council, for a searching investigation of this Department, and my connection therewith, so that an opportunity may be afforded to refute these base slanders. I assure, Sir, that neither myself or any other members of the staff are guilty of any wrongdoing and have absolutely nothing to fear from a thorough investigation, which would give these traducers of character an opportunity to come forward and make their charges or else be branded by the public as scandal mongers.

Trusting you may be able to arrange for this investigation at the earliest possible date, I remain, Yours respectfully,

(Signed) H. M. BLAIR, Secretary Dept. Public Works

SUNNY CORNER

Jan. 18.—Misses May and Georgie Tozer spent Sunday in Boom Road with their cousin, Miss Jessie Jardine.

Miss Bernetta Hyland has returned from Derby.

Mesdames Nelson, Young and Walter Matchett are on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Matchett are rejoicing over the birth of a young son. Miss Irene McAllister is visiting Miss Rose Tozer.

Miss Bernetta MacDonald is home from Lytleton.

Mr. Harry Tozer visited here the latter part of last week and the first of this week.

Mr. Charles Mullin has returned from the lumber woods owing to ill

health. Mrs. John Matchett, Newcastle, but formerly of this place, visited her old friends there one day last week.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Elkin Delano will be sorry to hear of the serious illness of their little daughter.

Mr. C. C. Hayward was in Moncton on Saturday.

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