

## ENGLAND WILL GET DEATH RAY

Matthews, Inventor, Changes  
His Course in Spectacu-  
lar Campaign.

**GETS \$1,500,000.**  
Company in England to  
Handle Death-dealing In-  
strument of War.

(United Press.)  
Paris, May 31.—At the very moment when it seemed that Grindell Matthews, English inventor, was about to abandon his country and sell to France what he believes may be the most devastating war engine of the ages, a sudden twist in the erratic inventor's movements has placed the "death ray" in English hands.

The ray is to be developed by an English company and Matthews happily and a bit proudly declares that his machine will make England safe from all aerial attacks.

Played a Game  
This suddenly and dramatically, ends one of the most fantastic stories that ever startled the Chancellors of Europe. It is now believed that from the beginning the inventor, finding himself a prophet without honor in his own country, played a shrewd and desperate game in France to force his reluctant countrymen to accept his invention.

Many scientists and statesmen in Europe frankly ridicule the "death ray." The British Government apparently still looks askance at the invention, but Matthews and those closest to him are convinced of the claim that development of the machine will produce a terrifying energy capable of spreading death and ruin throughout a zone of flame.

Whatever its potentialities, the machine now goes to Britain. When Matthews left England apparently in disgust and desperation, three Englishmen who had been negotiating with him in dilatory fashion became alarmed. They were further alarmed when the excited inventor launched a publicity campaign of sensational mystery which attracted worldwide attention, and gained him a speedy hearing in France. Friday they hurriedly agreed to an offer of \$1,500,000 for the invention, seven times the French bid.

Holds Half Interest  
Under terms of a contract drawn up later in the day an English company will be launched to carry on the "death ray" experiments. Matthews retains a fifty per cent. interest in the company. M. Royer, of the French concern of Chantiers des Tonnages, has a fifty per cent. interest in whatever Matthews realizes as a result of the deal the Englishman made with him here for developing inventions other than the ray.

Mathews promises a startling demonstration in a few months. The sceptics laugh, the believers shake their heads and whisper of fiery horrors of future wars.

**Military Plans For  
Funeral Completed**  
Military arrangements in connection with the funeral of Dr. J. A. McCarty were completed this morning by Lt.-Col. H. C. Sparling, D. S. O., who will be in command of the militia members attending.

Met by the military at the church, and the order of march to the new Catholic cemetery will be as follows: First, the band, followed by members of the bereaved family. They, in turn, will be followed by officers of the militia and other mourners.

Col. Sparling requests that all officers of the militia here will attend, wearing either khaki or blue uniforms with medals and swords for those who have them. The officers have been instructed to wear a mourning band, 8 1/2 inches wide, on the left arm above the elbow.

**NOTICES OF BIRTHS, MARRIAGES  
AND DEATHS, 50 CENTS.**

**MARRIAGES.**  
McLEAN-RIDLEY.—On April 22, at Jubbubur, C. P. India, Colonel Charles Wesley McLean, C. M. G., D. S. O. (two bars), and Mrs. D. S. O. (two bars), both of the 2nd Brigade Royal Field Artillery, son of Major General Hugh H. McLean, C. B., of Roxburgh, N. B., and Alberta Mary Ridley, only child of the late Charles N. Ridley, Esquire, and Mrs. Ridley, of South Warrimour Lodge, Basingstoke, England.

**DEATHS.**  
McCARTHY.—At the General Public Hospital, on May 29, 1924, Major John A. McCarthy, C. M. G., leaving his wife, one child and his father to mourn. Funeral on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 from his late residence, Lancaster Avenue.

SCHUBNER.—In this city, on May 29, 1924, Margaret M. Schubner, widow of James Schubner, in the 81st year of her age. Funeral from the residence of W. H. Chase, 188 Queen street, on Saturday afternoon at 2:30.

**IN MEMORIAM**  
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## ARE THEY BANDITS



Mrs. Humphrey, of French Village, Gets Back Lost Wealth.



Annie Taber, held as Los Angeles "napper bandit," was arrested with her husband when the latter was shot and seriously wounded by an intended victim. Mrs. Taber, waiting in a nearby automobile, tried to get her wounded husband away, according to police.

## WOMAN LEFT \$130 ON STREET CAR SEAT

Mrs. Humphrey, of French Village, Gets Back Lost Wealth.

