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We have secured from the leading Art Publishers of the world a superb stock of

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The choicest of Art Productions are embodied in our stock in numberless designs in

#### COLOR GRAVURE, COLOR ETCHINGS, COLOR "FAC-SIMS," ETC.

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As we are now able to breathe more freely, these time-locked missives will be more than ever welcome and no doubt there will be the greatest exchange in this peace year that the world has ever seen.

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Welcomed in all cultured homes. We have a number of exquisite designs—novel and beautiful—Some marvellous reproductions of Oil Paintings—Suitable for framing when calendar pad is used—Immense assortment—All prices.



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The very best on the market from the leading makers in the world. "Enough said"—Expert service—All prices.



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We were fortunate in securing from one of the leading manufacturers in the Old Country a choice assortment of Writing Portfolios, Ladies' Purses, Letter Cases, Coin Purses, Bill Folds, etc.

**REAL LEATHER REMEMBER**—There are lots of substitutes on the market. We have also a special assortment of domestic manufacture.

**LETTERING FREE**—If goods purchased at our store.



**DOLLS**

As usual we have placed in our retail store some special bargains in remainders from our wholesale department. An early call is advised to secure best assortment as these goods will be rapidly snapped up.



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## A RIGID LAW AGAINST RADICALS

Would Deport All Alien I. W. W. Leaders—Defines Extremism and Forces Action by the U. S. Department of Labor—Ten Bills Considered.

Washington, Dec. 20.—A bill defining radicalism and designed primarily to force the department of labor to arrest and deport all alien members of the I. W. W. and kindred organizations has been reported to the house today by the immigration committee.

Under the bill any alien who is a member, contributes to, loans money to or is affiliated with any organization preaching, advocating or forwarding the teaching of abotage, the overthrow of organized government, the killing of or assault upon any government official, or the unlawful damage to or destruction of property, would be liable to arrest and deportation.

No overt act must be proved in order to bring about deportation, and the bill provides that mere membership in or affiliation with radical organizations shall be a deportable offense.

Explaining that the purpose of the measure was to make the letter and intent of the law plain and unmistakable, Representative Johnson introduced letters and records to show that Secretary Wilson had ruled that under existing law mere membership in the I. W. W. did not constitute grounds for arrest and deportation.

Ten bills aimed at immediate suppression of all forms of radical activity in the United States were considered today by the house judiciary committee, which expected to begin work immediately on a measure co-ordinating the provisions of the bills and incorporating the ideas of individual members of the committee.

It is the plan to report the committee bill before the Christmas recess.

Representative Blanton, Democrat, Texas, charged officials of the department of labor with sympathy with the radical movement and declared that the entire department from Secretary Wilson down is so honeycombed and permeated with the spirit of gambling that you have got to have a housecleaning before you can get at the bottom of the situation.

"If President Wilson knew what I know about the department of labor he would clean it up in fifteen minutes," said he.

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## MR. ASQUITH ON LIBERALISM

Potency to Solve Social Problems—Ireland's Future Speaks of "Government Blunder."

(London Chronicle.)

Mr. Asquith, in the course of a speech at the meeting of the Council of the National Liberal Federation at Birmingham yesterday, said the party true was now over. He might be mistaken, but he seemed to sniff in the air some signs of preparation for the great battle in which they would very soon be called upon to take part.

He assured those of his conviction of the potency of Liberalism to solve our social evils and round off our political freedom and to find a way to the settlement of the great economic and industrial problems that lay before us.

Later, the ex-premier addressed a great public meeting in Birmingham town hall.

Mr. Asquith, who had an enthusiastic reception, said the outstanding factor in the domestic politics of the last few months has been the experiment of governing the country by a Tory-Liberal coalition.

The Independent Liberals who went to the House of Commons were in numbers a mere remnant, but a remnant which, under the resourceful and sagacious leadership of Sir Donald Maclean, had shown itself a force not to be despised. How did this experiment look in the light of twelve months' experience? He might say something of the deplorable fiasco of the way in which questions of the greatest moment were almost habitually thrown on the floor of the House of Commons by the government, which dared not announce a policy or give a lead of its own.

Premium Bonds.

Take the case of premium bonds. If there ever was a question on which the government ought to have a mind of its own it was the case with that proposal. The House did not hesitate, as an old financier, to condemn as an attempt to introduce in conflict with our oldest and highest traditions a spirit of gambling.

