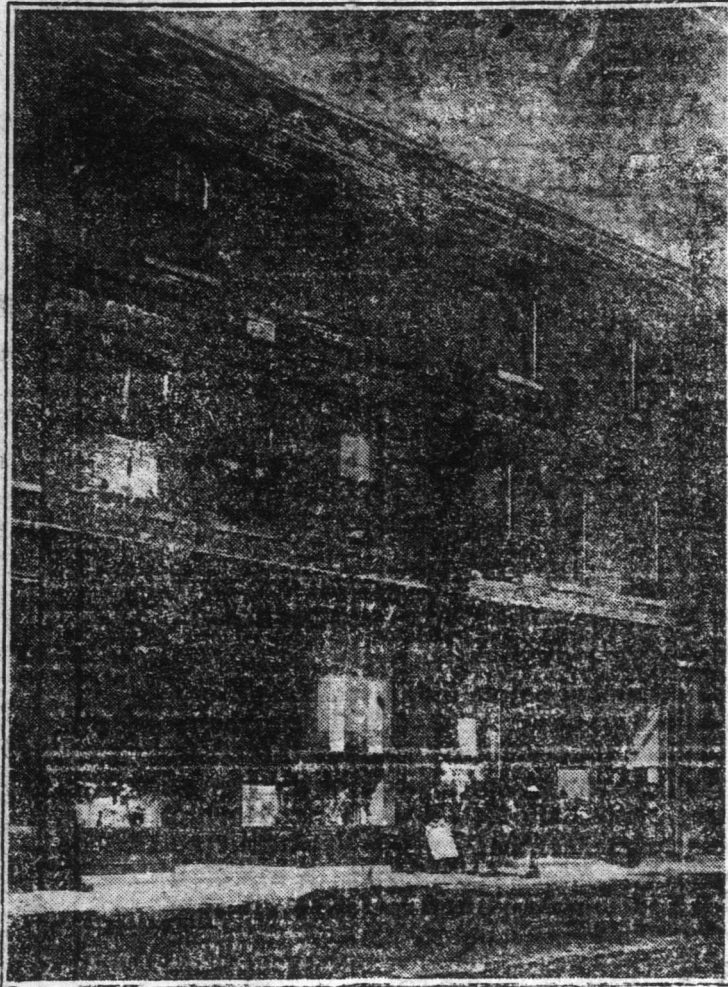


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Pope's Appeal on Children's Behalf.

ROME, Dec. 3.—Offerings will be received in the Catholic Churches throughout Christendom on Dec. 26, on behalf of suffering children in all countries which are suffering because of the war.

This day was fixed in an encyclical

letter issued to the church by Pope Benedict yesterday. The date fixed is the Sunday preceding Holy Innocent's Day, December 28.

The appeal of the Pontiff this year differs from that of 1919 in that it includes a request for help for children in every country devastated by war while that for last year asked for help for only the children of central Europe.

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TO-DAY'S MESSAGES.

NORWEGIAN STEAMER PILES ON REEF.

HALIFAX, Dec. 10. The Norwegian steamer Romsdal, 1,100 tons, struck a sunken ledge near Sambro, off Halifax Harbor at three o'clock this morning. No loss of life is reported, but there is a heavy sea running and the ship is in a perilous position. She is about half a mile to the eastward of the rock upon which the "Bohemian" struck last February. Tugs were sent her assistance after S.O.S. calls were received. The Romsdal is a freighter of 3,000 tons, bound from Norway to New York, and was putting in here for bunker.

BULGARIA ADMITTED.

GENEVA, Dec. 9. The admission of Bulgaria to the League of Nations has been voted by the Commission on admission of new States. This action was taken after a report, submitted by Marshal Foch, had been made, in which the Marshal declared that Bulgaria had made sincere efforts to live up to treaty terms.

BIG FIGHT MAY BE STAGED IN CANADA.

OTTAWA, Dec. 9. The Dempsey and Carpentier fight probably will be held in the Province of Quebec next summer, according to information received in full from New York. The offer made by Montreal sportsmen for holding the battle in that city is being considered by Tex Rickard, as also the offer made by Ottawa and Hull sportsmen.

INCREASING UNEMPLOYMENT.

TOLEDO, Dec. 10. Suspension of work at the Autolite Plant, a subsidiary of the Willis Overland Co., on December fifteenth, will throw four hundred and fifty men out of work.