Through the vigilance and honesty of Motorman Hunter on the Haymarket square street car loop, and with the assistance of Policeman Sandy (Chisholm), a lady named Mrs. Humphrey, who resides at French Village, was saved the loss of a pocketbook containing more than \$130 this morning. The lady alighted from the car near King square and left her pocketbook on the seat. When she realized her loss she reported the matter to Policeman Chisholm, and he started a canvass of the street cars passing around the route. When Motorman Hunter's car appeared, the driver informed the patrolman that he had found the purse in the seat, and the money was later returned to the loser.

## LOCAL NEWS

**BOYS IN LEAD.**  
The boys had a big lead over the girls in the births reported this week, there being 16 of the former and only four of the latter. Eight marriages were reported for the week.

**JUNIOR BASEBALL.**  
The Junior Twinkles accept the challenge of the senior Acadias to a game of ball on the Long Wharf diamond on Monday night and challenge the Red Wings to a game on Tuesday evening. George diamond on Tuesday evening.

**MEDICAL SOCIETY.**  
The Medical Society will meet at the Douglas avenue entrance to St. Peter's church at 2:45 Sunday afternoon for the purpose of attending the funeral of the late Doctor J. H. McCarthy. Silk hat, black cloth, black gloves. 16592-2-2

**NOVENA IS COMMENCED.**  
A novena in honor of the Holy Ghost was commenced in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception at evening devotions last night and will continue until next Sunday, which will be the feast of Pentecost.

**TOURIST BOOST.**  
C. B. Allan, secretary treasurer of the New Brunswick Tourist and Resources Association, reported this morning that fully 50 per cent. of the tourists who visited the province last year were from the United States.

**NEW ROBBER ALARM**  
Is Given N. Y. Test  
New York, May 31.—A new type of robber alarm, the invention of Victor C. Ronning, an electrical engineer, was demonstrated in the law offices of Davis & Hayden. The device is known as the King Robber call. Detectives who witnessed the demonstration said the alarm was a masterpiece of ingenuity.

**DEATHS NUMBER 14.**  
The number of deaths reported to the Board of Health for the week ending today was 14, from the following causes: Myocarditis, two; bronchopneumonia, two; undifferentiated pneumonia, one; diphtheria, acute enteritis, prostatic disease, acute nephritis, cerebral hemorrhage, tubercular meningitis, one each.

**TO PRACTICE LAW.**  
Two new practitioners will join the legal fraternity on Monday. Roy K. E. MacLachlan have taken offices in the Ritchie building and they begin to practice the first of the week. They are graduates of local law school and were admitted to the New Brunswick bar last November.

**FORTY HOURS.**  
The Devotion of the Forty Hours in St. Rose's church, Fairview, will continue until Sunday evening. After benediction last night, at which Rev. H. B. Bridges of the St. Howard Douglas Chapter, will leave today for Toronto to attend the annual meeting of the National Chapter. Mrs. MacLachlan will represent the whole of New Brunswick and Mrs. Bridges the St. Howard Douglas Chapter.

**STAMP CASES.**  
Two cases of violation of the stamp act were to be heard before Magistrate Henderson in the police court today. Both charges were against W. Parkinson, a resident of the North End, said to have given receipts without having affixed excise stamps. The information was laid by E. J. Henneberry, who is acting for the Federal department.

**FIRST COMMUNION.**  
About 175 children received their first Holy Communion from the hands of Rev. W. M. Davis, parish priest, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception this morning. It was a very impressive ceremony and was attended by a large congregation. Mass was celebrated by Father Duke commencing at 8 o'clock. There were about 100 girls and 75 boys and they presented a very charming appearance. Little girls in their white frocks and veils and the boys in dark clothes with bows of white ribbon on their arms. After the ceremony Father Duke delivered a simple and instructive address to the little ones.

**MILITARY MATTERS.**  
Lt.-Col. H. Sparling, D. S. O., acting officer commanding Military District No. 7, announced this morning that a successor to Captain W. V. R. Winter, whose resignation as district supply and transport officer takes effect today, would not be appointed until the close of the camp at Petawawa in August. The service corps duties at the Sussex camp will be in charge of Captain W. Grant Smith, Col. Sparling said. Regarding his tour of inspection of military points in the province which he concluded yesterday, Col. Sparling said he found matters moving along smoothly.

**BUILDING REPORT.**  
The building figures for May show a falling off from those of the same month in 1923 but the month was a record one in the number of permits issued, there being no less than 127 permits for repairs of various kinds.

There were issued this year four permits to the value of \$23,000 and in the corresponding month last year eight permits for a value of \$60,000. To date this year the value of new buildings is \$120,450 and for the same period of 1923 it was \$153,800.

