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"We are fighting for a worthy purpose, and we shall not lay down our arms until that purpose has been fully achieved."—H. M. The King.
 TO THE PEOPLE OF THE EMPIRE—Every fighting unit we can send to the front means one step nearer peace.

SPLENDID ACHIEVEMENTS.

The City of St. John has just succeeded in the unprecedented achievement of selling, in less than two days, "over the counter," and direct to the investors, city bonds to the amount of \$280,000, bearing interest at the rate of five per cent., and with a life of twenty years. These bonds were sold at par, and without the assistance of brokers or financial agents.

The City of St. John, some months ago, tried the experiment of disposing of a small bond issue direct to the investors, marketing its own offering as it were, and this proved so successful that it was decided to dispose of the larger issue in the same way. The result has exceeded the most sanguine expectations, and proves conclusively, first, that the people of St. John have unbounded faith in their own city, and, secondly, that despite hard times and talk of financial depression, there is a large amount of untaxed money in this community awaiting opportunity for favorable investment.

Not only has the City of St. John, in its sale of debentures, shown that its credit is absolutely of the highest, but the Provincial Government issue of \$500,000 five year, five per cent. bonds, offered for public subscription a few weeks ago, was largely oversubscribed within twelve days. This was a spontaneous manifestation of faith and confidence on the part of the investing public, and demonstrated more plainly than any other argument that the people with money to invest have complete belief in the future of this province, and in the integrity of the Provincial Administration.

Mr. F. B. Carvell is now so thoroughly discredited in the country that to refer to any of his blatant utterances on provincial affairs is probably merely a waste of time and space, but it is of interest that at the recent "political jamboree" held by the friends of the Carvell-Carter claim in Fredericton, the Dark Lantern Brigade of Carleton announced that the credit of the Province had sunk so low, and so little confidence was felt in the Government that it could not borrow \$30,000 if it tried. While Mr. Carvell was in the very act of uttering this untrue statement the Provincial offering was finding ready acceptance from the people of the Province.

The City of St. John and the Province of New Brunswick are to be heartily congratulated upon the success of their bond issues. The readiness with which the people came forward to subscribe to the Provincial issue was striking proof of their confidence in the Province, just as the splendid results achieved by the City of St. John, show conclusively that the residents of this city have faith in its present and its future. Today, the credit of the Province of New Brunswick, and the credit of the City of St. John stand higher than at any previous time in our history. It is a situation which will afford the keenest satisfaction to all.

RUSSIA'S GREAT FIGHT.

Those who have carefully followed the war despatches, during the past few days, cannot but have been impressed with the splendid fighting quality shown by the Russian armies. There is no question but that Russia stands to gain much from the successful termination of the war, possibly more, territorially, than any of the other powers engaged, and there will be hearty agreement that she is certainly doing her best to earn whatever reward she may receive.

In fact the Muscovite forces have furnished the surprises of the entire campaign, with the exception of the heroic defence put up by the gallant Belgians when their country was first invaded by the might of German arms. It was always known that the British army, though admittedly smaller than the standing armies of the other powers of the old world, would yield first place to none of them when it came to fighting ability; consequently the splendid work done by the British "Tommy's," even in the face of great odds, was not surprising. France, burning with the remembrance of her lost provinces, Alsace and Lorraine, was also expected to make a gallant and successful fight for their return. She has done so and doubtless will be duly rewarded when the time comes. Russia alone was expected to prove the "weak sister" and there was thought to be much evidence in support of that contention. The war with Japan, of brief duration as great wars go, showed, in the opinion of many, that in the matter of fighting quality Russia was a negligible quantity. She

was beaten in most of the land battles, she was easily defeated by Admiral Togo on the sea, and throughout the entire war she displayed none of the quality of heart or mind which distinguished the Russia which fought the Crimean war against great odds.

It was also believed that she was not ready for battle against a first class power such as Germany. Her facilities for mobilization were not good, her railway systems, on which she must depend for the moving of her troops, were regarded so contemptuously, that Germany expected she would have ample time to make a sudden advance on the French capital, inflict a crushing defeat on the army of defence, and, having placed France where she could do little further damage, leisurely move her troops back across the country in good time to meet the Russians, depending, of course, on her belief that Russia, for several months, would be unable to put an effective force in the field.

The German plan was foiled, first, by the gallant resistance of the Belgians, and, secondly, by the unexpected speed with which the Russian armies rallied to the war call. Instead of a disorganized, drunken and indifferently equipped horde, such as constituted the greater portion of the Russian army in the Japanese war, the Russia of 1914 mustered a well equipped, splendidly organized, absolutely sober and deeply enthusiastic force, which, since the war opened, has successfully conducted an aggressive campaign against the very best troops under the banners of the Kaiser.

