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Middleton
Jan. 18th.
Councillor E. W. Gates spent a few days at Annapolis Royal last week. Mrs. Norman Baker spent a few days in Bridge-water quite recently. Miss Elsie Chesley, of Brooklyn, was a guest of Mrs. Dodge last week. Senator Ross is spending a few days at his summer home the Ruthlands. Miss Minnie Elliott of Mt. Hanley was a guest of Mrs. D. E. Dodge, recently. Mr. Lawson's address in the Baptist Church on Friday evening was largely attended. Lt. Arnold Delancy went to Halifax last week to take a course of military instruction. C. L. Reed of Port George, spent a few days in Berwick the guest of his brother, W. A. Reed. Rev. J. A. Huntley, of New York passed through Middleton on Wednesday last, going to Wolfville. L. E. Shaw, of Annapolis Royal was in Middleton on Tuesday last and went to Avonport on Wednesday. Mrs. W. A. Baker is staying with Mrs. Haverstock, Wolfville. Mr. Baker has obtained a position in Halifax. Clifford Coffin of Auburn and Miss Rita Lightner, of Kingston, were guests at the Methodist Parsonage. Councillor Elliott was in Annapolis Royal last week attending the annual meeting of the Municipal Council. Dr. J. W. Brown, of Wolfville, was in town a couple of days last week working in the interests of the N. S. Sunday School Association.

MELVERN SQUARE
Jan. 18th.
Mrs. Amelia Jacques visited friends in Kingston on day last week. Mrs. Wheelock Marshall, of Clarence, is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. Mary W. Gates. Miss Daisy Roach, of Kingston, was the guest of her friend, Miss Thelma McNeil a few days last week. Mrs. Phinney, of Forest Glade, was a visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Phinney during the week. Miss Goldie Chute, of Kings County is spending a few days at the home of Colonel and Mrs. E. F. McNeil. Mrs. Joseph Brown, of Wilnot, is spending a few weeks at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Outhit. Mr. Aubry Lee, of Port George, formerly of this place was a guest at the home of Lt. Col. and Mrs. E. F. McNeil one day lately. On Wednesday evening last, the Young People's Society, of Melvern, gave a literary evening on "An Evening with Sir Walter Scott," at the parsonage, under the leadership of Mrs. Ralph Lantz. Mrs. Effie Copeland, who has been spending the past nine months or so at her home in Melvern, left last week for Boston, where she will spend a few months. We are glad to know that Mrs. Copeland is very much improved in health. Mr. and Mrs. H. W. McNeil entertained a few of their friends very pleasantly on Thursday evening last. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Munro, of Kingston Village, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Power of Kingston Station and Mrs. H. L. Bustin, of Truro being among the guests. The attendance at the Red Cross Society in the Melvern Hall last Friday afternoon was about the largest since the Society was organized, over thirty being present at the meeting. The collection was also very satisfactory. Besides working for the soldiers we are now working for the Belgian Relief Fund and quilts, articles of clothing, etc., are fast nearing completion under the skillful fingers of those interested in the good work. We were pleased to see Mrs. William Margeson, of Wilnot among our number on Friday afternoon.

Optimistic Canadian Outlook
A strong note of confidence prevails in the annual messages of Canada's provincial premiers to the "Monetary Times Annual." The remarkable way in which Canadian trade and industries have weathered the adverse conditions prevailing before the war, but greatly intensified by that calamity, augurs well for the strength and stability of business in the Dominion and its capacity to adjust itself to new conditions. The premier of Ontario predicts that this Province will produce more food this year than ever before. Manitoba has a larger acreage prepared for Spring time than in any former year. Other provinces are making preparations to greatly increase their production of supplies which will be needed both at home and by the countries at war. The premier of Quebec expresses his confidence in the outcome of the war and looks forward to a brighter era than ever of long continued peace and prosperity for Canada. Many of the industries of Quebec are now feeling the beneficial effects of the orders received in Canada for war supplies; and "business as usual" is going on in the shops, mills, mines and on the farms. In British Columbia one of the most significant things is the fact that the immense programme of railway construction is being carried on practically without hindrance. The Maritime Provinces have felt the pinch of hard times less, perhaps, than most sections of the Dominion, though in the great industrial centres there has been a good deal of unemployment through the closing or partial closing of works. But trade conditions have been remarkably good and are likely to continue so. The war has created conditions which offer special opportunities for Canadian enterprise. One of the most important of these is the demand, sure to be made next Summer, for all kinds of food supplies; and if our farmers are wise they will avail themselves of this means of securing a good profit for themselves while at the same time they render a valuable service to the Empire.

