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## GOOD THINGS COMING TO THEATRES OF ST. JOHN

### DEFINITE NEWS RE LAUDER SEATS

At the opening of the Imperial box office this morning there were about 200 seats left on the ground floor for New Year's night; also 200 in the front balcony. The rear balcony afforded a wide selection, and will be a splendid vantage point to enjoy a show of the kind that Mr. Lauder is bringing here—singing, acrobatics, spectacular acts, etc. The boxes are, of course, available for all performances. For Thursday night, Jan. 2, the ticket situation is about the same as on the holiday night. In reality, the best opportunities for seats near the stage are afforded at the holiday matinee, which is not yet very heavily sold, but which will not long withstand the overflow of the two evening bookings.

### PALACE STARTS NEW SERIAL.

William Duncan, who will be remembered in "The Fighting Trail" and "Vengeance and the Woman" serials, will be seen in another new serial hit entitled "A Fight for Millions," to start at the Palace Theatre, Main street, on Friday, Jan. 4. Mr. Duncan is costarred with Edith Johnson, a well known screen star, who has many times proven her disregard for danger in her acting of the past. Mr. Duncan and Miss Johnson are supported by an able and popular cast of players some of whom have been seen in Vitagraph's previous serials. This gives the North End patrons an opportunity which should not be overlooked in following this serial from the very first.

## THIS IS VAUDEVILLE NIGHT AT THE GEM

There's a bang-up good programme of vaudeville at the Gem tonight at 7.15 and 8.45 besides a whirling two-reel comedy. The vaudeville is in five excellent specialty acts, with acrobatic, comedy, musical and dancing features. See list in advertisement.

### MONCTON FIRE

Moncton, N. B., Dec. 28—A grocery store, owned and occupied by Oscar H. Trites, Cornhill street, was badly damaged by fire this morning. The entire stock was ruined by fire and water. The estimated loss is in the vicinity of $3,000. He carried $500 insurance on the building and $500 on the stock. The blaze, it is believed, started from an overheated wood stove.

### TOMORROW'S LECTURE IN IMPERIAL THEATRE

The lecture on Christian Science by the Rev. A. J. Graham, C.S., in the Imperial Theatre will begin at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Mr. Graham, who is a member of the Board of Lectureship of The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, comes to St. John well recommended as a platform speaker and the fact of his former connection with the pulpit will no doubt prove of interest to many. The seats are free, no collection; and the public is cordially invited.

### REPORT OF REQUEST FROM VATICAN TO PRESIDENT WILSON.

Rome Dec. 28—Monsignor Cerretti, papal under secretary of state, asked President Wilson to mediate "with a view to settling the Vatican situation," during their interview in Paris, according to newspapers here.

They also say he submitted to Mr. Wilson documents justifying the Vatican's attitude of neutrality during the war, and set forth the humanitarian work done by the Vatican in favor of prisoners, deported persons and others who were similarly affected by the struggle.

**Wilson Receives Delegation.**

London, Dec. 28—President Wilson, at the American embassy today, received a delegation from the league of nations union. It was headed by Viscount Grey, former foreign secretary, and it included the Archbishop of Canterbury and Viscount Bryce.

**Notice of Births, Marriages and Deaths, 50c.**

## BIRTHS

BARRETT—At the St. John Infirmary, on Dec. 27, to Mr. and Mrs. James E. Barrett, 63 Mecklenburg street, a son.

## DEATHS

McADOO—In this city, on the 27th inst., William J. McAdoo, in the seventieth year of his age, leaving his wife, two sisters and three brothers to mourn. Funeral from his late residence, 22 Haymarket square, Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. (Private.)

LAND—The death of Jennett A., wife of Alfred D. Land, occurred this morning at her late residence, Westmorland Road, Kings county.

Funeral Sunday at 2.30.

DALTON—At his residence, 389 Main street, William J. Dalton, leaving his wife, one son, three daughters, one brother, four sisters to mourn.

Funeral Sunday afternoon at 2.30 from his late residence.