Russia forced the fighting in the east to such an extent that Germany was compelled to send many more thousands of men to that battle line than she originally believed would be necessary. Russia met the Austrian attacks and after hard fighting annihilated two army corps and reduced the remainder of the force to a condition where its value was greatly impaired if not practically gone. Upon Russia fell the principal burden of facing the Turks, for the reason that she was closest to the scene of action and best qualified to make speedy answer to any onslaught from the Sultan's legions. During the past few days the Czar's forces have been so successful in their operations against the Turks that all danger of a Turkish invasion, for the present, at least, is removed. The remnants of the Austrian army are fleeing through the Carpathians, while the Russians are pursuing the routed Turks through the snow clad passes of the Caucasus. In Poland the Russian armies are holding the Germans under Field Marshal Von Hindenburg, back from Warsaw where the fighting is said to be proceeding with terrible violence. Everywhere the soldiers of the Czar are manfully doing the part assigned to them and doing it well.

When the history of the war comes to be written it may reasonably be found that the Russian operations had an appreciable effect upon the success of the Allied campaign along the western frontier, and that the position of the Allied troops today, and the excellent prospects they have of being able shortly to make a concerted advance on German territory, was contributed to in no small degree by the fact that Germany, so seriously engaged in the East, was unable to send immense forces to the western frontier until France and Britain were in a position to successfully match man for man and gun for gun.

Once deprived the Germans of their numerical superiority over British or French troops and the result of an encounter is a foregone conclusion, for, with anything like equal forces, the Allies can prove themselves Germany's master. That this opportunity has been presented is due more than a little to the success with which the Russians have conducted their campaign and it may be assured that Great Britain and France have already made up their minds that the heavy share of the fighting borne by the Czar's armies will not be overlooked in the final settlement.

Real estate transfers recorded in St. John this week included the following:
 B. R. Armstrong to Gideon Grant, property in Simonds.
 Andrew and Amelia Bisset to Bertha B. Potmore, property in Front row, Carleton.
 Gustave Olsen to Mrs. Jennie McCracken, property in Lancaster.
 St. John Real Estate Co., Ltd., to W. E. Earle, property in St. James street.

REAL ESTATE NEWS

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A Call To Arms

All shrouded thick in wreaths of mist
 Our seagirt island lay.
 The pulse of her mighty life all hushed
 Before the dawning day.

But coward foes that shun the light,
 Through blinding fog-banks creep,
 And coward hands, that stand in the back,
 Kill men unarmed, asleep.

On peaceful towns that dreamed no ill,
 Their tools of Death were blown,
 But England has sworn a mighty oath,
 "They shall reap as they have sown!"

They laughed as they sped through the dark,
 Shall we let the taunt go by?
 They name us "Fools of a glory past"
 But we give them back the lie!

Oh men of Britain arise!
 Thy land hath need of thee.
 Far flung, her challenge rings through space,
 "My sons, come fight for me."

And yet there are hearts that are dead,
 Ay, dead to that wondrous call,
 While their brethren stiffen on blood-drenched fields,
 They're absorbed—in a game of ball!

While thousands wade through blood, for them,
 They carry a sheathed sword,
 And fling aside the chance to die
 For the glory of the Lord.

Oh, men of Britain, arise!
 And spurn the baser gain,
 Strike for the Right, and your name shall shine
 Through the ages in endless fame.

—Florence M. Snell.

Opinions on the Carleton Result

Moncton Times

"Mr. Frank B. Carvell, M. P., forced the election in Carleton county for the seat vacated by the resignation of Hon. J. K. Flemming. The result is the election of the government candidate, Mr. F. B. Carvell, with a majority of over 700. This crushing majority means that Mr. Carvell will disappear from public life in the next general Dominion election."

"The Parliament of Canada and the people of New Brunswick will be the gainers when Mr. Carvell is relegated to private life."

Fredericton Gleaner

"If Mr. F. B. Carvell ever harbored the notion that he wielded any influence as a political factor outside of his own particular entourage, the result of yesterday's election must have entirely disillusioned him. He made the contest his own—publicly stated so—to an extent hitherto unheard of in the province, and the action candidate was simply a pawn in the game in which Mr. Carvell was the player."

"Yesterday's result is Carleton county's answer to Mr. Carvell's campaign of slander, abuse, misrepresentation and lying; it voices the sentiments of clean-minded men regarding Mr. Carvell's line of conduct; it shows how much credence men who stick to themselves place in Mr. Carvell's propaganda, and it shows that they put him down for what he is, a blatant and unscrupulous charlatan, totally devoid of principle, of honesty of purpose and of everything else that men of integrity hold dear. For months Mr. Carvell has been rambling up and down the country, pouring forth his vile slanders of Mr. Flemming and Mr. Smith, and declaring that he only needed the opportunity to turn both these gentlemen out of public life. He had his opportunity yesterday and the decision of the men to whom he appealed is one loud and emphatic repudiation of Carvell and his methods and all they imply. This condemnation comes not from outsiders, but from his own fellow citizens, men who know him, the men among whom he was born has been brought up and now practices his profession; it is they who have gauged him and know his quality, and it is they who told him that they have no respect for his methods and don't want any more of him. Never did a politician in this country receive such a stinging blow in the face as the election of Carleton gave to F. B. Carvell yesterday."

