

### End Of World In Russia Is Near

Moscow, Aug. 5.—The story that the end of the world is approaching is always likely to get a hearing in the backwoods peasant districts of Russia. Only recently two enterprising prophets in Volodga province proclaimed the end of the world and the appearance of Anti-Christ, adding the message:

"Save your soul, ask forgiveness for your sins, and give away all your property."

This last piece of advice was apparently calculated to fill the pockets of the prophets themselves; for the peasants who believed their message were urged not to give their possessions to unbelievers. One peasant who had nine cows remained with two. The peasants in one village gave away not only their cattle but also their clothes and slept in the forests, awaiting with great fear the arrival of Anti-Christ and the last day of the world, which was promised for January 1.

When the catastrophe did not occur on January 1 the prophets postponed the date first to Easter, then to a later religious holiday. At last accounts they still maintain their hold on the credulity of the peasants, but are believed to be meditating a rapid getaway with their rich acquisitions in cattle, grain and money.

Another popular legend in the Russian villages is the miraculous renovation of ikons, or pictures of saints. A priest in Buzuluk county, Samara province, professed to discover a miraculously renovated ikon in the hut of an old woman. He called the villagers and proposed to celebrate special masses, as the ikon was supposed to possess unusual power. For these special masses the peasants

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Yes, madam, you can serve

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direct from the package—no butter or jam needed. And my, but they are crisp and satisfying!

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were obliged to pay considerable sums. This incident started a wave of similar "discoveries" in the county, and finally an investigation was ordered. The investigators included two representatives of the local authorities, a chemist, a painter and some priests, and in every case they reported that the renovation had come about, not as a result of any miraculous intervention, but as a result of repainting the iron or rubbing it with oil.

The communist party pays a good deal of attention to these developments of the peasant superstition in connection with its anti-religious propaganda. The peasant tendency in this propaganda is not to attack directly or ridicule the ideas of God and religion, as it has been found that such methods merely irritate and offend the peasants without achieving the desired results. Communist agitators in the villages are now instructed to concentrate on scientific explanations of such natural phenomena as rain, wind, thunder and lightning, as it is believed that as these explanations find their way into the minds of the peasants their religious faith, which is so largely based on superstition, will be slowly but surely undermined.

### NOBODY LOVES A DEAD TOWN ANY MORE

"Stay away from that town. It's a dead one." Do you want that to be said of your town? Of course you don't for you wish as a matter of local pride, if for no other reason to have your town stand high in the estimation of the world. But are you sure that you are doing everything in your power to place your town in the position which you wish it to occupy? That is the question that every person should ask himself or herself at frequent intervals.

When things are running smoothly, when times are good, and when it is fairly easy to make a good living for the wife and kiddies, it is so easy for a man to forget that these things do not come to a town as a matter of course but are the results of the right kind of effort on the part of the citizens of the community. It is so easy for a man to grow careless and think that because this condition existed it will continue to exist without an effort on his part or that of the other residents of the community. That is why it is important for every one to stop and think seriously once in a while about what it would mean to him if the prosperity that makes life worth living

