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## THE WAR NEWS.

The armies in the field have now to reckon with the storms of winter, and we are told that a violent snowstorm yesterday greatly interfered with operations in Belgium and France. The fact that a great storm raged also in the United Kingdom, with a snowfall of two feet in some parts of the country, reminds us of the Canadians at Salisbury Plain, who will doubtless have their share of discomfort, even if to them a snowstorm is no novelty.

A very interesting feature of today's news is the protest of the United States against the treatment of American citizens by Britain and France. It is claimed that there has been unwarranted interference with the legitimate foreign trade of the United States, in the detention and seizure of cargoes which it is contended should not be regarded as contraband. Britain is charged with having departed in this matter from previously accepted principles of international law. The American note, we learn from Washington, couched in friendly terms. Doubtless the affair will be adjusted without serious dispute. There is another matter in which the United States might also protest and cite international law, and that is the violation of Belgium by Germany, and the present arrogant announcement by Germany that all United States representatives in Belgium must hereafter be acceptable to the German military authorities. Let us hope this will not be overlooked at Washington.

There is still an indication of a marked change in conditions on either the eastern or western battle-front. The Allies report a slight advance in one quarter in Belgium, but admit the loss of some trenches in another. In the east the German and Russian armies are still locked in a deadly struggle, but farther south the Russians claim successes over the Austrians and assert that they hold all the principal passes of the Carpathians.

With regard to the withdrawal of the Russians from the investment of Cra-cow, reported yesterday, it is explained that this was made necessary by an Austrian attempt to drive a wedge between the Russian armies in that region, and that the Russians at the same time prevented a junction of two Austrian armies and thereby gained a distinct success, forcing the Austrians to retreat with considerable loss. One Petrograd correspondent asserts that the Austrian campaign in Galicia has practically collapsed.

The loss to Norway, Sweden and Denmark, in vessels sunk by mines is estimated at \$10,000,000. Today's cables tell of the sinking of another small craft by a mine in the North Sea. With regard to the British raid upon Ouhaven, the London press expresses the belief that a good deal of damage was done by bombs dropped from the sea-planes, and that the facts are being concealed by the Germans. It is possible that Commander Hewlett, who was reported lost during this raid, may have been picked up by the Germans after his machine was wrecked, and is held as a prisoner.

A London cable says that the British government has availed itself of the aid of able business men to such an extent in all matters relating to the army that criticism of the war office has largely ceased, and the public are convinced that the administration of army affairs is marked by thoroughness and efficiency. This testimony is given by opponents as well as supporters of the government.

Today's news from Bucharest points inevitably to the entrance of Rumania into the war on the side of the Allies at an early date.

## PROVINCIAL POLITICS.

In order to prove that it heartily reciprocates the desire of the provincial opposition in St. John to observe a political truce in war time, the Standard today devotes a column and a half to characteristically coarse abuse of those who do not regard Mr. J. K. Flemming as a great and patriotic statesman. The Standard refers to "brutal and unscrupulous political opportunists," "the old gang," the "forbidding scowl of F. B. Carvell," the "smug, crafty visage of one William Pugsley," the "Carvell-Carter-Copp-gang," etc., etc.

It is quite evident that the self-respecting element in the Conservative party has nothing to do with the Standard, and newspaper, and that its utterances are not approved by that element. Does Mr. Baxter approve of them? Is that which the Standard says the best that he would wish to have said of those fellow citizens who do not agree with him in politics?

The Standard today sneers at Mr. Robert L. Simms, the opposition candidate in Carleton county. Mr. Simms deserves the support of the people of Carleton county for two reasons. One is that he opposes Mr. Flemming's "date," and the people of that county should set the seal of their disapproval on Mr. Flemming just as decisively as he "set the seal of his approval" on the activities of Messrs. Berry and Teed. The other reason is that Mr. Simms is a young man who in the face of difficulties secured for himself an education, pursued a brilliant course at college, and is now further preparing himself for an honorable and useful career. Carleton

county should be as proud of Mr. Simms as it is ashamed of Mr. Flemming, and of those who still support the man who took "by compulsion" the sum of \$3,000 from a railroad contractor, and by his conduct as premier brought disgrace upon the fair name of New Brunswick.

A Washington letter says:—"Creation of a naval reserve from among honorably discharged enlisted men of the navy is proposed in the draft of an amendment to the forthcoming naval appropriation bill which Secretary Daniels has sent to the senate and House Naval committees, with a strong recommendation that it be adopted."

The report in today's Times of the address of Supt. D. R. Clarke of the Bank of Montreal at the Amherst Conference is of special interest because while admitting that prudence and economy are necessary, he declares that business conditions in these provinces are sound and there is no cause for gloom.

Whatever may be the American point of view with regard to contraband or conditional contraband, Britain and France must pursue a watchful policy. However friendly the American government may be, there are always individuals who would disregard all laws if by so doing they could get supplies into Germany and reap a large profit therefrom.

The Halifax Echo says:—"The Arethusa and the Undaunted, which conveyed the British air craft in their intrepid attack on the German naval base and fought off the 'frightful' Zeppelins, are two of the newest light cruisers in the navy. Both had already distinguished themselves, the Arethusa in the battle in the Bight of Heligoland, and the Undaunted in the engagement off the Dutch coast, when single handed she sank four German destroyers. The usefulness of light cruisers is being amply demonstrated from day to day in the progress of the war at sea."

The Montreal Herald says:—"The Canadian Department of the Naval Service has just issued its annual report. Here is a statement which appears on the second page: 'Owing to the decision of the government not to continue H. M. C. ships Niobe and Rainbow in full commission, the course of exercise and training for these ships has been discontinued, and they are at present manned by nucleus crews.' This report is dated July 1, 1914. Who would have thought that the government which announced in July that these ships had been thrown out of commission, would have rushed them back into commission and have had them chasing Germans in August? Times do change—and likewise the opinions of some governments."

