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## A BIG U. S. NAVY.

Some surprise may be caused by statements made by Mr. Daniels, Secretary of the U. S. Navy, before the House of Representatives, Monday, January 6, that the permanent authorized strength of the navy is 145,000 men. Because of the war and the demands for protective and other services, the actual number of men in the service is over 244,000. By change recommended to Congress the permanent authorized strength will be increased to 250,000, including flying corps, hospital corps, etc. The pay of the men, it is also proposed, shall be increased, seamen receiving \$36 to \$51 a month, with living and uniforms, making them the most highly remunerated naval force in the world. With this increase in personnel there is to be a large building programme, in the coming three years it is proposed to lay down ten dreadnoughts, six battle cruisers, ten scout cruisers, and a hundred and thirty other ships of the various types required in a fully provided modern fighting fleet. In heavy ships, completed or building, the United States navy is now, by the records, second only to that of Great Britain. The purpose in view in the framing of the new programme, as set out by Mr. Daniels, who in such matter would speak with the approval of President Wilson, is to give the United States a navy that will be as powerful as that of any nation in the world.

There was a double reason, or, it might be more proper to say, two alternative reasons, given for the policy. If the coming conference produces some plan looking toward a concert of the nations for the maintenance of peace, there will be some manner of body to which nations will perform submit their differences for adjudication and which will be sufficiently powerful to induce acceptance of its decisions. This will involve the establishment of a world police, and such force must be largely naval, for only a police equipped with and trained to ships could be world mobile. Mr. Daniels proceeded to say that if the United States is to participate in such a movement it must participate upon a scale commensurate with its wealth, intelligence, population and scientific attainments—anything less would be a shirking of its duty. Then, in the second place, it was Mr. Daniels' firm conviction, he said, "that if the conference at Versailles does not result in a general agreement to put an end to naval building on the part of all the nations, then the United States must bend her will and her energies, must give her men and give her money to the task of the creation of incomparably the greatest navy in the world." That he did not expect the conference to have such a result as he outlined was plainly indicated when Mr. Daniels said that until the outbreak of the war he thought the capitalists and laboring people would be strong enough, even in Germany, to overcome the influence of militarists; when he found he was wrong he saw the necessity of having the biggest navy in the world for the United States. So, whatever happens in the peace conference—and already it is evident that the happenings will not all be the outcome of glad accord—the war, to present seeming, has brought to the United States, as it may bring to other countries, a permanent increase in its warlike outlays; for the army also will need to be strong and mobile and ready to act in support of the strong and mobile navy. So peace, the dream that when this greatest of wars ended the war burdens of the peoples would be removed.

## BRIDE FOR PRINCE OF WALES.

Common-sense should muzzle the fool allusions to the alleged international consequences of the choice of a bride for the Prince of Wales. War has enfranchised the Prince of Wales with the right to marry according to the dictates of his own heart. Britain has paid a heavy price for Britain's national apostasy to the truth that:

"Kind hearts are more than coronets,  
and simple faith than Norman blood."

Britain's royal house might better

have sent its sons and daughters into holy wedlock with any decent family in the British Isles rather than have these sons and daughters marry and be given in marriage to the kings and kingdoms of European royalty.

The choice of a wife for the Prince of Wales is not an international and not altogether a national interest, remarks an exchange. The British throne and the British Empire will not, and should not, be popularized in the United States by the choice of an American bride as the future Queen of England. The Hearst publications would lead every anti-British force in the United States in a howl to the effect that the Government at Washington was playing into the hands of Britain because a daughter of American plutocracy was to sit upon the throne of the United Kingdom. The whole institution of royalty is turned into a burlesque show by newspaper exploitation of the possible international consequences that will follow the choice of a bride for the Prince of Wales. Let the Prince of Wales choose a British woman worthy of his love as the comrade of his life. That choice is the only choice that can have happy international consequences.

