

Locals and Other Items

Two British gunboats arrived at Strasbourg on Feb. 1st. The British flag now floats over the city.

The text of a treaty, signed on Aug. 17th, 1916, between Rumania and the Quadruple entente is published by the Temps. It embodies the conditions under which Rumania entered the war.

A number of American, French and British troops to be maintained in the occupied regions along the Rhine will be limited to 1,000,000 men, according to the Echo de Paris.

Members of the French delegation, headed by the distinguished General Pau, who have been visiting Australia and New Zealand, are returning to their homes via Canada, and are to be guests of the Dominion Government during their stay in this country.

The Recorder of Montreal has fined a suspicious character, arrested by the police, \$100, or three months in jail for going about armed with a loaded revolver and two long-bladed knives. To carry such weapons in Canada is not lawful!

No answer has been returned by the American delegates to the peace conference to what is said to be an almost unanimous desire of the other powers, that the united states shall undertake to act as mandatory for Armenia and other severed provinces of Turkey.

When the Bolsheviki came into power they emptied all the jails and made comrades of firebugs, thieves and murderers, says the revolution's "grandmother," Mme. Boshkovsky which confirms the wisdom of that old saw about birds of a feather flocking together in mutual delight.

General Newburn now says that he hopes to have all Canadian troops back in Canada by the 1st of August next. As soon as navigation opens up, the troops will be landing at Halifax, St. John, Quebec and Montreal and will be arriving as fast as they can be transported. The Third Division will come back first, as announced. The troops will return in units as far as possible.

No British parliament in a century, except the parliament of Premier Asquith, which had on its shoulders the heavy responsibility of deciding whether or not Great Britain would enter the European war, ever met with more important work to be dealt with than the House of Commons of Premier Lloyd George will find when it holds its first meeting on next Tuesday. All the problems of the new House may be summarized in the one word—reconstruction.

Mr. Mark Workman, president of the Dominion Steel Corporation, sailed from Halifax, Saturday last on the Aquitania. He is bound for the Old Country on business of the utmost importance in connection with the Sydney steel works. With the stoppage of orders for munition steel, which formed so large a part of the local output for the past three years, new markets are imperatively required, and for this purpose Mr. Workman will spend some time in the United Kingdom, France and Belgium. Every effort will be made to find an outlet for the product of the Sydney plant.

Sir Michael Cashion, Minister of Finance of Newfoundland, arrived at Halifax on the 2nd by the steamer Prospero, on his way to Montreal and other Canadian cities. He will also visit the United States. Sir Michael says that Newfoundland has never had an era of prosperity like the present. The imports for the year will, he says, aggregate \$60,000,000 as compared with \$48,000,000. The price of cod, secured by the fishermen, were tremendous and, in addition to that, the catch was unusually large. Newfoundland, therefore, is prosperous beyond measure and the fishermen have more money than ever before. Speaking of the customs revenues Sir Michael said that on current account there would be a surplus of about \$1,000,000.

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The new British Parliament, according to present plans, will meet on February 11 inst with Prime Minister Lloyd George and Andrew Bonar Law, the Government leader in the House of Commons, attending.

In the two months which have elapsed since the movement of Canadian troops and their dependents from overseas to Canada began a total of approximately 50,000 soldiers and civilians have been brought to this country.

On Jan. 17, according to Government estimates, there remained of the 1918 crop in Canada some sixty three million bushels most of which is available for export.

General Sir Sam Steel died at Putney, London, on Jan. 30th. He had been ill about two months but the end came rather suddenly. Sir Samuel Banfield Steele K. C. M. G. was one of Canada's best known military men. He was born in Simcoe County, Ont. in 1849, and began his military career in the 35th Battalion, Simcoe Foresters, in 1869.

Joseph Caillaux, former premier of France charged with treasonable dealings with the enemy, was brought on Jan. 30th from prison to the Senate in Paris where the special commission of the Senate, to which the case has been referred, proceeded to examine him. Three detectives guarded M. Caillaux, whose arrival passed almost unnoticed, the only spectators being five policemen standing in front of the Senate building.