WAGES UNCHANGED.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 10. The wages of seven thousand union employees in the women's garment industry here, will remain unchanged under a decision handed down last night by a board of referees between workers and manufacturers. The workers demanded fifteen per cent. increase and manufacturers fifteen per cent. decrease.

REFUSED INCREASE.

MONTREAL, Dec. 10. The refusal of the ladies' garment workers request for an increase of eight dollars a week is an outstanding feature of a decision rendered by an arbitration board between the workers and employers. This step is taken in view of the present depressed conditions of the garment industry, and the uncertain outlook.

AGAINST WAGE REDUCTION.

TOLEDO, Dec. 10. A campaign, against reduction of wages and lengthening of working hours, was begun last night by the Central Labor Union, the labor governing body of Toledo.

NEW MARINE ENSIGN.

OTTAWA, Dec. 10. The Canadian Government Merchant Marine has adopted a new flag—a cross within a circle. The former emblem, a beaver on the ordinary red ensign, was not distinguishable at a distance and sailors had begun to call Canadian ships the "rat line."

ANCIENT ENEMIES FIGHT.

LONDON, Dec. 10. The forces of Mustafa Kemal, Turkish Nationalist, are attacking Greeks at many points in Asia Minor, says a despatch to the London Times from Smyrna. The despatch adds that General Papoulas, Commander-in-Chief of the Greeks, has left for the front.

BLOCKING TACTICS.

DUBLIN, Dec. 10. Dealing with the rumored peace suggestion in an Irish bulletin last night, Michael Collins, Commander of the Republican Army, whom the authorities are seeking to arrest, said Arthur Henderson represented as saying he came in contact with every school of thought in Ireland, was not in consultation with Dan Breen. During his conversation with Griffith, Acting President of the Republic at Mountjoy, Griffith told Henderson that if a truce were offered "we would not reject it, but we did not ask for it."

TINO APPROVED.

PARIS, Dec. 10. A decision to invite former King Constantine to return to Greece has been reached by the Government of that country, and such invitation will be telegraphed Constantine with the result of Sunday's plebiscite, says a Havas despatch.

MORE SURPRISES.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 10. The newspaper Le Peuple announces that railway traffic has been suspended both ways between Belgium noon, and there is talk of a German coup d'etat.

EXPECTED TO-DAY.

LONDON, Dec. 10. An announcement of the conditions under which the British Government would enter into negotiations with Sinn Fein were expected from Premier Lloyd George in the House today.

Reported Looting at Rose Blanche.

During the past couple of days there has been much talk of occurrences at Rose Blanche, but so far the news received seems conflicting if not vague. It is believed that the Government has full possession of the facts and so far have succeeded in keeping them suppressed. The first report to reach the city said that the people of the place had broken into the stores there and taken provisions. The other rumor and possibly the correct one is that upon an attempt by a large mercantile premises to remove their stocks from the place, the people turned out en masse and prevented the accomplishment. Seeing that during the winter months there may be a serious shortage of food, the latter course is what a sensible people would do.

Supreme Court.

BEFORE MR. JUSTICE KENT.
J. A. McKenzie, Plaintiff vs. H. Carter, Defendant.

Mr. W. R. Howley, K.C., for plaintiff. Mr. H. A. Winter for defence. This is an action for damages arising out of a motor collision and is being tried before a Special Jury. Howley, K.C., opens the case and calls Peiley, McKenzie's chauffeur who is sworn and examined and cross examined by Winter.

Mrs. Geo. O'Reilly, one of the passengers in the McKenzie car, was called and up to 1.30 her examination had not been completed.

Here and There.

Stafford's Ess. Ginger Wine only 20c. bottle. Postage 10c. extra.—dec10.11

N.I.W.A. MEETING.—There will be a meeting of the N.I.W.A. in their Springdale St. rooms to-night when officers will be nominated for the ensuing year.

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Ladies' Tan Calf Laced Boots, worth \$10.00, only \$7.50 at SMALLWOOD'S.—dec25.11

OUTPOST CLERGY LEAVE.—A number of outpost clergy, who were in town for the consecration of Bishop Renouf, left yesterday for their various parishes.

Dissolve 1 1/4 lbs. sugar in 3 quarts of water and add contents of one bottle Stafford's Ess. Ginger Wine.—dec10.11

MEIGLE LEAVES SYDNEY.—S.S. Meigle left North Sydney at 3.30 a.m. yesterday for this port with 39 packages of mail, general freight and coal cargo.

