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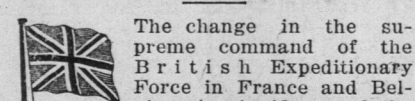
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## Evening Telegram

W. J. HERDEF . . . . . Proprietor  
W. F. LLOYD . . . . . Editor

THURSDAY, December 16, 1915.

## Changes in High Command



The change in the supreme command of the British Expeditionary Force in France and Belgium is significant of the times. The notion that the recall of Field Marshal French from the Western front, savours of disrating or in any measure implies disgrace is discounted by the circumstances of the case. The change is accompanied not with marks of disfavor, but with the imposition of a signal mark of the King's favor, and a most unusual one at that. This will be seen by reference to the careers of the three most distinguished soldiers of the last thirty or forty years. Lord Wolsey, Lord Roberts and Lord Kitchener received their first step in the Peerage for distinguished military service by being made Barons. Later Baron Wolsey was made a Viscount. Lord Roberts was afterwards made a Viscount and then an Earl. The same series of honors have been conferred on Lord Kitchener. From this it will be seen that Field Marshal French has received two steps in the Peerage at once, by being made a Viscount. Moreover, although Viscount French is removed from the incessant strain which has been his during the past sixteen months, he has not been retired. He is transferred to another command, and that command the highest in the British Empire. A similar course has been followed in Britain and France. In both countries, the office of Commander-in-Chief at home has been revived. A few weeks ago Gen. Joffre was made Commander-in-Chief of all French forces, except those in Africa. Now Viscount French has been made Field Marshal Commander-in-Chief of the home forces. This is virtually a revival of the old office of Commander-in-Chief, such as was held by Lord Wolsey, Lord Roberts and the Duke of Connaught. His Royal Highness we believe was the last occupant of the office, previous to its abolition. The abolition took place under circumstances much different than those which exist at present. Then there was but a small army, and a War Council took its place. Now there is work enough for the War Council, and for the unifying of the home forces under one command. With the great number of recruits, battalions, brigades, divisions and army corps now in training at home, and with the great accession in numbers as a result of the Derby recruiting campaign, there is ample room for a commander-in-chief of the vast experience of Field Marshal French to take charge of them. His experience of the past sixteen months at the front against the Germans will be invaluable in organizing these units, large and small, and in seeing they are trained and equipped in the manner which will fit them best for the task before them. The new command will be a change to Viscount French, and in that change he may get rest from the rack and strain of his previous command, and he is peculiarly fitted, no soldier more so, for the task which has been imposed on him. General Haig, his successor on the West-

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THE RIGHT HOUSE.

will announce in this paper on Wednesday the clearing out entirely from his large stock of Dry Goods some seven or eight thousand dollars' worth of certain lines of goods. Look out for the bargains! He promises a veritable feast.

**J. M. Devine,**  
THE RIGHT HOUSE,  
Corner Water & Adelaide Streets.

## For Cot Fund.



Misses Ida Fanning, Stella Ryan and Mollie Flynn held a Rug Sale and realized the nice sum of \$11.20, which has been handed over to the Treasurer, for the Cot Fund.

## Ecclesiastical Appointments.

The following appointments and changes have been made by His Grace the Archbishop of St. John's:—

The Rev. J. J. McDermott, B.A., Administrator of the Cathedral Parish, has been appointed Vicar-General of the Archdiocese.  
Rev. H. T. Renouf, P.P., Trepassey, has been appointed Pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Riverhead.  
Rev. J. F. Pippy who has been acting Pastor of St. Patrick's for some time past will be entrusted by the Archbishop with the work of organizing the new central parish in St. John's and will be its first Pastor.  
For the present Father Pippy remains attached to St. Patrick's.  
Rev. W. O'Flaherty, P.P., Salmonier, has been transferred to Trepassey in succession to Father Renouf.  
Rev. J. J. Rawlins, Cape Broyle, succeeds Father O'Flaherty as Pastor of Salmonier.

