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RAILWAY EXTENSION

The welcome news has come from Ottawa that several short railways that feed the Government Railway system are to be taken over by the Government. Two of these are in the south of the province, and the third is the York and Carleton Railway owned by Dr D R Moore of Newcastle.

Greater County is up in arms for better accommodations on the Carleton and Gulf Shore Railway, and asks that the Dominion Government take over the line and operate it in the public interest. Our neighbors are right in their protest and request. It is time that the few remaining short lines of railway in New Brunswick were taken over by the Government, as the Canada Eastern, the St John and Quebec, The International, and several others, have already been, with great profit to the people served by them. New Brunswick is pretty well supplied with railways, but there remain the Carleton and Gulf Shore line to be taken over and a connecting link built between Tracadie and Newcastle, and a link between Longville and Richibucto. In taking over the Grand Trunk Pacific east of Winnipeg, and the whole transcontinental system of the Canadian Northern, as well as a host of little branch lines, the Government has acted in the interest of the public and further action on their part along lines indicated above will be much appreciated in Northern New Brunswick.

THE WAR

For the last two weeks there has been no further German advance in France, although the battle has raged continuously all that time. It has been discovered that part of the German forces now in France are boys of the 1920 class. This calling out boys two years before time indicates that the supply of recruits for the German host is failing. Another determined drive, and, perhaps, several more, are to be expected, because the German leaders must try their best to win before the American forces, of whom there are now more than 500,000 in France, arrive in sufficient numbers to close the war.

In the east of Europe, the enemy still carries all before them. Two of the three new states—Finland and Ukraine—have been completely conquered and subverted by Germany and her allies, and their Socialist governments and constitutions overthrown. All this is doubtless the prelude of an attempt to destroy Socialism in Germany and Austria, the adherents of which, numbering a third of Germany and nearly as much of Austria, were solidly against their countries beginning this war. Only one Socialist state in Europe, Great Russia, with some 90,000,000 people, remains, and Germany is hedging her around with a wall of steel which is calculated to keep her isolated and helpless for many years. But the German suppression of the Ukrainian government which called them into that country and German interference with independent Russia will, doubtless, as soon as the Allies win an important victory on the western front, rouse the Great Russian and Ukrainians in an effort to shake off the yoke.

The British have recently made further gains in Mesopotamia, but have suffered a slight reverse east of the Jordan, at the hands of the Turks. The revolt against Britain in Baluchistan has been entirely suppressed.

The American navy, which a short time ago, had a personnel of 75,000, now has 500,000 sailors, and the American army is increasing by leaps and bounds. Britain has called out all men up to 45 years of age, and the prospects of German victory grow darker each day.

The closing of Zebruge harbor late last month and that of Ostend last week by the British, who sunk in them old ships filled with con-

MAGIC BAKING POWDER
CONTAINS NO ALUM
MADE IN CANADA

BOVRIL
Aids the Digestion of Food

Several Branch Lines Taken Over

Among Them the York and Carleton Railway Owned by Dr. Moore of Newcastle

Orders-in-Council have been signed at Ottawa to provide for taking over the York and Carleton, the Havelock and Elgin, and the Salisbury and Albert Railways as parts of the C G R.

The York and Carleton line is a valuable feeder of the Newcastle, Fredericton branch of the C G R. It runs from Cross Creek to the village of Stanley and about four miles beyond Stanley to The Glen, a section, heavily forested with hard wood. The purpose of the builder was to extend the road through to the St John River in Carleton County, via Napack, now a station on the Transcontinental. The York and Carleton Railway was built by Dr. D R Moore, now of Newcastle, who for many years practiced medicine very successfully in Stanley and vicinity, and from 1886 to 1891 represented York County in the Provincial Legislature. The line was built about twenty years ago and a few years later, was extended beyond Stanley for the purpose of developing the lumber business. The railroad was of great value to the people of a progressive and fertile section of York County, giving them railway connection which was much needed. It has had a large volume of business.

In recent years it has been strongly urged upon the Canadian Government or more than \$200,000,000 a year, being almost entirely due to military necessity, the existence of which has not yet passed away. So, it is highly probable that large sums will have to be raised this year, by new Victory loans or otherwise.

For this extra expenditure, necessary to win the war, Canada is prepared, for all realize that should the war be lost by the Allies we should have to pay not only all our own expenses but, along with the United States and Brazil, all those of the enemy also. Bad as our condition now is or is likely to be, it would be unspenkably worse every way were we to lose, no matter what it may cost to win.

The new upriver steamer, "Max Aitken," built by George Henderson of Donziastown for the Newcastle Steamboat Co, to replace the steamer "Dorothy N" recently sold to W H Miller Co Ltd, Campbellton, was successfully launched here at high tide on the 14th instant, about 10.30 in the forenoon. Miss Margaret McCurdy gave the vessel its name, by breaking a bottle of grape juice over the bow, as the vessel slid gracefully into the river. The "Max Aitken" will run from Redbank to Chatham and return with one or more extra trips from Newcastle to Chatham and return during the day. The "Dorothy N" ran from Redbank to Newcastle with occasional trips to Chatham. The "Max Aitken" is 25 feet longer than the Dorothy N, with much greater tonnage. The new vessel, which was built in Newcastle, is 85 feet long and 92 feet long over all, and 12 feet beam and 15 feet wide over all. Her draft will be about four feet. She is a twin-screw vessel, with main and promenade decks, ladies' and gents' cabins, rooms for each of the crew of five, commanded by Captain Spurgeon Amos, and up to date toilet rooms, etc. The vessel is very substantially built, the keel of birch, the stern post, stern double frame 7 inches apart, of juniper; the keelson, 8 by 10 inches, sister keelsons, 8 by 8 and deck, beams of hard pine; the decks and cabin furnishings of white pine. The fastenings throughout are of galvanized iron. The hinges and locks of the doors are of brass. The engine beds, 12 by 12 inches, 14 feet long, are bolted to the frames, with galvanneal iron. The vessel is a credit to the builder, and will be welcomed on the river. The boat will be ready for traffic in a few days.