### Blames Dole System For Conditions

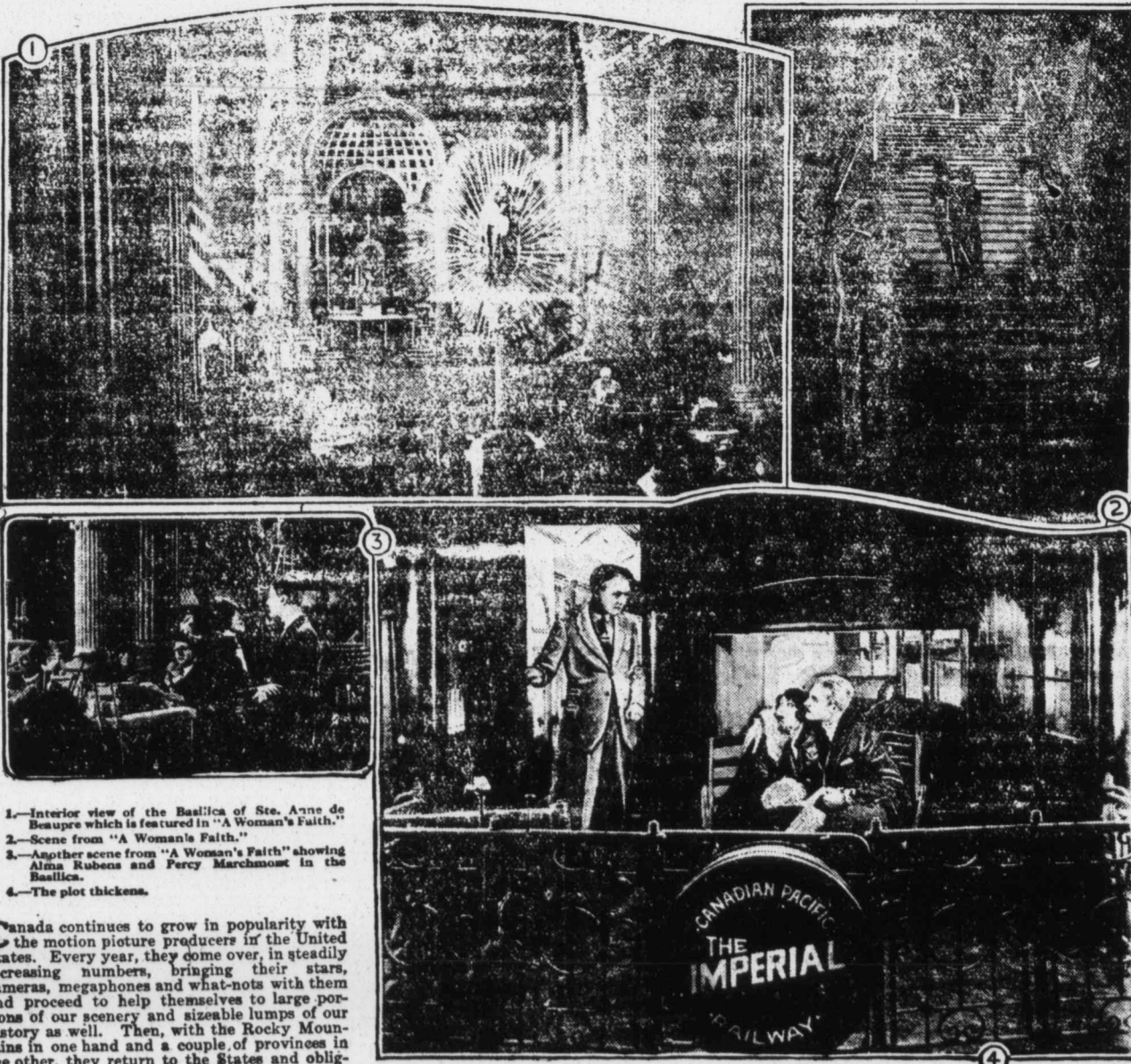
The London Morning Post discussing the declining emigration since 1913 as disclosed by Lieutenant Colonel L. C. Amery, Secretary of State for the Dominions, says it is impossible to attribute any cause to the check in the flow of population from Great Britain's overcrowded shores to the underpopulated spaces of the Dominions beyond the seas. "It is impossible not to conclude that a very considerable influence has been exerted in this connection by the dole which in so many ways discourages enterprise and effort. It leaves the old familiar surroundings to seek a living in a new unknown world implies a wrench that requires an exertion of will," the Post says, "and if a living wage can be obtained for doing nothing at home, why should the wretch be endured or the exertion made? It is notorious that systematic attempts to organize emigration parties from the various towns and villages generally have failed because the unemployed prefer to stay where they are."

The official figures stated that migration British North America has dropped from 164,566 in 1913 to 47,194 in 1924; to Australia, from 44,428 to 364 in the same period, and to New Zealand from 11,809 to 8,740.

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for him should take wings and fly away.

