

Local And Other Items.

The Minister of munitions David Lloyd George has announced that 396 additional establishments had been controlled under the control of the ministry since Jan. 1. This makes a total of 2,422 controlled establishments.

It is officially announced from London that the complete evacuation of Gallipoli Peninsula has been successfully carried out.

John Hodge, chairman of the Labor party in the House of Commons, expressed the opinion on Saturday that the political crisis is over and that there will be no general election.

The Dominion Parliament meets today. Our Senators and Commons have gone to Ottawa, except Mr. A. A. McLean, M. P., who goes in a few days.

The steamship Patria, having on board the 300 passengers of the Greek liner Thessaloniki, abandoned at sea on the 5th, arrived at quarantine New York at 9.50 o'clock on the 6th, and docked next morning.

An earthquake recorded at the Sydney N. S. W. Observatory January 1 was the strongest ever registered by the instruments there. The centre of the shock is computed to have been at a distance of 2,200 miles.

Fifty-five Vancouver Japanese have signified their intention of joining the Japanese battalion being raised in Canada for overseas service and over five hundred applications have been received from elsewhere in the Province.

According to passengers who came down from the North Shore to Moncton a few days ago, two men have been arrested at Caraquet charged with setting fire to the Sacred Heart College, which was burned there a couple of weeks ago.

Many people here will learn with regret the news of the death, in Boston a few days ago, of Mr. Brent Dawson, youngest son of the late W. E. Dawson, for several years Mayor of this city. His death came after an illness of several days. Deceased was well and popularly known here.

Reports received at Gallipoli Ohio say that more than twenty persons were drowned when the steamer Kanswa capsized in the Ohio river near Parkersburg, West Va. on Jan. 5th. Of the sixty-five persons on board the steamer, only fifteen had been accounted for late that night, it was said.

The German armed steamer Kingani surrendered on Dec. 26, to the British naval expedition on Lake Tanganyika, in Central Africa. The action lasted ten minutes, adds the statement. "All the German Officers were killed and the steamer, despite its sinking condition, was brought into port."

Numbers 53 and 303, both C. P. R. passenger trains, met in head-on collision three miles east of Moose Jaw Sask. at 10 o'clock p. m. Jan. 4th. No details available yet. Further particulars of the piling up of Numbers 53 and 303, the Regina local and Tri-City express just east of Moose Jaw, go to show that the fireman of No. 53 was badly hurt, name unknown; the mail and express car of No. 53 was smashed into kindling wood; both engines were badly damaged, and both tracks were blocked and traffic was at a standstill.

A meeting of the Executive of the Conservative Association and the Conveners and local candidates of Queen's County was held on Friday afternoon in Charlottetown. Mr. Alex. Martin of Valleyfield was appointed President of the Association in place of Mr. S. W. Crabbe, deceased, and Mr. W. H. Hogan, Hope River, Vice-President. After a full discussion of the affairs of the party, it was decided that it was unnecessary to hold a general meeting of the Association at the present time, and action towards the calling of such general meeting was deferred for later consideration.

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It is estimated that in the last year Great Britain has advanced \$2,000,000,000 to Allies.

The steamer Minto, which was sold to the Russian Government and left here in November for Archangel has arrived at her destination.

The Hilary term of the Supreme Court opened here yesterday, all three judges on the bench. There are a number of civil cases but only our criminal case and in this case the grand jury found "no bill."

The Car Ferry reached here from Picton yesterday about 11 o'clock. The Stanley, left Tormentine for here Monday evening, was out in the ice all night and arrived here about 11.30 yesterday. Both steamers went to Picton today. The Stanley will likely return tonight.

An Ottawa despatch says: "John Thompson, K. C., counsel in the investigations, which have been conducted by Sir Charles Davidson into war contracts, plans to join a regiment for overseas service. The commission's work is practically finished and Mr. Thompson has rendered his services to it gratuitously. He is a qualified officer of the Princess Louise Dragoon Guards, at Ottawa, and a son of the late Sir John Thompson."