CAMPBELL—On the 25th instant, at Bethesda Hospital, Hornell, New York, Rev. G. M. Campbell, D.D., in the sixty-fifth year of his age.

Funeral from Centenary church Sunday at 3 p. m.

KEE—On December 21, at the Third London General Hospital, London, England, Captain William J. Kee, of the Imperial Army Veterinary Corps, aged twenty-four years, beloved son of John C. and Alice M. Kee, of this city.

## FUNERAL NOTICE

Members of St. Andrew's Society are requested to meet at the office of John White, 97 Charlotte street, on Sunday afternoon at 2.30, for the purpose of attending the funeral of their late member, Rev. G. M. Campbell, D.D. By order Henry C. Rankine, president; J. T. McPherson, secretary.

## LOCAL NEWS

The Christmas music will be repeated in Trinity church on Sunday.

Special sale of men's underwear tonight from 7 to 11, at Corbet's, 194 Union street.

Starting new class in modern dancing. —Alice Green, Main 2880-11. 91034-1—3.

Special sale of men's sweaters tonight from 7 to 11, at Corbett's, 194 Union St.

Victoria Rink, skating tonight. Band every night and Saturday afternoon.

Begin New Year with a ten lesson course in elocution and public speaking. —Amelia M. Green. 'Phone 2380-11.

Special sale of men's pants tonight from 7 to 11, at Corbet's, 194 Union St.

SPECIAL TODAY

Choice corned beef 15c. a lib.—Doyle's Meat Market, 153 Brussels street.

Courses beginning in French conversation and grammar.—Amelia M. Green. 'Phone 2380-11.

We are taking orders for a limited supply of chestnut hard coal. Cash to accompany order.—McGivern Coal Co., 1 Mill street. Tel. M. 42. 1—3

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH

Beautiful New Brunswick pictures of our beautiful province, by Mr. McIntosh, at St. Phillip's church Monday evening, 8.15. Admission Adults, 10c.; children, 5c.

We are taking orders for a limited supply of chestnut hard coal. Cash to accompany order.—McGivern Coal Co., 1 Mill street. Tel. 42. 1—3

SUNDAY SERVICE

Sunday service, St. Phillip's church.—Praise service, 11 a.m.; Sunday school, 2.30 p.m.; preaching 7, evening, by Rev. J. C. Berrie. All welcome.

We are taking orders for a limited supply of chestnut hard coal. Cash to accompany order.—McGivern Coal Co., 1 Mill street. Tel. M. 42. 1—3

NOTICE

Recall committee will hold meetings in Trades and Labor Hall, Oddfellow's building, until after election.

(Signed) F. A. CAMPBELL, Chairman.

Members of the Royal Kennebeccasis Yacht Club are requested to meet at the club room, Charlotte street, Sunday, 2.30 p.m., to attend the funeral of our late chaplain, Rev. G. M. Campbell, D. D.

TRAP SHOOTING NEW YEAR'S DAY

A trap-shooting match, open to all comers, will be held on the rifle range off Main street, North End, on New Year's day, commencing at 10 a.m. and 1.30 p. m. Suitable prizes are offered, and all those interested in trap-shooting are requested to bring their guns and come along. An automatic trap has been provided and clay pidgeons and ammunition will be for sale on the grounds at reasonable rates.

REQUESTED TO ASSEMBLE

The members of the executive committee of the New Brunswick Bible Society are requested to assemble at Centenary Methodist church on Sunday after noon, the 29th inst., at three o'clock, to attend the funeral of their late field secretary, the Rev. Geo. M. Campbell, D.D. Members of the St John branch are invited to join with them.

J. G. FORBES, President.
N. B. B. Society.

ACADIA NIGHT

All Acadia grads. and undergrads. are cordially invited to "Acadia Night" in Germain street Baptist Institute on Saturday evening, December 28, at 7.30.

