Messages Received Previous to 9 A. M.

218 LIVES LOST.

LONDON, Jan 23.

By the sinking of two steamers by the enemy in the Mediterranean about three weeks ago, 218 lives were lost, it was announced officially to-day.

ACTIVITY ON ITALIAN FRONT.

ROME, Jan. 23.

The Italian War Office report issued to-day says there have been active profitable reconnaissances by small groups against the enemy line between the southeast slopes of Monte Spinoncia and the right bank of the Piave from Omic Valley. We brought back materials of various kinds, and in a successful surprise attack south of Quero a French party captured prisoners and a machine gun. From Nervesa to Ponte Del la Priula our patrols drove back hostile parties. Fire along the front at times grew more intense between Adiago and Brenta Valleys and along the banks of the Piave.

BRITISH LABOR TO FIGHT ON.

NOTTINGHAM, Jan. 23.

At the opening to-day of the annual Labor Conference, Frank Purdy, President, said that if Germany would not accept the terms Premier Lloyd George and President Wilson and the Labor party had laid down as the minimum, we must fight on. The amendment to refer the proposal to amend the constitution back to the executive for further consideration was carried by a small majority. In vie wof the adverse vote, consideration of the remainder of the executive report on the amendment of the constitution was postponed for a month, and the conference proceeded to discuss the annual report of the executive. Henderson moved what he described as a peace revolution, that welcomed the statement of the Premier and President Wilson in so far as they harmonized with the war aims of the British labor movement which called upon the Allies to formulate their war aims at the earliest possible moment, and approved of arrangements being made for an inter-allied conference to be held in London on February 20th. Henderson, in supporting his resolutions, said peace could never be brought about until all nations had stated their aims and proved that they accorded with the magnificent statement of the aims of President Wilson. James Ramsay MacDonald, Socialist Labor Member of Parliament, who seconded the resolution, said that they must have an international conference of working classes to obtain a settlement. After an attack by R. W. Williams, of the Transport Workers, on the Government for refusing passports for Stockholm, the resolution was unanimously adopted.

PEACE TALK INTERESTS GERMANY.

LONDON, Jan. 23.

The peace agitation in Austria-Hungary is receiving a great deal of attention in Germany. The Socialist newspaper Vorwaerts of Berlin emphatically declares the solidarity of the German proletariat with Austrian labor in the peace struggle and maintains the events in the dual monarchy must have a deep reaction in Germany. We have been walking on the edge of a precipice in the last few days, it says, and goes on to demand that the German Government resolutely take its place by the side of its Austrian ally. As the fruits of the Pan-German propaganda, it continues, we are menaced not only with the wrecking of the peace negotiations with Russia, but also with complete isolation.

Had Piles for Ten Years

And Tried Nearly Everything Except a Surgical Operation Without Obtaining Relief—Tells How Complete Cure Was Effected.

Brantford, Ont., Jan. 10. —There si reported here three cures of chronic cases of piles. In all three cases many treatments were tried before it was discovered that Dr. Chase's Ointment is the only real cure for this distressing ailment.

Mrs. A. Oates, 22 Gilkinson street, Brantford, Ont., writes: "I have used Dr. Chase's Ointment as a household remedy for ever so long, and am particularly indebted to it for a cure from Piles. I had suffered from this annoying trouble for ten years, and tried nearly everything I heard of. After using Dr. Chase's Ointment a short while I was completely cured."

Mrs. Wm. Shantz, 155 Albert street, Kitchener, Ont., writes: "For several years I was troubled with bleeding piles. I tried different remedies for relief without success. I read in Dr. Chase's Almanac of the benefits other people were receiving from Dr. Chase's Ointment, so I sent to your office for a sample box. I found it gave me such relief that I went to a drug store and purchased a full-sized box. I have used several boxes since, and have derived more benefit from its use than any remedy I have ever used."

