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# Famous Prussian Guard Put To Flight

## Giants More Than Six Feet Tall, And One Nearly Seven

### MASTERLY TACTICS

British Driven Back by Weight of Numbers, Make "Break in British Line" and Lead Enemy Into Trap — Then Spring Up The Black Watch

(By Donald McConche.)

Northern France, Nov. 18—(It was only when the wounded prisoners of the Prussian Guard arrived at ——— that the British soldiers realized the kind of men they had been fighting for the last few days. Huge fellows they were, all more than six feet in height, and one of them nearing seven. When one realizes that this magnificent regiment has now been severely handled by the British troops for the third time, and that they are looked upon as the flower of the German army, then one also realizes just what a fight the British put up.

After submitting for more than eight hours to a terrible shell fire of both lyddite and shrapnel, the British troops were getting very tired, and it was next to impossible to send relief to the advanced trenches. The Germans anticipating this condition of things, and realizing that it was now or never, massed in force their Prussian Guard and some other forces and drove the British back through sheer weight of numbers. Back they went, contesting each trench stubbornly as they evacuated it.

When within about sixty yards of where the artillery was hidden the troops acting under orders, suddenly split their line and dispersed on either side, leaving a huge gap—the break in the British line which the enemy had been trying to make for weeks. Into this break came the Prussian Guard, wildly shouting and cheering. They had advanced within fifty yards of the muzzles of the field guns when these belched forth at point blank range, while the maxims fired into them from either side.

Not even the Prussian Guard could stand this. They broke, wavered and fled. Their flight was aided by a savage attack made by the Black Watch, which regiment, in company with another, was up and at them the moment the signs of wavering were seen. The whole thing was excellently timed by the infantry and artillery. Not only were the Germans driven back over the trenches, which but a short time ago they had taken from the British, but they were pursued by the Highlanders for more than a mile beyond. The net result was that the Germans lost more than 1,000 men killed and some 3,000 wounded, as well as their own advanced trenches from which the final attack had originated. The British artillery now can send their shells a mile farther into their ranks.

## MONCTON CONSTABLE MISSING FROM HOME FOR MORE TNAN A WEEK

Moncton, N. B., Nov. 18—Constable Wm. Perry has been missing from his home in this city for more than a week and his absence is causing anxiety. He was formerly an I. C. R. police officer here. The police this morning searched his room at his boarding house and found everything in order and no letter or document which would explain his disappearance.

Fred Leger, a "ticket of leave" man from the penitentiary, who enlisted with the 26th battalion, arrived in Moncton on Saturday, saying he had returned to "arrest" a Moncton man who he said was wanted for theft. This morning Leger was arrested here and held pending explanation of his breaking parole. He had a military pass allowing him leave till 11.30 o'clock Monday, Nov. 16th. The police are communicating with the military authorities in St. John.

There will be no inquest into the death of Sydney Grey, whose body was found on Sunday in hte woods.

Phelix and Pherdinand

## WEATHER BULLETIN

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meterological service.

Synopsis—A depression is spreading over Lake Superior from the northward while the temperature is highest over the North Pacific states. Fair cold weather now prevails in Canada.

Unsettled

Maritime—Decreasing northwest, shifting to southwest winds. Fair and cold today becoming unsettled.

New England forecasts—Unsettled weather tonight and Thursday; occasional snow, warmer; fresh to strong southerly winds, becoming westerly Thursday and increasing.

## CANADA'S WAR BILLS SOON $100,000,000

Ottawa, Ont., Nov. 18—Canada's war expenditure is expected soon to exceed a hundred million dollars. In fact today a million dollars is going out every four days for Canada's military and naval aid to the motherland. The amount will be greater before it is less. There will be plenty of funds for war, though ordinary services may suffer somewhat.

As announced by the finance minister some time ago, the Bank of England has been advancing Canada from time to time the sums required to meet military and naval expenses.

The British government, according to Premier Asquith's speech, recently has made arrangements to advance the colonies amounts required for war. It is understood that the British government will repay the Bank of England the advances which have been made Canada and that Canada will repay the motherland as soon as the financial markets are restored to a condition which will permit the dominion to raise money on ordinary securities.

London, Nov. 18—There has been a steady demand, but no particular rush on the central banks to get the prospectuses of the new British war loan of £350,000,000, ($1, 750,000,000) interest 3½ per cent, price 95 and redeemable at par March 1, 1928.