AT ST. PHILLIP'S

A large audience listened to a well rendered programme given by the children of St. Phillip's church Sunday school on Thursday evening. It included choruses by the school; recitations by Francis Paris, Helen Burns, Helena Adamson, Little Mary McIntyre, Maud Stewart, Alice Young, Stanley Boyd and Helen Young; solo, James Blizzard; duet Helena Adamson and Ethel Boyd; trio, Helena Adamson, Pearl and Ethel Boyd; Dolly song, Lillian Williams and Hazel McIntyre; Christmas acrostic, Stella Burns, Charles Leslie, Kate Leslie, Alexandria Leslie, Helen Young, James Blizzard, Hazel McIntyre and Lillian Williams. The superintendent gave a short address, after which Santa Claus made a visit, which pleased the children greatly. A. A. Richardson acted as chairman. The pastor gave out the announcements. The national anthem was sung in closing.

IN WALL STREET.

New York, Dec. 28—Oils and gas shares were the strong features at the active opening of today's stock market, rails, industrials and shippings reacting moderately.

**Gilbert's Specials**

1 lb. block Pure Lard.....33c.
1 lb. choice Seeded Raisins..15c.
1 lb. Fancy Seeded Raisins...16c.
1 lb. Fancy Seedless Raisins..25c.
1-2 lb. Baker's Chocolate.....20c.
1-2 lb. Dot Chocolate.....20c.
50c. lb. tin Royal B. Powder..45c.
Snider's Tomato Soup .....17c.
Pulverized Sugar for Frosting, 15c. lb.
Preserved Ginger .....50c. jar
25c. Baker's Cocoa..... 22c.
ORANGES.
Dominican ....40, 50 and 60c. doz
Floridas .....60 and 75c. doz
Seedless, extra fancy large, $1 doz
DRESSED DOLLS (with orders), six different styles, sixteen inches high, good value $1.50. SALE PRICE 98c.
Xmas Tree Candles.....10c. box
Cossaques, Crackers and Table Decorations.
Other lines too numerous to mention.

Canada Food Board License No. 8-569.

**Walter Gilbert**

## ASQUITH AND M'KENNA ARE BOTH DEFEATED

London, Dec. 28—Former Premier Asquith, veteran leader of the Liberal party, has gone down to defeat with a majority of his followers. The former premier was defeated for his East Fife constituency, which he had represented for thirty-two years, by Colonel Sir Alexander Sprot, who had fought him in several previous elections as a straight Unionist. Sir Alexander is a country gentleman and a resident of Fifeshire.

In addition to losing the votes of the coalition Liberals, however, Mr. Asquith had the disadvantage that under the recent distribution act the boundaries of East Fife had been extended to take in a considerable Unionist element.

The vote was: Sprot, Unionist, 8,996; Asquith, Liberal, 6,994; W. P. Morgan, Independent, 591.

Reginald McKenna, former chancellor of the exchequer, and a staunch supporter of former Premier Asquith, was defeated in the Pontypool division of Monmouthshire, Wales, by Thos. Griffiths, Laborite: Griffiths, Labor, 8,438; Sir L. Llewellyn, coalition Unionist, 7,421; McKenna, Liberal, 6140.

Miss Violet Markham (Mrs. Carruthers), sister of the late Sir Arthur Markham, failed in her attempt to gain the seat for the Mansfield division of Nottingham, formerly held by her brother. The result was: William Carter, Laborite, 8,957; G. W. S. Jarrett, coalition, 6,678; Miss Markham (Mrs. Carruthers), Liberal, 4,000; Dr. Tarachand, Independent, 878.

Of the 353 members whose elections had been announced so far, no fewer than 274 support the government. Of the members already elected 198 are coalition Unionists and seventy-six are coalition Liberals. The independent Unionists have elected eight members and the Asquith Liberals only five. Labor has thirty-five members, the Irish Nationalists one, the Sinn Feiners twenty-six, and there are four independents. It is probable that the Laborites will be the second strongest party in the house, as the Sinn Feiners will refrain from attending at Westminster.

## NORTON PEOPLE HONOR PTE. JOSEPH McDONOUGH

Private Joseph McDonough, son of W. B. McDonough, plumber, Sydney street, and a resident of Norton, arrived home from the front yesterday after three years' of active service. In the battle of Vimy Ridge in April, 1916, Private McDonough was wounded in the right hand, and as a result of the wound two of his fingers have been paralyzed. In the same battle his brother, Private Fred, was killed.