## RUSSIAN AMAZON WOUNDED

Pretty Girl Served by Impersonating Dead Brother

Petrograd, Dec. 28.—"Lyubov Ougit-ski," otherwise "the Augustov Amazon," a 21-year-old girl from Smolensk, is lying in hospital at Novgorod and confidently expecting a visit from the Stylish Lyubov—whose name means "Love"—has taken part in four big battles, all the time disguised as a man; had not sickness intervened she would now be fighting on the Volga.

She is described in the Viedmosti as "pretty, with expressive, gossamer eyes, but somewhat too strongly built."

When war was declared she made for Smolensk town and personated her re-servist brother, who died a few days before. She was enrolled in the 7th Army Corps, and finally found herself in General Rennenkampf's army.

When Rennenkampf first inspected his men he spoke, among others, to Lyubov, asked the name of "his" village, and said "Well, you're a fine lad."

The "Augustov Amazon's" first fight was Gumbinnen.

"I was terribly afraid of having to kill a man. To shoot I did not mind, but the idea of using my bayonet overwhelmed and horrified me. I realized that if I now killed a man in this way I should know it, and I should remember it to my last day. I prayed that I might myself be shot."

Mlle. Ougit-ski fought at Augustov in September; also in a desperate struggle on the Niemen. After the last fight she thought of deserting, but feared she would be captured and shot.

She kept the secret of her sex by pretending to be particularly rough and callous. "At times my heart bled with compassion which I could not express."

The "Augustov Amazon's" military career was ended by a slight wound from a cannon splinter. The wound was neglected and fever ensued.

There are at least a score of women fighting on our side," she says. "A woman who posed as 'Private Roman Ste-metoff' was killed outside Suwalki. On the day before her death she made a forced march with her battalion, of forty two versts (about 26 miles)."

## A Diplomatic Tip

At a time when it was thought that Germany wanted to get a foothold in Holland, Bismarck and the Dutch ambassador stood watching a review of the German army. As a well set-up body of men marched past the ambassador said: "Fine soldiers, but too short." Then came the Grenadiers, between six and seven feet tall; nevertheless the ambassador's comment was the same as before: "Fine soldiers, but too short."

"What does your excellency mean?" asked Bismarck.

"I mean that we can flood Holland eight feet deep," replied the ambassador.

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## Their Glee.

"He boasts that he came of a fine old family."

"Yes; and how they must have laughed when he left!"

## The Old School.

"He's an advertising writer of the old school."

"You mean a liar."

## The Other Side.

"Isn't it a shame the way they work the help in this store? Fifteen hours a day and the wages almost nothing!"

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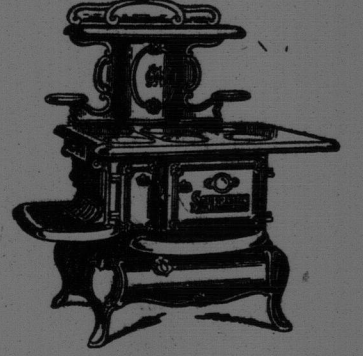
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NEW ACT GOVERNING  
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Recent Legislation on Naturalization Effective on January 1

A recent order-in-council passed in Ottawa promulgated in Canada new regulations under the Imperial Naturalization Act which change the whole procedure of naturalization in the Dominion. The regulations come into effect on January 1 in Great Britain and such

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of the overseas dominions as have passed the necessary legislation.

The Imperial Naturalization Act has been discussed ever since 1902, but a basis of general agreement was not reached until the last Imperial Conference. Even then some provisions of the old Naturalization Act to which Canada took exception were found to have been included in the draft of the new bill. This was finally settled, and as a result Canada has gained a rather important point. This is that hereafter a British subject naturalized in Great Britain will be recognized as naturalized in Canada by virtue of the concurrent legislation passed by the Dominion. The new act reduces the residential qualification for naturalization from three years in Canada itself to five years within the Empire, the last year in Canada. New certificates will be issued to persons naturalized under the former statute without re-naturalization. Where the naturalized person has not lived for five years within the Empire, however, the certificate may be held back until the end of that period, but this will not prejudice their rights under the old Act.

Recognition Anywhere.

The new act recognizes Canadian naturalization anywhere in the Empire, whereas formerly when a naturalized Canadian went outside, even to England, his naturalization was not recognized. It also entitles the naturalized Canadian to recognition as a British subject by any foreign country. Hitherto an American naturalized as a Canadian was recognized as such by his country but this was not reciprocated. However, for this unlimited recognition five years' residence in the Empire will be required, while the three years' residence in Canada will still remain a qualification for naturalization, but only the limited naturalization possible under the old act. An adequate knowledge of English or French is required in each case.

Under the new act application for naturalization will continue to be made and passed upon by the courts, but the certificate will be issued by the State Department at its discretion. The procedure requires the applicant to obtain a form from the clerk of the court, copies of which will then be posted in the nearest post office and also filed in the court for three months. The clerk then issues a formal petition for naturalization. The application is heard and on the applicant qualifying as to residence and good character, the judge endorses the petition. The Secretary of State then notifies the applicant whether he is to receive his certificate and an oath of allegiance is provided. The fee is \$5, half to go to the clerk of the court up to a maximum of \$1,000 per year.

Among the first Canadians to be re-naturalized under the Imperial Naturalization Act will be three distinguished men, Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, Sir William Van Horne and Hon. George H. Preley. They were born in the United States, but have lived here for years and were naturalized under the dominion act.

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