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ST. ANDREWS, N. B., CANADA.
Saturday, April 20th, 1918.

PROGRESS OF THE WAR

[April 11 to April 17]
It is with mingled feelings of pride and
sorrow that we present in this place
the brief summary of the past week's
hostilities, -pride that British valor has
again shown its undimmed lustre; sorrow
that in spite of sacrifices made the British
army has again yielded ground to an
overwhelming foe; -but the week's close
found the British line in France and
Flanders still unbroken, and the army
still unvanquished.

On the Western front the Germans
pressed their drive in the Artois sector
westward from La Bassée to Merville and
northward to Ypres. The resistance of
the British, supported on the last day by
the French, has never been surpassed in
history for heroism, and the damage
inflicted on the advancing Teutons was
appalling. When the greatly superior
strength of the Teuton army is considered,
the actual gain of ground is not large;
but the loss is felt keenly by the Allies in
view of the bloodshed by which the
ground was before recovered from the
Huns. The abandonment of Ypres is a
matter for especially keen regret. The
week's fighting was not decisive, and it
may be many more weeks before a
definite result is reached in this sector.
All along the Western front great activity
prevailed throughout the week, but only
in the north were the Germans able to
advance their positions. In the Woevre
sector, near St. Mihiel, the American
troops were heavily engaged with the
Germans, and acquitted themselves well.
Of the Eastern campaign it was reported
that the Germans had occupied
Helsingfors, the capital of Finland, and
the Russian fleet in that port had escaped
to Kronstadt. No reports were received
of any military movements further to the
south. The landing of Japanese, British,
and American troops at Vladivostok for
the protection of consulates, railway, and
docks seems to have been accepted by
the Bolshevik government without further
protest.

Some considerable activity was reported
in the Italian campaign, especially in
the northwest near Rovereto and in the
north on the Asiago plateau.
Marked activity occurred in the Balkan
campaign, particularly in the vicinity of
Lake Doiran, where the Allies took some
ground.
Of the other theatres of war the week
furnished only meagre and unimportant
news.

The British grand fleet in mine-sweeping
operations in the Cattagat, on the
15th, sank ten German trawlers. The
German submarine campaign was con-
tinued through the week, with results
below the average.

A German air raid on England, in the
Midlands, took place on the night of the
12th, and five persons were killed and
fifteen others injured. The material
damage done was not great. On the
same night an air raid was made on Paris,
and twenty-four persons were killed and
sixty-two others wounded. The long-
range German gun continued to bombard
Paris at intervals, and some casualties
and damage resulted well within the City.

The man-power bill, which includes the
application of conscription to Ireland, was
passed by the British House of Commons,
and its passage through the House of
Lords seemed certain. In the United
States subscription for a big War Loan
was in progress, with satisfactory results.
In Canada a secret session of the House
of Commons was held on Wednesday, and
the Prime Minister explained the war
situation and presented to the members a
full statement of the urgent needs of the
moment, which are more men, more food,
and more shipping. There is every
reason to think that on all sides the
greatest possible activity will prevail so
that a decisive result in the war may be
reached in 1918.

PATRONAGE ABOLISHED

WE print in another column a summary
of a correspondence between
Hon. F. B. Carvell, Minister of
Public Works, and Mr. Frupp, M. P. for
Ottawa, on the subject of patronage; and
we regret that we have not the space to
reprint the Hansard report of the debate
on the same subject that took place in
the House of Commons on April 12.
We do not think patronage is dead
and buried, or even if it were that the millennium
would be speeded up thereby. The
system may have been abused, even

grossly abused in some instances, but the
efficiency of the services was generally
maintained at as high a standard
as under the exclusive control
of the Civil Service Commission. This is
Hon. W. S. Fielding's opinion, as expressed
in the debate in the House of Commons
on April 12.