Mrs. F. Cussons, Victoria street, Ingersoll, Ont., writes: "About two years and a half ago I was suffering from Piles. I had tried many different remedies for this distressing trouble, but nothing helped me. Finally I got a box of Dr. Chase's Ointment, and after using it found that I was completely cured and have not been bothered in this way since. I can cheerfully recommend Dr. Chase's Ointment to anyone suffering as I did."

Dr. Chase's Ointment, 60 cents a box, at all dealers or Edmanson, Bates & Co., Limited, Toronto. There are no rivals to Dr. Chase's Ointment as a treatment for Piles. Be sure to.

IF YOU WISH TO GET RID OF THAT COLD

The remedy is right at hand—

OUR QUININE LAXATIVE TABLETS.

They take away that uncomfortable, "stuffy" and swelled head feeling and cure your cold in twenty-four hours.

Try them. See for yourself.

25c. a Box.

Peter O'Mara,
The Druggist,
46-48 WATER ST. WEST.
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Casino Theatre.

The W. S. Harkins Players are due to arrive on the express this afternoon, they having left Port aux Basques yesterday morning, and will open at the Casino to-morrow evening in "It Pays to Adevrtise." This play will also be presented Saturday night. On Monday and Tuesday nights they will present "Jerry" and as an extra attraction on those two nights, Miss Dorothy Cheswood will present her beautiful classic dances, and Miss Lillian Worth will sing some of the latest patriotic selections. On Wednesday and Thursday evenings the play will be the great English war drama "The Man Who Stayed at Home." Seats for all these performances are now on sale at Fred V. Chesman's 178 Water Street, and for some of them good seats yet remain. On Saturday afternoon and again on Monday afternoon there will be matinee performances, particulars of which will be announced in the papers tomorrow.

Every Saturday evening after 7 o'clock, Choice Ends of Beef, Mutton, Lamb, Pork will be sold at cost. ELLIS & CO., LTD., 203 Water Street.—nov29,tf

Kipling's Son.

At the end of January I went to France, eager to see with my own eyes the great things that were doing there and to taste with my own lips the cup of danger. That at least I was bound to do before I could come home and urge my countrymen to face the duty and brave the peril of a part in this war.

Paris was not so dark as London but more tragic. After Belguim and Serbia the heaviest brunt of this dreadful conflict has fallen upon France. She has suffered most. Yet on the faces of her women I saw no tears and in the eyes of her men no fear nor regret.

If Britain was magnificent, France was miraculous! Loving and desiring peace she accepted the cross of war without a murmur. Her women were no less brave than her men. She wears the hero-star of Roland and saintly halo of Joan of Arc.

After meeting many men in Paris—statesmen, men of letters, generals—and after visiting the splendid American Ambulance at Neuilly and other institutions in which our boys and girls were giving their help to France in the chivalric spirit of Lafayette, I went out toward the front.

The first visit was under the escort of Captain Francois Morod to a chateau beyond Compiegne, where Rudyard Kipling with his family and I with my family had passed the Christmas week of 1913 together, as joyous guests of the American chatelaine, Mrs. Julia Park. She has given the spacious, lovely house for a military hospital. And there, while the German guns thundered a few kilometres away from us and a German sausage balloon floated in the sky, I watched the skilful ministrations of French and American doctors and nurses to the wounded. One thought haunted me—the memory of Kipling's only son, nineteen years old, who was with us in that happy Christmastide. The lad was reported "missing" after one of the battles between Loos and Hulluch. For six months I sought, through the German Legation at The Hague, to find a trace of the brave boy. But never a word!—Henry van Dyke, in Scribner.

For Imperial Red Cross

Financial Statement for Year Ending January 16th, 1918.

