GREAT MEETING OF LABOR-LIBERALS ON FRIDAY EVENING TO CLINCH THE VICTORY

Labor Representative Will Be Here With Punch.

SUPPORTING G. S. GIBBONS

Men of International Reputation Will Give Forcible Addresses.

Mighty, victory-winning blows for Labor-Liberalism will be struck in the grand public mass meeting to be held in the Masonic Temple on Friday evening, December 14th, at 8 o'clock, under the auspices of the London Trades and Labor Council, on behalf of the Labor-Liberal candidate, George S. Gibbons.

With each public meeting in the interests of the Labor-Liberal candidate enthusiasm has increased until it reached tidal wave proportions at the women's mass meeting on Tuesday evening.

Of Great Importance.

Notwithstanding this fact the meeting of Friday evening has been advertised as "the meeting with the punch" owing to the fact that it is anticipated it will be the most striking and far-reaching in its results of any of the series of campaign meetings which have been held.

There will be revelations made and information given out of vital interest to every elector in London. His Worship Mayor Stevenson will be the chairman, and the speakers secured are men who have received international recognition for their sterling ability.

Fine Speakers.

Thomas Moore, general organizer of the Carpenters and Joiners of America, is one of the men who has appeared on practically every deputation of labor to the Government or to Government officials. He was chairman of the pensions committee at the last Trades and Labor Congress, recently held in Ottawa, which brought in the recommendation for equal pensions for soldiers regardless of rank.

John Kennedy spoke at the Gibbons' meeting on December 7th, and it is safe to say that everyone who heard him then is eager to do so again. While he is Canadian organizer of Sheet Metal Workers, his efficiency in this capacity attracted to him the attention of labor on the other side of the line, with the result that he was called to take up similar work in the United States, a tribute not only to this Canadian citizen, but to Canada as well. Both of these men are widely known as forcible, logical speakers, men thoroughly informed in regard to public questions, and particularly as these affect labor. Mr. Gibbons and others will also speak.

It is anticipated that this meeting will be the sensation of the whole campaign.

MACHINE GUN CORPS TO BE ESTABLISHED

Men From Infantry Regiments Here May Join.

A Machine Gun Corps is to be established at Toronto, and recruits for this new unit, the first of its kind to be organized in Canada for some time, are to be obtained from the infantry depots throughout Canada. Authority has been granted for the establishment of the corps, and the first draft of men from the infantry depots will be required to report to the officer commanding the Machine Gun Corps, at Exhibition Camp, Toronto, not later than January 7, 1918.

Thirty men are to be sent as the first draft, and they will be chosen in this district from the ranks of the 1st Depot Battalion, W. O. Regiment, at Queen's Park. In making selection of men for this unit, the following instructions will be adhered to by the officers commanding:

(a) General Physique.—The all-round standard required for a machine gunner is far higher than that necessary for an infantry soldier. He must be well developed and sufficiently strongly built to enable him to work with, and carry, a machine gun or similar weight under adverse conditions, and, if necessary, to double or crawl with it. He must have no physical defects which would be likely to interfere with his work.

(b) Age—Not less than 19 years, and not over 35 years. The best age for a machine gunner is about 25 years.

(c) Height—Not less than five feet three inches, except in very exceptional cases.

(d) Chest Measurement—The range of expansion should not be less than 3½ inches, but three inches is sufficient in the case of untrained recruits.

Soldiers transferred to the Machine Gun Corps and who may not prove fit or satisfactory, will be transferred to some other C.E.F. unit.

SPAIN PREPARES SHARP PROTEST OVER SINKING

Madrid, Wednesday, Dec. 12.—Premier Alhucemas announced today that the Spanish Government was preparing an energetic protest to Germany regarding the bombardment of the Spanish steamer Claudio by a German submarine.

The Spanish steamship Claudio, Premier Alhucemas announced today, was attacked by a German submarine, which fired upon the steamer, killing eight sailors and wounding others. The Claudio was able to make port under her own steam.

SEVERAL HAIG SHELTERS TAKEN BY THE ENEMY

Berlin, Dec. 13.—Via London.—Several British shelters and 90 prisoners were taken by German troops yesterday on the Cambrai front east of Bullecourt, army headquarters announced today. The artillery firing increased this morning, the statement adds, between Moeuvres and Vendheuille, on the same front.

TWO STRAW COMPANIES LOSE PLANTS BY FIRE

St. John, Que., Dec. 13.—Fire breaking out in the engine-room of the Excelsior Straw Company this morning entailed an estimated loss of $125,000 partly covered by insurance. The plant of the St. John's Straw Company, owned by the Canadian Bank of Commerce, was destroyed with a loss of $40,000, in addition to the plant of the Excelsior Straw Company. A moving picture theatre and three or four houses at the corner of Richelieu and St. Charles streets were also destroyed.