Private McDonaugh was among the first of the St. John boys to enlist. He was doing home duty when he joined the 115th Battalion. From the 115th he was transferred to the C. M. R. It was while fighting as a member of that unit that he was wounded.

The residents of Norton assembled in the town hall last evening and tendered Private McDonough a reception. During the evening he was made the recipient of a set of pipes. In a few days he will return to the hospital in Fredericton where it is hoped that his fingers will be restored to their natural condition.

## SHIPPING

PORT OF ST. JOHN
Cleared December 28

S S Lake Como, for Boston, in ballast, Capt. James W Blackwood.

CANADIAN PORTS.

Halifax, Dec 27—Ard, stmr Polish Monarch, Gibraltar; schrs Bechland, Buenos Aires; Latona, Philadelphia.

Sld—Stmrs G O S Adolf (Nor), Halifax for New York; Northland, for Portland (Me); Royalite, for St John; Amanda, for Jamaica.

FOREIGN PORTS

Portland, Me, Dec 27—Sld, schr Wm D Marvell (from St John), New York.

City Island, N Y, Dec 27—Bound east, schr Charles C Lister, Elizabethport for St John.

Steamer, arrivals—Freighters—Stellina at Havre from Sydney (N S); Pensilva at Liverpol from St John.

MARINE NOTES

The S S Manchester Division sailed from Manchester on December 23 for this port via Halifax.

The new schooner J Miller, which was recently constructed by Messrs Osmond and O'Brien of Noel, and which was sold to J Rendal & Co. of St John's, Nfld., is ready to sail for her destination.

There was very little movement about the harbor front today, no vessels of any kind arriving, and only one clearing.

HALIFAX NOTES

The steamer Manchester Corporation, which arrived at Halifax from St. John, is loading at Pier 3 for an English port. The steamer Vera B. Collins has left Yarmouth for St. John to load a cargo of foodstuffs for France, which is coming from New York by rail. The Collins will likely go by way of Bermuda and Azores.

NEWFOUNDLAND NOTES

The crew of the schooner Eva C., which was abandoned in mid-ocean, have reached Gibraltar safely. Still another wreck has been reported. On December 19, the schooner Aquadilla, 100 tons, from Sydney to St. John's, via St. Pierre, with a cargo of coal, was reported a total wreck at the mouth of Lamaline Harbor. Part of the hull of a derelict, the Gloaming, Lunenburg, has been reported off Point Aux Gaul.

MANY STRANGERS COMING

With family reunions, entertainment attractions and a specially keen desire to be in the provincial metropolis on the advent of the New Year, St. John promises to be a busy place on next Wednesday. The first peace holiday, aside from the fireside observance of Christmas, will find the St. John hotels well filled with strangers, and many a home entertaining welcome guests from outside the city. The social element will be strong on New Year's, and theatricals in the afternoon and evening will witness many a gay party and a merry ensemble. A large number of house dances are arranged for the latter part of the evening, and tables have been engaged for after-theatre suppers. In fact, St. John will take on a quite new aspect.

## INFLUENZA GETS NEW HOLD AMONG NEW YORK PEOPLE

New York, Dec. 28—The welcome given the returning fleet by millions of New Yorkers will cause a large increase in the number of influenza and pneumonia cases, so Health Commissioner Copeland predicted yesterday.

Physicians reported yesterday 269 new cases, an increase of seventy-six over the previous day's figures. Deaths totalled thirty-six, an increase of fifteen. Seventy-seven new cases of pneumonia were reported against thirty-one on Thursday, and deaths totalled sixty-six against thirty.

In Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, Dec. 28—Fifteen deaths and 151 new cases of influenza were reported here yesterday.

In Ottawa, Too.

Ottawa, Dec. 28—There are between 200 and 300 cases of influenza in Ottawa at the present time, and the disease is more prevalent in the surrounding districts than at the time when the epidemic was at its peak. However, the board of health does not anticipate another outbreak such as took a heavy toll of lives during October and November. The disease now appears to be of a milder form.