### Showing Other Countries What This Country Looks Like



1.—Interior view of the Basilica of Ste. Anne de Beauce which is featured in "A Woman's Faith."  
2.—Scene from "A Woman's Faith."  
3.—Another scene from "A Woman's Faith" showing Alma Rubens and Percy Marchmont in the Basilica.  
4.—The plot thickens.

Canada continues to grow in popularity with the motion picture producers in the United States. Every year, they come over, in steadily increasing numbers, bringing their stars, cameras, megaphones and what-nots with them and proceed to help themselves to large portions of our scenery and sizeable lumps of our history as well. Then, with the Rocky Mountains in one hand and a couple of provinces in the other, they return to the States and obligingly show their fellow countrymen and the strangers within their gates the sort of stuff Canada is made of. And, when all is said and done this does not do Canada any harm. On the contrary, the latest film to be released which has an all Canadian setting and an all Canadian story is "A Woman's Faith" produced by the Universal Film Corporation and the scene is laid in provincial Quebec with a splendid climax at Ste. Anne de Beauce. It is at first a distressing story. There is a young man, a cynical young man, named Steele. And there is a young woman, an amorous young woman who is not all she ought to be. And there is another young woman, named Nerve Caron who is all that young women ought to be and, in the second part, she and Steele—but we must not give the story away.

The film is rich in local color. There are scenes of French-Canadian peasant life in a quaint picturesque Quebec village which cannot fail to favorably impress those who have never visited the province and the interior views of the old basilica of Ste. Anne de Beauce are works of art in themselves.

Another item which enhances the value of the film at this particular time is that it shows the last, if not the only, moving-picture of the late

Cardinal Begin whose death so recently shocked the Catholics of this continent. The late Cardinal is shown in full robes and surrounded by ecclesiastical dignitaries of all ranks, attending an important ceremony at the Basilica.

Incidentally, Alma Rubens whose refined emotional acting stands in a class by itself, has probably starred in more made-in-Canada pictures than any other luminary in the motion-picture firmament. She did particularly good work in the picturization of James Oliver Curwood's "The Valley of Silent Men" which was filmed near Banff, in the Canadian Pacific Rockies a year or so ago.

Among the other stars who scintillated in a Canadian setting are Thomas Meighan, notably in the northern drama "The Alaskan" Milton Sills, in "The Knock Out" filmed in Northern Quebec in which he added to his laurels as an actor and collected a blackeye from an over-conscientious villain; and 'Hoot' Gibson who starred in a picture centering around the Calgary Stampede while Field Marshal Earl Haig was present at that famous Western celebration.

## Miramichi Hospital Annual Report

(Continued from page Four)

Newcastle, N. B., May 22nd, 1925.

To The Chairman and Trustees of the Miramichi Hospital, Newcastle, N. B.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I beg to submit my annual report as Treasurer of the Miramichi Hospital for the fiscal year beginning May 1st, 1924, and ending April 30th, 1925. I have received during the year from your Secretary, the amounts specified below under the heading of "Receipts" and I have also made duly authorized payments as specified under the heading of "Expenditures".

| RECEIPTS   |                   |
|--|-------------------|
| Balance of Current Account with Royal Bank, May 1, 1924  | \$1365.59         |
| Receipts from Patients during year                       | 12634.11          |
| Grant from Northumberland County for 1924                | \$1500.00         |
| Grant from Town of Newcastle for 1924                    | 500.00            |
| Grant from Province of New Brunswick for 1924            | 600.00            |
| Grant from Highland Society for 1924                     | 250.00            |
|  | <b>2850.00</b>    |
| Donation from Dr. & Mrs. Marven, Chatham                 | 20.00             |
| Donation from E. Sinclair Lbr. Co., @ Payroll, 1923      | 135.47            |
| Donation from E. Sinclair Lbr. Co., @ payroll, 1924      | 184.61            |
| Donation from Fraser Companies, Ltd., @ payroll 1923     | 926.97            |
| Donation from Geo. Burchill & Sons, @ payroll 1923       | 167.63            |
| Donation from R. Corry Clark, Furnishing Children's Ward | 250.00            |
|  | <b>1684.68</b>    |
| House Rent paid by Mrs. I. C. Chapman                    | 132.00            |
| Bank of Nova Scotia Dividends                            | 3504.00           |
| Telephone Tolls Recovered                                | 25.65             |
| Coupons from Victory Bonds                               | 165.00            |
| Refund Excise on Alcohol                                 | 44.10             |
| Goods sold to Nurses                                     | 50.10             |
| Sale of Wrench   | 12.00             |
| Sale of Sheetting  | 2.60              |
| Plumbing Account, Laboratory Fund                        | 29.40             |
| Cheques Cancelled  | 18.58             |
|  | <b>\$22517.96</b> |
| Overdraft with the Royal Bank of Canada, April 30, 1925, | 1228.05-          |
|  | <b>\$23746.00</b> |