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THE NEW TAXES

The new Dominion taxes provided in the 1918 budget, the items of which are given in our last issue, will total about \$40,000,000 and, after making up for the \$15,000,000 a year lost to the government because of prohibition of the liquor traffic, increase the country's revenue by some \$25,000,000. They will increase the taxation by five dollars per capita, but to offset this will be the great gain to the public because of the destruction of the liquor business. The income tax is increased by lowering the amount of income exempt and increasing the rate as the income increases. Hereafter married men's income will be exempt up to \$2,000 with further exemption of \$200 for each child, and unmarried men will have to pay on all income above \$1000 a year. Business firms will henceforth be exempt on income only up to \$25,000 instead of up to \$50,000 as formerly. The rest of the new taxes are imposed mostly on such widely used articles as tea, coffee, and tobacco, all of which however, are luxuries whose discontinuance would help rather than injure the health of the users. But the money having to be raised, the non-use of these articles would have to be followed by direct taxes on the essentials of life.

The \$40,000,000 to be raised by fresh taxes appears to be a big sum, but it is only a small part of the extra sum needed, and further increases are to be expected. The net national debt of Canada, which was \$335,000,000 in 1914, will at the end of four years of war be \$1,200,000,000, the increase of \$865,000,000, income only up to \$25,000 instead of up to \$50,000 as formerly. The rest of the new taxes are imposed mostly on such widely used articles as tea, coffee, and tobacco, all of which however, are luxuries whose discontinuance would help rather than injure the health of the users. But the money having to be raised, the non-use of these articles would have to be followed by direct taxes on the essentials of life.

Back Again After Seven Years

After an absence of nearly seven years, the Klark-Urban Company will again present at the Opera House for three days, beginning Monday, May 20th. This Company is better than ever before and is offering some of the newest and best plays of the season, staged with special scenery and effects and interpreted by a capable cast of players. For the opening play on Monday Evening has been selected, "Which One Shall I Marry?" This question is foremost in the mind of every man and every woman and has been selected as the theme for an allegorical play of the same name. With this theme, the author has woven a romantic story of the love of one girl and her two lovers, John Bland, a wealthy mill owner, and Jack Hart, a young man of meager salary. The rich man can give her everything that money can buy, while the poor man can only offer domesticity and love. Drawing the character sharply, the author has told of the life of a girl, who is a stenographer in the walks of every day life. Her employer loves her just as much as his salaried foreman. Her mother urges her to marry money and her father urges her to marry love. The termination of this story, and the answer to the eternal question, "Which One Shall I Marry?" furnishes one of the most interesting comedy dramas of the age, and is the nearest the heart of femininity and masculinity.

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Hurrah! How's This
Cincinnati authority says corns may be lifted out with fingers.
Hospital records show that every time you cut a corn you invite lockjaw or blood poison, which is needless, says a Cincinnati authority, who tells you that a quick course of a drug called Frezomon can be obtained at little cost from the drug store, but is sufficient to rid one's feet of every hard or soft corn or callus.
You simply apply a few drops of Frezomon to the tender, itching corn and soreness is instantly relieved. Shortly the entire corn can be lifted out, root and all, without pain.
This One is sticky but tries at once and is changed to just shirred up any corn without irritating or even irritating the surrounding tissue or skin. If your corns are very high heels they will be glad to know of this.

AFTER SUPPER SALE

AT CREAGHANS' TUESDAY EVENING FROM 7 TILL 9 P. M.

Read over this list of Big Specials which will be on sale next Tuesday Evening and be on hand at 7 sharp when the bell rings.

Every item listed below is a money saver and you cannot resist buying your needs at these low prices.

- Penmans' Hose in Soisette, Silk and Cashmere. Black, White and Colors. After Supper 49c.
- Children's Hose in heavy cotton ribbed and 1/1 mercerized ribb. Penman make reg. 50c pr. After Supper 39c.
- Men's colored work Shirts in all sizes, light and dark colors, reg. 95c to \$1.00. After Supper 75c.
- Extra Wide Table Oilcloth in white and colors, reg. 50c yd. After Supper 39c.
- 55c Window Blinds for 69c each. \$1.25 Corsets for \$1.00.
- Linen Towelling 18 inches wide, extra heavy quality in pure linen. After Supper 19c. yd.
- A table of Children's 50c to 65c Straw and Linen Hats, all new. After Supper 39c.
- 25 pieces assorted Crepes, Prints, etc., reg. 20c to 25c yd. After Supper 15c yd.
- Grey Cotton 36 inches wide, finest quality worth 22c. After Supper 15c yd.
- Ladies' Raincoats reg. \$6.50 to \$8.00. After Supper \$5.00.



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