## Police Court.

(Before Mr. Hutchings, J.P.)  
A 22-year-old housewife, who was arrested under warrant last night, was charged with obtaining money under false pretences. She received a cheque which belonged to another woman, for \$2.50 and cashed it. She pleaded guilty to the charge, but in view of her being the wife of a volunteer, who is at the front, and having made good the amount, Judge Hutchings suspended sentence.  
A fisherman of Green Bay, charged with stealing \$20, belonging to another man of the same place, was discharged, as there was no evidence to prove his guilt.  
A vagrant was sent down for 10 days.  
A drunk was fined \$1 or 3 days and another was discharged.

## Christian Brothers Collection.

ADDITIONAL SUBSCRIPTIONS.  
\$5.00 each—Rev. Father Enright, Fermeuse; Mr. W. B. Fitzgerald, Halifax; Mr. W. Parsons, St. John's; Master W. Chisholm, Mannuels.  
\$2.00 each—A Friend, Witless Bay; Master Matthew Murphy.

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## The Nfld. Quarterly

CHRISTMAS NUMBER.

Established 1901—59th Edition.—The only general Magazine published in the island, will be issued on Saturday, Dec. 18, and will be for sale at all the Bookstores and Agents in the outports, at 10 cents per copy.  
CONTENTS:—Front cover, "Newfoundland Aeroplane, No. 1," "Officers of Nfld. Regiment at the Sphinx, Egypt," photo; "Major Cluny Macpherson, M.D., C.M., J.P.," with photo; "Major Leonard C. Outerbridge," with photo; "New Lieutenants—Nfld. Regiment," with photo and notes—Lieuts. J. J. O'Grady, Frank Knight, Stephen Norris, Hector Ross, Cliff Rendell, Robin Stick, Ernest Churchill, Bruce Reid; "Capt. Wighton, Killed in Action," with photo of platoon No. 2, A Company; "Sergt. Michael J. Murphy," with photo; "The Romance of the Law Courts—Political and Social," by Rt. Hon. Sir Edward Morris, P.C.; "Snapping Squad, Nfld. Regt."—photo; "Buglers and Drummers"—photo; "Comforts for the Front," W.P.A.; photo; "Late Private Michael John Blyde," with photo; "In Memory of Private Blyde,"—Poem by Dan Carroll; "Leander Green, D.S.M.," with photo; "The Companionship of Books," by Dr. Arthur Selwyn-Brown; "Hauling a Cod-Trap"—photo; "Our Naval Reserves—Scandinavian's Contingent,"—photo; "Newfoundland's Roll of Honour"; "To His Grace Archbishop Roche on the Investiture of the Pallium"—poem by Dan Carroll; "Lieut. Howard Reid goes to the Dardanelles," with photo; "Christmas, 1915," and "The Rainbow"—poems by Rose M. Greene; "A Last Request," by Virgil; "A Christmas Carol," by J. G. Holland; "The Wreck"—story by Guy de Maupassant; "Nursing in Newfoundland"—(illustrated)—by Miss Southcott, Supt. of Nurses, General Hospital; "The Sons of Britain"—poem by Rev. Frank Hope Scott; "A Christmas Carmen"—poem by J. C. Whittier; "Our Sealing Steamers purchased by the Russian Government"—Beothic, Adventure and Bellaventure—photos; "Ireland and the War," by John L. Slatery; "Romance in the Twentieth Century," (in verse), by Robert Gear MacDonald; "Late Trooper Albert Piercey" with photo; "The Christ of the Passion Play Dead"—with photo; "History of Some of the Scottish Clans," No. 3—by Arch. G. Gibb; "At Close Quarters with a Whale," by J. F. Downey; "The Runaway Rock," by H. F. Shortis; "The Child Angel," by Chas. Lamb; "The Death of Riguan," by Dr. Arthur Selwyn-Brown; "The Brave"—poem; "The Dead"—poem by David Merton.  
52 pages, 40 up-to-date photo engravings. BOYS' WANTED Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.  
JOHN J. EVANS,  
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## Portia Reports Poor Herring Fishery.

Fire at Corner Brook, House and Contents Burnt to the Ground.