Contrary to the usual practice of closing the issue so soon as the amount was covered, the lists in the present case will remain open until Tuesday and the prospectuses can be obtained at all banks and in any post office of the United Kingdom. Consequently the opportunities for the public to come in touch with this loan are wider than usual.

The stock exchange views the loan as a good investment, and some members express the belief that another loan will be issued some time in April.

## GOLDEN WEDDING

Happy Celebration at Home of Mr. and Mrs. George Henderson, Rothesay

An event of interest transpired in Rothesay last evening, when a large number of friends of Mr. and Mrs. George Henderson called upon them to honor them upon the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding. They were the recipients of many handsome remembrances, and a congratulatory address was given by Fred C. Skinner. The guests enjoyed themselves in music and games; supper was served, and all showered hearty congratulations upon the fifty years' bride and groom who are today, at the age of eighty-two years, each active and happy in the enjoyment of good health.

Mr. and Mrs. Henderson were married in Rothesay. The bride was Miss Martha Rolston, and an interesting circumstance in connection with the celebration last night was the fact that they who were best man and bridesmaid, now Mr. and Mrs. William Kirk, of North End, were present to join in the festivities and extend further best wishes. Joseph and James Hendersan, two sons of Mr. and Mrs. Henderson, were present last night, as was William Kirk, of North End, son of the groomsman and bridesmaid, accompanied by his wife. Others present included Miss Emma T. Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. George Henderson, Mrs. James Henderson, of Nauwigewauk; Mr. and Mrs. John Henderson, of St. John, and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Myles.

Since their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Henderson have resided in Rothesay, where he has been a successful farmer. They are held in high esteem by all the neighborhood, many of whom called at their home during yesterday to extend congratulations and best wishes for further happy years.

## INTRODUCES FINGER PRINT SYSTEM HERE

Dominion Police Official at St. John Police Headquarters Today

James P. Quinn of the dominion police force, Ottawa, called at the office of Chief Clark this morning and gave the officials instruction in the taking of finger prints of criminals, to be forwarded to the department at Ottawa to be placed on file where they can be referred to at any time for identification.

The system was thoroughly looked into by Chief Clark when he visited London a few years ago and while in the finger print department there he met Mr. Quinn who is here today to introduce the system. Mr. Quinn explained the classification of finger prints and said that the prints of different fingers were as unlike as day and night. He said that if the finger prints of a child in the craddle were taken they could be identified with those of the same person dying of old age.

The department at Ottawa has recently secured the finger prints of all the criminals in dominion penitentiaries and while in the city Mr. Quinn visited the county jail and took the finger prints of all who are serving time or awaiting trial on criminal charge.

## BROUGHT IN MORE THAN $100

A very successful tea and bazaar for the assistance of the Fairville poor, was held last evening in the Baptist Sunday school under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Baptist church Fancy work and confectionary were sold and more than $100 was realized. Part will go towards the Baptist church and the balance to Fairville poor and needy of all denominations. In charge of fancy work tables were Mrs. Cunningham and Miss Etta Stevens; Miss Perry had charge of the apron sale, Misses Sime presided at the candy table and the Misses Crowell sold ice cream. Rev. P. Hayward, pastor of the church, was present during the evening. A prize for men's bean toss was won by Mr. Fox while Miss McCrackin carried off the ladies' prize. Mr. Maxwell was winner of the loop the loop prize.

## LOCAL SOLDIERS

St. John Men Pass Examination in Halifax — The Army Service Corps

The candidates from St. John who have been in attendance at the school of instruction in Halifax during the last fortnight or more, returned home today. There were twenty-nine candidates from here for the post of lieutenant and it is said that all succeeded in qualifying for the rank.

Twenty of the young men came home on the early train this morning, while the remaining nine will return this evening. Most of the successful candidates have volunteered for foreign service and will be attached to the 26th Infantry Battalion.

Since the outbreak of the war nearly eighty men of No. 7 Army Service Corps have left the city, the majority with the first Canadian overseas contingent, and others with a detachment for duty in Halifax. This has greatly depleted the ranks, but there are still left many members who have expressed their willingness to serve under the same conditions as obtained when they at first volunteered, that they go as a unit which would include the officers of the corps, who are very popular with the men.

A meeting for the purpose of determining the course of action will be held at the armory this evening by No. 7 Corps. Meanwhile definite advices from Ottawa are being awaited as to the selection of officers to command the Army Service unit from the maritime provinces.