## SIR JULIAN BYNG.

The King's bestowal of a new honor upon Sir Julian Byng is an event of interest to Canadians. It was under his command that the Canadian Corps saw much of its fighting in France. He was esteemed and trusted by all ranks under him as an able, skillful and courageous soldier. He was, in turn, very proud of his command, and left it reluctantly, even to accept promotion. Afterward, as commander of the Third British Army, he fought with great distinction and success, and it was largely to his generalship and to the confidence reposed in him by the Third Army that the German rush toward Amiens in the latter days of March was stopped. It was the last great German offensive, and the Fifth Army had retired under it, but Byng's troops held their ground and the drive broke. There were no more German offensives after that.

Sir Julian Byng, who is the seventh son of the Earl of Strathford, was little known outside of England and the army before the war, though he had served in Egypt and South Africa. He comes out of the European conflict with a worldwide reputation as a great soldier.

## ORDER MATERIALS FOR BETTER ROADS.

(Continued from page eight.) That they would be largely backed up by the citizens if they showed some progressive spirit and action. There would, of course, be some kickers, but he believed it was the duty of the council to make some progress, even if it resulted in some of them losing their places at the board. After a lengthy discussion, a resolution to purchase the quantities of material named above was moved by Ald. McKay, chairman of the Roads and Streets Committee, seconded by Ald. Cooper and carried without a dissenting voice.

## IMMEDIATE STEPS TO BE TAKEN.

Immediate steps to be taken probably be taken to obtain the material and commence work.

## 35 YEARS AGO TODAY.

Military Depot Was Organized in Fredericton on January 7th, 1884.

Thirty-five years ago today what was formerly known as the Infantry School and later as the Military Depot was opened in Fredericton with the formation of A Company, Infantry School Corps. This unit later became the Royal Canadian Regiment and until the outbreak of the war the depot was continued in this city and one company of the regiment was stationed here for the purpose of carrying on instructional work in this province.

The late Lieut. Col. Munnell was the commandant and the other officers were: Major Gordon, Capt. and Adjutant Young, and Lieut. Hemming. The last named of these officers remained in the military service until the 6th inst., when he retired with the rank of Brigadier General, having been General Officer Commanding Military District No. 3, with headquarters at Kingston, Ont.

The first non-commissioned officers to enlist were Sergt. Major Thomas McKenzie, who died a few years ago, and Hospital Sergt. Robert Cochran, now residing at South Devon, who is a veteran of the Boer War.

After being Hospital Sergeant for 15 years he retired from the R.C.R. and in 1901 became caretaker of the St. Mary's Bazaar, which position he held until forced to retire in 1917 because of ill-health.

Those who joined the Company a few days later included Sergeant C. J. Hayes and instructors Billman and Sloan. Sergt. Daniels now resides at New Maryland and Bandmaster Hayes recently died at St. John.

It is far easier to form an impression than it is to destroy one.

## SEVERAL OFFICERS RECEIVE HONORS

Brigadier-Generals Draper and Dods Went to the Front as Majors.

Montreal, Jan. 6.—Of the Montreal officers who were recipients of honors in the King's New Year list announced yesterday, Brigadier-General D. C. Draper, C. M. G., Brigadier-General W. O. H. Dods, D. S. O., Lt. Col. Alan Magee, D. S. O., and Lt. Col. Charles S. Vipond, D. S. O., all have had distinguished records during the war.

General Draper's promotion has been rapid in the field since shortly after his arrival in France as second in command of the 5th Mounted Rifles. At the Sanctuary Wood fighting of June, 1916, his battalion commander, Harry Innes, M. P., was killed and the then Major Draper succeeded to the command, extricating the battalion from a difficult situation which developed during that action. A few months ago he was again promoted, this time to command one of the brigades of the Canadian Corps. General Draper, though originally from Sutton, in the Eastern Townships, has spent most of his life in Montreal as an official in the Customs House here. During the 1917 election he was a candidate for Brume, Lt. Col. Baker's old seat, but failed of election.

