

UNION BANK OF CANADA PROSPEROUS

Annual Report Appears in Another Part of this Issue - In Excellent Condition.

The annual report of the Union Bank of Canada, which appears in another part of this issue, shows that institution to be in excellent condition. The assets are adequate for all purposes, and this forty-ninth annual statement shows a net profit for the year just closed of \$750,995.27, or slightly more than fifteen per cent. on the paid-up capital during the year.

"CONNIE" MACK SAYS "EDDIE" COLLINS IS WORTH \$100,000



When "Connie" Mack, manager of the world's champion Athletics, was informed that "Charley" Ebbets, of the Brooklyn club, had bought "Joe" Tinker from "Garry" Herrmann for \$25,000 he took a long breath, threw out his chest and replied:—

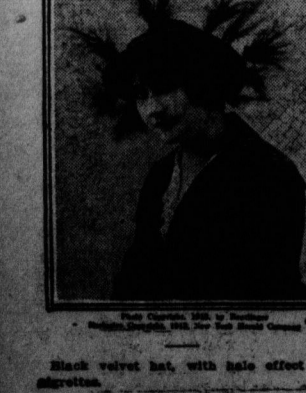
"If Joe Tinker is worth \$25,000, then the kid I have covering second base for my club, 'Eddie' Collins, is surely worth just four times that amount, which is \$100,000."

HAD BEEN ARRESTED FOR PLOT TO KILL FRANCISCO MADERO

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 22.—Daniel De Villiers, killed at Los Angeles, was arrested here in May, 1911, with "Billy" W. Dunn, another San Antonio man, on a charge of plotting to have Francisco I. Madero killed. The arrests were made on complaint of Villjoen, a Boer war veteran, who was military adviser to Madero.

It Was Well Named. A rather illiterate man had to perform a certain part in the initiation of a candidate for admission to the lodge. He read the lines very laboriously, as well as incorrectly.

The Daily Hint from Paris.



Black velvet hat, with hair effect of eyebrows.

INDIAN SOLD SPECIAL MAKE FIRE WATER

Oromocto Red Man had Recipe for Making a Brand More Intoxicating Than the Real Article.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, Dec. 22.—Indian Agent N. J. Smith has returned from Oromocto where he was attending to the case of Joe Scobie, charged with manufacturing and keeping for sale an intoxicating liquor on the Oromocto reserve.

SECRET THREE YEARS OLD REVEALED BY DEATH

Woman Lived in Secret Room Adjoining Lawyer's Office - Discovered after he is Found Dead.

Monticello, N. Y., Dec. 22.—The death of Melvin H. Couch, a prominent lawyer and former district attorney of Sullivan county, revealed today that, unknown to his family and friends and to his clients, a woman had lived for three years in a secret room connecting with his law office. Couch was found yesterday lying dead on his office lounge.

HUERTA DECLARES BANK HOLIDAY UNTIL JANUARY 1

(Continued from page 1) clearing house inquiry developed that the bank had in its vaults 12,000,000 pesos in coin and 2,000,000 in bank notes, about fifteen per cent. of which are the discredited state bank bills.

Thieves Busy? Although no verification of the report was received from the management, it was learned yesterday that on one day last week a lady in one of the large stores while making a purchase was jostled in the crowd during the busy hours of the afternoon and relieved of a sum of money in the vicinity of a hundred dollars.



HE'LL NOT FLY JUST YET.

EIGHTY-SEVEN HOURS IN THE AIR, TRAVELLED MORE THAN 1700 MILES

Berlin, Dec. 22.—Herr Keulen, a German balloonist, who, with two passengers ascended from Bitterfeld, Prussian Saxony, in the balloon Duisburg, on December 13, reported today that he had descended at Perm, a town in European Russia near the Siberian frontier, thus establishing a world's distance and duration record for spherical balloons.

ONE DEATH FOR EVERY 700 TONS OF COAL MINED

Charleston, West Va., Dec. 22.—One death from accident for every 700 tons of coal mined in six of the coal producing counties of West Virginia in the first eleven months of 1914, was shown in the statement of Earl Henry, chief of the Bureau of Mines, made public today. In ten coal counties there were no deaths from mine accidents.

DIED IN P. E. ISLAND.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Dec. 22.—Abram Williams, native of Blue Island, Lockport, N. S., died at Beach Point in this province. He followed the sea for many years.

SOUTH AMERICA TO HAVE MORE TROUBLE

Government of Ecuador Ready to Retake Esmeraldas from Rebels—Navarro to Lead Charge.

Quayquil, Ecuador, Dec. 22.—The government is making extensive preparations to retake the town of Esmeraldas from the rebels under Col. Carlos Concha, who captured the place on December 15. General Juan Navarro, the war minister, has resigned his portfolio, and will assume command of the operations. He left today for Bahia De Caraquez, a seaport about one hundred miles south of Esmeraldas, with reinforcements. Already the cruiser Cotopaxi, with a large force of government troops aboard, has arrived at Bahia.

Home For Christmas. The C. N. R. liner Royal George, which sailed from this port last Wednesday, has been signalled off Brown Head. The Royal George has again established a trans-Atlantic record and will reach Bristol in time for all passengers to arrive at their homes in any part of the British Isles in time for Christmas.