## SALE OF WOMEN'S COATS AT OAK HALL

Many Distinguished Models Shown At Drastically Reduced Prices

Oak Hall are now offering their complete range of women's cloth coats and plush coats at prices which are so drastically reduced that they have proven a pleasant surprise to the many customers and friends who have visited this department during the past few days. The styles shown are all 1918 models in belted, semi-belted, loose-back, or tailored styles, many with fur collar and cuffs. The colorings are many, including charming shades of Maduro, grey, Burgundy, taupe. Not only are cloth coats and plush coats drastically reduced, but every fur coat and fur piece in stock is also offered at reduced prices. So that altogether this offers many women an excellent opportunity to spend their Christmas money profitably. A visit to Oak Hall's Women's Department, third floor, will repay them many times over.

## HON. MR. VENIOT HAS INVITATION TO MONTREAL

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 28—Hon. P. J. Veniot announced this morning that he believed the dominion government was contemplating the granting of a sum of money for the great roads of the province. He bases his belief upon the fact that Mr. Campbell, dominion roads commissioner, is now in touch with the provincial department of public works, and that department will prepare plans and information to be forwarded to Ottawa.

Mr. Veniot has received through Alphonse Decary, president of the Reform Club of Montreal, an invitation to address that body at a banquet to be tendered him at a date to be determined by himself. Hon. Mr. Veniot has the invitation under consideration.

The Minister of Public Works will leave here on Monday for Debec Junction, Carleton county, where he will address a farmers' convention on the subject of "good roads" in relation to development of the farming in New Brunswick.

FOR CHRISTMAS — Rich Fruit Cakes and Puddings, Mince and Lemon Pies, Strawberry Preserves, Jellies, Filled Cakes, Doughnuts, Chow-Chow, etc. Variety in Fancy Work.—Woman's Exchange, 158 Union Street. Rent our new Books. Open evenings.

**AUTO OWNERS**

Owners of motor vehicles are reminded that it will be necessary to secure licenses for 1919 in order to legally operate automobiles or motor trucks, or other motor vehicles after Tuesday, December 31, 1918.

In order to avoid the delay which a rush of last minute applications would result in, owners who are using their cars and trucks should fill out the necessary forms and remit license fees at once.

W. H. McQUADE,
Provincial Tax Inspector.
St. John, N. B., Dec. 26, 1918. 12-13.

THE BEST QUALITY AT A REASONABLE PRICE

**Put Your Christmas Money in a Diamond**

Use the presents of cash you received Christmas in the purchase of a Diamond. You can choose a stone of any size here with absolute assurance that it is a desirable Diamond in every detail that enters into quality.

Prices are extremely good values. A little later on you will have to pay more for stones of similar quality. The Diamond purchased here will be taken by us at any time in exchange for a more valuable stone.

In Solitaire Rings we show stones priced at $15 to $300.

**L. L. Sharpe & Son**

Jewelers and Opticians.

Two stores—21 King St., 189 Union St.

## ONCE NEW YORK WAIF; BECAME GOVERNOR

John G. Brady Dead; Was Executive of Alaska for Three Years

John G. Brady, former governor of Alaska, died last week at his home in Sitka, Alaska, according to word received by the Children's Aid Society, of New York, of which he was a former ward. He had been ill from diabetes since last September.

While governor of Alaska he visited New York, the home of his childhood, and at a dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria he referred to the time when he was a waif and an outcast in the slums of New York. The man who was then governor of 370,000 square miles of territory was born in squalor in the lower end of Roosevelt street. His father was a drunken 'longshoreman, and his mother died when he was a child.

At the age of eight he had sold newspapers, shined shoes, run errands, carried satchels to the steamboat docks and haunted the East River water front in the hope of picking up an odd job now and then. "Johnny" often slept curled up in a box or in some dark corner in Chatham square. One night he was picked up by a policeman and sent with a boatload of other waifs to Randall's Island. In the summer of 1859 the Children's Aid Society arranged to send a large number of boys to the west, and among them were "Johnny" and a lad named Burke. Burke later became governor of North Dakota.