Those taking out the permits this month were: H. A. Mallory, 2 storey dwelling, corner of Crown and Orange street, \$5,500; John Fullerton, 2 storey dwelling, St. John street, West, \$4,500; A. G. Taylor, 2 1/2 storey semi-detached house, 216 Pitt street, \$10,000; H. O. Miller, self contained house, 323 Douglas avenue, \$5,000.

## GOOD THINGS COMING TO THE THEATRES OF ST. JOHN

## THE FINEST YET OF BRITISH FILM

Sir Hall Caine's "The Prodigal Son" at Imperial Theatre on Monday—A Marvellous Production.

That the British producers of motion pictures are employing a quite different method in filming the better fiction, the best known stories, is indicated in the powerful ten-reel photoplay "The Prodigal Son" which graces the Imperial's silver screen the first three days of next week. Instead of switching the story about to make more climaxes or altering the nature of the writing, they adhere closely to the book as conceived by the author and move their companies about from place to place throughout England and Europe to give genuine location. In Monday's story the scene changes from Rocky Island, Iceland, to Nice, Monte Carlo, London and Paris. London's most exclusive players portray the characters in the powerful fiction and no pains or expense seems to have been spared in producing a perfect animation of the great tale. Usual prices. Evening shows at 7:15 and 9. Only one matinee, 2:30.

## DR. BELAND REPLIES TO CRITICISM

Conservatives Charge Lack of Sympathy and Over-Staffing by D.S.C.R.

**LANCASTER**

Some Salary Statements—Dr. Murray MacLaren Takes Part in Debate.

(Canadian Press.)  
Ottawa, May 31.—The House of Commons made fair progress yesterday in committee of supply. Estimates of the department of soldiers' civil re-employment were before the committee. Criticism, chiefly from the Conservative members, was based on the claim that applications for treatment and pension did not always reach the hands of the departmental officers. Specific cases were cited in support of this contention. Opposition members also repeated the charge, made when these estimates first came up, that the department was over-staffed.

**BELAND REPLIES**  
To the criticism of lack of sympathy, Hon. H. S. Beland replied that the cases cited were but a very small proportion of the 167,000 which came up for review year after year by the pensions board. The medical board appointed by the pensions commissioners was not under his jurisdiction, he said. He expressed the greatest confidence in the medical men throughout Canada employed by the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment.

The charge that the department was over-staffed, the minister answered by pointing to reductions from 8,000 to 2,900 employees in three years. Though there was a reduction in the number of patients, there was no diminution in applications for treatment. "If a man comes knocking at the door, you can't turn him away without examining him," he said. Examinations and classification entailed labor.

When the committee rose, all the estimates of this department had been passed with the exception of an appropriation of \$150,000 for the Federal Appeal Board. Estimates approved yesterday totalled \$9,518,000.

**LANCASTER HOSPITAL**  
Dr. Beland, replying, said the Lancaster Hospital had been consolidated with the one at Halifax so that it is now only a sub-unit. The doctors on duty and the salaries paid were as follows: Dr. Skinner, \$4,000; Dr. Malcolm, \$3,000; Dr. White, full-time medical officers, were receiving \$2,400 yearly; Dr. Bridges, \$3,000; Dr. Kirkland, \$2,000. There were in all three on full time, and four on part time, and the total salary list was \$18,640. The cost of its beds and salaries, and the total number of patients was 10,738. Dr. Beland referred regretfully to the death of Dr. McCarthy, late superintendent of the hospital. Dr. MacLaren also paid a tribute to the late Dr. McCarthy.

Referring to hospital administration, Dr. MacLaren said he wished to refer to the change of policy which would remove from the executive head of the hospital the medical professional men who now serve as superintendents and replace them with laymen. He read a telegram from the medical profession of St. John enclosing a resolution passed at a meeting presided over by Dr. J. H. Ainslie, president of the New Brunswick Medical Association, disapproving of the policy of placing superintending duties in the hands of laymen in the administrative department and that the office of medical superintendent in the hospitals was to be abolished.

Dr. MacLaren said that as the hospitals were to be abolished, it was favorable to the D. S. C. R., as "we must be careful not to impair the confidence of the men receiving treatment unless there are well-established grounds for criticism."

"In reducing officials," he said, "the extra-professional members of the staff should be the first to go. As the long process continues the dismisals should be made from the non-professional rather than from the professional side."

**SAFETY ZONES TO BE ESTABLISHED**  
Commissioner Harding has given instructions to have two safety zones established, one at the head of King street and the other at the corner of Charlotte and Third streets, and these will be marked out as soon as possible. A strip, five feet wide, will be marked out by white paint.