## THE BRITISH NAVAL CASUALTIES TOLD OF

London, Nov. 18—Hon. Winston Spencer Churchill said in the House of Commons today that the total British naval casualties to date were:

Officers killed, 222; wounded, 87; missing, 5.

Men killed 3,445; wounded, 428; missing, 1.

This did not include the missing officers and men in the royal naval division at Antwerp and the British cruiser Good Hope, which totalled 1,000 and 875 respectively.

## NOW ABOUT 30 IN HOME GUARD

The number of volunteers for the Home Guard of men over military age is now about thirty and more are expected as soon as the organization is completed. A meeting will be held for this purpose in the old council chamber of the court house at eight o'clock this evening. Considerable enthusiasm is being displayed by the older men and it is expected that their example will prove stimulating to the younger men who are not barred by the weight of years from the privilege of going to the front on active service.

## AUSTRALIA AND THE NAVY

London, Nov. 18—"Widespread hopes are entertained in Melbourne," says the Times' Australian correspondent, "that the Canadian government's prospective naval policy will aid in the accomplishment of the ideal long desired by Australia—an imperial Pacific fleet owned and manned by the dominions.

## MORE COTTAGES AT DUCK COVE ARE BROKEN INTO

Two summer cottages at Duck Cove have been broken into and robbed recently. This was learned of yesterday by the owners of one of the properties. From the end of the summer season until the next spring these breaks are of too frequent occurrence and the owners of cottages in Duck Cove are determined, for their part, to do what they can to put an end to outrages of this kind. A watch is being kept, and if the offenders are caught, it is likely to go hard with them. Property owners in that vicinity are also in favor of a little more police protection, even in the winter time.

### WHO OWN THEM?

Among several articles picked up in the streets which await their owners in central police station are a lady's rubber, lady's black velvet hat and a man's overcoat, articles which must be missed at this time of the year.

## ANOTHER RUSSIAN VICTORY OVER AUSTRIANS

Petrograd, Nov. 18—A despatch from Marmornitza, on the Austro-Rumanian frontier, declares that furious fighting is going on in the northern part of the crown land of Bukowina. The Russian troops are described as victorious. As they advance the Austrians are fleeing in great disorder.

## ST. JOHN BOY AND KITCHENER

Leslie Creighton Under the Eye of the British Chief

### AN INTERESTING LETTER

The Inspection at Salisbury Plain by King and Queen—Soldering in the Rain—Gordon Nuttall Now a Corporal

Leslie Creighton, formerly with the Dominion Express Co. here and a cornet player in the 62nd Regimental Band, writes most interestingly of his experiences with the Canadian forces in England. The letter to a friend is in part as follows:—

West Down South Camp,
Salisbury Plains,
November 4, '14.

(1st Can. Div. Signal Co.,)
Can. Overseas Contingent.

Dear G:—Received yours of Oct. 19 a couple of days ago, and I was mighty glad to see that you had not forgotten me. I hope you won't forget as one would like to see one's old friends again on return. By the way, things are looking I wouldn't be surprised if you would be needed along with a large bunch more from old Canada and, believe me, I think when you realize the serious nature of this war you won't hesitate in enlisting. The only thing that I regret is that you aren't with this outfit.

You ask me how the officers are treating the chap from St. John. Well, you know only two of our officers are from there, Maj. Powers and Lieut. Leavitt, and they are treating us all right. Powers is a pretty decent sort of a fellow with his men and so is Leavitt. We have one officer in our outfit that the men all like. He is a Capt. Kilburn who has had twenty-one years service. Believe me, boy, he is a peach. I haven't seen any of the 62nd chaps since leaving Canada, as this camp is split up in four separate parts and they are about five miles from us.

You ask me why I didn't return home with those ones turned down. George, I thought you knew me better than that! I wouldn't return now if I could possibly help it for anything! I want to get a crack at those Germans and you would, too, if you could hear the fellows who have had leave tell about the poor people—women and children—from Belgium who have come to England for refuge with their hands or arms or eyes and even women's breasts destroyed. Some of our men have seen them!

We have had bad weather since striking here. You can't realize what we put up with and if you could you would wonder how we keep cheerful as everybody does. On Monday we got orders to parade for a rehearsal for a review by King George and Queen Mary. The parade was 9.30 a. m. It had been raining off and on ever since we came and everything was wet and mud everywhere. Monday morning was not raining and the order was "no cloaks." It is about two or three miles to where the review was and when we got there it started to rain and it kept on raining all the time we were there. Now on any review of this kind we are always shifted around about a dozen times before the right spot is reached and so it was about 12.30 before the O. C. got us to his liking and went around looking us all over. All this time we stood in the rain and were sligatly wet. As soon as the dismiss was sounded we started to double for home and got home about ten o'clock, drenched. Immediately the order was given for me to sound stables.