| EXPENDITURES:   |                   |                  |                   |
|---|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Hospital  | Nurses'           | Home             | Total             |
| Salaries paid Hospital staff                            | \$7572.88         | 1004.50          | \$8577.38         |
| Provisions, Groceries & Milk                            | 3992.43           |                  | 3992.43           |
| Electric Light & Power                                  | 504.75            | 91.12            | 595.87            |
| Fuel  | 2598.07           | 763.14           | 3361.21           |
| Telephone   | 138.73            |                  | 138.73            |
| House Account for year and Nurses' Expenses to Montreal | 510.30            |                  | 510.30            |
| Insurance Premiums                                      | 395.33            | 771.29           | 1166.62           |
| Drugs and Surgical Supplies                             | 1107.15           |                  | 1107.78           |
| Printing, Advertising, Etc.                             | 236.33            |                  | 236.33            |
| Expressage and Trucking                                 | 80.62             |                  | 80.62             |
| X-Ray Supplies & Graduating Pins                        | 433.50            |                  | 433.50            |
| Ambulance—Horse Hire                                    | 48.00             |                  | 48.00             |
| Rent Safe Deposit Box                                   | 10.00             |                  | 10.00             |
| Repairs, Painting, Supplies, Labor                      | 980.49            | 27.50            | 1007.99           |
| Equipment   | 344.70            |                  | 344.70            |
| Stenographic Work in Connection with Treas. Office      | 180.00            |                  | 180.00            |
| Stamps  | 26.41             |                  | 26.41             |
| Plumbing, Etc.  | 111.74            |                  | 111.74            |
| Workmen's Compensation Board Assessment                 | 91.41             |                  | 91.41             |
| Two Pigs  | 14.00             |                  | 14.00             |
| Expense in Altering Switch Board                        | 111.20            |                  | 111.20            |
| Ice   | 66.00             |                  | 66.00             |
| Interest on Overdraft at Bank N.S.                      | 207.70            |                  | 207.70            |
| Sundries  | 1300.03           | 26.00            | 1326.03           |
|   | <b>\$20854.75</b> | <b>\$2891.25</b> | <b>\$23746.00</b> |

Respectfully Submitted,  
(Sgd.) F. E. LOCKE, Treasurer

30th, 1925.

Certified Correct

(Sgd.) A. FORSYTHE,  
J. E. T. LINDON

THE MIRAMICHI HOSPITAL NURSES' HOME FUND  
Statement May 1st., 1924, to April 30th, 1925

| RECEIPTS   |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Balance on Hand Bank of Nova Scotia May 1, 1924    | \$1849.22        |
| Balance on Hand Royal Bank of Canada, May 1, 1924, | 896.78           |
|  | <b>\$2746.00</b> |
| Coupons from Victory Bonds                         | \$110.00         |
| Interest on Savings Accounts                       | 31.92            |
| Proceeds from Bonds Sold                           | 20025.77         |
| Donations  | 1322.85          |
|  | <b>23674.48</b>  |
| Overdraft with Bank of Nova Scotia                 | \$4291.02-       |

| EXPENDITURES:                           |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| Amount paid Parson-Ed.—Contract in full | \$43625.25        |
| Architect Account and Inspection        | 2338.50           |
| Furnishings for Home                    | 1069.36           |
| Interest on Overdraft                   | 878.11            |
|   | <b>\$47911.03</b> |

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