

Local and Other Items

His Lordship Bishop O'Leary, received at the Palace on New Year's Day, and many called to pay their respects.

We extend our congratulations to John A. McDonald, Esq., Carleton Place, on his appointment to the position of Director of National Service for this Province.

In the congregation of St. Dunstan's Cathedral during the last year, there were one hundred and ninety baptisms, one hundred and five deaths, and thirty nine marriages.

One hundred persons are believed to have been drowned in Clermont, Queensland, Australia, by a flood which washed away the Main Street and all the houses in low lying places. Fifty bodies have been recovered. The cutter "Protector" was blown up. The number of men lost is unknown.

Mr. Joseph Egan, mail carrier at Mt. Stewart, died very suddenly Christmas morning. He had taken the mail from his house to the train and went into the men's waiting room in the station. He was standing by the radiator when suddenly he collapsed and became unconscious. A doctor was summoned and pronounced that life was extinct, death being due to heart failure. The deceased was seventy-five years of age and leaves a widow, sons and daughters. The funeral took place following Wednesday to St. Andrews. R. I. P.

In St. Dunstan's Cathedral on New Year's Day, Solemn High Mass was celebrated at 11 o'clock. Rev. William Hogan was celebrant, Rev. Fathers Herrell and McQuaid deacon and sub-deacon, respectively and Rev. Maurice McDonald Master of ceremonies. His Lordship the Bishop was the preacher of the occasion. His Lordship extended to the congregation hearty good wishes and every blessing for the New Year, and exhorted all to exert greater efforts in the work of securing their eternal salvation. Reviewing the year that had just passed, he pointed out that much had happened for which we should be extremely thankful. The religious, educational and charitable institutions of the diocese had all had a year of very considerable prosperity. All should unite to crown the work of the New Year with still greater success. All these good works His Lordship commended to the members of the congregation and bestowed on all his blessing.

National Service Conscription.

Ottawa, Dec. 27.—Correspondence between Sir Robert Borden, R. B. Bennett, M. P., Director of National Service, and the executive of the Dominion Trades and Labor Council, having reference to national service, was given out tonight by the labor executive. The Premier says that the national service plan does not involve conscription. He declines however to give the assurance that it will never come, stating that it is necessary to preserve the existence of the state he should not hesitate to act accordingly. Under the circumstances the executive appeals to organized labor to fill in the national service cards.

The Premier's letter, addressed to J. C. Watters, president; P. M. Draper, secretary; James Simpson and R. A. Rigg, M. P., vice-presidents, reads as follows: "Prime Minister's Office, December 27, 1916.

"Dear Sirs: "With reference to our interview of this morning I repeat, once more, that the proposals for national service are not connected with conscription. Rather, the idea was to make up an appeal for voluntary national service, which would render unnecessary any resort to compulsion. You have asked for an assurance, that under no circumstances will conscription be undertaken or carried out. As I stated to you at our interview, I must decline to give any such assurance. I hope that conscription may not be necessary, but if it should prove the only effective method to preserve the existence of the state and of the

institutions and liberties which we enjoy, I should consider it necessary and I should not hesitate to act accordingly. For your further information with regard to the purposes of national service I enclose copies of the order-in-council, under which the director general and the directors of national service have been appointed.

"You have urged upon me the importance, and indeed the necessity, that the accumulated wealth of the country should bear its due proportion of contribution and sacrifice in the war. The government have already accepted and acted on this principle. Any further proposals in that regard must be submitted to parliament, in the first instance, after obtaining the sanction and approval of the crown. The ranks of organized labor in Canada have made a splendid response during the past two and a half years to the call for service to the state. Many members of your organizations are fighting at the front, and not a few have made the supreme sacrifice in the cause of liberty, humanity and civilization. The men at the front have the right to feel that we in Canada are doing our utmost to aid and sustain them in their devoted effort for that cause. This indeed is the inspiration and ideal of national service. That each shall do his part as best he can, and to the greatest advantage of the state to which he owes allegiance.

(Signed) R. L. BORDEN.

MR. BENNETT'S LETTER.
Mr. Bennett's letter reads: December 27, 1916.

"Dear Sirs: "Referring to our several interviews, I now confirm my verbal statements to you, viz: While it is obligatory to correctly fill in and promptly return the national service cards, it is only essential that the answers given to questions other than those of fact, should express the conscious conviction of the person answering those questions.

(Signed) R. B. BENNETT.

The executive makes this statement: "In view of the assurance given by Mr. R. B. Bennett, K. C., M. P., director general of national service, that no penalty or coercion will be applied if correct and conscientious replies are given, the undersigned members of the executive council recommend that all members of affiliated unions fill in the answers according to their conscientious opinion, and return the cards as directed."