Oh, I forgot to mention that I have been trumpeter the last five days as the regular man has been on leave. The horses stood six inches in soft mud, and the ropes covered with it, believe me the boys had a disagreeable job in handling them. Right after stables we had dinner and the boys stripped off and went to bed, although it was impossible to dry clothes, as it was still raining and very few had any extra breeches or boots. Well, at four o'clock I sounded stables again and you would have been amused to see the rigs some of the boys had on. Some turned out in their underclothes with great coat on, while some put a rubber sheet or blanket around like a kilt. Next day (Tuesday) luckily was fine and everybody put their things out to dry. We shifted our picket lines in the morning and had the afternoon off.

Today was the day of the review and at 10 a. m. we started off and there was yours truly right behind the major (Major Lister) in the very front with the trumpet on my back, walking all by myself as brave as you like. We lined up on two sides of a road and first of all the king and his suite walk up one side and down the other inspecting the troops. The suite included Queen Mary, Lord Kitchener, Earl Roberts, Winston Caurchill and a bunch whom I didn't recognize. I was standing on the right flank of the company all by myself in the front rank and Kitchener stopped, and looked me up and down (no "con.") I didn't know who he was then as I was standing stiff as a ram rod and looking straight to the front, but the Sergeant Major told me afterwards that it was Kitchener. Say, boy, I stood so stiff for so long that my feet went to sleep! That's a fact. We didn't get home until 1.30 this afternoon and had the rest of the afternoon off.

We got a new pair of boots yesterday and they are corkers. We were also given a blanket apiece extra. I heard from Gordon Nuttall of the Imperial Theatre orchestra that Jack has been made corporal. You can't beat him. Well, old sock, let me hear from you soon.

Your old chum,
LESLIE.

### HOUSING CONFERENCE

The town planning commission is meeting this afternoon at city hall for another conference with A. H. Likely regarding his housing project at Little River, the scheme having been referred to the commission for the guarantee of bonds under the legislation adopted at the last session of the legislature.

## MORE THAN 600 IN NOVA SCOTIA

Recruiting For 25th Regiment of Second Contingent

### THE HEAVY BATTERY

Mobilization Will Be There, 211 Officers and Men and 144 Horses—Signing on Now For a Cyclist Corps

Halifax, Nov. 18—There are now more than 600 men at the armories for the 25th Regiment, 103 having arrived yesterday. This morning fifty more are expected from Sydney.

The heavy battery and its ammunition column which will go as a unit with the second Canadian expeditionary force will be mobilized at Halifax. Orders have been received here to this effect. The unit will be made up of 211 officers and men and 144 horses. Two of the officers will be appointed from the sixth division which has its head quarters here and some men also will be drawn from this division.

The latest unit to be formed for the second overseas Canadian contingent is a cyclist corps, the members of which will act as dispatch riders and scouts, taking the place of divisional cavalry. Recruiting here for this corps was begun yesterday.

Captain Starratt arrived in Halifax on Monday. He is an officer in the Kings county Hussars. It is expected that there will be a large number of volunteers in Halifax for this unit. The detachment which is to be formed here will consist of what is known as a platoon, which will consist of thirty men. The detachment will be a part of cyclist corps which is being organized through out the dominion and those recruited here will be distinctly separate from the Nova Scotia battalion.

## PEACE MOVE MUST COME FROM ONE OF BELLIGERENTS

No Further Steps to Be Taken Now by President Wilson

Washington, Nov. 18—No suggestion of overtures for peace in the European conflict has been made by any of the belligerents in response to President Wilson's tender of the friendly offices of the United States, and there is no present intention on the part of the president to renew negotiations to end the war. The United States will strive to maintain absolute neutrality and always stand ready to act as a medium through which peace in Europe would be restored, but until there comes a hint from one or more of the belligerents, President Wilson will take no action.

## THE FUNDS

Donations to the patriotic fund today included $86.31 from the Presbyterian Ministerial Association; $50.10 from Lower Napan, Northumberland county; $30 from Hardwicke, Northumberland county, $2 from a friend; and $144.35 from the receipts of a pie social on October 14, at Gardiner's Creek, under the auspices of the Conservative Club of that place.

