

**ANXIETY IN LONDON
OVER DEMANDS OF
JAPAN ON CHINA**

Foreign Secretary has confidential information on subject which he may not disclose at present.

London, Feb. 18.—The anxiety felt here concerning the demands Japan made upon China in the course of the negotiations which almost immediately followed the occupation by Japan of the German concession of Kiaochow, was exemplified in a request made in Parliament this afternoon for the publication of the text of these demands.

Answering his questioner, Foreign Secretary Grey, said: "I am not at present in a position to communicate to the House information on this subject, which has been confidentially given by Japan."

Burial at St. Andrews

The remains of Miss Julia E. Bradley, aged fifty-seven years, who died at St. John on Feb. 12, were taken to St. Andrews the next day. The deceased was a sister of the late Mrs. Charles O'Neill, St. Andrews, and Rev. Francis Bradley of Florenceville. The funeral took place on Monday morning at ten o'clock, Father Bradley being present.

**FACTORY INSPECTOR
HAS TWO SONS AWAY**

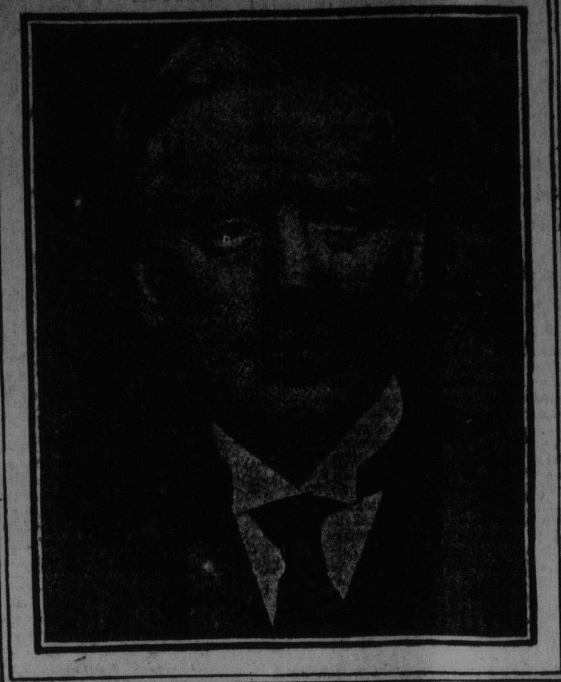
One in France, Another in Fredericton Ready To Go.

Among the St. John soldiers now in France with the Canadian Expeditionary Force is Corporal Clarence E. Kenney, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kenney. Another son of the factory inspector is Signal Sergeant William Alexander Kenney, now in Fredericton with the Ammunition Column awaiting orders to cross the ocean to take part in the great conflict.

Corporal Clarence Kenney of B. Company 12th Battalion, was stationed for some time at Kandahar barracks, Tidworth, and later transferred to Salisbury Plain. Corporal Kenney was in the regular artillery at Quebec for several years and later was in the west, working for some time as a physical culture instructor in one of the big San Francisco hotels. He is a man of splendid physique and his wide and varied experience should make him a valuable member of the force.

Signal Sergeant William A. Kenney was connected with the local artillery for several years and is one of the most expert of the local signalers. These two young soldiers from one St. John home are the type of Canadian to bring credit to Canada. They will do their duty faithfully and many friends of their own and of their family will follow their careers with interest.

THREATENS A BLOCKADE OF GERMAN PORTS



The announcement by Premier Asquith, in the House of Commons, that an actual blockade of the German coast by the British fleet is under consideration and Sir Edward Grey's intimation that there is little chance of peace overtures at the present time has stirred all England. The Premier declared that the British government was considering drastic measures to paralyze all German commerce. He stated that the recent "flagrant breaches of the rule of international warfare" made such steps necessary. While it was not disclosed what action is contemplated at this time, it is understood that the suggested submarine blockade by Germany will be followed by an actual blockade of all the German coast by the British fleet.

**DIFFICULTIES IN GETTING
FLOUR IN AUSTRIA**

Vienna, Austria.—The Viennese press has reverted repeatedly of late to the discussion of the supply of bread and foodstuffs. Early in January the Neue Freie Presse admitted that difficulties had been experienced of late in the purchase of flour. Housewives had been unable to obtain the quantities required, and were requested to accept coarser qualities of flour. The Vienna paper admitted that fears im-

mediately arose that the supplies of flour were running out, but nevertheless maintained that such fears were unfounded, although the urgent necessity for economy and for the reorganization of the food supply was undeniable.

Other Viennese journals, notably the Neues Wiener Journal and the Zeit, devoted articles to the discussion of the subject on the same day, in the course of which the former remarked that anxiety for their daily bread was now making itself felt in the literal sense of the words. At the beginning of the war, it explained, the government had fixed maximum prices for bread and flour, the prices varying in different parts of the monarchy. They were higher, for instance, in

Budapest and in Hungary than in Vienna, with the result that corn dealers had no interest whatever in selling their supplies to Lower Austria. The chief reason for the shortage was, however, that producers, particularly in Hungary, were hoarding their stocks and the writer considered that the government should take immediate steps to reassure the population and regulate the supply.

The Neue Freie Presse emphasized this point in a subsequent article and maintained that, although prices had risen, there was as yet no flour famine and there would not be if the government did its duty towards the people as a whole, and refrained from favoring individual and powerful groups. Meanwhile, at a meeting held to discuss the situation, the Vienna bakers

recommended that no more rolls should be baked, while at a meeting of the permanent committee for industry and trade it was resolved to urge the government to order a greater use of substitutes for wheat flour, to raise the maximum prices in Austria to such a level as to readjust the balance between that portion of the monarchy and Hungary, and to form a co-ordinating company to regulate the supply and the sale of wheat.

Assault On Chinaman.

Howard D. Porter, arrested on a charge of assaulting Ham Wah, and allowed out on deposit, appeared in the police court yesterday morning. L. P. D. Tilley, K. C., M. L. A., appeared for Wah. Two Chinamen swore that Porter had struck Wah. Porter

swore that he did not. His Honor granted three days to fill an unknown white man who was in the store at the time.

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