As to contracts being open to all
in Canada, as Mr. Carvell says those in his
Department will be, surely this is an
absurdity. In Great Britain no one can
tender for any public work except those
persons or firms whose names have been
placed on an official list of concerns
qualified and equipped to undertake the
particular work for which tenders are in-
vited. And so it will come to pass in
Canada, that there will be on file in
Ottawa lists of those firms who have the
financial status and the equipment requisite
for undertaking Government contracts
of whatever nature. We are sure Mr.
Carvell will learn much as times goes on,
and he has probably already had his
understanding of Government contracts
greatly expanded in the, as yet, brief
tenure of office as Minister of Public
Works. If patronage is to be abolished
utterly, a better system must be established.
Our fear is for an uncurbed Civil
Service bureaucracy—with which the
Hon. Mr. Carvell of the next generation
may have to grapple with all his might
and strength.

TOWN ELECTION FIASCO

FRIDAY, 12th instant, was nomination
day for the election of the Town
Council. Up to a late hour in the after-
noon no nominations had been made, but
before the appointed time for closing had
arrived Mr. G. H. Stickney and Mr. W. J.
McQuoid nominated for Aldermen the
following persons:—Robert Billings,
Hazen J. Burton, James Cummings, Albert
Denley, Herbert McCracken, Wright Mc-
Laren, Thomas T. Odell. No nomination
for Mayor was made. When in due
course the returning officer, Mr. E. S.
Polleys, Town Clerk, notified the eight
gentlemen who had been nominated—and
being only eight were consequently elected—seven of them stated they would not
serve, and the eighth, Mr. James Cum-
mings, said he would declare his intention
before the expiry of the tenth day after
the nomination. In consequence of the
situation thus created there must be an-
other election, and the Mayor will hold
office till he is re-elected or someone else
is elected in his place.

The fiasco might be regarded as an
amusing episode if it were not for the fact
that it expresses in the most emphatic
way the reluctance of the men of St.
Andrews to take their part in the admin-
istration of Town affairs, where the posi-
tion calls for gratuitous services. If the
offices of Mayor and Aldermen carried
with them some remuneration, such as
assessors receive, there might be—most
probably would be—keen competition for
the several positions; but as no salary
attaches to these offices, and the reward
is usually "more kicks than ha'pence,"
the average St. Andrews man begs to be
excused.

Last week, before we could know what
the result of the nomination would be, we
referred to the fact that in previous elec-
tions people had been nominated without
being consulted beforehand and when
elected declined to serve, but we did not
anticipate seeing the thing done on such
a great scale as on the present occasion.

Just why Mr. Stickney and Mr. McQuoid
should constitute themselves a committee
of two to nominate the whole board of
Aldermen, we are at a loss to conjecture;
but the thought occurs that if they were
desirous of seeing a change in the com-
position of the Town Council they might
have offered themselves as candidates;
and we sincerely hope that when the new
election, now made necessary, takes place,
they will both be nominated. They should
be willing to undertake the duties they
have called upon others to perform.
Perhaps nothing short of the Mayoralty
would suit them. They might offer them-
selves as candidates and see which of
them, if either, the ratepayers would
elect.

Whatever the outcome may be, the
unpalatable fact remains, that public
spirit in the old Shire Town is as extinct
as the Dodo; and the blindness of the
people to the opportunities within their
reach if they would cooperate for the
Town's welfare is pathetic and deplorable,
and calls for an eye-opener of a special
kind.

PARLIAMENT AND LEGISLATURE

We must again express our regret that
we are not able to give any space this
week to the proceedings in Parliament at
Ottawa and in the Legislature at Freder-
icton, though very important legislation
was enacted in both, and in both most
interesting debates took place. We hope
to make good the omission in a future
issue.

"That returned soldier certainly can't
go back to his trade as bookkeeper."
"Why? His writing hand gone?" "No, but
his pen is."—Buffalo Express.
"Mrs. Newbridge has made some real
war bread." "Oh?" "The trouble is
that she can't find a German to feed it to."
—Buffalo Express.
"She has rejected me by letter. There
is no hope." "Are you sure it's final?"
"Nothing written between the lines?"
"There's only one line."—Boston Trans-
cript.

Up-River Doings

St. Stephen, N. B., April 17.
Mrs. Thomas R. Kent has returned to
her home in St. George.
Mr. Brewer Edwards, of Ganong Bros.,
Ltd., has purchased the comfortable
dwelling house on Union Street from Mr.
Arthur R. McKenzie, who lately vacated
it, having purchased the residence which
was once the home of Mr. and Mrs. James
G. Stevens.