The S. S. Portia, Capt. J. Kean, arrived back from Bonne Bay and intermediate ports last evening. Adverse winds and dense fog were experienced during the trip. She brought the largest freight for the season, being filled on deck and below. Most of the freight is herring to be transhipped abroad. The following passengers came in saloon:—Messrs. M. Duggan, M. Dooley, F. P. Fogarty and 20 second class.

## DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.

When the Portia was at Curling, a destructive fire raged at Corner Brook, Bay of Islands. The outbreak occurred in the middle of the night in the house of Martin Power. The blaze spread such headway that it was impossible to check it and in a short time the building, together with its contents, were razed to the ground. Mrs. Power and her children barely escaped with their lives. Mr. Power carried no insurance and the loss to him is great.

## HERRING FISHERY.

We learn from passengers who came on the Portia from the searoom that the West Coast herring fishery on the whole is far behind expectations to date. At Bay of Islands the voyage is practically a blank. However, operations are being carried on with success at Bonne Bay and the vessels, which were unable to get cargoes at Bay of Islands went to Bonne Bay. At the latter place the fishermen hope to reap a rich harvest as there is much competition among the different buyers and from \$2.25 to \$3.50 per barrel is being paid for the herring, the highest on record.

## Rose of Sharon Lodge.

At the annual meeting of Rose of Sharon Lodge, L. O. A., Royal Black Preceptory, held on Monday night last, the following officers for the ensuing years were elected as follows:—

W. Preceptor—Sir Knight J. C. Puddister, re-elected.  
Deputy W. P.—Sir Knight N. Andrews, re-elected.  
Chaplain—Sir Knight W. R. Stirling, elected.  
Registrar—Sir Knight R. J. Ivany, re-elected.  
Treasurer—Sir Knight John Badcock, re-elected.  
1st Lecturer—Sir Knight John Norman, elected.  
2nd Lecturer—Sir Knight Thomas Noseworthy, elected.  
1st Censor—Sir Knight J. B. Giles, elected.  
2nd Censor—Sir Knight George Langmead, elected.  
1st Standard Bearer—Sir Knight L. J. White, elected.  
2nd Standard Bearer—Sir Knight Chas. Moores, elected.  
Pursuivant—Sir Knight James Cook, re-elected.  
Tyler—Sir Knight Thomas Adams, re-elected.  
Committee—Sir Knights Stephen Williams, George Reid, and Froud, Samuel Haines, John Snelgrove, Ortestes Spencer, Norman Heater.

## At St. Thomas's.

St. Thomas's Bible Class meets this evening at Canon Wood Hall when Rev. Dr. Jones will give an address on "The teaching of Jesus concerning the family (1.) Marriage." The adjourned meeting of the Llewellyn Club will then take place. The Committee appointed to draft a constitution will submit their report.

## Dudley Lodge S.O.E.B.S.

The annual meeting of Dudley Lodge, S. O. E. B. S., was held in Victoria Hall, on Tuesday night last when the officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:—

Past Pres.—W. P. Butler.  
Pres.—W. Quick.  
Vice-Pres.—S. Merrills.  
Chaplain—J. Hemmeon.  
Rec. Secretary—C. Udle.  
Treasurer—G. Hutchings.  
Fin. Secretary—W. Clarke.  
Surgeon—Dr. Anderson.  
1st Guide—R. Pike.  
2nd Guide—C. Puddister.  
3rd Guide—S. Taylor.  
4th Guide—J. Bishop.  
5th Guide—R. Dowden.  
6th Guide—E. Ebsary.  
Inner Guard—M. Spurrell.  
Outer Guard—W. Thistle.  
Auditors—Bros. J. L. Noonan, T. Pope, Croucher.  
Trustees—Past. Pres. S. G. Collier, W. H. Goodland, J. McCoubrey.  
The Recording Secretary, Bros. C. W. Udle, was chosen as delegate to attend the Grand Lodge session at its next sitting in Canada.

HERRING CARGO.—The schooner Gladys Smith left Bonne Bay yesterday for Gloucester taking 1,423 barrels of herring for the W. C. Smith Co.