Retrospect
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Home Influence on Boys
Home influence is a strong factor in bringing up a boy for good. This is so, notwithstanding there is often a lack of organization in the home, and notwithstanding the father may be so engrossed in other affairs that he is often remiss in not taking a more active interest in the direct education of the boy. His strong influence, nevertheless, is felt indirectly. The relation between parent and child cannot be lightly transferred to another. The mother's loving care and the father's wise counsel and firm guidance are vital to the proper growth of the boy, especially in his formative years. Nothing else will do quite as well. No school, no institution can quite take their place.—New York Post.

The Saskatchewan Government has received a communication from the war office, expressing thanks for the donation of over 1,000 high class horses to the British Empire as a war gift. The Government is informed that no more welcome gift could have been made, as horses are greatly in demand for war purposes.
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Webster's Thanksgiving
For all the happiness of life, which has been so far exceedingly happy, I desire to render the most devout thanks to Almighty God, I thank Him for existence; for the pleasure and glory of rational being; for an immortal nature, and for all the gratifications, the joys and the means of improvement which have blessed my earthly life; for the time and the country in which I have lived; and for those objects of love and affection whose being has been entwined with my own.—From Daniel Webster's Notebook.
The son of the Premier of France was killed in the war and his parents have received official confirmation that he met his death on Aug. 22nd.

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JEAN
A Tale That Will Never Die
A new name has been written in the book of heroes. The name is Jean Berger, and this is the story of how it was written in letters that will not fade away.
Jean belongs to an old Alsatian family. After the war against Prussia his grandfather refused to submit to the rule of the conquerors, and left to settle in Normandy. He passed his hatred of Prussian rule on to his son, who passed it on to the four grandchildren.
When the war broke out, Jean joined the 2nd Regiment of Infantry. He went through the battle of the Marne, and formed one of the stupendous line drawn up to face the Germans. It was during one of the fights on the River Aisne that the colonel leading the gallant 2nd, was shot down. Machine guns were raking the trenches; showers of bullets were falling everywhere; but Jean rushed out of his shelter to carry the colonel to safety. Through a rain of leaden death he passed scatheless, reached his colonel and carried him away.
As he was performing this glorious act he passed an officer of the Grenadier Guards wounded in the leg, who called for water.
"All right," cried Jean; "I'll be back in a minute or two."
He put the colonel in the shelter of a trench, and again went out.
Reaching the English officer, Jean held up the flask to the wounded man's lips, but before he could drink, a bullet struck the young Frenchman in the hand, carrying away three fingers, and the flask fell to the ground. Quickly, as though the flask had merely slipped out of one hand by accident, Jean picked it up with the other, and the English officer drank.
While he was doing so, a bullet drilled Jean through the side. Yet he managed to take off his knapsack, and discovered some food, which he gave to his English comrade.
"But what about you?" asked the officer.
"Oh," replied Jean, "it's not long since I had a good meal."
As the Guardsman was eating, he and Jean discovered that near them was a wounded German soldier, crying out for food and drink. The

Englishman managed to roll himself along to where the German soldier lay, but found he was too weak to give the poor fellow anything. So he shouted to Jean, and, though movement could only be at the cost of great pain, the young Frenchman managed to reach the place, and together they succoured the dying German. One held him up while the other poured wine between his lips.
Then human nature could stand no more, and all three fell, exhausted, in a heap. All through the long night, a night continuously broken by the roar of cannon, death watch- ed over that strange sleeping-place of the three comrades of the warring nations.
In the morning shells bursting near them aroused the English officer and the French soldier. Their German neighbor was dead, and for a long time they could only wonder how the day of battle was going. When the forenoon was well advanced, they saw Germans advancing. Jean, who can speak German, shouted, out, "We are thirsty; please give us something to drink." He was heard by an officer of Uhlans, who rode up, and, covering them with his revolver, asked what was the matter.
"We are thirsty," replied Jean.
The German looked at the little group. He saw his countryman dead with an empty flask beside him, and guessed what was the scene of comradeship and bravery which that spot had witnessed. He gave instructions to an orderly, and wine was brought and given to the wounded men.
Just then the cannonade burst forth again, and the German force had to retire. Shells were soon bursting all around, and fragments struck the English officer. He became delirious with pain, and the young Frenchman, stiff, feverish, and weak himself, saw that it was necessary to take the officer to a place where he would be safe and would receive attention.
Jean tried to lift the Englishman, but found he had not strength to take his comrade on his shoulder. So, half lifting him, and dragging and rolling him, as at times, the gallant Jean brought the wounded officer nearer and nearer to safety. The journey was a few miles long, but at last it was over. The two men had both just enough strength left to shake hands and say good-bye.
"If I live through this," said the officer of the Guards, "I shall do my best to get you the Victoria Cross."
"God bless you, my comrade," said the Guardsman, his consciousness returning.
Jean was carried into a hospital at Antwerp and he knew no more. But we shall look out for Jean Berger when the V. C.'s are ready.—The Little Paper.

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