M. Guernier, President of the Merchants Marine Committee in Paris writing to the newspaper L'Avener, says "despite our sincere esteem for the Newfoundlanders whose conduct during the war was worthy of the highest praise, we have never agreed to the cession of the Islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon, inhabited by four thousand Frenchmen. Such a cession would reduce ten thousand families to beggary who are entirely dependent upon the cod fishing industry."

One year ago Friday last, the German Governor Von Gravenitz published a true Prussian edict requiring the town of Lille, France to clear its streets of snow, "at the double" and promising fines and other punishment for everybody if it was not done to his satisfaction. This year it was the Germans who were sweeping the streets of Lille, German soldiers who are prisoners of war wielding the broom and scraper under the eyes of French Poilus with bayonets fixed. Unfortunately Von Gravenitz is not there to see and share.

Forty-nine years ago last Thursday, the 30th January, the Royal Mail Steamship City of Boston, of the Inman Line, sailed from Collins' wharf, now Pickford and Black's, Halifax. She was never heard of or after-wards, and was supposed to have foundered at sea. A list shows that a large number of prominent Halifax merchants perished by the disaster. Mr. Jenkins, agent for Nova Scotia, wrote a letter to the London Times, stating that the City of Boston had been overloaded. The Inman's brought an action against the writer of the letter.

The steamer Canadian Voyager which left Quebec on the 21st inst, was looked for by the steamer Stanley, the latter taking up her station at the Magdalen Islands so that she would be in close touch with the Voyager by wireless the moment the latter poked her nose around the East Point of Prince Edward Island. The Stanley was to escort her to Halifax, Jan. 21 is a late date for vessels to start on the voyage down the St. Lawrence and this fact causes the Montreal papers to state that the people of Halifax and St. John are getting alarmed in case Montreal should become a "winter port". Last year navigation for ocean going vessels closed at Montreal on Dec. 17th. Another new steamer is to follow the Voyager. The Pioneer is the name of the second craft to brave the terrors of the St. Lawrence at this time of year. She will also come to Halifax.

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The British Government has allotted a squadron of military airplanes to convey foods to Belgium for the relief of the population. The service which is to be daily will begin immediately between Folkestone and Ghent.

Two British soldiers were killed and several injured at Mons on Friday, by an explosion of bombs hidden under coal abandoned by the Germans. The soldiers were engaged in moving the coal when explosion occurred.

Mine-sweeping operations around the British coast are proceeding satisfactorily. It is stated on authority, however, that several months must pass before the North Sea will be clear of mines.

Dr. Smetz, the Bolsheviki representative in Denmark, left Copenhagen the other day with his luggage staff at the request of the Danish government. He was notified that his further presence was not desired in Denmark.

Admiral Jellicoe will start on his tour in connection with the Empire naval scheme about February 20. He will go first to India thence to Australia and later to New Zealand South Africa and Canada. So say London Advertisers.

The Norwegian sailors organization has passed a resolution declining to assist in carrying food to Germany until the German Government has paid an indemnity of \$4,000,000 for members of their organization who were victims of submarines.

The decision of the Belgian government to maintain Ypres, the scene of several battles between the British and Germans, in its present condition as a permanent memorial of the war, is endorsed heartily by the British press and public opinion.

French pilots for the first time in forty-eight years will soon be guilding French and German vessels up and down the Rhine. The men will be recruited from among the fishermen and pilots of the high sea and river fleets of the French navy.

Damage estimated at \$40,000 was caused in the offices of the New York Life Insurance Company in Winnipeg on the seventh floor of the Lindsay Building. A match dropped in a waste basket started a fire. Water is responsible for most of the damage.

An international "Peoples House of Representatives" to be established in connection with the League of Nations in a memorandum submitted to the peace conference by Hon. Charles J. Doherty, Canadian Minister of Justice of the National Commission, of which he is a member.