Ven. Archdeacon Newnham is in
Moncton this week attending the meeting
of the Bible Society.
Miss Emma Watson has greatly im-
proved in health with the treatment re-
ceived at the Chipman Hospital, and
expects to be able to leave that Institu-
tion for her home this week.

Mrs. Walter Moore is visiting her sister,
Mrs. Walter Stevens.
Dr. R. A. Holland has returned from the
Southern States where he spent the winter
months.

Mr. and Mrs. Brock Vail, of Carleton
County, have been recent guests of Mr.
and Mrs. Harry W. Broad.

Mrs. Frank Todd has been spending a
few days in Boston.

It was heard this week with sincere
regret by her friends that Mrs. Rainnie,
nurse-in-training at the Chipman Memo-
rial hospital, was very ill and was oper-
ated upon for appendicitis during the
past week.

Rev. C. G. McCully, the venerable
clergyman, so long pastor of the Con-
gregational church in Calais, and who has
been very ill all winter, was able to drive
out last week, much to the delight of his
numerous friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Brown have returned
from Port Hope, Ont., and are guests of
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hewitt.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred A. McClaskey are
now occupying their new home, once the
residence of the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry
F. Todd. Their daughter, Mrs. McNeill,
accompanied them from St. John and will
spend a few weeks in St. Stephen.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Olsson have re-
turned from Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Livingstone are receiving
congratulations on the birth of a daugh-
ter on April 8.

Mrs. George J. Clarke arrived from
Vancouver on Monday, after spending the
winter in that city.

Mr. Andrew DeWolfe, who spent the
winter in Southern California, has ar-
rived in St. Stephen and opened his
residence on Union Street.

Corp. Karl Vroom came from St. John
and spent the week-end with his parents,
Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Vroom.

During his stay in town last week, His
Lordship Bishop Richardson was the
guest of Ven. Archdeacon Newnham at
Christ Church Rectory.

Henry Scovil, the young son of Mr.
John W. Scovil, has been a patient for
several days at the Chipman Memorial
Hospital.

Sergt. Christopher McKay, who was one
of the first to volunteer at the beginning
of the war, has done his "bit" and re-
turns to his home in St. Stephen to-night.
His young wife, whom he married in
England, came several weeks ago and is
the guest of Sergt. McKay's parents, Mr.
and Mrs. H. D. McKay.

There have been a number of alarms
of fire this week, two or three each day,
usually caused by grass fires.

Mrs. Wm. Thieckens, of Manchester, N.
H., is visiting her mother, Mrs. John
Haley, who is quite ill.

The Bijou theatre was filled to its
utmost capacity on Monday evening
when, under the auspices of the Women's
Canadian Club, His Lordship Bishop
Richardson, of Fredericton, gave a most
interesting lecture, his subject being his
trip overseas to visit the lads of the
Canadian Army. The lecture was listen-
ed to with the greatest attention and the
talented speaker received frequent out-
bursts of applause. At the beginning of
the evening "O Canada" was sung and at
the close "God Save the King." Miss
Edith McFarlane was accompanist at the
piano. On the platform were the presi-
dent of the Club, Miss Louise Purves,
Mrs. Vincent Sullivan, vice-president,
and Ven. Archdeacon Newnham.

WILSON'S BEACH, C-BELLO

April 18.
Mas. Charles Smith and children,
Howard and Charlie, having spent a
pleasant three weeks with Mrs. Smith's
aunt, Mrs. Olive Brown, returned to their
home in St. John on Monday.

Mrs. Bessie Smith and daughter, Dorothy
are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Porter.

A sale of ice cream, cake, candy, and
fancy articles was held in Maple Leaf
Hall on Saturday evening; proceeds
amounting to about \$31 will be used for
Red Cross purposes.

Dr. Carcaud, of Welshpool, has opened
a dentist office here.

Mr. George Babcock and daughter, Mrs.
Morrison, of Grand Manan, are visiting
here.

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Matthews and
sons, Arnold and Vincent, spent Sunday
at Leonardville, D. I.

Miss Myrtle Newman and her friends,
Miss Vera McGregor, of Lubec, were
over-Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs.
Albert Newman.