ST. JOHN CHURCH AFIRE.

St. John, Dec. 13.—St. David's Presbyterian Church is afire. A third alarm has been turned in.

Toronto, Dec. 13.—St. David's Church is a brick building with a seating capacity of about 900, situated on Sydney street in the heart of the rebuilt residence district, and was erected about 40 years ago, after that section had been fire swept.

Former pastor, Rev. George Bruce, of Toronto on November 25.

Present incumbent is Rev. Mr.

LOCAL NEWS

BANK CLEARINGS DROP.—Bank clearings the last week, locally, compared with the corresponding week of last year, show a decrease of $126,371. The figures are: This year, $2,222,243; last year, $2,348,614.

WANT NEW ORGAN.—A campaign is in progress among the members of the congregation of Talbot Street Baptist Church to raise money to install a new organ and change the choir gallery. The present organ was installed some fifteen or twenty years ago.

SURPRISE PARTY.—A pleasant social evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Phillip, 91 Smith street, on Tuesday night, when friends paid them a surprise visit. Dancing and euchre provided a most enjoyable entertainment.

TO SELECT JURORS.—The selection of grand and petit jurors for the January assizes will be held at the courthouse on Saturday. The board of selectors will consist of Judge Judd, Crown Attorney McKillop, High Constable B. F. Watterworth and Squire Chittick.

GIVING UP ALL PROFITS.—All profits accruing to the Musical Art Society from the concert to be given tomorrow night under its auspices in the Grand Opera House by the Russian Symphony Orchestra will be devoted to the Halifax relief fund. The announcement was made by A. D. Jordan, director of the society this afternoon.

G. W. V. A. TAG DAY.—Saturday will be "tag day" for the Great War Veterans' Association in aid of the Christmas tree which it is preparing for the soldiers' children of the city. Members of the association will be on the downtown streets all day and will be assisted in the sale of the tags by members of the C. E. F. Returned Chapter of the I. O. D. E.

RECEPTION POSTPONED.—The reception which was to have been tendered to the returned soldiers and their wives tonight in the Y. M. C. A. by the "Y" has been postponed or a week, when the large newly-furnished room for the exclusive use of returned men will be formally opened. Membership tickets admitting the men to the full privileges of the institution will be given to all returned men present at the reception next Thursday evening at 8 o'clock.

BANQUET AT Y. W. C. A.—Last evening at 6:30 o'clock, the Excelsior Club of the Y. W. C. A. tendered a banquet in the club rooms to two of the popular members, brides-to-be, Miss M. Comber, president for last year, and Miss M. Chivas. Hearts, cupids, arrows of white ribbon formed the effective decoration of the rooms, while two bride dolls, cleverly contrived by dressing up useful whisk brooms, decked the table. A program of toasts evoked a number of bright and witty speeches.

MOTHERS' CLUB MEETS.—The regular monthly meeting of the Wortley Road School Mothers' Club was held in the kindergarten Tuesday evening with a large attendance. A musical program was rendered by Gerald Stanley and Harry Milligan. R. E. G. Davis of the Y. M. C. A. gave an interesting talk on boy life. Refreshments were served, and the meeting closed by singing "God Save the King." The club is sending $5 a month to a prisoner in Germany, and has given $5 for Halifax relief.

FAILED TO ANSWER SUMMONS.—George Alexander, teamster, 516 Piccadilly street, failed to appear in police court today when his name was called. He was charged with a breach of section 41 of the Ontario Temperance Act, which provides, in case of conviction, a penalty of not less than $200 and costs or three months in jail. He was telephoned, but failed to arrive after some time. J. B. McKillop, representing Inspector J. E. Keeneyside, asked for a warrant for Alexander's arrest.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS

DEATH OF MRS. GORDIER.

Mrs. Eliza Gordier, aged 60, of 388 Waterloo street, died at Victoria Hospital yesterday. Her husband, Sidney M. Gordier, died last February. Mrs. Gordier leaves three sisters, Mrs. Wickey, Mrs. Renaud and Mrs. Mulloy, and one brother, Eugene Louis, all of Detroit.

DEATH OF A. S. SIMMONS.

Albert Stapleton Simmons, aged 73, for 47 years a resident of London, died at his residence, 465 Charlotte street, Tuesday night. Mr. Simmons was born in Devonshire, England, in 1865, and came to Canada at the age of five years.

For years he has been a member of the trustee board of the Centennial Church of this city, in addition to being in charge of the primary class for 40 years.