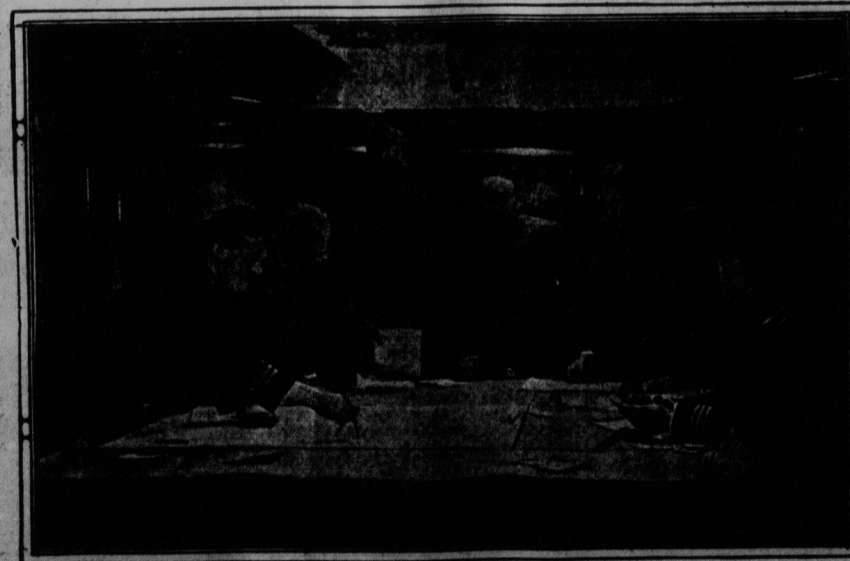
GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP OF TELEPHONE LINES IS STILL UNDECIDED

Postmaster General of the States Favors it, but President Takes no Stand Just Yet.

Postmaster General Burleson in his annual report favored the principle of government ownership of telegraph and telephone lines. President Wilson has not taken a position on the question and has not made up his mind.

Home For Christmas. A book story with an American smack about it comes from New York. "Perhaps you are familiar with the works of Ingersoll," says a book salesman to a caller.

OFFICERS PLAYING WAR GAME ON BOARD THE FLAGSHIP.



PLAYING THE WAR GAME ABOARD THE WYOMING. Officers of the battle ships back from their Mediterranean cruise bring many stories of the seven weeks' trip, but none more interesting than that told of a "war game" played on board the flagship Wyoming under extraordinary difficulties.

TENDENCY OF NATIONS TO CONSOLIDATE

Hon. Mr. White Tells Montreal Canadian Club - This Continent Half-way House of the World.

Montreal, Dec. 22.—"I would rather make a budget speech than speak up on an abstract subject like Canadian citizenship," confessed the Hon. W. T. White, before the Canadian Club today. He told the members that the duties of his department had left him no time to prepare an address.

The Minister of Finance stated, however, that the tendency in modern business was towards consolidation, so also was the tendency among nations. Thus, within our own borders, the duty of Canadianism should be to respect the rights and sentiments of each section for the good of the whole country.

MARRIED.

BRAD-DUNHAM—At Zion Methodist parsonage Saturday December 20th, by Rev. Wm. Lawson, Frederick Brad of London, England, and Ellen Dunham of Westfield, N. B. They will reside in St. John.

DIED.

BREWER—At Gagetown, on Dec. 20th, 1914, Rev. Waldron W. Brewer, Methodist minister, leaving a wife to mourn.

JOHNSTON—In this city on the 22nd inst. A Clarence Johnston, second son of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Johnston, in the 17th year of his age, leaving besides father and mother, two brothers and one sister to mourn.

Men's Troubles. (New York Tribune.) A crabbled old misanthrope said to Ethel Barrymore at a dinner in Bar Harbor: "Woman! Feminism! Suffrage! Bah! Why, there isn't a woman alive who wouldn't rather be beautiful than intelligent."

NEW TENOR Mr. Dolar Chilleau

WED. "Why Girls Leave Home" 3 Reels With Singer.

HEADACHES ALMOST DROVE HER WILD

Until a Friend Advised Her to Use "Fruit-atives"

Newbury, Ont., May 29th, 1914. "About four years ago, I was in a dreadful run-down condition, weak and hardly able to walk up stairs. Weakness peculiar to women was the chief trouble. I had headaches that almost drove me wild, and most distressing constipation. I took many dollars' worth of medicine from the doctors without any good results.

MAY COMPEL SHIPS TO CARRY WIRELESS

Congress on Safety at Sea Likely to Recommend This - Will Depend on Type of Vessel.

London, England, Dec. 22.—It is understood that the International Congress on Safety at Sea will recommend compulsory installation of the wireless system for certain classes of vessels. This is to be defined by the number of passengers, the distances between ports of call, and the speed of the vessels. Under the proposed new rules a very large number of ships will be included.

ROYAL M. The Royal Mail George for Avon Canadian goods value foreign cargo value a total valuation.

THE BATTLE. The steamer Sell sailed yesterday Montevideo.

STMR. LANSDO. The government downed, Capt. Burr yesterday after a picking up boys, that little or no fish which is strange year. Buys were weather was mild.

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MARINE OF THE

SIGNAL SERVICE (Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine)

St. John, Dec. 22.—Cape Race, 720—Granplan 400 miles 6 p. m., Saturday 25 east, inward.

Brier Island, 61—Point Lepreau, 22—Partridge Island—east.

BRAY HEAD. The steamer Bray Line, arrived yesterday general cargo and C. B. pier.

MANCHESTER. The Manchester Chester Shipper, C yesterday from Manchester cargo.

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