Johnny Brady was consigned to the home of John Green, a prominent lawyer of Tipton, Ind., where he remained until 1867, and then taught school, having been educated by his foster father.

In 1870 he went to Yale, where he was graduated in 1874, when he entered Union Seminary. After being ordained to the ministry he went as a missionary to Alaska. In 1897 he was appointed governor of the territory by President McKinley and was reappointed by President Roosevelt, serving in all three terms.

## THE FARMERS' CONVENTION

(Toronto Globe.)

The dispute over the Military Service Act was only a passing phase of the movement for the better organization of the farmers of this province. The United Farmers of Ontario, who have been holding their annual convention in Toronto, are an extension of similar bodies in the Prairie Provinces—the United Farmers of Alberta, the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' Association, and the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association—established for years, with a present membership of over 100,000. They have a sort of federal union by means of the Canadian Council of Agriculture. The beginning of the movement in this province had no relation to war issues. Its originators felt that the Ontario farmers had not attained the power to which they were entitled by their numbers and by the importance of agriculture. They saw that the western grain growers, by means of organization had relatively much greater influence upon public affairs, and were better able to promote and protect their own interests. They found also examples in the combinations of other producing classes, especially the manufacturers. In the western provinces the machinery of organization was already provided for them.

Doubtless the protest aroused by the cancelling of exemptions granted to farmers' sons and helpers by Military Service Act tribunals gave an impetus to the United Farmers of Ontario, but conscription is not a continuing question. Debate on the point was abruptly closed at the convention when a delegate remarked: "I have a boy buried in France and another wounded in England. The war is over. Why prolong the discussion?" As a public issue, conscription has passed like the need for it, and if British statesmen have their way at the Peace Conference it will not b re-opened. The attention of the convention this week was directed mainly to economic plans and subjects. The platform assented to is almost identical with that adopted by the Canadian Council of Agriculture at Winnipeg on November 29. It differs only in a more sweeping pronouncement on the tariff. The Council of Agriculture advocated these amendments:

"An immediate and substantial all-round reduction of the customs tariff.

"Reducing the customs duty on goods imported from Great Britain to one-half the rates charged under the general tariff, and further gradual, uniform reductions in the remaining tariff on British imports that will insure complete free trade between Great Britain and Canada in five years.

"The reciprocity agreement of 1911, which still remains on the United States statute books, to be accepted by the Parliament of Canada.

"All foodstuffs not included in the reciprocity agreement to be placed on the free list.

"Agricultural implements, farm machinery, vehicles, fertilizers, coal, lumber, cement, illuminating fuel and lubricating oils to be placed on the free list, and all raw materials and machinery used in their manufacture also to be placed on the free list.

"All tariff concessions granted to other countries to be immediately extended to Great Britain.

"All corporations engaged in the manufacture of products protected by the customs tariff to be obliged to publish annually comprehensive and accurate statements of their earnings.

"Every claim for tariff protection by any industry should be heard publicly before a special committee of parliament."

The United Farmers of Ontario ask in addition that any further reductions of the United States tariff on Canadian products, natural or manufactured, be met by similar reductions in the Canadian tariff on United States importations. The reduction of revenue caused by these policies they would met by an extension of direct taxation, including a tax on unimprovd land values.

These radical recommendations may be interpreted as a reply to the challenge of a 42 1-2 per cent general tariff, which the high protectionists will not only fight to maintain, but to increase, on the principle of "bringing the National Policy up to date"—the catch cry of the Ginger Group. Critics may say this is a class programme, but so is the programme of every group which seeks to advance its interests by political methods. The manufacturers, the railway companies, the financiers, and even some of the learned professions make special demands upon the law-making bodies. It is for the Canadian people to judge of the different policies presented for their consideration. The popular judgment often insists on a compromise between conflicting claims. The majority of the people will choose what fiscal or other laws they want. In a democratic country what other standard can be set up?