Mr. Simmons was a member of the British Lion, Sons of England Lodge, the A. O. F., A., F. and A. M., O. E. F., A. O. C. F., and I. O. O. F. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Louise Simmons, four sons and two daughters, Joseph of New Liskeard, Fred of this city, Robert and Ernest of France, Mrs. F. Karn of Beachville and Mrs. T. Brierley of California. Joseph Simmons of Queen's avenue is a brother.

The funeral will be held Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock from the Centennial Methodist Church.

CABLES ANNOUNCING THE DEATH OF HIS WIFE DID NOT REACH PTE. YOUNG

Is Trying to Arrange to Return Home Immediately.

Pte. Fred Young 18th Battalion, who has been convalescing in England, received word of the death of his wife only ten days ago, although cables were sent immediately after November 6, when her death occurred.

Pte. Young's letter regarding the receipt of the sad news came to his son today. It was a shock to the latter to learn that the cables had not reached his father.

Pte. Young, at the time of writing, was endeavoring to make immediate arrangements to come home. He endeavored to come home before when his wife was seriously ill, but red tape appears to have prevented him from reaching her bedside.

HALIFAX DEATH LIST

Halifax, Dec. 12.—The identified dead today were:

Miss Margaret Hyland, Newton Harvey, Gerland M. Doody, Robert Neary, Hawson, David Howe, Mildred M. Howe, Mrs. Mildred Howe, Lieut. Harold C. Balcom, Clem Fraser.

Lists of bodies at Chebucto, morgue, whose effects indicate identification follow:

Jos. Hollan, Jos. Weir, Pte. G. Keeble, B. F. Day, Frances Burmess, David Odd, Mrs. Osborne Wallace, P. J. Collins, John Hartey, Ira Hubley, Mrs. Annie Thout, Pte. A. Ruscoe, John Guess, Mary H. Guess (Mrs. John), Helena Guess Shea (Mrs. Vincent), Mrs. C. Matteo, Charles Short, Miss Margaret Keddy, Percy Duggan, Mrs. Mary Ann Duggan, Miss Eileen Duggan, Burton McPhee, Edward Foran, William Henneberry, Fred Bailey, Mrs. Nora Bates, James Robinson, Pontleon Lemieux, Alfred Lovett, Hugh Hendry, John Whalen, Norman W. Andrews, Wm. Marshall, Alfred S. Cole, Miss Irene Deakins, Mrs. Annie Marshall, Cyril R. Gann, Miss Elizabeth Brodie, John Royane, Charles Vaughan, Francis Wilson, Mrs. Bunderwood, Walter Pirie, Sadie Pirie, Minnie E. Sartlin, Mrs. Isabel Maldrie, Alexander Bond, Jos. Hinch, Pius Walsh, Wm. Finch, Fred Cossman, Mrs. Esther Roan, Thomas Dilman.

SERGT. JOSEPH MARTIN PRESUMED TO BE DEAD

Word has been received that Sergt. Joseph Martin of this city is, for official purposes, presumed to be dead.

Sergt. Martin went overseas with the second draft of the 33rd Battalion, and had been in the trenches for one year before being reported as missing.

NEARLY $20,000 SUBSCRIBED TO HALIFAX RELIEF IN FIRST HALF OF ONE-DAY CAMPAIGN

Families Give Up All Surplus Clothing and One Man Is Said To Have Taken Off Overcoat and Handed It In To Be Sent to the East.

The citizens of London are nobly responding to the call for relief from their fellow-citizens of Halifax. Cash and clothes of all descriptions have been pouring into relief headquarters on Dundas street today, and it is expected that by tomorrow night another car will be ready or shipment.

J. J. Foote, chairman of the teams committee, stated this afternoon that cash contributions up till 2:30 o'clock had reached over $19,000, with a number of canvassers yet to report. The men state that every citizen yet approached dug down into his jeans and came up smiling with all, and in some cases more, than could be spared. It is expected that the objective of $25,000 will be reached and passed.

Mrs. A. T. Edwards, who is working overtime in order that the car with supplies may go out on time Saturday, stated that one family she knew of had given absolutely all the clothes they had except what they were wearing, while another story was told of a man who came in, took off his overcoat and left it with the remark that he guessed someone in Halifax needed it worse than he did.

People Doing Well.

"The people have done wonderfully well," said Mrs. Edwards. "We are more than thankful for their generosity and co-operation. However, we can stand lots more, and would like all contributions of clothing in as early as possible tomorrow. We would also like some more shoes."

Mr. Foote announced that over 130 men were out soliciting subscriptions, and that a Victory Loan team was taking the place of the Canadian Club aggregation, J. L. Graham, the city organizer of the Victory Loan, is on the job and his team of Victory workers will be among those present at the top when the total is reached.

