ination of an Empire of freemen.

world, of late that the task to which the Allies had applied themselves is that ocrushing the military power of Germany Perhaps many Canadians do not under stand the extent of the preparation made in Great Britain to send to France and to maintain there a great and constantly increasing army capable of doing a large share of the land fighting. The power and influence of the British navy is re appreciated. To a certain extent its size and its success have diverted public attention from Great Britain's land forces. When war was declared there were in the British regu-140,000 men in the first class reserve, oldiers. The personnel of the avy at that time was 200,000 men. The ords, Great Britain, at the beginess, or almost ready, 824,000 men ring to the United Kingdom alone. most rapid possible increase in the size the first two for 500,000 men each, and the third for 1,000,000 men. The first of its activity."

"Another pest, the spruce bud me had, he thought, now reached the help of its activity." were at first increased from 265,000 to 815,000, which was the strength contem-

By January last the United Kingdon aining, and recruits were still com-India had sent by that time 70,000 men speech in glorification of his report, to France, and the House of Commons was recently informed that the Indian Telegraph recently pointed out that the troops, British and native, sent to Federal Department of Agriculture in France, to Egypt and elsewhere, already its statistics showed that the area of cul-France, to Egypt and elsewhere, already numbered 200,000 men. Australia and New Zealand sent 30,000 men to Egypt, and Canada has sent 86,000 to the front, and has another expeditionary force in training, although we have not yet provided the number promised during the early part of the war. Undoubtedly we could have sent more battalions across the ocean before this, and it is not known whether the delay in sending time is due to the Imperial authorities, or to the fact that the training of our latest levies is not yet sufficiently advanced. Soon, at all events, we shall find more.

A glance at the figures must impress veryone with the tremendous and successful exceptions of the people of New Brunswick farmers, and its finding the manufacture of the production was brought about, not by quelck-hing the pace of both training and the recessity of New Brunswick farmers, not sure they have yet received it. It danger to the Conservative's cause in presenting largely the extent of the resistance which Germany can make in the West, where the war must be decided.

The Austria, Hungary, for these things will debate to the Fremier of New Brunswick was less by 50,000 acres in 1914 than it was in 1910, and the war must be decided.

THE DUGAL BILLS.

But for Mr. Frank B. Carvell and his sascolates in presenting the Dugal charges, Mr. Flemming would still be on, and it would not be necessary for Mr. Teed and Mr. Flemming to be paying back, or promising to be accounted for by ligher pays back, the money they took from the lumbermen.

The Royal Commission which investigations which investigate the state of the promised during the veryone with the tremendous and successful exceptions of the people of Nie this famous increase in value and in the veryone with the tremendous and successful exceptions of the people of Nie the industry of New Brunswick farmers, not sure they have yet received it. It danger to

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gether with our Allies we will secure that right to live and pursue our national existence, not in the shadow of Prussian supremacy, but in the light of equal liberty."

These are measured words, of weight. To back them up there are ready the world's mightiest navy, the rifles of 3.000.000 volunteers, and the common de-

About this time of year the far seeding will be late or unfavorable These feelings are generally dissipat by the coming of the first warm weather, but the period of spring discouragement is of annual recurrence. This year it will not be so. Just as it was about due to begin the Hon. James A. Murray, the farmer's friend, launched through the columns of the Standard a nine-column ture out of the slough of despond an setting it firmly on its feet. There is no one like the Hon, James. Not one

In 107 1,000,000 men were raised early in the first increased from 265,000 to b, which was the strength contemin time of peace, and then in time of peace, and then d.

January last the United Kingdom thad 2,500,000 men under arms and ning, and recruits were still compared to the contemporary of the contemporary in the contemporary is the united Kingdom thad 2,500,000 men under arms and ning, and recruits were still compared to the contemporary of the contemporary is the contemporary of the contemporary in the contemporary of the contemporar

Mr. Murray in his report, or in hi

as it would hope to use its occupation of Belgian territory as an offset to the demands of the Allies because of their cesses in other directions. Finally,

(1) If the Allies win before next autumn a decisive victory in the west—and decisive victory we should define as the expulsion of the Germans from Belgium or at the least the driving of them back to the line serious proposals for peace; (2) if the fighting is indecisive, and Ger-many retains any considerable part of Belgium besides the Ardennes, she may decide to go on through another winter; (8) if the fighting in the west goes against the Allies the war will last into next spring, for although armies do not go into winnarters now, winter is most rable for active offensive operations. In any case it seems possible that the war will end before the Rhine is crossed (except possibly on its upper reaches.) Should it outlast the expulsion of the Garmana. ion of the Germans from Belgium our part in the war would lie in all probability not in the in-terior of Germany, but in combined operations by sea and land against the North Sea ports and naval bases

of Germany.

which his attention was directed. In

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We know thee now our shadow in the light,

Cast by the whiteness of God's Sirian flame

On some far planet shining in the night!

