

"SAFETY MATCHES" PROVED TO BE GERMAN OFFICER

Large Box marked Matches, being shipped from England to Rotterdam, contained officer of Kaiser trying to smuggle his way back to Germany.

London, Dec. 13.—A Reuter despatch from The Hague says that the government has protested against the seizure of Dutch ships and the arrest of civilians of military age, but not of the active service, from Dutch ships, and against the expansion of conscription and the closing of the North Sea. The government points out that although it is in agreement with Scandinavian governments regarding these questions, it did not think it necessary to co-operate with other neutral states.

London, Dec. 13.—The German officer whom a customs official at Gravesend Saturday found concealed in a huge box was about to be shipped to Rotterdam, told an alien immigration officer that his name was Otto Kohn, and that he was a lieutenant in the German army, according to a despatch from Gravesend to Lloyd's News. The lieutenant said he had been in America recently, continues the message, and returned aboard the S. S. Potsdam shortly before the outbreak of the war. Subsequently he was arrested at Southampton and interned in the camp for aliens at Dorchester.

The box in which the officer was found was among the luggage of a number of elderly aliens who were being sent from the camp at Dorchester to Germany. On arriving at Tilbury from Dorchester, they were transferred to a ferryboat for Gravesend, where they boarded the steamer Batavia, bound for Rotterdam. Porters handling the baggage found beneath the pile of packages a huge packing case on which were stencilled the words "Non Poisonous Safety Matches."

The case was so heavy that the porters had to roll it over and over on the deck tender to the rails separating it from the Batavia. The bumping of the box apparently stunned the occupant, and forced the lid of the case partly open, causing an arm to protrude. This was noticed by a Dutch seaman who called the attention of the ferryboat skipper to it. An armed guard in charge of those being deported was called, and found the man in the box in a semi-conscious state.

It is believed, concludes the despatch, that the alien in the Dorchester camp, when they learned that a number of men over military age were to be sent to Germany, plotted to hide Kohn in a packing case which had contained Swedish matches. Although Kohn, who was taken to a police station declared that nobody assisted him, elaborate preparations had been made for his comfort, arm rests, an air cushion, a bottle of cocoa and bananas were among the things provided for him.

The Dorchester correspondent of Lloyd's News sends the following despatch concerning the affair:

"The railway authorities here disclaim all knowledge of a box answering the description of that found at Gravesend, nor are the police and military authorities cognizant of the escape of a prisoner from the Dorchester camp, where the roll is called thrice daily. There have been considerable movements of the prisoners during the last few days, however, and it is possible that the man captured at Gravesend contrived to escape during those operations."

WELDON FLEMMING VICTIM OF PAINFUL ACCIDENT IN MILL

Son of Hon. Mr. Flemming badly injured — Woodstock man found dead in bed.

Special to The Standard
Woodstock, N. B., Dec. 13.—Preston Huntley, aged thirty-five years, was found dead in bed in the lumber camp of Wallace Smith, at Bloomfield, yesterday morning. Coroner Lindsay of Woodstock held an inquest on the body yesterday afternoon and the jury decided death was due to heart failure. Deceased was the son-in-law of John Craig, of Weston, and leaves a wife and four children.

Weldon Flemming, second son of Hon. J. K. Flemming, was badly injured in an accident at Gibson and Flemming mill, seven miles from town yesterday. The boxing of the saw broke and the saw cut a gash eight inches long and three inches deep in his shoulder, besides other cuts on his head and face and limbs. It took two hours to reach Woodstock where he is at the home of his father, and unless complications arise he will recover.

Mrs. W. B. Belyea fell while skating yesterday afternoon and broke her left arm in two places.

Beware of teas that are dusty and full of broken leaves—as these are injurious in use and unpleasant in the cup, being generally put together to reduce the cost.

"Salada" teas are always fresh, fragrant, free from dust and economical in use—preserved and sold only in sealed packets at 35c, 45c, 55c, 65c, per pound.

LORD WIMBORNE MENTIONED AS POSSIBLE LORD LIEUTENANT

London, Dec. 13 (Gazette Cable).—Commenting upon the resignation of Lord Aberdeen, the Globe says that Lord and Lady Aberdeen have not added to the respect felt by the people generally for Vice-Royalty in Ireland, one of the chief reasons being that they departed from the good rule that the Viceroy and his consort should keep outside of party politics. Notable instances in which they failed to do this were Lord Aberdeen's pronouncement upon Home Rule, and Lady Aberdeen's accusation that the Red Cross was being used as a party organization.

