

Vanceboro. He pretends to be an agent of the German authorities, and claims that the crime was an act of war. The Canadian Government has asked for his extradition.

The rebellion in South Africa is practically over, and the Union forces may safely proceed against the neighboring German provinces. German Southwest Africa will be annexed to the Union.

It is believed that the continuance of the fighting in Mexico is principally due to the failure of Carranza to settle the land question. Both Villa and Zapata would confiscate the great estates and divide them among their followers. Latest rumours indicate that Carranza is again in power in the City of Mexico, while Zapata has retired to the south, and Villa will possibly become an independent ruler of Northern Mexico. This means the breaking up of Mexico into two, and possibly into three or four smaller states.

A German proclamation states that on the eighteenth of this month the waters surrounding the British Isles will be declared a war zone, and all trading vessels found there, including neutral vessels, will be sunk by submarines. A blockade by submarines is something new, though quite in line with the terrorizing plans of German warfare; but it remains to be seen whether the neutral nations will submit.

SCHOOL AND COLLEGE.

An Officers' Training Corps has been established at Acadia University. Their drill began on December 21, under Sergeant Major Long, who was appointed by the Militia Department.

The Acadia Bulletin for January has a list of fifty-three Acadia men who have enlisted.

The cadet corps of St. Anne's College, Church Point, N. S., have the honour of winning the Grand Imperial Challenge Shield for shooting. 516 cadet corps in different parts of the Empire competed for this prize, which was won last year by an Australian corps. A bronze replica of the shield will remain the property of the college. Ten silver medals and £15 were also won by this corps. The presentations of the prizes were made on January 19, by Dr. A. H. MacKay, Superintendent of Education, and J. A. McDonald, Esq., of Halifax, each of whom made interesting addresses, congratulating the college on the efficiency of its training.

The short course at the Agricultural College, Truro, N. S., began on Tuesday, January 5, with two hundred in attendance.

At a Christmas concert, the pupils of the school at Kemptville, N. S., under the superintendence of their teacher, Miss Lizzie Vine Hatfield, raised \$16.00 for Red Cross work.

The teachers and students of Kentville Academy recently contributed nearly sixty dollars to the Belgian Relief Fund.

Mr. Harry McCleave of Stewiacke has been elected Rhodes Scholar for 1915 by the Senate of Dalhousie University. Mr. McCleave received his early education at Fort Ellis School and Colchester Academy.

The University of Mount Allison has offered a \$50 scholarship for competition in Grade XI of the Parrsboro High School. This school has now \$150 in scholarships, and more than \$100 in prizes for competition in the coming year.

The examinations for the Macdonald scholarships for short courses in engineering at the Technical College, Halifax, were lately held in New Glasgow. The scholarship for the sons of industrial workers was won by Clarence M. MacKay of New Glasgow. James F. Kelly of Stellarton won the scholarship for the sons of railway workers, and the scholarship for the sons of miners was awarded to Donald McAskill of Stellarton.

To fill the vacancy created by the death of Miss Laura Lathern, late teacher of English and Latin at the Ladies College, Mount Allison, Dr. Campbell has secured the services of Miss Dora E. Faulkner, daughter of Hon. George E. Faulkner, of Halifax. Miss Faulkner is an honor graduate in English of Dalhousie College and has taught in the Ladies' College at Halifax.

In connection with the Agricultural short course in the Fisher Vocational School, Woodstock, N. B., there is going on a series of evening lectures on subjects of general interest, illustrated by the reflectroscope. Among the lecturers we notice the name of Miss Hazel Winter, Supervisor of Women's Institutes.

The Board of Education of the Diocesan Synod of Fredericton report an attendance of sixty-eight at the Rothesay College for boys, the largest attendance in the history of the school.

The fine new school building in Smythe Street, Fredericton, was opened in January.

The Art Club of St. John, N. B., is carrying on an Art school. Classes in drawing and painting are held on Monday, Tuesday and Friday afternoons, and Saturday morning. The Club has received a grant from the Royal Canadian Academy of Arts, of \$100, to be used for the benefit of advanced classes in life study.

A number of important changes have been made in the teaching staff in St. John. Leave of absence has been granted to Mr. Charles Lawson, teacher in grade eleven at the High School, who has volunteered for foreign military service.

The Board has received the resignation of Mr. William H. Parlee, Principal of Centennial School. Mr. Parlee has been on the teaching staff of this city for about thirty years, and during that time his services have been of a very valuable nature.

Mr. Grover Martin, of the tenth department of the High School, has been promoted to grade eleven to take the place of Mr. Lawson during his absence. Mr. Arthur W. Hickson has been transferred from the High School staff to the principalship of Centennial School, in place of Mr. Parlee. Mr. Stuart Henry has been transferred from King Edward School to grade ten, High School. Mr. John R. Gale, who formerly taught in Alberta and British Columbia will succeed Mr. Hickson at grade nine, High School. Miss Elizabeth Adams, of King Edward School, has been appointed to take Mr. Henry's place at that school.