The very next time you buy tea, ask your dealer to give you MORSE'S

Then appreciate the rich strength and delicate flavor for yourself.

## LOCAL NEWS

TO WED NEXT WEEK

The marriage of William Minto and Mrs. Bessie Blackmer of Fredericton, will take place at Campbellton on New Year's Day.

CASUALTY LIST.

The only New Brunswicker mentioned today is J. Poirier, of Restigouche, who is reported ill.

BURIED TODAY.

The funeral of Miss Emma C. K. Jack took place at half past two o'clock this afternoon from the Mission Church S John Baptist to Fernhill, where interment was made. Rev. H. E. Benentt officiated. Requiem mass was celebrated at half past nine o'clock in the morning.

FUNERAL TOMORROW.

The body of Rev. Dr. G. M. Campbell was brought to the city on the Boston train today by Hon. H. A. McKeown and the funeral will be held from Centenary church at three o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

INFLUENZA IN SUSSEX

Sussex Record—Influenza is on the increase in Sussex. Many families are down and out with the disease, which is much more prevalent than in the early stages of its spread. No steps have apparently been taken by the health authorities to compel the exercise of precautionary measures.

GOES TO CALGARY.

Sergeant Major O. B. Stevens of the record department of military headquarters recently resigned his position to accept a responsible post with the Merchants Bank of Canada in Calgary. Sergeant Stevens' resignation was accepted owing to his good services and voluntarily enlistment. He enlisted about three years ago, but owing to physical unfitness was unable to proceed overseas and on request was transferred to the military headquarters. He entered the office as a private and soon his clerical knowledge was recognized and he was promoted, as vacancies occurred, until he finally was made sergeant-major. His friends will wish him all success in his new position.

## PERSONALS

Dr. and Mrs. H. S. Bridges, Wentworth street, left on Monday evening to spend Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. Stevens, in Montreal. Dr. Bridges will return in a week from date of leaving, but Mrs. Bridges will remain one week longer.

Dr. and Mrs. A. P. Barnhill and Mrs. Bailey left this week to spend the holiday season in Boston.

Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Pugsley spent Christmas Day with friends in New York.

Mrs. Homer Forbes—is a welcome visitor in St. John for over the holidays and is the guest of His Honor Judge Forbes.

Miss Bridge of Boston, is the guest of Mrs. Frank Elkin at the La Tour.

Mrs. George Wetmore and daughter Mildred left on Christmas night to spend a fortnight in New York.

Mrs. Gordon Sancton and little daughter Helen are guests this week-end at The Grove, Rothesay, of General McLean and Mrs. Harold Stetson.

Mr. Herman Lordly, secretary of the Boys' Scouts for the province of Quebec, who spent Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Lordly, King street East, returned to Quebec on Thursday evening.

Geo. Estey, Kenendy street, is confined to his bed through sickness.

Miss M. E. McCarron of Fredericton, who has been ill with pneumonia for the last four weeks, was brought to her home, Douglas avenue, on last Monday.

Henry O'Brien, who was attending school in Boston, arrived home a few days ago to spend Christmas with his father, Pte. Patrick O'Brien.

Joseph Mooney is ill at his home in Watson street, West St. John.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ross of Montreal are visting Mr. Ross' father, L. R. Ross, terminal superintendent, here.

Miss Myrtle Evans, who has been visiting in the city, will leave this evening for her home in Framingham, Mass.

Major S. Wetmore, acting assistant adjutant-general of local military headquarters is confined to his home through illness.

Captain W. Fitzgerald, D.C.M., of Winnipeg, is at the Royal Hotel.

P. J Hughes arrived from Fredericton this morning.

James McQueen, K.C., of Shediac, is at the Royal Hotel.

Hon. W. P. Jones, of Woodstock, is in the city today.

FEWER FAILURES

(J. M. Robinson & Sons, Private Wire Telegram.)

New York, Dec. 28—Dun's report 120 failures this week, against 170 last week and 203 last year.

Dun's review on trade conditions looks for increasing demand for raw materials both at home and abroad when prices reach more normal level.