"The verdict of the people of Carleton yesterday is about as emphatic an endorsement of the present Government as could well be imagined. Their whole record was laid before the people, and everything that the perverted ingenuity of such rabid partisans as F. B. Carvell and E. S. Sarter could bring up against it, was brought up and presented in the most unfavorable light for the Government as possible. But the intelligent electors of Carleton would have none of it; they knew the men charged and they knew the man who made the charges; and they refused to believe the latter."

"Mr. Carvell finds himself today the most discredited public man in New Brunswick, a man for whom, to suit his own selfish and personal ends, no practice is too indecent or degrading."

St. John Globe.

"By a majority so large that there is no mistaking its significance, the people of Carleton county have chosen Mr. B. Frank Smith as successor to Hon. J. K. Flemming in the Local Legislature. The election was one of the most remarkable in the history of the province and the verdict rendered, considered in relation to recent happenings, has a meaning that all understand. Hon. Mr. Flemming's resignation from the position of premier, made imperative by the Dugal investigations, was followed by his nomination for the Federal seat now held by Mr. Carvell, the father of the charges that drove Mr. Flemming from his high and honorable office. Mr. Carvell answered this challenge by securing the nomination of a candidate in opposition to the candidate chosen by the government party to contest the vacant seat and took personal charge of the campaign, which the new local leader did not seek to influence even by a message to the county. Mr. Flemming was equally active in the support of Mr. Smith, and the country can read in Thursday's vote the opinion of the people of Carleton with reference to all that has recently taken place. If Hon. Mr. Flemming finds more of satisfaction in the result than does Mr. Carvell the reason is not far to seek. The fact that so far the Dugal charges were preferred

Little Benny's Note Book.

BY LEE PAPE.

Us Felloes made a slide awn the pavement near the cornr this afternoon, beeing a peach of a lawng slide, awi rite, so slippery the only way you cood stand awn it was to slide awn it, and we was awi sliding, the wuns that didnt fall sliding awn thare feet and the wuns that fell sliding awn awi different parts of them, and aftir a wile a big fat man cam alawng and stopped to watch us slide, laffing like enything evry time enybody sild awn enything except thare feet, nad saying, Thare's nothing like beeing a boy, thares nothing like it.

Wich thare probably aint, and we keep awn sliding, and aftir a wile Pud Simkins thawt he saw a cop up at the uthir cornr, and he sed, Cheese it, felloes, cheese it. And we awi stirted to run, and Sid Hunt sed, Fautts alarm, felloes, that aint Flatfoot, thats jest sum man.

Wich it was, the fat man cam down awn top of Sam Krawws and Sam Krawws sild a littel wath the fat man still awn him, and then her oiled awf and Sam Krawws got up and ran back to ware the rest of us was awi laffing and yelling to beet the band, and the fat man got up was the doose, saying, You will make yure slides rite awn the public highway ware evrybody can sild awn them, will you, ill show you a thing or to if I get hold of you, you yung menderers. And he stardt to chase us and we ran still laffing so hard enybody but a fat man cood of cawt us.

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red there were negotiations to curtail their scope, and that those pushing the investigation seemed animated more by personal animus than by a desire to step over the slide to keep awn going warevver he was going only he tred awn the edge of it and stardt to sild and jest then Sam Krawws took a big start and cam sild down like littenng, and the fat man was still silding with wun leg up in the air and Sam silded rite into the uthir leg and the fat man cam down awn top of Sam Krawws and Sam Krawws sild a littel wath the fat man still awn him, and then her oiled awf and Sam Krawws got up and ran back to ware the rest of us was awi laffing and yelling to beet the band, and the fat man got up was the doose, saying, You will make yure slides rite awn the public highway ware evrybody can sild awn them, will you, ill show you a thing or to if I get hold of you, you yung menderers. And he stardt to chase us and we ran still laffing so hard enybody but a fat man cood of cawt us.

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Duke. Intermment took place in the old Catholic cemetery.

From his late residence, 223 Duke street, the funeral of A. B. S. Thomson took place yesterday afternoon. Burial services were conducted by Rev. Ralph Sherman, and Intermment took place in Fernhill.

The funeral of C. F. Godfrey took place yesterday afternoon from his late residence, Dunn Avenue, Lancaster Heights. Rev. Dr. J. A. Morrison officiated at burial services. Intermment was in Cedar Hill.

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FUNERALS.

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