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That the new train service on the C. G. R. is by no means a one-sided arrangement was discovered by the St. John hockey team in arranging a game with Sussex on the latter team's ice. In former years the St. John team had to remain overnight and catch the early train in the morning. This year they will be able to return in a train leaving Sussex at 10.30 and arriving in St. John shortly after midnight. Due to this fact it is expected that a large number of fans will accompany the team on their trip next week.

At Montreal—Canadiens 7, Quebec 3.

At Toronto—Toronto 4, 228th Battalion 3.

At Ottawa—Ottawa 8, Wanderers 5.

NEWS SUMMARY.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)

New York, Feb. 7.—Position of the president and cabinet is that severance of relations is to remain complete.

Amendments to naval appropriation bill gives president power to comman.

company the team on their trip next week.

Friday night's games in the Army and City League should prove of special interest. Should the St. John team lose to the Field Ambulance they would be tie for first place with the winder of the Siege Battery and 165th game.

The 165th will be on deck with a full team and expect to have their combination working in good shape.

THE VETERANS' SPORTS.

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The committee in charge of the European War Veterans' ice sports to be held next week, last night decided on the following events: 220 yards dash, 440 yards, half mile ladies; boys' race, half mile fire department drivers. Salvage Corps; half mile open, half mile postal employees, half mile Street Railway employees, half mile Street Railway employees, half mile open.

Journal of Commerce—"The stock market is disposed to await actual de-

market is disposed to await actual developments."

Wall St. Journal—"It is difficult to see how anything but an extremely active business condition can result from the present situation."

New York, Feb. 6.—Sun—"The public is back in the stock market which is in splendid technical position. Many houses are advising their customers that war is almost certain and this might have an important bearing."

London Statist—"Were the war suddenly to come to an end a great deal of the abnormal prosperity in the United States would doubtless disappear but there would still be big business and we believe that operating costs would be very materially curialled."

# All friends of the Provincial Government Party in Queens County are invited to gather in convention

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Meanwhile the Neutral Commission for Relief in Belgium, administered without pay by great-hearted Americans, is saving the women and children from starvation. Here we CAN help promptly and effectively, by giving generously to the Belgian Relief Fund.

More contributions than ever are needed, because the higher prices of foodstuffs, particularly wheat, have seriously increased the cost of feeding these millions of dependent Belgians. How much can you spare the victims of one of the blackest, most cold-blooded crimes?

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Summary of the 47th Annual Report submitted to the policyholders at the Annual Meeting, held at the Head Office, Waterloo, Ontario, Thursday, February 1st, 1917. SUMMARY STATEMENT

 
 Gain over 1915
 \$ 640,491

 Increase over 1915
 420,793

 Gain over 1915
 2,420,246

 Gain over 1915
 341,907

 Gain over 1915
 1,618,390

 Gain over 1915
 8,553,551
 EXPENSE RATIO AND INTEREST RATE

The ratio of expense to total income has again fallen while the rate of interest earned has risen, both facts being favorable to the payment of liberal dividends.

HIGH QUALITY OF THE BUSINESS

During the year there has been a remarkable decrease in the number of policies lapsed and surrendered, showing the increased value placed upon life insurance, and the conspicuous persistency of our business.

NET INCREASE IN BUSINESS

The increase in business in force after allowing for all terminations was 55% of the new business written—a notable record—bringing the business now in force up to nearly \$110,000,000.

THE SURPLUS EARNED It is a subject for congratulation that in spite of the extra death losses due to the war the surplus earnings were so satisfactory that we are able to continue the payment of dividends to policyholders on the generous scale they have enjoyed heretofore.

A glance at the following statement will show how rapid yet substantial has been the growth of the Company's business.

TEN-YEAR PERIODS

| Year. 1876 | Income.<br>43,493<br>315,802      | Assets.<br>\$ 81,105<br>905,464       | Paid to<br>Policyholers.<br>\$ 6,789<br>105,683 | Business in Force. \$ 1,634,156 9,774,543 20,001,462 |
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| 1886       | 760,403<br>2,072,423<br>5,613,273 | 3,392,697<br>10,385,539<br>29,361,963 | 376,767<br>679,662<br>2,456,607                 | 46,912,407<br>109,645,581                            |

A copy of the detailed report will be mailed to every policyhelder in due course GEO. WEGENAST, Managing Director. E. P. CLEMENT, President.

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# NEWS COMMENT. (McDOUGALL & COWANS.)

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