Mrs. Mary Presley, who spent the

winter in Eastport, is here for a visit with
her sister, Mrs. George Brown.

Messrs. Joseph Calder, William Hilyard,
Joseph Phinney, and Allen Porter have
gone to Nova Scotia to work for the
spring months.

Mrs. Edward Hampton, of St. John, is
visiting relatives here.

LORD'S COVE, D. I.

The concert held in T. L. Trecarten's
Hall on Saturday evening was well at-
tended.

Mrs. Gladstone Smith and children, of
Richardson, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J.
Toal, of St. Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. Sumner Hartford return-
ed from Calais on Tuesday. Sumner
reports his father as doing nicely.

Mr. Bertie Morang is employed with
W. Scott Stuart, of St. Andrews, tending
weir. He will remain for the summer.

Miss Helen Lord visited friends in St.
Andrews last week.

Mrs. Ross Lambert visited her mother,
Mrs. B. Simpson, of Richardson, on Mon-
day.

Mr. Seward Parker and son, Austin,
and Mr. Grant Stuart have again taken
up their old camp life at Hogg Island,
where they will spend the summer.

Our community was saddened on Tues-
day morning, 16th instant, when it be-
came known that Mr. Robert Small, of
Richardson, had passed peacefully to his
rest. Mr. Small married Miss Fannie
Butler, daughter of Mr. Simon Butler.

A number of people from this place
enjoyed a sail to St. Andrews with Capt.
G. I. Stuart in the Hazel Leah, on Tuesday
afternoon.

ST. GEORGE, N. B.

April 16.
A dance and reception was held in
Cott's Hall on Friday evening in honor
of Victor Maxwell, Herman Spofford, and
Nicholas Meating, soldiers in the service
and home on a furlough. Music was
furnished by Watts' orchestra, and the
following ladies were on the invitation
committee: Mrs. Chas. Coutts, Misses
Grace Doyle, and Ethel Clinch.

Mr. and Mrs. Welcome White have the
sincere sympathy of the community in
the loss of their five-year-old daughter,
who died on Thursday of pluro-pneumonia.

Miss Helen Clark leaves this week for
New York. After receiving her gradua-
tion papers she will journey to France
with a number of graduate nurses. The
ladies of the Red Cross presented Miss
Clark with a twenty-dollar gold piece
at a reception held in her honor, in the
basement of St. Mark's Church, on Thurs-
day evening last.

Miss Laura Murray, who was one of
the nurses sent by the city of Boston to
Halifax the time of the great disaster
there, has volunteered for service in
France with the American army and ex-
pects to cross the sea soon. She writes
home that all of the nurses who were in
Halifax with her are going overseas.

Two incipient fires were fought last
week happily with good results. The
home of A. D. Helron caught fire on the

roof, the blaze was extinguished with
small damage. On Sunday afternoon the
house occupied by Robert Wilcox and
owned by H. R. Lawrence caught from a
defective flue. The flames were exting-
uished with difficulty after a stubborn
fight. Considerable damage resulted
from the fire and water.

The Pulp Company and lumber concern
have started driving. The ice is
nearly all out of the river, it is holding in
the lakes yet but is getting shaky.
Schooner Thomas L. Lawrence is expected
here to load pulp.

Mr. Arthur Murray is in charge of a
school of telegraphy opened by the West-
ern Union in Newport, R. I. The demand
for telegraph operators is increasing all
over the country, and Uncle Sam needs
thousands for army work. Arthur is a
St. George boy who mastered the key
here, and has been rapidly promoted
since going to the States. He is the son of
Mrs. Geo. Marshall, of this town.

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LAMBERTVILLE, D. I.

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Mrs. Morten Leeman and children
visited her mother, Mrs. F. S. Pendleton,
on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Foss, who have
spent the winter with the former's parents
at Alcorn, Sunbury Co., returned home on
Wednesday.

Mrs. F. S. Pendleton, who has been
very ill with rheumatism, is able to sit up
a while each day.

The Red Cross Society met at the home
of Mrs. Edgar Butler on Monday evening.

"I started golf to get my mind off busi-
ness." "Did the plan work?" "Yes.
Now I'm looking for some other game
that'll get it back again."—Washington
Star.

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