A new fire alarm card has been issued and may be obtained at the office of the Commissioner of Safety. This gives the new numbers on the West Side and the location of the new boxes have been added recently to the city system.

**MARINE NOTES.**  
The steamer West Isles sailed yesterday for Manchester with a sugar cargo. The schooner Susan B. Cameron sailed yesterday for Barbadoes with general cargo. The schooner Mald of France was at Charlottetown yesterday. The steamer Bestum is en route to St. John from Cardiff with a cargo of coal.

The schooner Dorothy arrived at Parrsboro last night. She unloaded fertilizer at Windsor and now goes to five islands, N. S., to load lumber for St. John.

The schooner Fredrick Eaton arrived at Parrsboro yesterday last and loaded with coal for Black's Harbor, N. B. The steamer Jesmore is due to sail this afternoon for Belfast, Ireland. The Manchester Port sailed last evening for Manchester via Philadelphia. The Canada sailed this morning from Montreal for Liverpool.

The steamer Berengaria arrived at New York today from Southampton.

**FERNHILL MEETING.**  
The monthly meeting of the directors of Fernhill Cemetery Co. was held yesterday afternoon in the Board of Trade rooms. Tenders for repairs to the truck used at the cemetery and bids on a new truck were opened and referred to a committee with power to act.

**TO CONDUCT FAIR**  
Arrangements have been made for a demonstration week fair in the north wing of the Maritime Province concerns, will demonstrate their products. The fair will be held in the public hall at Norton commencing on June 3. The exhibits cover a wide range of articles, and the fair is arousing considerable interest throughout the county.

**TAXI BY-LAW.**  
Commissioner Harding said this morning that he expected to present the taxi by-law to the council at the committee meeting on Monday morning.



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**BRIDES ARE SHOWERED.**  
A delightful novelty shower in honor of Miss Kathleen Dugay was given last evening by Miss Kathleen Hurley at her home in Castle street. The house was tastefully decorated in red and white, with a profusion of cupids and hearts. In the dining room the table was set under a chandelier, from which was suspended a large cupid doll, while the centre of the table another doll was dressed as an old-fashioned bride, surrounded with red and white light, making a charming effect. The gifts for the bride-to-be were arranged about the bride-doll and included many handsome and useful articles. Mrs. Wm. O'Leary made the presentation to Miss Dugay, who responded in a happy manner. Music and dancing were enjoyed and dainty refreshments were served by the hostesses.

A linen shower for Miss Bertha Thompson, graduate nurse of the General Public Hospital, whose wedding will take place next month, was given last evening at the home of Mrs. Charles Richardson, 1 Millidge avenue. Miss Thompson was the recipient of many nice gifts. The evening was spent in a happy manner.

**FRANCIS & VAUGHAN SALE**  
MONDAY EVENING, TOO.  
The month-end sale of ladies' footwear at Francis & Vaughan's continues on Monday evening as well as during the day. Hundreds of extra added to bargain already announced.

**FOR STREET WORK.**  
The city asphalt plant would be started up next week, it was said this morning by G. N. Hatfield, road engineer. Of the asphalt ordered, he said 75 per cent. was already here or on the way. Two cars of curbing had been received and was now being set on St. James street.

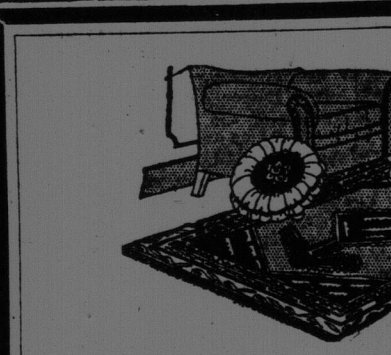
**IN THE MARKET.**  
Green goods were plentiful in the market this morning with the exception of celery, which was scarce and high, 40 cents a bunch being the prevailing quotation. Lamb was off the market altogether and the supply of veal was not very large. The price was higher, 14 cents a pound by the carcass being asked.

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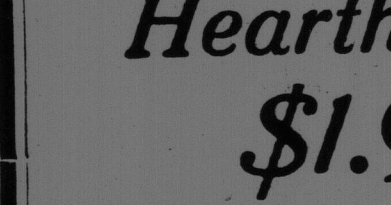
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**MISSION WORK.**  
Rev. Joseph McLaughlin, C. S. R., returned to the city this morning from Halifax, where he conducted a three-day retreat. He is a guest at St. Peter's rectory. Rev. A. McDonald, C. S. R., left this morning for Truro, where he will engage in missions. He is a member of the mission band of St. Peter's church.

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