Among the names of well known Liberal peers who are being mentioned as possible Lord Lieutenant of Ireland is that of Lord Wimborne, better known in Canada as Hon. Ivor Guest, who succeeded recently to the barony. He is at present Lord-in-Waiting, and has had charge of Irish affairs in the House of Lords.

IMPROVEMENT TO WATER SYSTEM

Workmen from the city department of water and sewerage were engaged yesterday in cleaning out the intake well of the city water supply at Lake Latimer. Diver Lahey was also at work and placed a new piece of floor in the well. This will help to keep any foreign matter from coming into the water mains, as the sieves now fit down tight to the bottom of the intake. A large quantity of gravel and sand was removed from the well and the job was completed about five o'clock last evening. During the repair work the city water supply was secured from Little River, and the pressure was rather weak on the high levels.

Commissioner Wigmore anticipates no more difficulty with the intake well for some time to come.

PERSONAL.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Pugsley, Sherbrooke street west, Montreal, are leaving on Monday for St. John, N. B., to spend the Christmas season with Hon. William Pugsley—Montreal Star.

A. C. Smith, of St. John, N. B., has arrived in Montreal. Sir Thomas Tait is in Montreal from Toronto, where he and his family will reside in the immediate future. Miss Snowball, of Chatham, N. B., who has been the guest of Mrs. Henry Rawlings, has left to spend a few days in New York—Montreal Star.

Miss Minnie Davis, of Moncton, spent the week-end in this city, the guest of friends.

Seth Jones, of Sussex, was at the Victoria Saturday.

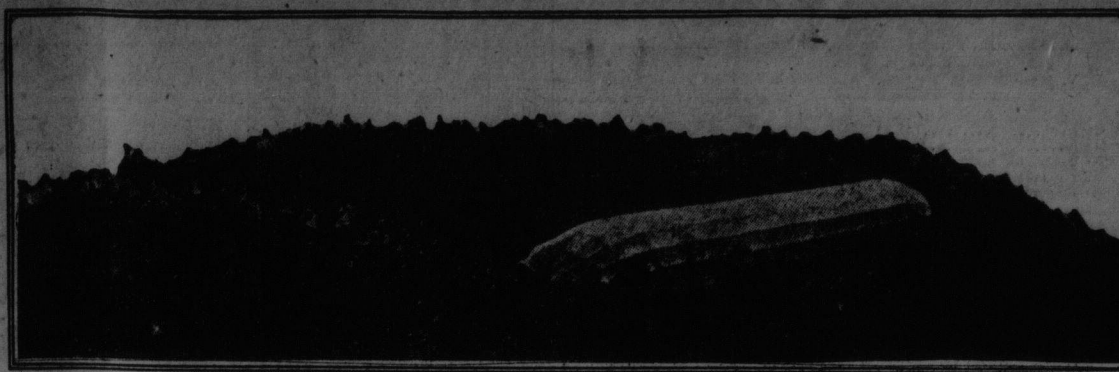
Miss A. Bellairs, of the staff of the Bernard's Bay Home, arrived in the city on Saturday by the new C. P. R. boat. She will visit the branches in Canada.

Will the three young ladies who passed Home and Society's shop, on Market Square, at 3.30 Friday evening, Dec. 11th, please make themselves known. Address, Box 12, The Standard.

Q. H. Arnold returned from New York on Saturday.

The many friends of William Ryan will be sorry to learn that he was taken suddenly ill with appendicitis on Friday night and has undergone an operation, which was successful.

FIRST PHOTOGRAPHIC EVIDENCE OF DESTRUCTION TO GERMAN ZEPPELINS



WOUNDED ZEPPELIN FALLING INTO FOREST OF BADONVILLER.



ALUMINUM FRAMEWORK OF WRECKED ZEPPELIN AT GRANDVILLIERS.

Many telegraphic accounts of the destruction of Zeppelins have appeared in the daily press, but have hitherto lacked the corroborative evidence of the camera. We can now put before our readers the first direct evidence of the destruction of German Zeppelins. The uppermost view was taken near Epinal about August 20 last. The airship, it will be seen, is a genuine Zeppelin. The ship was flying very low, at a height estimated at about 2,500 feet, and had the misfortune to cross a road where one solitary field gun, one of the famous "soixante-quinze" type, had been left behind "en panne," presumably with the abrupt descent. The machine came down in the forest of Badonviller near Epinal, all the crew escaping, but the Zeppelin was burned next morning by the local peasants. The picture was taken by a sapeur-mécanicien of the French army.