It was announced at Wednesday's meeting of the Women's Music Club that all the day's receipts, after expenses had been deducted, would be donated to the Halifax relief fund.

The list of subscriptions to date is:

Sir George Gibbons, $1,000; C. S. Hyman, $1,000; Robinson & Little, $1,000; George Robinson, $500; D. H. Howden, $500; McClary Manufacturing Company, $800; Smallman & Ingram, $500; McMahen & Granger, $600; Empire Brass, $250; R. C. Struthers, $400; C. R. Somerville, $200; Dr. MacGregor, $50; city council, $2,000; A. M. Smart, $100; London Shoe, $200; E. Leonard & Sons, $500; McCormick Manufacturing Company, $500; W. E. Robinson, $50; Sterling Bros., $200; Reid Bros. & Co., $200; Huron & Erie, $1,000; London Free Press, $200; London Western Trusts, $250; A. M. Smith & Co., $500; D. S. Perrin & Co., $250; Purdom & Purdom, $100; John Pringle, $50; W. M. Spencer, $100; London Rolling Mills, $500; Advertiser, $100; Returned Soldiers, $100; London Loan, $100; Greene-Swift, $200; V. Cronyn, $100; T. G. Meredith, $50; Huron & Erie and Canada Trust, $200; Graydon & Graydon, $25; George White & Sons, $300; London and Petrolea Barrel Company, $100; Lieut.-Col. W. G. Coles, $25; Mr. and Mrs. George G. Gunn, $25; Lawson & Jones, $200. Total, $15,125. Gray's, Limited, goods; T. F. Kingsmill, goods; Brickenden & McCrimmon, goods; Daly Tea Company, goods, $110; Murray Shoe Company, $200; A. E. Silverwood, $100; employees of A. E. Silverwood, $75; Gorman, Eckert Company, $200; Geo. Belton, $50; D. H. and J. K. McDiarmid, $250, Scott-Chamberlain, $100; James Wright & Co., $100; Masonic Lodge, No. 209a, $50; London Machine and Manufacturing Company $250; Hunt Bros., $100; Fraser & Moore, $100.

The Districts.

The districts and the teams which will canvass them are:

District No. 1—Team 1—Rotary Club, John Bridge, captain; James Gray, Peter Glen, J. Greenberg, Alex Purdom, Victor Blackwell, J. W. Westervelt, J. K. McIntosh, Bert Wilcox, R. J. Watson, W. Gammage, Thos Fawkes, J. E. McConnell.

Team 2—Builders' Exchange, J. C. Nobbs, Thos. Jones, L. H. Martyn, L. A. Ross, Paul Quick, Ben Noble, E. R. Dennis, W. T. Pace.

Team 3—Victory Loan, J. L. Graham, captain; P. Ball, R. J. Harding, E. J. Roberts, J. Fairbairn, P. D. Mitchell, J. C. Beal, F. P. Snow, A. Pollard.

District 2—Team 1, Salvation Army, Brigadier Rawling, captain; Adjutant Martin, Adjutant Ritchie, Ensign Snowden, Ensign Lewis, Capt. Wickey, Capt. Stevens, Lieut. Leight, Lieut. Clarke.

Team 2, Thistle Club, P. B. Fetterly, captain; C. B. Laur, Joseph McGuffin, H. S. Howell, C. S. Smallman, Wm. T. Mortimore, R. W. Youngs, S. L. Taylor, W. McCutcheon.

Team 3, Kiwanis Club, S. Rowed, captain; T. H. Lacey, C. E. Marley, P. A. Bowen, J. A. McLaren, J. J. Dyer, A. O. Ettinger, J. Pollard.

District No. 3—Team 1—Board of Trade: D. H. McDermid, captain; J. Harley Brown, Charles White, George C Gunn, R. E. G. Davis, R. H. Harvey, G. H. Montgomery, A. A. McIntosh, W. G. Murray, Dr. C. E. Morris.

Team 2, Board of Trade—F. G. Mitchell, captain; E. G. Fitzgerald, M. J Abbott, Frank McCormick, A. B. Greer, E. V. Hessian, J. E. McGee, A. D. McLean, E. V. Buchanan, H. H. Kirby.

Team 3, Rotary Club—Ray Lawson, captain; Clarence May, W. J. Underwood, B. G. Prydom, Chester Stevens, Robert Green, Phillip Pocock, J. K. McDermid, E. G. Yeates, W. E. Saunders, Frank Jewell, Bert Beal, J. C. Bremner, Dr. Braithwaite, J. M. Gunn.

District 4—Board of Trade No. 2—W. R. Yendall, captain; B. C. McCann, W. T. Clark, P. M. Wood, E. E. Reid, Charles T. Glass, A. A. Langford, W. G. Murray.

