

HON. COL. JOHNSON SPEAKS HIGHLY OF CANADIANS

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Special to The Standard. Halifax, May 14.—Hon. Col. George H. Johnson, a native of Campbellton, N. B., and for the last ten years practising engineering in Ottawa and vicinity, who has been at the front for four years, returned by the Royal George today, and leaves for Ottawa tomorrow. He wears the decoration of the Legion of Honor and was also created a commander of the British Empire. For three years he has been O. C. of Canadian Engineers, and his special field of operations was Alsace-Lorraine. The Canadians in that sector acted largely with the French armies, so that Colonel Johnson has come to know the French equally as well as the Canadian soldier, and he fully appreciates the splendid qualities of both. In his command also was a motley army composed of Russians, Kiabets, Chinese, Annamites and Turks, these different troops being placed entirely under the Canadian officer for discipline and all other purposes. An interesting development, undertaken by this command, was the construction of mountain roads in the Vosges, where the winter conditions are very similar to those of Canada. In some cases the gradients of these roads were approximately 100 per cent, these being operated by heavy winding engines and steel cables and were used for the conveyance of materials to the different trench armies on the mountains. The supply of materials for the construction of airplanes by the Farnam factories of Paris was a direct concern of this particular command. To do this and other work Col. Johnson's men built and operated their own railroads. The relationship with the French was most cordial, and the Canadians constantly practiced the utmost courtesy to the French, both civilian and military. An example of this was the joint celebration by Canadians and French of the first of July and the fall of the Bastille. Col. Johnson pays a special tribute to the good work of No. 2 Construction (colored) Battalion, principally recruited in Nova Scotia and Ontario,

NEWFOUNDLAND'S BUDGET SHOWS HEALTHY CONDITION OF FINANCES

For Year Ending June 30, 1918, the Financial Report Shows a Surplus of \$1,170,000—For Current Fiscal Year, Ending Six Weeks Hence, a Surplus of \$1,900,000 is Pictured—People's Savings Totalled \$5,000,000.

St. John's, Nfld., May 14.—Today was budget day in the Newfoundland legislature, the finance minister, Sir Michael Cashin, tabled his annual review of the Colony's fiscal and commercial position. He showed that for the last fiscal year, ending June 30, 1918, the Colony had enjoyed a revenue of nearly seven million dollars, which yielded a surplus of \$1,170,000, while for the current fiscal year, ending six weeks hence, he estimated a revenue of \$8,600,000, and a surplus of \$1,900,000. He also showed that the savings of the people during 1918, as represented by interest-bearing deposits in the savings banks, and by the purchase of Victory bonds of the colony's loan last year, totalled \$5,000,000. He quoted other statistics revealing equally remarkable evidence of the strong and increasing prosperity of the people. The colony's trade totalled thirty millions five years ago, would exceed sixty millions for the current year. The development of the fishing, mining and paper making industries, when the return of Newfoundland's soldiers and sailors from the war was complete, and adequate labor assured made the outlook for the country and its people encouraging in the extreme.

Sir Barton Is Again a Winner

Canadian Horse Won the Preakness at Pimlico Yesterday—Incidentally Brought Owner Ross \$24,500—He Led Field All the Way.

Baltimore, Md., May 14.—Sir Barton, carrying the colors of Commander J. K. L. Ross, of Canada, won the Preakness at Pimlico today, and incidentally brought his owner \$24,500. He led all the way and he won from a field of the fastest three-year-olds produced by America and Europe, duplicating his feat in the recent Kentucky derby. Sir Barton ran circles around such horses as Eternal and Dunboyne. The feature of the race was the comeback of Eternal, who trailed Sir Barton relentlessly throughout the race. Sweep Ga came behind and King Blandin got fourth money. The time was not remarkably fast, it being two seconds more than the track record, but had the distance been extended Sir Barton probably could have increased his lead of four lengths over Eternal to that many more. Johnny Loftus rode the winner. Index, with Jokey Knapp up, was left at the barrier.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE ENQUIRES INTO FURNISHINGS

Hon. Mr. Calder Charged With Being Too Fussy About the Style of Office Furnishings—Clerk Says the Minister Had No Hand in the Purchasing—Department Didn't Use Him Right Says Clerk.