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—FOR—  
**SATISFACTION**

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<b>STAMPED LINENS.</b> Pillow Slips . . . 35c. each Child's Linen Dresses, 40c. each Ladies' Nightgowns, 80c. each Readymade Kimono Gown with 3 Slips, emb. floss.	<b>MANICURE SETS,</b> 40c. to \$2.40.  <b>BRUSH, COMB AND MIRROR SETS,</b> \$1.60. Black Ebony, silver plate on back for initials.	<b>CHILD'S BATH ROBES,</b> 75c. each. Shades of Pink and Sky; fit 1 to 3 years.
<b>LADIES' KIMONOS,</b> \$1.50 to \$3.50. Mauve, Pink, Saxe and Helio.	<b>LEATHER COLLAR POUCHES,</b> \$1.60.	<b>HYGIENIC SLEEPING SUITS,</b> 70c. and 75c. Fit 2 to 4 years.
<b>LADIES' HAND BAGS,</b> \$1.30 to \$2.20. See the Automatic looking Bag, absolutely the newest and safest.	<b>WORK BASKETS,</b> \$1.55 to \$4.80.	<b>BOYS' SNOW SUITS,</b> \$2.45. Sweater Coat, Overpants & Cap; all shades.
<b>PAPER &amp; ENVELOPES,</b> 15c. to 90c. box, in Holly boxes, suitable for odds and ends when empty.	<b>DOLLS' COLLAPSIBLE PRAMS,</b> \$3.00 each.	<b>TOYS! TOYS!!</b> Impossible to mention here; must be seen to be appreciated.
<b>PERFUMED HEADS,</b> only 45 and 60c. each.	<b>BOXES OF LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS,</b> 12c. to 85c. Some embroidered on Irish Linen.	<b>BRADLEY'S DRAWING SETS,</b> \$1.50. With this the ingenious boy may develop his ability for draughting.

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## W. M. S. Sale.

The sale held at the Presbyterian Hall yesterday afternoon by the W. M. S. of St. Andrew's was largely attended and proved highly successful. The cake and candy stalls, presided over by Mesdames D. Baird, T. McNeil and B. Holloway were well patronized as were also the tea tables presided over by the members of the Young Ladies' Guild.

After tea an enjoyable concert was given under the direction of Mr. F. J. King, the performers being Mrs. King, Misses Strang, Mitchell, Johnson and Curtis, Messrs. King, McIntosh, Fox, Young, Kerr, Herchell and Hirst. After the concert a bean supper, arranged by Mrs. W. F. Butler and Mrs. J. C. Clouston was held and was largely attended. To Mrs. D. Baird, under whose management the sale was held, Mrs. McKean, the Secretary, the Young Ladies' Guild, Mr. F. J. King and all the others who assisted much congratulation is due on the success of the affair. The proceeds, we understand, were quite up to expectations.

## Hr. Grace Notes.

Mr. John T. McRae left last week for Sydney on business. He will probably endeavor to secure some coal vessels to bring that very necessary article here. May he succeed.

Mr. Charles Edmonds passed away on Sunday last after several months illness. He was in his 81st year. The funeral took place yesterday.

Another of our old citizens, who had passed the four score years entered into rest on Monday in the person of Mrs. Mary Snow, widow of the late Robert Snow. Mrs. Snow leaves one daughter—Mrs. S. Bray, and one son Mr. Thomas Snow, with whom she resided. Another daughter, Mrs. Giles Courage, passed away at Seattle, only a few weeks ago. Much sympathy is felt for the family in this double bereavement.

Mr. R. T. Parsons has his store prettily decorated for Christmas.

A very enjoyable missionary meeting took place in St. Paul's Hall on Monday evening. The speakers were Revs. Caldwell and Higgit, and Mr. H. Y. Mott. A large number of citizens were present and all enjoyed the meeting.

The ladies of the Methodist Church, Southside, held a tea and sale in their school hall last night which was well patronized.

—COR.

Hr. Grace, Dec. 15, 1915.

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