CREPE PAPER—White and Colored, 20c. per roll. KNOWLING'S.—dec3.9.13

CANADIAN MINER ARRIVES.—S.S. Canadian Miner, 2 1/2 days from Charlottetown, arrived last night with general cargo to the Furness Withy Co.

MISSING MAN O.K.—The man Jacobs reported as missing from his schooner has turned up O.K. The police were notified of the fact this morning.

Make Christmas last all year by giving a gift of Silverware that will be used all the time. A box of half a dozen "Wallace" Coffee Spoons will be well thought of. You get them at DULEY'S.—dec10.21

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Former prices \$2.00 to \$8.50 each. Reduced to \$1.49 and \$2.98 each. Get your choice today.

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ELKS' CLUB ROOMS.—The Elks' new club rooms in the Smallwood building are being rapidly fitted up and furnished and will be ready for occupancy next week. The Order will hold its regular monthly meeting there on Monday night next.

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STORM BOUND.—The weather was very stormy on the West Coast Wednesday and Wednesday night, and the s.s. Sagana, which left Port aux Basques for Humbermouth, was obliged to put back and did not get away again until yesterday morning.

DULEY'S Diamond Rings are extra good value this year. Advances in Diamond prices has made every Ring in our store worth more than the price asked. They were bought and priced before the advances and our prices are the same now as then. dec10.21

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Shipping Notes.

S.S. Sable Island arrived at North Sydney at 5 p.m. yesterday.
S.S. Patria sails to-morrow morning for Alicante, with 20,000 qtls. codfish.

Here and There.

COSKATA ARRIVES.—The U. S. Shipping Board's steamer Coskata, bound from Charleston, S.C., to England with general cargo, made port yesterday afternoon for repairs to her steam pipe. The Furness Withy Co. are her agents.

G.W.V.A. MEETING.—The adjourned meeting of the G.W.V.A. takes place in the T. A. Armoury to-night, when the election of officers for the ensuing year will be held. As there is a lot of other important business to be discussed, it is expected that to-night's meeting will be a record one in the history of the Association.

Useful Xmas Presents are the order of the day this year. One of the most useful and health-giving presents are Hockey Boots. Men's are only Six Dollars and Forty Cents. Boys', sizes one to five, Five Dollars and Twenty-Five Cents. Boys', sizes ten to thirteen, Four Dollars and Forty Cents a pair at BISHOP, SONS & CO., LTD.

THE OLD ST. BON'S HOCKEY TEAM.—All ex-pupils interested in the above are requested to attend a meeting at St. Bonaventure's College on Sunday next, December 12th, after Last Mass.—dec10.21

DIED.

Passed peacefully away December 9th, after a long illness, Mary Searle, aged 74 years. Funeral on Saturday, at 2.30 from her late residence, 31 Cookstown Road; friends please accept this, the only intimation.

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Another Person

Deported.

A dejected passenger returning to Newfoundland Saturday night was a Portuguese sailor named Jose J. Duas, who arrived here only a few hours previous on the same steamer from the same place. The man could not speak a word of English and twelve American dollars was every cent he possessed. The sailor was quickly spotted by the immigration officer. Jose had his discharge papers showing he sailed on several crafts. He also had a letter purporting to be written by the well known St. John's firm of Goodridge & Son, which stated the fellow was being conveyed to his home in Portugal on the schooner Nauta at the request of the Portuguese consulate at St. John's. Inasmuch as the man had no vessel by that name accompanying him, and no such craft at this port, there was nothing left for Mr. Dooley but to send him back at the expense of the Newfoundland Railway Commission. It would appear that a whole lot of misery and expense could be spared unfortunates of the above

kind would only the immigration authorities in Newfoundland and elsewhere practice the same vigilance always exercised by the North Sydney immigration department.—North Sydney Herald, Dec. 6.

Bonanza for Lawyers.

Now that it has been arranged for the Labrador Boundary dispute to go to the Privy Council, we wonder what will be the next "foreign" question to be raised in order to supply picnics and rakeoffs for members of the legal profession. Some thirteen have figured in the Labrador dispute as follows: Sir E. P. Morris, Hon. J. M. Kent, Mr. M. W. Furlong, Hon. D. Morison, Mr. C. Conroy, Hon. R. A. Squires, Sir Wm. Lloyd, Hon. A. B. Morine, Hon. W. R. Warren, Dr. J. W. Davidson, of Montreal, Sir John Simon, of London and Burn and Beridge, the Colony's English Solicitors.—Western Star.

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