Add Club—T. P. Elliott, captain; Thomas C. Knott, Wm. Morrison, W. L. Gray, F. St. Lawrence, F. Parnell, Ed Hayden, G. L. Spry, M. Feldner, H. B. Muir, M. H. Rolland, F. Evans, W. O'Laughlin, H. Garner, F. Smith, H. Dahn, E. Peters, Dr. Partridge, E. Yuill.

Educational Club—Dr. Braithwaite, captain; C. B. Edwards, G. F. Rogers, H. B. Beal, A. Stevenson, Dr. F. R. Miller, Fred Landon, E. E. Gibbs, C. Brown, W. H. Snelgrove.

JERUSALEM NOW OUT OF FIGHTING ZONE, SAYS HUN MINISTER

Recapture Will Not Be Attempted by Turks, Is Vienna Report.

Amsterdam, Dec. 13.—An indication that the Turks will not attempt to recapture Jerusalem was given by Gen. Stoeger-Steiner, Austro-Hungarian war minister, in replying to a question raised in the army committee of the Austrian delegation as quoted in a dispatch received here today from Vienna. The general said Jerusalem was occupied without fighting, the Turks retreating eastward through the town when their positions to the west were subjected to a surprise attack by the British. Jerusalem suffered no damage, he said, and the Ottoman supreme command has given assurances that wanton damage is out of the question.

Jerusalem will now remain outside the fighting zone, the general said.

BOARD OF CONSULTANTS INSPECTING HOSPITALS

For the purpose of inspecting the hospitals in this district, both military and convalescent, a board of consultants is at present in the city, acting under the instructions of the director-general of medical services at Ottawa.

The board is composed of Cols. I. W. Cameron, Toronto, and J. D. Courtenay, Ottawa, and Lieut.-Cols. D. McGillivray, Toronto; C. L. Starr, Toronto, and Robert Wilson, Montreal.

Wednesday these men completed their inspection of the military hospital at Carling Heights Camp, and today they are at the Central Convalescent Hospital, Ottaway avenue. They have also completed their work at the Guelph and Freeport Convalescent Hospitals, and they will later visit the Byron Convalescent Hospital.

PROVISIONS.

Liverpool, Dec. 13.—Beef—Extra India mess, 360s.

Pork—Prime mess western, 330s.

Hams—Short cut, 137s.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 162s; Wiltshire cut, 152s; clear bellies, 160s; long clear middles, light, 160s; do, heavy, 159s; short clear backs, 157s; shoulders, square, 128s.

Lard—Prime western, in tierces, 133s; American refined, in pails, 136s 3d; do, in boxes, 135s.

OILS.

London, Dec 13.—Tallow—Australian (in London), 72s.

Turpentine Spirits—126s 6d.

Rosin—Common, 60s.

Petroleum—Refined, 1s 6⅝d.

Linseed Oil—61s 6d.

Cottonseed Oil—68s 6d.

War Kerosene—No. 2, 1s 2¾d.

MONEY.

London, Dec. 13.—Money, 3 per cent.

Discount rates—Short bills, 4⅝ per cent; three months, 4¾ per cent.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

London, Dec. 13.—Closing prices today were:

British 5 per cent loan	93⅝
British 4½ per cent loan	99¼
Anaconda Copper	£14 5s
Atchison, com	83½
Baltimore & Ohio	49
Canadian Pacific	159
Chesapeake & Ohio	48
Chicago Great Western	8
Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul	43
De Beers	12⅞
Denver & Rio Grande	9½
Erie, com	22
Erie, 1st pfd	31½
Grand Trnk	8⅞
Louisville & Nashville	112½
Missouri, Kansas & Texas	6¾
Norfolk & Western	102
Reading Railway	69½
Southern Railway	24
Southern Pacific	83
Union Pacific	112½
United States Steel	87

BOYS' PARLIAMENT TO IMPROVE METHOD OF THE BOYS' WORK

New Step Taken to Bring Out Ideas.

A new step in the promotion of boys' work in Ontario has been authorized by the provincial advisory committee, which is arranging the formation of a boys' parliament. The first session will open in the Provincial Parliament Buildings on December 26, and will continue until at least the 29th. Thirty members from all parts of Ontario will represent the boys of the province, who are members of Canadian standard efficiency test groups.

Three candidates are in the field in the London constituency, having been nominated at a meeting held in the Y.M.C.A. building Wednesday night by representatives from more than a score of groups which have been carrying on standard efficiency work in the city. William Beemer, Duncan McLean and Gordon Henderson are the principals in the three-cornered contest. All are popular and wel qualified for the position. For that reason the voting is likely to be close and will be watched with interest by hundreds of boys in the city.