BROTHERHOODS HELP FREE KINDERGARTEN

At the meeting of the Brotherhood of Centenary church yesterday afternoon the following committee was appointed to deal with the matter of raising funds for the Free Kindergartens: President, George E. Barbour, W. E. Earle, T. H. Bullock, E. T. C. Knowles, and J. M. Queen being added subsequently. After the meeting had closed a few of the members pledged themselves to raise \$200, but more will be forthcoming, it is expected. As one result of the general campaign on behalf of the Kindergarten it is hoped that the Kindergarten at Marsh Bridge which had been conducted by the Brotherhood of Centenary will be re-opened. Other brotherhoods have pledged themselves to assist in the movement, although no formal announcement can yet be made as to exactly what they propose to do. The idea is to raise through the agency of the different brotherhoods at least \$1,000 to relieve the financial burden for the coming year.

POSTPONE MEETING

The meeting, which was to have been arranged between residents of East St. John and the Joy community for today, will not likely materialize. Mayor Frink has a heavy cold and will likely find it necessary to remain at home during today at least. It was suggested at the last meeting of the council that the residents of that portion of the Parish of Simonds, who had petitioned for annexation with the city, and those opposed, should meet with the city commissioners and talk over the situation with the idea of coming to some understanding in regard to becoming part of the city. It is likely that the meeting will be held later in the week.

ST. STEPHEN MAN HURT WHILE ALIGHTING FROM STREET CAR

Special to The Standard
St. Stephen, Dec. 13.—Frank Todd, the well-known lumber operator, met with a serious accident this evening. While alighting from a street car near his residence he had a severe fall; he was thrown violently on the frozen street, and was picked up unconscious. He was taken to his home, where the doctors restored him to consciousness. It was found that he had a bad cut on his nose and eight other cuts on his face. So far as known Mr. Todd did not receive internal injuries or break any bones.

CANADIAN SOLDIERS DEFEATED AT RUGBY

London, Dec. 13.—Canadians from the first contingent suffered defeat in two rugby games on Saturday, one being played at Richmond against the Public Schools team, and the second against the Fifth Gloucester Regiment at Queen's Club, near London.

A REBUTTAL RE "BAD ROADS."

Chipman, Q. C., Dec. 13, 1914. To the Editor of The Standard.
Sir,—In the Daily Telegraph of the 14th inst., under the heading of "Bad Roads," appears an item relative to the state of the roads in Chipman and

vicinity. In scanning over the said article one is struck by the general tenor of the charge that all the roads in this locality were in a "disgraceful condition," whereas there were a vestige of that scarce commodity called truth in the complaint of the disgruntled parties they could afford to be more specific and name any one road in Chipman or vicinity where "stumps and rocks used primarily in the making of the roads are bared." Such absurd and false statements scarcely require any refutation as the roads there depicted do not exist in this section, save in the fertile brain of a few hungry office seekers. The roads in Chipman are made with the government road machine which has done excellent work over the greater part of the roads around here and great care has been exercised in picking off the cobble stones after the work was done. The bridges also are in first class condition and well looked after, in fact most of them are new and some partly built anew the past year, so that altogether the roads of Chipman and vicinity have been in better condition during the past season than for several years previously.

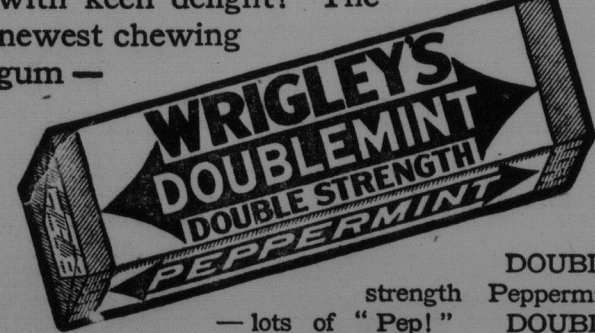
Thanking you Mr. Editor in advance for the space in your valuable paper, I am, yours truly

FAIR PLAY.



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DOUBLE strength Peppermint — lots of "Pep!" DOUBLE wrapped and SEALED to keep it always fresh and full-flavored.