Thursday last, Feast of the Epiphany, was celebrated with appropriate solemn ceremonies in St. Dunstan's Cathedral. An early Mass was celebrated at 5.30. Other Masses were celebrated at the same hours as on Sunday. At 11 o'clock Solemn Pontifical Mass was celebrated by His Lordship Bishop O'Leary, assisted by Rev. Maurice McDonald, as high priest, Rev. Fathers Hogan and Herrill as deacons of honor, Rev. Fathers Duffy and McQuaid as deacon and Subdeacon of office and Rev. Dr. Hughes as Master of ceremonies. The sermon of the occasion was preached by Rev. Joseph Gallant. Solemn Pontifical Vespers and Benediction were given in the evening. His Lordship officiating, assisted as at the Mass.

A despatch from Halifax says: Captain D. A. McKinnon has been given command of the Field Brigade Ammunition column from the Maritime Provinces for overseas service. Recruiting for this column will begin in a few days. Upwards of 150 drivers and gunners will be required. The corps will be second to none and present indications are that it will fill up very quickly. He wants Prince Edward Island boys to get a chance and those who desire to go with him are asked to write him at once, stating age, occupation, military experience if any, chest measurement and height. Only those medically fit should apply. Mobilization will take place in Halifax and after a short training the Brigade will go overseas. Captain McKinnon's address is Queen Hotel, Halifax. N. S. Captain McKinnon makes a success of whatever he undertakes.

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Scores of members in khaki waved their handkerchiefs, and the air was rent with white pep-

ers, flung in triumph at the government's success. Amid the demonstration Premier Asquith, his face, usually pale, now glowing with satisfaction, walked down the floor of the House to present the bill formally to the chamber. His appearance was the signal for a rapturous ovation, members of all sides standing and cheering, while the galleries, could, with difficulty, be restrained from joining in the enthusiasm. An analysis of the vote showed that the government had held the great bulk of the Liberal and Conservative vote. The Irish Nationalists had voted against the bill, but the Irish Unionists supported the measure and the O'Brienites took no part in the division. The minority showed a sprinkling of Liberal members, the most notable being John Burns, the former cabinet member. A number of Labor members also voted with the opposition. Mr. Balfour's closing speech was the one notable feature of the debate. He spoke with great earnestness, but with good-natured confidence, which kept the members between applause and laughter. This measure, he declared, was not designed to settle the military policy of Great Britain. It was for the present occasion, and the present war. "I have not favored conscription in any form," said the first lord, "but it is no longer an abstract question. We are dealing with a stern reality. First, the prime minister has given a pledge for this bill, which it would be dishonorable to ignore, and second, the safety and success of the country is at stake. Let me say, with the greatest emphasis, that those of us who know the conditions in the field know that this bill is absolutely essential to the proper carrying on of the war. If this House refuses this bill to the government, it refuses what the government considers an absolute military necessity. This is not a precedent for universal conscription. It is not the thin edge of the wedge, or the first drop of poison to corrupt our whole system. In truth, this bill is a tribute to voluntarism for we have raised six million volunteers, and now this bill merely brings in those few shirkers who have failed to respond to the volunteer system. "No future prime minister can ever use this bill as a precedent for permanently fixing on the country the taint of Prussian militarism."

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I. G. R. Takes Over Line To Musquodoboit

The Service in the Meantime Will be on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, Leaving Dartmouth at 3 p. m.

Halifax, Dec. 31.—The operation of the Dartmouth to Deans branch of the government railway system will be undertaken on Monday, January 3rd. The trains will run from Upper Musquodoboit, leaving at 5.30 in the forenoon, thus making the run of 70 miles in four hours. Returning the train will leave Dartmouth at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, arriving at Upper Musquodoboit at 7.30 o'clock in the evening. The trains will run on three days each week—Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. It will be a mixed service—passenger and freight. Caviechi and Pagano, the contractors who built the road have been running the service for some months and have thereby been a great convenience to the people travelling from Halifax to Middle Musquodoboit. Now it is to be undertaken by the I. C. R. as a branch of the system that extends from Halifax to Winnipeg and soon may reach clear across to the Pacific. The desire of the people on the shore and through the Musquodoboit valley is at last to be gratified with the operation of the road as a part of the I. C. R. and in this respect the beginning of 1916 will be memorable. It will be noted that the road, in the meantime, will be operated not to Deans, but to Upper Musquodoboit.