Voting on Monday.

The polling booth will be established at the Y.M.C.A. building and the voting wil lbe done on the same day as the Dominion election is in progress.

Boys eligible to vote are those who have attended at least three meetings of a standard efficiency group to December 15 this year. Indications are that every eligible will cast his ballot and that the polling clerks are likely to be busy from the time the booth opens in the morning at 9 o'clock until it closes at 8 o'clock that night.

When the voting has been concluded and the returns announced speeches will be given by the successful candidate and others interested in the campaign.

Nine other boys will represent Ontario cities. There will be ten representatives for the towns and ten for the country.

To Improve Work.

The parliament plans to improves the methods of boys' work in this province, from the standpoint of the boy. Hitherto, the programs and methods of employing them have been prepared by adults, and it is felt that many new and useful ideas will be brought to light by allowing the boys to take over the work. The parliament wil lalso draft a policy for the soldiers of the soil movement, to aid in greater production during the coming year. Recommendations made by the parliament will be passed on to the national advisory committee for co-operation in boys' work, which is responsible for the promotion of the national course of training for teenage boys throughout Canada.

It will be the duty of the members to bring before the Parliament recommendations for improvements in any or all of the thirty-two sections included or in the general outline and promotion of the course. The committee in a circular to prospective members urges that they specialize on two or three items.

MELLOWES IN TROUBLE.

New York, Dec. 13.—"General" Liam Mellowes, who led a considerable force of men in the Sinn Fein riots in Dublin on Easter Monday, 1916, entered a plea of not guilty to an indictment charging him with having made a false affidavit in order to obtain a seaman's passport when arraigned in federal court here today. Papers found in his possession indicated he intended to return to Ireland to foment further Sinn Fein uprisings, it is alleged.

New York, Dec. 13.—Of those jockeys now riding at New Orleans, there appears to be but little doubt that Frankie Robinson has the whip hand in the matter of getting his mounts down in a forward position, and while for the year up to date he runs second to W. Crump in regard to winning places, Robinson is overhauling Crump at the rate of 3 to 1. Therefore it seems quite likely that before the end of the month the Canadian will assume the lead.

ONLY TWO CARS OF COAL IN TWO DAYS HAVE ARRIVED HERE

Customers Only Allowed Half-Ton at Time.

SOME GO WITHOUT ANY

Snow Likely to Hinder Supplies by Delaying Freight Trains.

Soldiers in the trenches couldn't be looking for relief any more anxiously than the coal dealers and citizens of London, who are still awaitng the arrival of cars filled with "unburned heat."

One car of hard coal arrived in the city Wednesday and another today. The same performance of the past week was gone through with to wit—every customer got just enough coal to do for a week or so, and some could not be supplied at all, although their bins were empty.

The dealers are rigidly adhering to their resolution of not allowing a pound of coal to a citizen who has enough to last him for a week or more.

It is expected that the snowstorm today will do its bit toward delaying shipments of coal here. The passenger trains are running late, and it is safe to say that freight trains are also considerably behind running schedule.

THIRTY-FIVE POLLS TO RECEIVE VOTES OF SOLDIERS HERE

Officers Appointed and Location of Booths Decided.

Thirty-five polls will be required throughout Western Ontario to receive the vote of the soldiers stationed in this district. The deputy presiding officers have been appointed, and are published in orders today, together with the location of the various polls. Those officers on the list who are on duty in the London area will meet the district presiding officer, Capt. J. F. Reid, in the anteroom at Wolseley Barracks at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, December 14, and those officers who are on duty at outside points will be instructed as to their duties by Capt. Reid. Clerks will be detailed by the officers commanding units to assist the deputy presiding officer at each poll in their own units. The Canadian Army Dental Corps poll will move to the Barracks Hospital on completion of the C. A. D. C. vote.

The following is the list of the deputy presiding officers and the location of the polls where the soldiers will vote on December 17:

1st Depot Battalion, W.O.R.—Poll No. 1, Major C. O. Fairbank; poll No. 2, Lieut. G. T. Bartlet; poll No. 3, Lieut. G. A. Gerald; poll No. 4, Lieut. C. F. Stevenson; poll No. 5, Capt. W. H. Robinson; poll No. 6, Capt. R. W. Garrett, all in piano building, Queen's Park.

A. M. C. Training Depot, No. 1—Pol No. 1, Lieut. F. R. Cuddy; poll No. 2, Lieut. D. A. Killen; poll No. 3, Lieut. D. G. McIntosh, all in A.M.C. canteen.

Special Service Company and C.A.V.C.—Poll No. 1, Lieut. H. F. White; poll No. 2, Major D. C. Morton; poll No. 3, Lieut. F. A. Watt, all in King street offices, Queen's Park.