M. E. Buhler.

Indee in question and told how he came to be in possession of the check. The from all particle from the chief commissioner at that time, Hon. Mr. Morrissy, requested him not to do or say anything about the matter and he informed one of the members for the county, Mr. Cyr, that the bridge the future. the light, Cast by the whiteness of God's Sirian

Valley Railway Operation.

Russian line of advance from from anyone who had heard of wrongysl would be to Cracow and then doing in any of the departments would be respectively. The cost of making improvements in the legislative and departmental buildings and see well as newsy, and you will excuse me when I point out that (according to my almanac) this, the 21st March, is he would investigate any matters to the day (this year) when the change occurs instead of the 20th, yesterday, as

The farmer who conserves his best

Disclosures Showed Tha Necessary a Third Party

Ottawa, March counts committee counts committee or continuing the probin to the war contracts partment, found out it cost the country in its, when goods were tender for equipping The cases investig gical supplies, bicycl for the first and second middlemen's profits

middlemen's profits stances ran up, so faced investigation of to where from \$50,000. In the cases of the and bicycles the fat that no comment is of the field glasses, of \$9,000 was made Company, of Toront offered on the ground had by its activities prices saved the der money, and had secu ne lowest possible con That the militia have purchased its medical goods direct Black, of Chicago, dealt through a midd of E. Powell, the you Ottawa Drug the Ottawa county, was the first

Middlemen's Big Pro W. J. Shaver, the C tive of Bauer & Bl ness this morning, t that he came to Otta to do business with but was told by mili-ficials that the gove do business direct that there had to b the suggestion of Mr therefore appointed Shaver said that Bau rect to the Russian, United States gover

these governments at Powell, and they we Canadian government they sold to Powell. profits of the middle een saved to the go That would have profit which Garland apparently the rule middlemen. It took this additional phase dal. Then came, for morning session, the department bought to purchased for the fir tingents at retail promore than retail prices action costing the cos \$28,000 too much.

Wouldn't Buy Direc Mr. Shaver said tha Ottawa looking for ness he called on C the militia medical Iones told him in Drum, also of the m that the government ness with his firm d must be a local ag Mr. Garland sugges of an agent, and as Garland's clerk, was not the only agent of Ottawa, for Grahan and Harrison, a loc their goods. There objection to any of government but the who worked for a Co was the only man w Mr. Shaver said Garland, M. P., why Company should not Garland replied: "N get an outside man." that Garland had int

Mr. Shaver appoint agent of the firm. Mr. Shaver said per cent, made by ernment was not an
a jobber to make in
"But there was no
have been in the tre
"Not as far as w
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"You would have Sell Other Governs "Certainly; we sell ian, the French, the United States gover

have sold direct to were given to und would not buy direct "What prices w Canadian gov goods?"
"The same price Powell: the same

other governments."
What did you s "It was for this government twenty-first place and after price to 21 cents?"
"I believe so."
"What quantity of "Thirty thousand

Bicycles Bought Fr G. W. McWillian of Hyslop Bros., T less was examined P., as to the extrave the 1,220 bicycles p and second continger and fifty of these was some conditions and fifty of these was some conditions and fifty of these was some conditions and were boug Cycle & Motor Continuous and were bought the Bennett Birch the Bennett Bicycle ronto. They were s output of these firm of some extra mili of some extra milit as rifle carriers, rifle al amount paid by \$70,250.

Mr. McWilliams willing to supply to or for \$32 each for or for \$82 each for That would have 1 over \$28,000 to the on the 1,220 bought sell, of Toronto, for ager of the Canada

pany. Mr. McWilliams pared an estimate factured for from s wheel. The retail sold by the Canada pany was from \$40