Conscription Bill Passes First Reading In House of Commons By 298 Majority

Organized Labor Uncompromising in Hostility to Measure Forces Retirement of Three Members from Cabinet—Over Thousand Delegates Representing Four Hundred Unions and Three Million Workers at Congress—Arthur Henderson's Logic Fails to turn Tide of Opposition to the Measure.

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DIED.

MCQUAID—In the City Hospital on Jan. 6th, John J. McQuaid, Pisiquid, aged 72 years, leaving four daughters and one son to mourn. R. I. P.

MCNEILL—Died at Cavendish on Thursday, Jan. 6th, Mrs. Charles McNeill aged 83.

MCDONALD—At Grand Tracadie on January 6th, Mrs. Catherine McDonald, relict of the late James McDonald, formerly of Vernon River, aged 75 years. R. I. P.

MCKINLAY—At Franklin Point No. River, on Jan. 7th, of pneumonia, Mrs. D. C. McKinlay.

SHERREN—In this city Hudson Sherren, son of the late Mr. William Sherren, aged 27 years, leaving to mourn his mother, one sister, Miss Bessie at home, and three brothers.

PINEAU—At North Rustico, Jan. 9th Eugene Pineau aged 56. R. I. P.

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The Bye-Election Figures.

In the bye-election held in the first district of King's County on Wednesday last, 5th inst., the vote polled was 40 less than at the general election. Of these some had died and others had gone away some of them to join the army. Mr. Harry D. McLean received 14 votes less than Senator McLean received in Sept but his majority was 12 votes greater than the Senator's. Mr. McDonald received 26 votes less than Mr. Robertson received. This analysis of the vote shows a gain for the conservatives as compared with the general election and demonstrates the sterling loyalty of the electors to their honest political convictions. Following is the comparative statement of the votes cast at the different polls.

Table with columns for candidates and vote counts for the Bye-Election Jan. 5, 1916. Candidates include Priest Pond, Souris East, Souris River, Red Point, North Lake, St. Margarets, Hd. Rollo Bay, Rollo Bay Chapel, Souris Line Road, and Bothwell.

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Majority for John McLean, 204, Sept. 1915. Majority for H. D. McLean 216, Jan. 1916.

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The Market Prices.

Table listing market prices for various commodities such as Butter, Eggs, Fowls, Chickens, Flour, Beef, Pork, Potatoes, Hay, Hides, Sheep Pelts, Turnips, Turkeys, Pressed Hay, Straw, Ducks, and Lamb Pelts.

Canadian Government Railways

Change of Time January 9th Maritime Express Daily Ocean Limited Daily Except Sunday.

On Sunday, January 9th, the Maritime Express will run daily between Halifax and Montreal leaving Halifax at 3 p. m. Connection will be made at Moncton to and from St. John daily. The Ocean Limited will not leave Halifax Sunday, January 9th, but will leave on the present schedule time 8:00 a. m. daily except Sunday thereafter.

Its continuance during the winter months will be pleasing news to thousands of travellers to whom the "Ocean" appeals as an express train of excellence in service and comfort in travel. From Montreal the Maritime Express will leave on its present schedule 8:15 a. m. daily and the Ocean Limited 7:25 p. m. daily except Saturday. Jan. 12, 1916—21

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Supplies For Czar's Army

New York, Jan. 4.—Passengers arriving today on the Russian Kursk said that when they left Archangel the harbor was filled with steamers discharging large cargoes, consisting chiefly of supplies for the Russian army. Various kinds of freight was piled on the docks, there was every indication that it was being moved inland systematically and rapidly. The American Red Cross in Russia, according to other passengers, is in need of supplies and equipment, in addition to the financial aid given by Americans living in Petrograd and Moscow. Luther K. Zabriske, American vice consul at Moscow, was among the arrivals. Ten students, sent by the Russian government to inspect supplies being manufactured in this country for the Russian army and three convalescent Russian officers were also among the first cabin passengers.

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