A very sad accident occurred at Moncton on Wednesday last week, when the twelve-year old son of James Costain, lost his life. The boy, after school, went skating and in some manner tripped, falling heavily on his head. He never regained consciousness, and died shortly after the accident.

Ottawa advices of Friday last say: The imperial munitions board, after constructing forty seven wooden ships, is about to conclude its operations in that line. There has been no development in this business since the Dominion government elaborated a shipbuilding programme of its own, and activities have been centered on the finishing up of the vessels on the stocks.

Supporting Marshal Foch's opinion that the French should remain on the Rhine, General Gouraud, under whom the Americans fought in the Champagne, made a similar declaration to the American correspondents whom he had invited to luncheon at his quarters in Strasbourg. "The Americans will go home when peace is declared, and the British will go home when peace is declared. But the result will remain on the Rhine as a strategic barrier," he said. It would never do, after the sacrifices of the great war, to leave open points where Germany might strike again some day, he declared.

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Italians and Greeks, according to shipping agencies at Montreal are demanding transportation back to their native shores in large numbers. Austrians they say are remaining very discreet and in the background.

Driving an automobile equipped with an airplane motor, Ralph de Palma made 135 miles an hour on Jan. 30th on the Dayton Ohio Beach Speedway. De Palma was testing a machine with which next week he will undertake to break the record of 142 miles an hour set by Bob Burman in 1911.

Col. Knight, commanding the Mounted Police in the Yukon District, has rounded up numerous gambling resorts at Dawson. One of the most notorious offenders was given his choice of six months imprisonment or a journey south to face the influenza. He went south and is now hitting the trail at 50 below zero.

Some of Lloyd's brokers who up to a week ago considered the signing of a preliminary peace before June as a "long shot" have within the last few days reversed their opinion and now consider it almost an "even money" risk that April will see the preliminary conclusion. Everything indicates an earlier conclusion than seemed certain ten days ago.

A serious accident occurred at Murray Harbor North on Friday morning, when Mr. William MacLeur was struck by a falling tree while working in the woods. Both his legs were broken and several minor injuries received, including a severe scalp wound. Doctors Brehaut and MacIntyre attended as soon as possible, and on Monday morning, Mr. MacLeur was reported resting as comfortable as could be expected.

It is reported that the American transport Narragansett, Havre to Southampton, is ashore at Bembridge Point on the extreme end of the Isle of Wight. All the troops have been removed by tug and the local lifeboats. The crew was American, and the ship carried two thousand soldiers, of whom sixty were Americans. The Narragansett was so badly damaged that salvage officers think she will be a total wreck.

Captain Taylor received a telegram last Monday night announcing the arrival of the Canadian Voyager on Sydney, accompanied by the Montreal. The Voyager left Quebec on January 24th and met with considerable difficulty crossing down the river. Aided by the Montcalm, however, she made her way to Sydney and there by made a record for winter sailing down the St. Lawrence. The telegram paid to Captain Taylor announced that the Pioneer will leave Quebec on the 11th inst.

The Montreal papers have been publishing a list of names of persons who are believed to have been active in the sale of munition materials to Germany. The list includes the names of several prominent business men of the city. The Royal Canadian Mounted Police has been investigating the matter and has been advised by the British government to take the most stringent precautions against the sale of munition materials to Germany.

H. E. Dawson, Clerk Legislative Assembly, November 27, 1918.

Annual Meeting

The annual general meeting of the Hearld Publishing Company will be held in the office of the Company, Conolly Building on Friday February 7th, 1919 at 8 p. m.

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Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed Contract may be seen and blank forms of Tender may be obtained at the P.O. Offices of Cardigan, Newport, Oct. 54, Launching Place, and at the office of the Post Office Inspector.

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JOHN F. WHEAR,
Post Office Inspector,
Post Office Inspector's Office,
Charlottown, Nov. 22, 1918,
Nov. 27, 1918-31