## Brigadier-General Dods.

Brigadier-General W. O. H. Dods, who is awarded the D. S. O., had already received the C. M. G. in a former honors list. An official of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York in civil life, he had also for years been an artillery commander in the militia here. At the start of the war he raised a battery of artillery and went to France with the First Canadian Division, being mentioned several times in despatches. He has been promoted twice, from battery commander to lieutenant colonel, and is now in command of the 1st Canadian Artillery, General Dods was home for a few weeks on convalescent leave in June, 1917.

Lt. Col. Charles S. Vipond won his D. S. O. in the field, announcement of which is just made in the honors list. His experiences have been among the most varied of any Canadians in the war, including Gallipoli, Egypt, Lemnos, Saloniki and France. Lt. Col. Vipond's military career began first as a member of the Canadian General Hospital at Wimereux, where he worked for six months, and then to the Island of Lemnos, in the Gallipoli campaign, attached to the Imperial naval corps. A year later he went to Egypt, and then to Saloniki, returning to Canada last year for a short leave.

Returning to duty, he was attached to the 9th Field Ambulance in France as second in command, and later to the 1st Canadian General Hospital, Lt. Col. Vipond's brother, Captain A. E. Vipond, now attached to the 1st Canadian Depot, also had distinguished service in France with the 1st Brigade.

Laureate Pulp "Prohibition" was later with the British Navy in the North Sea.

Lt. Col. A. A. Magee, awarded the D. S. O., is a member of the 148th Battalion here, which was broken up for reinforcements on arrival in England. Lt. Col. Magee then received a special administrative post with the Imperial forces in France, and the honor awarded him is in recognition of his excellent service as a member of the Montreal law firm of Cook, Duff, Magee & Merrill.

## PREPARE TO OPEN ANTIMONY MINES

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depth from 20 to 350 feet, all of which are in one ranging in width from 10 inches to 4 feet. Besides the 15 shafts there are approximately 1,500 feet of tunnels driven on these veins, all showing great permeability and strength. The abundance of raw material is broken up for reinforcements on arrival in England. Lt. Col. Magee then received a special administrative post with the Imperial forces in France, and the honor awarded him is in recognition of his excellent service as a member of the Montreal law firm of Cook, Duff, Magee & Merrill.

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## CAPT. E. O. PERLEY DEAD.

Was One of the Best Known Figures in Steamboating on the St. John River.

Capt. Edward O. Perley, for the past quarter of a century one of the best known figures in steamboating on the St. John river, died at his home, 227 Brunswick street, this city, last evening, following an illness of some months. He was taken ill in the lumber woods on the upper St. John river several weeks ago and brought to his home here in a serious condition, from which he never rallied.

The late Capt. Perley was born 62 years ago at Upper Magalloway, Sunbury County, being a son of the late Dudley P. Perley, and for 25 years he was with the firm of D. D. Glaser & Sons as captain of various members of their fleet of tugboats. Later on he entered the passenger steamboat service on the St. John river and was for some years captain of the steamer Victoria, until the dissolution of the operating company. Since then he has been engaged in the operations of the St. John River Log Driving Co.

Besides his widow, Capt. Perley is survived by one son, Mr. Morris R. Perley, of the York & Sunbury Milling Company, South Devon. Two brothers, Harvey A., of Upper Magalloway, and Herbert D., of Wheeling, W. Va., and three sisters, Mrs. J. E. Dibblee, of Pearl River, N. Y., Mrs. J. Wilkie, of Pittsburg, Pa., and Mrs. Harold F. Hall, of Boston, Mass., also survive.

The funeral will take place on Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. Rev. Mr. Warren will conduct the services at the house, and interment will be made at the Raymond cemetery, Upper Magalloway.

## The Stock Market

(By private wire to J. M. Robinson and Son.)

New York, Jan. 7.—A reactionary market is suggested by latest developments. Oils, food stocks and some of the manufacturing issues are most in favor. Coppers, utilities, and rails are under a cloud at the moment and meet selling orders on advances. We think the policy of selling them on rallies for turns and buying specialties should prove moderately profitable.