Ottawa, Ont., May 14.—At the resumed inquiry by the public accounts committee of the Commons into the matter of the purchase of furniture for the offices of Hon. J. A. Calder, the minister's private secretary, Mr. C. K. Ireland, stated that the impression abroad that Mr. Calder ordered the furnishings for his own offices, knew where they were bought, prices paid, etc., was quite erroneous and far removed from the facts. "The government offices," said Mr. Ireland, "were simply told that Mr. Calder's tastes were not fastidious, and that as minister the days of Confederation, they must go ahead and do what was usual and proper."



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LAD INJURED BY GUNSHOT

Accidental Discharge of Loaded Shotgun Lacerates Face of Moncton Boy. Special to The Standard. Moncton, May 14.—James Ayer, a lad eight or nine years of age, son of Arthur Ayer, of Sackville, was brought to the Moncton Hospital tonight, suffering from a bad gunshot wound in the face. One side of the boy's face was severely lacerated with shot. One eye had to be taken out, and the other one is injured. It appears that the accident was the result of young Ayer and a companion playing with a loaded shot gun which was accidentally discharged. The extent of young Ayer's injuries cannot be estimated at present, but it is thought he will recover.

TROOPSHIPS TO COME TO ST. JOHN THIS SUMMER

Information from Military Authorities Says Local Port Will be Used This Month. Ottawa, May 14.—Major C. G. Power, referring to a newspaper despatch which stated that fifty-five thousand Canadian troops would be landed in Canada during the month of May, at the ports of Halifax, St. John, Moncton and Quebec, wanted to know whether it would be possible to handle this large number of men properly. The great bulk of the troops, he understood, to be landed at Halifax and St. John. Would there be accommodation at these ports for so many men? General Newburn said that he understood the reason why the large majority of men were going to Halifax and St. John, was that steamship companies objected to the large boats such as the Mauretania and the Aquatica using the St. Lawrence route. As far as handling the men on the Canadian railways were concerned, it might be necessary to use day coaches for moving them to their dispersal areas.

NEED THIS SPRING

Of a Good Tonic Medicine, Nerve Builder and Blood Purifier. Is greater than ever before. The nervous strain, worry and anxiety caused by the war, the debilitating effects of the terrible influenza, grip and pneumonia—the depletion of the blood by indoor life in winter. Have tremendously overdrawn the reserve strength of nearly every man and woman. This makes the favorite Spring medicine, Hood's Sarsaparilla, more of a necessity now than ever before. For your impaired, exhausted blood, and for that extreme tired feeling sure to come, prepare yourself now. Today begin to recover your lost strength by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, the standard Spring medicine and blood purifier, which creates a keen appetite, aids digestion and assimilation. Remember Hood's Pills if you need a mild laxative.

ONLY CANADIAN SHIP TO SINK SUBMARINE

S. S. Hochelega of the Dominion Iron and Steel Co's Fleet Performed the Trick. Montreal, Que., May 14.—At Windmill Point wharf, near Montreal, in a cloud of coal dust, unnoticed and hit-to miss, using, like a heroine of the great war, the S. S. Hochelega, lady of the Furness Line, now of the Dominion Iron and Steel Company, of Sydney, N. S., Captain W. G. Tudor commencing. The Hochelega is unique in that she is the only Canadian ship which sank a German submarine. This adventure occurred on April 17th, 1918, about seven hundred miles off the Irish coast, when the ship was making a return trip from England, and up to the present time censorship relations have prevented the general publication of the story of how she first tried to ram, and, failing in this, sank a well-armed U-boat with a 12-pound gun, which was her only armory.

FREDERICTON HAS SLIGHT BLAZE

Wooden Building on Union Street Destroyed—Prompt Work Prevented More Disasterous Fire. Special to The Standard. Fredericton, May 14.—A wooden building on Union street, owned and occupied by Augustino Mazzuca, was badly damaged by fire this evening. For a time nearby residences were in danger, but the firemen were successful in confining the flames to the building in which they originated. The cause of the blaze was unknown. The damage done amounted to about \$1,200. The insurance carried was \$1,500 on the building, and \$300 on the contents.

AUSTRIANS NOW AWAIT SENTENCE

(Continued from page 1) on the basis of tonnage lost during the war, of former German merchant vessels seized by the Allies. Such a distribution would materially affect the ownership of German vessels, including some of Germany's greatest trans-Atlantic liners, interested in the United States prior to that country's entry into the war, and which later were seized. Poland is making claim to some of the warships surrendered by Germany. The Italians are declared to be concentrating large forces on certain portions of the Dalmatian coast who are fortifying the ridges and mountain passes to the east.

WEDDINGS.

