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CHRISTMAS AND AFTER
From statements that have appeared in the press during the last three days it is clear that there were hundreds of families in St. John who were not in a position to provide themselves with a substantial Christmas dinner.

Christmas is past and there will not be another for a year, but these hundreds of families have before them a severe winter, which will grow in severity for the next two or three months.

It will therefore be necessary to keep the Christmas spirit as throughout the winter, for it will probably be found a month hence that there are more people in need of temporary assistance than there are at the present time.

PROBLEMS OF THE CITY
An inquiry has lately been in progress in Dublin to learn the facts about housing conditions in that city. It has been shown that in 1911 there were 21,133 single room tenements in the city, containing 79,000 persons, or a little over one-fifth of the population.

"I could contrast the slums of London with those of Dublin very much to the disadvantage of London. I could show conditions which would not be allowed in Dublin."
In replying to another question he said that there were at least 5,000 families, each living in one room, of whom he would say it would be desirable to limit their dwellings by giving them at least two rooms.

Turning next to an English city, we find that, at a meeting of the Civic League of Help in Salford, it was stated that one-tenth of the people, or 250,000 in a total population of rather less than 2,500,000, were on the verge of destitution and were a grave social danger.

It is not surprising that, with such conditions existing in cities in the United Kingdom, the reform measures introduced by the Asquith government

BIRTHDAYS OF NOTABILITIES

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27.
Hon. Sir Mackenzie Bowell, former premier of Canada, attains his ninetieth birthday today. He was born in Suffolk, England and came to Canada as a boy.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28.
John Ross Robertson, proprietor of the Toronto Telegram and a well known philanthropist, is seventy-two years of age today. He is a native of Toronto and has been engaged in newspaper work all his life.

LIGHTER VEIN
Much Dependents
"Shouldn't acquaintance be forgot?"
"Who borrows or who lends."
"Hub—How could you go and order that expensive necklace? Don't you know I'm fixed?"

Not Worrying Him
Wife (studying vocally)—I wish dear, you'd have double windows put on the hall so my practicing will disturb the neighbors.
Hub—Well if it does it's up to them to put on double windows.

Scientific Management Again
"Our boss is a crank on efficiency."
"Isn't he up to now?"
"Trying to teach the stenographer to chew her gum on two movements less per minute to the lower jaw."

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