Postmaster General Dead

Hon. T. Chasé Casgrain, Postmaster General, died Friday morning last in Ottawa, after a brief illness from pneumonia. Hon. Mr. Casgrain had been ill for several days, having contracted the disease following a chill on his way home ten days before. His condition, however, was not considered alarming and his physicians say he passed a good night. At seven o'clock Friday morning, however, he took a turn for the worse and sank rapidly. Hon. Thomas Chasé Casgrain was a son of the late Senator Charles E. C. Casgrain, M. D., and Charlotte Mary C. Chasé, of Detroit, Mich. He was born on July 18, 1852, at Detroit, was educated at Quebec Seminary and the Laval University, winning the Dufferin gold medal in 1877, was made an LL. D. in 1883. In May, 1878, he married Marie Louise LeMoine of Quebec, who died some years ago. He practiced law at Quebec and later with great success at Montreal. The deceased sat in the Quebec Legislature 1886-1896, and in the House of Commons from 1896-1904, and was Attorney-General of Quebec from 1901-6. He was prominently identified with the Anti-Alcoholic League in Montreal. While Attorney-General he introduced many important reforms and carried legislation for the prevention of corrupt practices at elections. At the trial of Louis Riel for high treason, at Regina in 1885, Hon. Mr. Casgrain was junior counsel for the crown. In 1908 he was presented to the late King, Edward VII. "It is with the greatest regret and sorrow that I learn of the death of Mr. Casgrain," said Sir Robert Borden. "His illness was very brief, but for some months he had not been in good health. For twenty years we have been intimate friends,

and he has been for two years a most valued colleague. His conspicuous ability, his high character and long experience in public affairs made him a notable figure in the political life of the country. He had a charming personality, a warm and generous nature and a most engaging manner, which especially endeared him to all his personal friends. His death is a distinct loss to the country."

Peace? The Empire's Answer

Peace? What have ye to do with peace? Behold
How violated Belgium helpless lies,
A prey to brutal lust; and Serbia cries
Loud-voiced to Heaven; and
Poland's glassy stare
Proclaims her daily torture! Who would dare
Squander a nation's sacrifice of blood and gold?

Peace? What have ye to do with peace today.
Whose sons long months ago sprang forth to fight
For freedom, and to re-establish right?
Still undefeated evil rears his head,
The Flemish plains and Turkish shores are red
With British blood. Shall we their holy cause betray?

Peace? Hark what answer rings across the seas!
Australia's sons fling back the word with scorn;
New Zealand, Africa—in strength newborn,
And that great first Dominion of the West—
All Greater Britain's bravest and her best,
Demand their right to beat the tyrant to his knees.

Peace? Peace forsooth! An unctuous Teuton whine!
Foiled in his schemes the murderer preaches peace,
And dreading vengeance claims that war should cease.
Thrice fools who hearken! Still the German heart
Degraded; lying, treacherous, feels no smart
Of penitence, tho' all the nations for the right combine.

Peace in due time. Far off we mark its gleam,
As when the sunrise tips the tall green hill
And leaves the dales in shadow.
We fulfil
The aim for which our banner was unfurled,
Cut out the German cancer from the world.
And strive that peace of nations be no more a dream.
C. A. H., in The Empire Review.

DIED.

CAMPBELL—At Dunlop, N. B., near Bathurst, at the residence of Mr. Alex. Alexander, on Dec. 22nd, John Campbell, aged 67 years, formerly of P. E. Island.

TRAINOR—At his home in Hope River, Saturday, Dec. 30th, Mathias J. Trainor, aged 24 years.—R. I. P.

CARRER—At Earnsliffe, Dec. 26, 1916, Mrs. Catherine Carrier, relict of the late Stephen Carrier, aged 76 years.

FARQUHARSON—At her residence 7 Prince Street, Keturah Rogers, relict of the late Henry Farquharson, in the 82nd year of her age.

STEWART—On Dec. 31st, Priscilla Stewart, widow of the late Donald Stewart, aged 86 years.

JOHNSON—At Charlottetown, Saturday evening, Dec. 30th, 1916, Kenneth McLeod, dearly beloved son of Dr. and Mrs. Harry Johnson, aged 16 years.

MacWILLIAM—At Eldon, on Jan 1st, 1917 James J. MacWilliam, aged 68 years.

FLETCHER—In this city on Jan. 2nd, Charles Pope Fletcher, aged 64 years.

GAUDIN—In Charlottetown on the 2nd inst., George L. Gaudin, aged 50 years.

COLLINS—At Martinvale on Dec. 21st Elizabeth J. Collins, wife of Henry Collins, aged 55 years.

BLACQUIER—At Charlottetown, on the 2nd inst., Minnie Blacquier, eldest daughter of George and Mrs. Blacquier, aged 28 years. R. I. P.

SELLER—At Charlottetown, on Dec. 31st, 1916, Miss Elizabeth S. Sellar in the 78th year of her age.

BROWN—At Little York, Jan. 2nd, James Henderson Brown, aged 23 years.

The Market Prices

Butter	0.40 to 0.42
Eggs, per doz.	0.42 to 0.46
Fowls each	0.80 to 1.00
Chickens per pair	0.85 to 1.25
Flour (per cwt.)	0.00 to 0.00
Beef (small)	0.10 to 0.16
Beef (quarter)	0.08 to 0.11
Mutton per lb.	0.11 to 0.00
Pork	0.12 to 0.15
Potatoes	0.60 to 0.65
Hay, per 100 lbs.	0.75 to 0.80
Black Oats	0.65 to 0.67
Hides (per lb.)	0.00 to 0.19
Calif Skins (per lb.)	0.00 to 0.25
Sheep Pelts	1.50 to 2.00
Quarterns (per cwt.)	0.00 to 0.00
Turnips	0.18 to 0.20
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