Total Receipts, $71,122.30, with disbursements as follows:

May 23, '17. Cabled Sir Robert Hudson £5,000, or ..	$23,902.07
June 15, '17. Cabled Sir Robert Hudson £3,000, or ..	14,342.16
B/P's Printing, stationery, etc.	36.25
Oct. 19, '17. Cabled Sir Robert Hudson £5,000, or ..	23,891.75
Jan. 5, '18. Cabled Sir Robert Hudson £1,800, or ..	8,662.50
B/P's Printing, etc	18.25
Credit Balance in Bank ..	284.32
	$71,122.30

F. H. STEER, Sec.-Treasurer.

Hockey Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Hockey League was held last night at the office of the President, Mr. W. J. Higgins, who occupied the chair. As there are only three teams this season, it was decided to play three rounds, the first being:

Terra Novas vs. Victorias.
Feildians vs. Terra Novas.
Victorias vs. Feildians.

The games will begin as soon as each team has had four practices. If weather conditions prevent the playing of the three rounds then the championship will be decided by the standing of the teams at the end of the second. It was decided that the team of King's College be invited down on or about Feb. 16th to play three games with a city seven, which will be selected by a committee consisting of President Higgins and the captains of the local teams. No doubt we can look forward to a very interesting week of hockey, as it will be remembered that the visitors defeated the Windsor draft team, in two out of three games at Windsor last year winning the final game by a score of 11 to 2. The proceeds will be devoted to the funds of the W.P.A.

Regarding the decision arrived at last night to eliminate lifting, we were under the impression that that rule was enforced six years ago and has not, to our knowledge, been disregarded. Messrs. Higgins and Tobin, the League officials, will be the sole referees for the season.

HOCKEY NOTES.

The different College teams are now getting in shape for the coming hockey games and have already had practice at Burton's and other nearby ponds.

The Prince's Rink has not yet been opened for skating and is not likely to till we experience a much lower temperature.

During the week which the King's College team will visit here will be a patriotic week. The curlers have also arranged for a series of contests in aid of the W.P.A.

Some of the hockeyists would have us believe that the long wrist shot should be classed as lifting.

Owing to the lateness of the season and the short time for practice, it is not likely any of the local games will be played till after the visit of the King's College team.

Little Bona,
January 16th, 1918.

Messrs. Cleveland Rubber Co.,
St. John's.

Dear Sirs,—I have received my valuable and very useful prize (one pair Men's Storm King Buddy Boots) for which I thank you very much.

I have been wearing a pair of Buddy Boots for the last eight months and they are almost as good as new yet. One pair of Buddy's without a doubt is as good as two pairs of any other quality Rubbers.

I am exceedingly proud of being one of the Prize Winners in your competition, and I assure you that I won't hesitate to advertise Buddy Boots at every opportunity.

Wishing you the best of success in the coming year.

I remain,
Yours truly,
jan24,1i TOM WALSH.

Successful Sociable.

The sociable held in the Congregational Lecture Room last night, under the auspices of the Girls' Guild, was well attended. The chairman for the evening was the Rev. W. H. Thomas. The programme was rendered in a most pleasing manner and was much appreciated by the audience, the performers having to respond to encores. Messrs. Christian and Steele acted as accompanists for the evening. Rev. Mr. Thomas expressed his thanks to those taking part and also those who attended. Immediately afterwards refreshments were served by the ladies of the Guild. The singing of the National Anthem brought a most enjoyable evening to a close. The programme was as follows: Solo, Mr. Arthur Williams; monologue, Mr. Fraser Bond; guitar solo, Mr. F. Devereaux; solo, Mr. H. Gully; coon song, Doris Thomas and party; song, Mrs. Christian; reading, Miss Curtis; song, Mrs. King; mandolin solo, Mrs. Foster; duet, Rev. and Mrs. Thomas.

LECTURE—(Under the distinguished patronage of His Grace the Archbishop)—Rev. W. P. H. Kitchin, D.Ph., has very kindly consented to lecture for the benefit of the Presentation Convent Building Fund on Thursday, Jan. 24th, at 8 o'clock in the Aula Maxima, St. Bonaventure's College. Subject:—"Louvain in History and Remembrance."—jan22,2i,tu,th

Card Tournaments.

T.A.B.S.

About 120 players took part in the T. A. Club card tournament last night. The prize was won by Mr. A. Jenkins.