Smith-Blakey. Special to The Standard. Moncton, N. B., May 14.—The marriage of Ovid Smith, a returned veteran, to Miss Kate Blakey took place this afternoon at the home of William Stiles, Lewisville. Rev. E. W. Cochran officiated. Mr. and Mrs. Smith reside at Lewisville. Duff-Tait. Moncton, N. B., May 14.—Leslie Duff, of the C. G. R. shops, and Miss Annie Tait, of Salisbury, were married at the Highfield Baptist parsonage this afternoon. The ceremony was performed by Rev. E. W. Cochran.

THUG ATTACKS ALBANY FARMER

Hit Farmer Over Head With Stake, Fracturing Skull. Charlottetown, P. E. I., May 14.—James Johnston, aged fifty, a well-known farmer of Albany, was attacked yesterday by Cecil Warren, aged twenty, with a stake and his skull fractured. He is in a critical condition. Warren was using profane and abusive language and Johnston retaliated, hence the assault. Warren is a draftsman who had been confined on Melville Island, Halifax, last fall and released. "He is still at large."

THE WEATHER

Toronto, Ont., May 14.—The barometer is rather low in all parts of the Dominion, but there is no indication of any important disturbances. The weather today has been cool and showery in Manitoba and fine and warm in the other provinces. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson 32 62 Prince Rupert 40 56 Victoria 52 68 Vancouver 46 68 Kamloops 32 58 Calgary 34 68 Medicine Hat 30 68 Saskatoon 35 60 Winnipeg 44 48 Port Arthur 35 54 Parry Sound 46 72 London 40 77 Toronto 48 76 Kingston 42 64 Ottawa 46 78 Montreal 52 72 Quebec 50 60 St. John 42 68 Forecasts. Maritim—Northerly winds; fair and a little cooler. Washington, May 14.—Northern New England—Fair and cooler Thursday; Friday cloudy; gentle to moderate variable winds. Irving Cummins is leading man for Viola Dana in her coming Metro comedy-drama, "Pliant Patricia."

CHILDREN'S DAYS THURSDAY and FRIDAY when every child from His Majesty "The Baby" to Miss 16 Years will be included. These two days have been set aside especially for the children and will mean a great saving of time for mothers

Many weeks have been spent in preparing for this event. Every article which takes part in it we chose as carefully and as painstakingly as you would yourself. We know how particular you mothers are about these things and it was from your point of view that we made our selections. We picked, in every instance, only the daintiest made and prettiest looking styles we could find and know you will take great delight in choosing from among our assortments bought to please both you and the children. Here are Dresses for school wear, for street wear, for every day use and for dressy occasions. Sure to win the approval of every mother. Come and see them—you will find pleasure in a thorough inspection—so many styles, some plain, some more fanciful—all pretty and dainty, all fast color. Not one of them that would not look beautiful on any little miss.

Children's Day Features At Thorne's With Summer at hand, your children should be provided with plenty of Out-of-Door Toys and Games that will keep them in the open air and sunshine as much as possible. By way of suggestion, we offer the following partial list selected from our comprehensive displays. Read it carefully and then visit our stores early.

W. H. THORNE & CO. LIMITED SHOP EARLY ON CHILDREN'S DAY To celebrate the homecoming of the Glorious 26th.

TROOPS MOVING CAUTIONALLY Allies Feel that Will be a Counter Revolution Much Blood Spent. Vienna, Tuesday, M Wireless Service.—T which are marching not make any hurried city, according to ing the Acht Ur Hr Allied powers feel that the Soviet government, overthrown by the revolutionists, or else capitulate without shed worth mentioning. A decisive battle in vicinity of the city. continues, would be extremely sanguinary. The red army upon which to withdraw desperate, would defend their lives. powers advance slow doing now, the possible government, it is more counter-revolutionists assistance in Budapest, causing lack of food effect as adverse as battle. MENNONITES THE SCHOOLS Causing the Official Annoyance. Winnipeg, Man., M of the old school of Werkler are resist authorities and withdrawn from the public batch of nine were su Magistrate Milne on M of \$20 and costs was if of the offenders. Two declared they would pment to paying the fine. During the hearing it John Friesen, bishop had advised his people their children to the Both the pastor and asked for an interpret GERMAN DELEGATION USY PREPARED COUNTER PROPOSALS Paris, May 14.—The delegation is busy preparing counter-proposals to the allied and associated substitutes for terms treaty. Several elements of the delegation including the one on co