7th Regiment Guard Details—Poll No. 1, Capt. E. K. Shuttleworth; Poll No. 2, Lieut. R. D. Blandford; at Princess Avenue school.

63rd Depot Battery, C. F. A. and Casualty Unit—Poll No. 1 Lieut. G. A. Mogg; Poll No. 2, Lieut. A. W. Crawford; at battery quarters.

Military Police—Poll No. 1, Capt. W. E. Hindson; at London armories.

C. A. D. C.—Poll No. 1, Lieut. W. H. Lewis; at quarters.

C. A. S. C—Poll No 1, Lieut D. W. Fleming; at quarters.

Engineers—Poll No. 1, Lieut. G. T. Kavanagh; at quarters.

Staff and Sub-Staff Ordnance Corps.—Capt. Barclay's Office, Wolseley Barracks, Poll No. 1, Lieut. S. C. Kirkland.

64th Battery at Battery Quarters—Poll No. 1, Capt. J. Menish; Poll No. 2, Lieut. G. O. McConkey.

Barracks Hospital at Hospital—Poll No. 1, Lieut. H. F. Moses.

Military Convalescent Hospital at Hospital—Poll No. 1, Lieut. H. O. Gudgin; Poll No. 2, Capt. J. M. MacGillivray.

Guelph Convalescent Hospital at Hospital—Poll No. 1, Major R. Emmerton; Poll No. 2, Major L. W. Johnston; Poll No. 3, Lieut. D. Bowie; Poll No. 4, Lieut. F. Herman.

Byron Hospital at Hospital—Poll No. 1, Lieut. A. M. Judd.

Freeport Hospital at Hospital,—Poll No. 1, Lieut. J. Frith.

Sarnia, at Armories—Poll No. 1, Major M. D. MacKenzie.

Windsor, at Armories—Poll No. 1, Capt. W. Griesinger.

Isolation Hospital at Hospital—Poll No. 1, Lieut. D. S. Scott.

RITZ ACQUITTED.

Parry Sound, Dec. 13.—Henry Ritz of Restoule, a cousin of Senator Ritz, was acquitted of uttering seditious language by Justice Masten at the assizes last night.

Christmas Bargains

Drugs, Toilet Articles, Perfumes, Kodaks, Candies, Etc.

Anderson & Nelles DRUG STORE

Specials for Friday and Saturday

20c Electric Clothes Cleaner, 9c	15c Corn Salve, 9c	15c Petroleum Vaseline, 9c	15c Menthol Inhalers, 9c	25c Syrup Figs, 14c	25c Laxative Cold Tablets, 14c
25c Aromatic Cascara, 14c	25c Mustard Liniment, 14c	25c Electric Liniment, 14c	Hall's Headache Bandages, 15c	$1.00 Razor Hone, 49c	15c dozen Aspirin Tablets, 9c

SOAP SALE.

10c Cold Cream Soap..... 6c
10c Infants' Delight..... 8c
15c Palmolive 9c
35c Poslam Soap.....28c
25c Harfina Hair Soap....14c
Baby's Own Soap..... 9c
Germicidal Soap 25c
35c English Castile Soap, large bars 25c
20c Snap, Hand Cleaner ..14c

2 Gross
Sani-Flush. Reg. 35c 21c

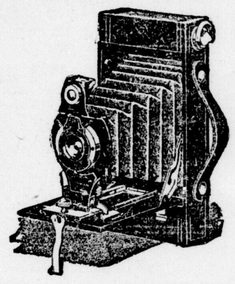
Bargain in Crepe Toilet Paper
(4 cases absorbo)
Special .....3 for 25c

5 Gross
Peroxide of Hydrogen
20c size 11c
40c size 20c
60c size 35c

PATENT MEDICINES

25c Blaud's Pills (100 in bottle) 14c
25c Little Liver Pills 14c
25c Ingram's Complexion Tablets 17c
25c Mentholatum 17c
50c Kardene 33c
50c Crystos Eye Remedy 33c
50c Carriana Compound .33c
75c Therox 50c
75c Citrox 50c
65c Croxone 45c
$1.00 Silmerine 75c
50c Emulsion Cod L. Oil 39c
$1.00 Emulsion Cod L. Oil 79c
$1.00 Sanol Blood Rdy. ..69c
$1.50 Sanol Kidney Rdy. 79c
$1.00 Burdock and Sarsaparilla 69c
$1.00 Syrup Hypophospites 79c
$1.00 Sargol 79c
$1.00 Alcura Drink Cure 79c
50c Gin Pills or Sweet Nitre Pills ....35c, or 3 for $1.00

A NICE CHRISTMAS PRESENT—A KODAK



From the kindergarten days up there's wholesome fun for the children and lasting joy for all the family in the Kodak and Brownie pictures the children make, and Christmas Day with its home pictures is an excellent time to start. Come in and see our stock of Kodaks and Brownies. There's no obligation.