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A Package a Day Keeps the Blues Away!

GERMANS CLAIM GAINS IN ADVANCE ON WARSAW

Berlin official report says vigorous offensive is in progress in East and Prasnysz has been taken, but Kaiser's army is meeting stubborn resistance both in Poland and in Serbia.

Berlin, Dec. 13. (By wireless to Sayville).—Occupation by the German forces, which have been advancing on Warsaw from the north of the city of Prasnysz, recently reported unofficially, was said definitely by the official press bureau Saturday to have been accomplished.

"This is the most important factor in the latest developments from the eastern theatre of war," the press bureau statement continues, "and while in itself it is not important, it shows that the Germans have begun active offensive operations north of the Vistula. Prasnysz lies on the direct line of communication between Willenberg, East Prussia and Warsaw. This shows that the advance is directed against the fortified line along the Narw river. If this line were broken the Germans would be in the rear of Warsaw, which would exercise a deciding influence on the Polish campaign."

"News from South Poland and Galicia makes it clear that, notwithstanding certain successes achieved by the Germans and Austrians, severe resistance is being encountered everywhere."

"Evidently the Austrian forces in the Carpathians are too small to clear Hungarian territory of the enemy at once, and must attack and repulse one column after another."

"The Austrians report that ten thousand Russians have been captured, but they fail to say within what period, making the report meaning less."

"Operations in Serbia also are meeting with dogged resistance at several points, but are proceeding to the south of Belgrade."

"The loss of the cruiser squadron off the Pakland Islands is the occasion of general regret, but it is hardly a surprise, since the most optimistic had not dared to expect that the ships could escape from their pursuers."

MORE FOOD REQUIRED FOR STARVING BELGIANS

The Committee in Belgium which has charge of the distribution of all relief supplies has made another appeal for food for these people. It is estimated that it will take \$6,000,000 per month until spring to give these starving millions two meals of soup and bread per day. New Brunswick has done well, over twenty cars of food and clothing and \$12,000 in cash has already been sent forward, but a special appeal is now made by the Provincial Committee for cash to buy food in large quantities at wholesale prices to load the Admiralty steamer "Treneglo" sailing from Halifax about December 25th.

The Committee has on hand about \$11,000 which will be invested in foodstuffs at once, but more is urgently required. The Belgians are starving and we must redouble our efforts promptly. Have you sent what you can? Send cash contributions to James H. Frink, Mayor, St. John, Treasurer, and address all communications to James Gilchrist, Secretary, P. O. Box 204, St. John.

Business as Usual.
In Tabernacle church, Haymarket Square, the pastor, Rev. Frederic P. Dennison, preached both in the morning and evening. The subject for the morning was, Liberty, Equality, Fraternity. That for the evening was, Business as Usual. Large congregations were present at both services.

The Supreme Test of a Healing Agent

Psooriasis or Chronic Eczema Defied All Treatment Until Dr. Chase's Ointment Was Used.

After suffering with the terrible itching of Psooriasis for five years, and being told by physicians that she could not be cured, Mrs. Massey turned to Dr. Chase's Ointment and was entirely cured. You will find this letter interesting and will not wonder that the writer is enthusiastic in praising this ointment. Mrs. Nattie Massey, Conception, Ont., writes:—"For five years I suffered with what three doctors called psooriasis. They could not help me, and one of them told me if anyone offered it guarantee a cure for \$100 to keep my money, as I could not be cured. The disease spread all over me, even on my face and head, and the itching and burning was hard to bear. I used eight boxes of Dr. Chase's Ointment, and I am glad to say I am entirely cured, not a sign of a sore to be seen. I can hardly praise this ointment enough. Can you imagine a more severe test for Dr. Chase's Ointment? This should convince you that as a cure for eczema and all forms of itching skin disease Dr. Chase's Ointment stands supreme. Put it to the test, 50c a box, all dealers, or Edmanston, Bates & Co., Limited, Toronto."



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His late residence, 15 West St. John, Monday p.m. Service at two p.

Suddenly at Ottawa on December 12th, Nettie F. Fred Richards, Fredericton on Tuesday

FOR WINNIPEG OFFICER. Man, Dec. 13.—Major Steele, Inspector general forces, is the new rank the popular officer company Number 10. Word it was received in Winnipeg last night, and official of the promotion will be orders shortly.

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