If the House of Commons under the aegis of a non-committal government was led to give its consent to the proposal, he did not hesitate to say it would be financially the greatest failure and the most disastrous of its kind.

Take the case of housing. The government had been at it for two years, and now they were, according to the latest official figures, 174 houses brought into being in a habitable condition. We had a tornado of recommitment between responsible officials, and the one great proposal that had come out of it was to put down £150 for every house anybody could produce anywhere.

As to finance, we had seen gross miscalculations both in expenditure and in revenue.

Irish Problem.

Of Ireland's long record of misunderstanding and lost opportunities there was nothing more fatal than the position of the government. The government seized the opportunity for a blunder of the first magnitude. On the morrow of the presentation of the report of the convention, when the onus for a fair and equitable settlement was favorable, the government proposed to apply military coercion to Ireland, and there commenced a period of military government enforced by an army of occupation.

The office of Lord Lieutenant was entrusted to a field marshal, who, so far as the world knows, had not any qualifications except such distinctions as he won on the battlefield.

The hopes arising out of the convention were ruinously wrecked. The constitutional party led by Mr. Redmond had been gradually, but surely, gaining its authority in Ireland, but the government policy had resulted in Sinn Fein

becoming the dominating factor in Irish national life.

The government had now given the country a further shock in the proclamation of Sinn Fein. In a word we were back to the worst days of coercion, under veiled and unashamed. What a letter of introduction to Home Rule!

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Only four brief months ago she celebrated her hundredth birthday, on which occasion, in glowing health and spirits, she was the recipient of the heartfelt congratulations of all who knew her; for her was truly a life spent in service and devotion. But with the advent of the fall weather came her first sickness in life and it proved to be the last; yet the tardy reaper was kind, for she preserved all her faculties to the end, and the mould of her cheek in death was a wonder to behold. With her death there is removed the last remaining link in this family, and indeed, in these parts, boasting direct connection with Scotland, but if the chain is broken the tradition stands, perhaps firmer than ever.

When a little girl of thirteen years Ann Galbraith (her maiden name) emigrated from West Kilbride, Ayrshire, Scotland, with her parents and other families of Scottish weavers bent upon forcing the reluctant hand of fortune in the Dominion of Canada.

Pictou, N. S., was the objective of the party, but their little craft, the Margaret Ritchie, encountered such severe storms when nearing the completion of the voyage that she drifted up the Bay of Chaleur with the result that the rendezvous was changed and a landing was made at the point afterwards called Belledune. And it was there amid all the rigors of early Canadian settlement that the girl grew to womanhood and spent her magnificent life.

The deceased was born in West Kilbride on August 16, 1819, the same year as Queen Victoria. She married James Chalmers, who had preceded her from Scotland, in the town of Bathurst, N. B. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Geo. McDowell and it was the first recorded in the town.

There were ten children born of the marriage, and of these four are now living, namely: James Chalmers, Belledune; Mrs. Andrew Adams, Campbellton; Mrs. Wm. Craig, Charlottetown; and Mrs. Elizabeth Chalmers, Vancouver. These four are supplemented by no less than fifty grand and great grand children. Her husband died in 1860.

Rev. A. D. Archibald, of the Presbyterian church, Bathurst, conducted the funeral services and paid fitting and beautiful tribute to the splendid qualities of heart and mind that had distinguished the deceased lady throughout her extraordinary span of life.

The six pall-bearers were grand-children of the deceased. Their names follow: James Craig, Charlottetown; Gordon Craig, Charlottetown; Ernest Adams, Charlottetown; Adams, Charlottetown; Chalmers, Bathurst; and Harold Chalmers, Belledune.

FOUR POISONED BY GAS

Woman, Two Children and Nurse Found Dead.

New York, Dec. 22.—Monoxide gas poisoning caused the death of four persons, whose bodies were found at the home of Reger Berdoun, at Sheepshead Bay, according to Edward Martin, medical examiner for Kings county, who investigated the tragedy.

The dead bodies were discovered by Mrs. Rynhild Berdoun, who went to visit her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Olga Berdoun. Receiving no answer to her knock, she walked in and found Mrs. Berdoun, her two days' old baby, her daughter, aged four years, and a nurse, Alice Sheridan, lying on a bed. Physicians, who were summoned said they had been dead from two to four hours.

Reginald Brewster has won the doll donated to the Fair Vale Outing Club for a drawing.

## Fire Sale!

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