Brownies ....$1.75 to $14.00
Kodaks .....$8.00 up
Photo Albums, all sizes.

CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS

French Ivory Goods, Ebony Brushes, Trays, Manicure Articles, etc.; Roll Up Manicure Sets, Roll Up Brush and Comb Sets, Sponge Bags and Rubber Roll Ups from 25c up
Perfumes .....25c up
Sachet Powders, Fine Soaps, Safety Razors .....$1.00 up
Hot Water Bottle; a 35c flannel cover free with each bottle.
Notice—A small deposit on any Christmas goods will secure them till wanted.

$2.25 gallon Methylated Spirits or Wood Alcohol for your car radiator.

CHRISTMAS CANDY SPECIALS

Chocolate Dates .....39c lb.
Turkish Delight .....25c lb.
Horehound Twist ....25c lb.
Pattercrisp Chocolate 40c lb.
Patterson and Cameron Chocolates, in boxes ....25c to $3.00
Chocolate Bars ....6 for 25c
Chewing Gum .....3 for 10c

OLIVE OIL

Finest quality for taking or for salad dressing, in bottles, from ....15c to $1.50

DR. CHASE'S GOODS At Bargain Prices.

25c Chase's Pills 18c
25c Chase's Linseed and Turps 18c
25c Chase's Catarrh Cure 18c
60c Chase's Ointment 43c
50c Chase's Nerve Food ....35c; 3 for $1.00

Special Sale
BISURATED MAGNESIA or BISURATED MAGNESIA TABLETS
Reg. 75c 43c

HAIR PREPARATIONS

25c Danderine 19c
50c Dandrucide 39c
25c Vaseline Hair Tonic ..19c
75c Am-o-tone Dry Shampoo 29c
50c Cocoanut-Oil Shampoo 21c
50c Peerless Hair Restorer 33c
50c Sage and Sulphur ...33c
50c Persian Hair Restorer 33c
50c Rum and Quinine ...39c
25c Bay Rum 19c
Dr. Tremaine's Hair Restorer $1.00

TRUSSES

We make a specialty of Truss fitting. When in need of one consult us. We also carry Abdominal Belts Silk Elastic Stocking, Suspensories, etc.

A. & N. Chilblain Cure, 25c	25c Lanoline and Camphor Ice, 14c	Derma Viva Liquid Face Powder, 50c	25c Euthymol Talcum Powder, 2 for 23c	15c St. George Health Salts, 9c	Pure Baking Powder, half-pound, 20c

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GLOBE WANTS $25,000 FOR ALLEGED SLANDER

Toronto, Dec. 13.—The Globe has entered action against J. S. Dickinson, Wentworth, to recover $25,000 for alleged slander in saying that the paper was bought up by the Union Government.

PAST MASTER'S JEWEL PRESENTED AT MEETING TO WOR. BRO. N. McGILL

At a meeting of St. John's Lodge, No. 20, A., F. and A. M., in the Masonic Hall on Tuesday evening, the past-master's jewel was presented to Wor. Bro. Neil McGill by Rt. Wor. Bro. Thomas Rowe. Wor. Bro. McGill has just completed two years' successful service as master of the lodge, and Rt. Wor. Bro. Rowe in making the presentation made fitting reference to his work while occupying the position.

The following officers were elected for the coming year: Wor. master-elect, Thomas Gerry; sen. warden, W. J. C. Stewart; jun. warden, W. E. Manness; chaplain, Henry Macklin; treasurer, Rt. Wor. Bro. A. B. Greer; secretary, Wor. Bro. R. Booth; sen. deacon, B. B. Hookaway; jun. deacon, D. McArthur; inside guard, Reg. W. Johnson; dir. of ceremonies, A. E. Carrothers; sen. steward, J. H. Chapman; jun. steward, W. G. Young; organist, J. E. Thorner; tyler, John Robinson; auditors, J. B. Jennings and A. H. Whitlow; representative to board of benevolence, Rt. Wor. Bro. A. B. Greer; representative to Masonic Hall, Limited, Rt. Bro. A. B. Greer; representative to board of finance, the secretary and Wor. Bro. Charles Gilbert; representative to the Masonic bureau, Wor. Bro. R. Booth.

KILLED BY GAS.

Toronto, Dec. 13.—Late this morning Gene Lorrie, 27, single, was discovered dead in bed with the room filled with illuminating gas. Investigation showed that a defective gas jet was responsible.

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