It is expected in well informed quarters that the first three months of 1919 will show unfavorable earnings for the metal companies. This outlook is working for profit taking on strong bulges in the general list, according to testimony from floor channels.

There will be an enormous demand on the U. S. for production machinery of all kinds during the next twelve months, as soon as international credit bases can be established, says a well known banking interest.

"The first consideration," it added, "will be to replace machinery of peace that has been worn out during the four years of war, and in the competitive commercial race rapid output will be a powerful factor. Harvester Machinery should be required first."

Rumors from Washington intimate that the United States is planning to take over a space of several years the surplus stocks of goods accumulated during the war in order not to disturb business conditions and force down wages during the readjustment.

In high financial circles it is being urged upon industrial leaders to be very aggressive in going after foreign business in order that deficiencies in home consumption due to slowing down of demand may be offset during the next few months.

## New York Market.

American Beet Sugar	71 3/4
American Smelters	76 1/4
American Tin and Tel.	48 1/2
American Car and Foundry	92
Anacostia	60 1/2
Baltimore Pulp	61 1/2
Baldwin Locomotive	75 1/2
Crucible Steel	67 1/2
Central Leather	60
Chile Copper	18
Corn Products	49 1/2
Distillers	55 1/2
Erie	17
Gas	95
General Motors	130
Industrial Alcohol	32 1/2
Kennecott Copper	32 1/2
Marine preferred	111
Marine common	28
Metropolitan	120 1/2
Midvale Steel	43 1/2
New York Central	74 1/2
Northern Pacific	93
Pennsylvania	45
Rubber	76 1/2
Reading	82 1/2
Rep. Iron and Steel	75
St. Paul	38 1/2
Southern Pacific	100 1/2
Southern Railway	29
Studebaker	51 1/2
United States Steel	93 1/2
Utah Copper	72
Willy's Overland	25 1/2

## Montreal Market.

Canada Car	30 1/2
Dominion Iron	62
Dominion Textile	108
Laureate Pulp	108
Montreal Power	17 1/2
Rhipon Pulp	117 1/2
Ships preferred	75 1/2
Wayside	61

## From the People

## THE PROHIBITION FARCE.

To the Editor of The Gleaner,

Sir,—I was glad to see in your last Saturday issue a letter from one of our returned men regarding the farce of the "Prohibition" in this province. As he says, the Government which consented to this Act and engineered it through the Legislature at the instance of a few fanatics received the punishment which it richly deserved for its failure to protect the people from such ill-conceived legislation.

And the Government which keeps it in force is likely to meet the same fate when the right thinking electors get another chance at the ballot box.

In an Act which is so plainly against common sense and British justice, an Act which presumes its authors to be superior to the Bible and Christianity, an Act which makes no right, enabling the officers of the law to take the property of one citizen and hand it over to another to sell without compensation, an Act which deprives the sick and dying of life-sustaining stimulants ordered by their medical advisers, an Act which compels the needy sick to pay four or five times the price of the best stimulants known to medical science and does not protect these needy and innocent sick persons from the occasional druggist, thereby causing death where health might be given, an Act which has restricted the filling of prescriptions for stimulants to an occasional druggist, thereby taking away business from all other druggists, thus causing illegal restraint of trade and delay and hardship to the sick, an Act which has lost a traffic in vile poison concoctions that rob the consumer of his senses and his health surely is worthy of condemnation by sensible people.

It is to be hoped when our men from overseas all get home and are again to exercise the rights of citizenship these men who have been up against the actualities of life and death and have experienced which will forever distinguish them from the fanatical theories of the prohibitionist, that they will untiedly lend their forces with those of other good citizens to rebuke the upholders of this prohibition law to the oblivion their merit.

In conclusion allow me to state that in the management of a business employing between 40 and 50 helpers, I have during the summer of 1918, had my first experience of lost time among them from illness through drinking.

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Yours truly,

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