Bank clearings this week in principal cities increase 23.9 per cent. over last year.

## STRIKING LETTER TO KAISER FROM THE PRINCE OF MONACO

(Continued from page 1)

the beauties of civilization and all the conquests of man over the brute.

"It was open to you to become the greatest figure of all time if you had directed your power to repairing the injustice weighing on Europe and given your high authority to the ideals of right, justice and peace to which mankind is now eagerly turning. But instead you maintained the brutal customs of a military monarchy until Germany, which could have won world power based on civilization, has dragged you down in its false ideas of blind folly."

Recalling to the former emperor their conversations, the prince says:

"I was deeply impressed with the talk I had with you when we inaugurated the observatory of Ledenberg. When I condemned the militarizing of a people as stunting individual development, you described to me the advantages of such a form of national education outside its purely military objects because, as you said, it relieved men from the heaviness of their bearings. This was your conception of the principle and of a system, the application of which is terrifying the world. Today in the path of your armies are strewn the marks of this education, which betray your true end or your profound error."

## NAVAL QUESTION AND RECIPROCITY

(Halifax Chronicle.)

There is abundant evidence on every hand that no question is ever settled unless it is settled right. In Canada we have two questions which were supposed to be settled by the elections of 1911, the naval question and the question of reciprocity, but it will be difficult today to find in the whole of Canada a single individual of any prominence, who will assert that these questions were really settled right. Today the news despatches carry the admission of Sir Robert Borden himself, that the naval question, which he supposed settled in 1911, is to be resettled along the lines which he opposed, and of the policy of the Liberal party which was defeated at the polls in that memorable year.

So with the question of reciprocity. That was another question of great public importance supposed to be settled by the elections of 1911. Every year since we have had evidence that this question was not really settled at all. The great world war has demonstrated beyond the shadow of a doubt that the policy of reciprocity, as proposed by Mr. Fielding, was the proper policy, and that the so-called verdict of the people in opposition to it was not founded on sound principles at all. Therefore it is that we have these two questions facing us today for settlement in the only way possible—the right way.

Now the farmers of Ontario and the prairie provinces are showing signs of unrest. There is, apparently, a keen desire on their part for closer co-operation with the object of becoming a greater political factor. This for the purpose of bringing about a more equitable distribution of taxation and to prevent undue profiting on the part of special interests by tariff concessions. In a word, there is ample evidence that the political battles over our fiscal policy are not ended in this country, but will in the near future be renewed with increasing intensity.

The present situation forcibly reminds us of a note of warning sounded by the Hon. W. S. Fielding in an address delivered in Montreal during the reciprocity campaign. He expressed the opinion that if reciprocity in natural products was obtained with the United States, it would go a long way to permit the continuance of a moderate protective tariff for our manufacturing interests. On the other hand, he said, if specially favored industries combined to defeat the reasonable desires of those engaged in the developing of our great natural industries and succeeded in their effort, the struggle would be renewed with greater intensity at a future day.

It will be remembered that under the reciprocity agreement the manufacturers of Canada practically retained their former protection, but not satisfied with this, they were determined to prevent the advantage accruing to the farmers of a larger and more profitable market for our natural products. The cry, "No truck or trade with the Yankees," accomplished its purpose, but it now looks as if the battle will be fought all over again, and not limited to a free outlet for our natural products, but it will have added to it a request for a general reduction of the existing tariff. Whatever may be the ultimate conclusion reached by the Canadian people on this issue, there is one phase of which we can be certain, and that is we will never again have the advocate of larger markets for our natural resources referred to as unpatriotic or disloyal. The fiscal question will have to be decided on its merits. We are bound to say if this course had been followed during the last campaign, our great natural industries would have been strengthened and developed by a sound trade agreement, and our manufacturing interests would not now have arrayed against them an organized force who justly feel that while the manufacturing interests were not directly affected by the reciprocity agreement, they largely contributed to defeating the reasonable desires of the farmers of this country.

*Look at your Hands!*

**SNAP**

will clean them after firing up the furnace.

*Everybody likes it.*