B. L. S.

The first of a series of card tournaments was run off at the B.I.S. Club rooms last night, and despite the inclemency of the weather the attendance was large. All the games were closely contested all through. In the play-off between Messrs. D. Coady, W. Kelly and J. Savage the former was victorious and was awarded the prize, a splendid case of pipes donated by Mr. F. Canning.

Three months of winter due you—you need a good Overcoat and must have one. We have a splendid stock to select from, and can give you the latest and smartest cut; and, listen, perhaps a cut in price, too. SPURRELL the Tailor, 365 Water St. 'Phone 574.—jan16,eod,tf

Checked and plain ginghams are seen in the models designed for Southern wear.

THE JANUARY WHITE SALE

is commanding attention and

Arousing the Whole Community.

The preparations made months ago for this event—involving immense piles of White Goods from the leading manufacturers of Europe and America—will make it by far the greatest White Sale in this Store's history—inevitably so—for one of the aims of this progressive organization is to give the very best values obtainable each season—to establish more firmly its long established reputation as the STORE OF SATISFACTION.

Fresh Lots are being brought to the front daily.

Many lots not advertised through lack of space, will be found prominently displayed in every section.

Now is the Time to Buy and Save Money.

Now is the time to invest in all that you will need for twelve months ahead—or even for eighteen months—because most of the goods offered in this Sale is actually below the cost of production to-day. The following goods are involved:—

Maids' Aprons	Face Cloths	Laces & Embroideries	Casement Cloth
White Overalls	Men's Linen Collars	Cambric Nightdresses	White Spot Muslins
Frillings	Negligee Shirts	Cream Flette Nightdresses.	White Jean
Boudoir and Widow's Caps	Men's Underwear	White Blouses.	Lawns
Women's Wool Underwear	Boys' Underwear	Children's Coats and Pellisses	Tucked Lawn
Women's Fleeced Corset Covers	Men's Pyjamas	Women's Knickers	Dress Cottons and Muslins
Women's & Children's Corsets	Men's Combinations	Flannelette Chemise	White and Cream
Window Muslins	Boys' Top Shirts	Princess Underskirts	Dress Goods
Curtain Net	Infants' & Children's Whitewear	Camisoles	Bed Linens
Bath Sheets	Handkerchiefs	Underskirts	Quilts
Towels	Women's Neckwear	Red Cross Aprons	Fancy Linens
	Lamp Shade Fringe	Window Scrims	Shirtings and Calicos
	White Ribbons		

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Here and There.

When you want Sausages, why—get ELLIS'; they're the best.

OUR VOLUNTEERS. —The following young men offered themselves for the Regiment yesterday:— John Lundrigan, Upper Island Cove; John Crane, Upper Island Cove; G. Mercer, Upper Island Cove.

Stafford's Liniment cures Rheumatism, Lumbago, Neuralgia and all Aches and Pains.

WILL GO AS MATE.— When the Stella II. sails again she will have a new mate in the person of Capt. W. Keeping, late of the Sch Jr., which was abandoned on the 26th December while en route from Pernambuco.

GOSARD CORSETS. — Just received a shipment of Gosard Corsets, price $2.75 to $8.50. G. KNOWLING, Ltd.—ja22,4i,eod

SHIPS NOW DUE.—No anxiety is being caused by the non-appearance of several local vessels now due from foreign markets as the prevailing winds and weather has made it difficult to make the coast.

Military Brushes in Cases to be had at BOWRING BROS., LTD., Hardware Department.
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GOVERNOR VISITS CUSTOMS BUILDING.—Yesterday afternoon His Excellency Sir C. Alexander Harris, accompanied by Capt. Campbell, A. D. C., paid an official visit to the Customs' Building. On arrival His Excellency was met by Mr. H. W. LeMessurier, C. M. G., Deputy Minister of Customs, and was shown through the different offices.

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MEN'S ENGLISH SHIRTS,

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WORKING SHIRTS,

Bigger, longer and better quality than other manufacturers. Also just received a full line of

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