**For the Belgians.**

Mayor Frink acknowledges receipt of subscriptions to the Belgian relief fund as follows: Mrs. Harry C. Green, $2; sale of potatoes, $33.30; employes of Salisbury & Albert Railway, per E. M. Sherwood, $50.55; whist party at Memramcook, per Miss V. D. Shaw, Miss M. E. Landry, Y. E. Melanson and R. E. Connell, $28.45; W. A. Schofield, Collina, Kings county, $20; concert at Collina, $18.51; George A. Grant, Black River, Ridge, village of Hardwick, Northumberland county, $9; basket social, East Florenceville, per Miss L. A. Simonson, $200; waist party at Edmundston, per Mrs. E. Tapley, Misses A. Babban, E. Bourgeoin, V. Thibault and G. Emmerson, $78.60; Rev. Fr. P. L. Belleveau, Grand Digue, Kent county, $56.

**Well Done Lakeside**

A very successful pie social was held in Lakeside School House on Friday evening, Nov. 13, in aid of the Belgian fund. The school house was prettily decorated with flags for the occasion. Mrs. C. A. Fisher and Mrs. J. G. Trimble presided at the candy booth which was draped with flags and banners. The amusements of the evening were contests games and dancing. Joseph Hill very ably acted the part of auctioneer. The amount realized was $71.27.

## TWO CANADIANS TO PENAL SERVITUDE

Ottawa, Nov. 18—It is learned that two of the Canadian soldiers at Salisbury Plain have been sentenced to five years penal servitude for a serious offence. The names are not given.

### WELL DONE WOODSTOCK

The Woodstock Press gives a long list of contributions to the Patriotic Fund. There was one subscription of $130, one of $125, sixteen of $100, one of $80, nine or $60, twenty-one of $50, five of $40, one of $35, one of $30, one of $27.50, thirty-five of $25, two of $24, five of $20, three of $17.50, eight of $15, twenty-five of $12, thirty-three of $10, one of $9, one of $8, twenty-two of $6, sixty-two of $5. As the list is to be continued, it will be seen that Woodstock is doing well.

# FIGHTING IN FLANDERS AND FRANCE AGAIN WAS CHIEFLY WITH BIG GUNS

## Numerous Artillery Exchanges--Brilliant Work of Zouaves--Landwehr Suffer Heavy Loss in Alsace--British Warships do Effective Work

Paris, Nov 18—The French official statement given out in Paris this afternoon, says:

"The day of November 17 passed much as did the day before. There were numerous artillery exchanges and some isolated attacks on the part of the enemy's infantry, all of which were repulsed.

"From the North Sea to the Lys the front was subjected to a fairly active bombardment, particularly at Nieuport and to the east and to the south of Ypres.

Near Bixschoote, the Zouaves charging with the bayonet, brilliantly took possession of a forest which had been disputed between the enemy and ourselves for three days.

"To the south of Ypres an offensive movement on the part of the enemy's infantry was repulsed by our troops. The English army also maintained the front.

"From Arras to the Oise there is nothing new to report.

"In the region of Craonne our artillery on several occasions secured the advantage over the batteries of the enemy.

"The bombardment of Rheims has continued. From Rheims to the Argonne there is nothing new to report. In the region of St. Mihiel, in spite of counter attacks by the Germans, we have retained in our possession the western part of the village of Chauvoncourt.

"In Alsace the Landwehr battalions sent into the region of Sainte Marie-Aux-Mines, have had to be taken out for the reason that they lost one half of their effective strength.

GERMANS SUFFER HEAVILY AGAIN.

London, Nov. 18—Reuter's correspondent in Amsterdam sends the following:—

"According to the Telegraaf's Sluis, Netherlands, correspondent, the Germans occupying Dixmude have suffered heavy losses. In fresh fighting there they lost 2,700 men.

"The town of Nieuport is badly damaged. Heavy cannonading was heard on Tuesday in the direction of Ypres, indicating a renewal of the heavy fighting there.

BRITISH WARSHIP GUNS SHATTER GERMAN BASE

London, Nov. 18—A Rotterdam despatch to the Daily Mail says:

"The British fleet on Monday received information which led them to carry out a vigorous bombardment at Knocke and Zeebrugge on the Belgian coast. The Solvay Company's works on the Bruges ship canal, which are being used as a base for German military trains, was wrecked. A train of five cars, filled with soldiers, was struck by a shell, took fire and was destroyed. Much damage was done to the German stores and supplies."

London, Nov. 18—Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent quotes a message from Sluis, Netherlands, as follows:—"Fugitives say that additional submarines are being constructed at Zeebrugge."

TWO GERMAN GENERALS KILLED.

Berlin, via London, Nov 18—German casualty lists just issued record the deaths of two generals and the wounding of another. General Alfred Von Vriein was killed on November 12, and General Von Lepel is the other commanding officer reported killed on the field of battle. General Von Lepel was in command of the reserve infantry division. General Stenger, commander of the 53rd German infantry brigade, is listed as having been severely wounded.

### FLOODS RESTRICT FIGHTING AREA

Paris, Nov. 16—The battle in Flanders is becoming more and more restricted in the area between Ypres and the Lys.

The flooded area has further extended until it now reaches well south. In addition, the rainy season, so long in these flat countries, has now set in, transforming the fields into swamps, as the admirable drainage system has not been working for three months.

The region is almost impracticable, and the conditions evidence the hardihood in a country, the soil of which is nothing but liquid mud and where the villages which might afford the only shelters have been destroyed.

Fighting almost as intense as in Flanders, continues on the French right flank in the region of Verdun, which fortress the Germans are persistently trying to invest. On the heights of the east of the Meuse, says a semi-official statement, the French light infantry is especially distinguishing itself and the artillery gave it useful support by destroying a German blockhouse.

### BEATING RUSSIANS SAYS BERLIN

Berlin, Nov. 18—An official war bulletin sets forth that the operations on the eastern front are progressing favorably; that the Germans apparently are using their victory at Wlocawek to the greatest advantage; that the Russian armies defeated near Lipno are today probably in the vicinity of Plock, and the forces defeated near Wloclawek are now near Kutno and Leschytea.

For the continuation of operations, the bulletin goes on to say, it will be of the greatest importance for the German troops from the region of Soldau to make further progress against the right wing of the main Russian army; that if the Russians intend to retire behind the Vistula, such a retreat, considering the extremely bad conditions of the roads, would be most difficult, and consequently the Russians probably will prefer to make a definite stand when the German and Austrian forces attack.

The papers of Berlin declare again today that the fall of Belgrade, Servia, is imminent.

**Government Soon To Return to Paris.**

London, Nov 18—The Paris correspondent of the Times states that the whole legislative and administrative staffs of the French chamber of deputies will return to Paris tomorrow, as a prelude to the return of the French government.

### BURIED TODAY

The funeral of Harry Wallace was held this afternoon from his late residence, in Britain street, to St. John the Baptist Church, where service was conducted by Rev. W. Donahue. Interment was in the new Catholic cemetery.

The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Graves was held this afternoon from her late residence, Spar Cove road, to the Church of England burying ground. Services were conducted by Rev. Ralph Sherman.

## WORK FOR GIRLS WHO HAVE LOST PLACES BY WAR

New Problem Faced By The City Authorities and Suggested Solution By Mayor

A new problem for this city has been drawn to the attention of the authorities. This is the difficulty arising from the lessened employment for girls and young women since the outbreak of war. The financial and commercial situation in St. John is remarkably good compared with other parts of the dominion but the war has had some effect here, and there has been a certain number of people thrown out of employment. The men, in many cases are able to find other work or, as an alternative, they may enlist but the girls from the offices and stores find little other work awaiting them and they cannot enlist. Some of these are living at home and will get along quite comfortably but others are boarding here and are dependent upon their own exertions for a livelihood. In these cases the lack of employment is a most serious matter.

Mayor Frink said this morning that this matter had been brought to his attention and it seemed to be a situation demanding attention. These young women are not objects of charity and would not accept alms, but probably would be glad to find work even if it were not of the kind to which they were accustomed to. It had occurred to him that the situation might be met in a satisfactory way by using a portion of the Belgian relief funds for the purchase of materials and employing the girls to make them into garments for the homeless people of the devastated country. In this way the Belgians would benefit as much as they would by the cash and at the same time the money would help to improve local conditions.

### THE WHEAT MARKET

Chicago, Nov. 18—Higher cables had a strengthening effect today on wheat. The wet harvest in Argentine counted against the bears and so also did signs that exporters were seeking shipments on all rail basis from here to the seaboard. Besides, the northwest was predicting smaller receipts and there were complaints of dry weather. After opening ¼ to ½ at ⅝ up the market steadied slightly above last night's level.