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SUFFERINGS OF HUNGRY GERMANY ARE REVEALED IN LETTERS FOUND ON SOLDIERS

Mortgage of Food, and Riots By The People SHOPS ARE LOOTED

pourings of Hearts of Those at Home to the Men at the Front Show Strong Reasons for the Peace Move by Germans

New York, Jan. 10.—The Sun publishes the following: London.—The correspondent of the Sun is able to present letters of guarantee taken from German soldiers captured on the Somme within the last two weeks, revealing the actual distress in Germany brought on by the shortage.

Another letter from Hamburg says: "Yesterday it was war here, too. There were soldiers with bayonets at our backs, the bread and butter shops and the grocery shops were wrecked. Then the shops of Hietz and Hietz were looted. What is going to happen? There are potatoes, grease and bread here."

LOOK AHEAD TO THE DAY OF PEACE

German Prisoners in Isle of Man Camps Preparing Themselves

English, Isle of Man, Dec. 15.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—The prisoners in the camps on the Isle of Man here are nearly 35,000 German and Austrian civilians prisoners of war. They have been residents of British Isles for ten or fifteen years.

J. F. KELHER DEAD

First Aid classes being conducted by E. G. Nobles for the employees of the C. P. R. are now in full swing in West St. John and the results are most gratifying.

EXPECTS TO SEE A BLOW STRUCK AT THE RUSSIANS

Main Objective of Von Hindenburg This Year EARLY ATTACK ON ITALY

London, Jan. 10.—The military experts of the Times, discussing Germany's probable plans in the near future, express the opinion that Von Hindenburg may attempt a blow against Italy before the spring finds all his opponents prepared to meet him with their full strength.

With 138 divisions on the Russian front," he says, "Von Hindenburg has the power necessary to conducting a fresh campaign with vigor and the current operations in Roumania tend to throw back the Russian left and place the Austro-Germans in a better position for continuing the attack on Russia than they could have done otherwise."

CITY CORNET BAND AT FUNERAL

The City Cornet Band was called out on a solemn occasion this morning when they attended in full uniform the funeral of an esteemed and valued member, Michael F. Kelly.

LORD SHAUGHNESSY DENIES IT

Montreal, Jan. 10.—Lord Shaughnessy, when shown a despatch in the Chicago Herald, in which it was stated he was the man who had been chosen to settle the Irish question, and also that he was to occupy a position in the British cabinet, remarked: "These are the creations of a very brilliant newspaper imagination."

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Last evening a large number of friends of Mr. and Mrs. Shaw 87 Wall street, assembled at their home in honor of their thirty-ninth wedding anniversary.

FERRY DEPT. WILL NEED \$1,500 MORE FOR THIS YEAR

Estimates Presented to Council This Morning DEFICIT OF \$16,000 FOR 1916

The ferry department estimates for 1917, presented by Commissioner Russell to the common council in committee this morning, shows a large increase over last year's figures.

Commissioners Wigmore and McLellan urged that preference be given to the soldiers and the latter offered Mr. Thompson a position as tail-man in the fire department at \$70 a month.

SYNDICATE COMMITTEES

The quarterly meeting of the boards and committees of the synd was continued in the Church of England Institute this morning, when the church literature committee met.

WANLOA TOTAL LOSS

The schooner Wanloa, which recently grounded in the vicinity of Point Alberton, has been given up for a total loss according to the latest information received by her owner, J. Willard Smith.

THE WHEAT MARKET

Chicago, Jan. 10.—Opening prices, which ranged from the same as yesterday's, were 1/2 cent lower, with May 1917, at 187, and July at 150 1/2.

LIEUT. H. M. TEED KILLED IN FRANCE

Sad News Comes to Father, M. G. Teed, K. C.

At the outbreak of the war he joined the staff of General Mercer in the 1st Infantry Brigade and crossed to England. He remained with his unit, the Salisbury unit, until February, 1916, when he was wounded.

On Jan. 30, 1916, he was married in England to Miss Virginia Dorothy, daughter of H. M. Stacey, and was accompanied to Canada by his wife during his stay in England with him and is at present residing there.

J. E. CAMPBELL OF ST. JOHN BELIEVED KILLED

Ottawa, Jan. 10.—Casualties: Previously Reported Missing, now Believed Killed: J. E. Campbell, St. John, N. B. Seriously Injured.

TWAIN, AGAIN IN THE NEWS, SAID TO BE AT HOME IN PITTSBURGH

Pittsburgh, Pa., Jan. 10.—Harry K. Thaw, indicted in New York yesterday for kidnaping and assault of Frederick Gump, Jr., of Kansas City, was believed early today to be at the law house in Beechwood boulevard this city.

TO GET HUSBAND'S MILLIONS

New York, Jan. 10.—Mrs. Lucy Arnold Whitridge, daughter of Matthew Arnold, British poet and essayist, is the sole heir of the estate of her husband, Frederick W. Whitridge, railroad lawyer and political economist.

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by Authority of Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

Russian Drive In Riga Region Is Developing Into Big Movement

Questions Value Of The New Assessment Act

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THE LATE THOS. KICKHAM

which extended over two years. Mr. Kickham was sixty-eight years of age and was born in Prince Edward Island.

HALIFAX PASTOR CALLS

Rev. A. W. McDonald invited—Meeting of King's College Governors Here

THINKS PROHIBITION IS DEBATED IN B. C.

Vancouver, Jan. 10.—Declaring that the feeling of British Columbia settlers overseas is strongly against prohibition and that a large vote was cast against the proposed measure in the referendum, an advisory counsel for the official anti-prohibition organization, expressed the opinion today that the bill would be rejected by a small majority.

THOS. KICKHAM DEAD

Prominent in Many Activities in St. John

Death Came This Morning After Illness of Some Time—A Worthy Citizen Whose Passing Many Will Mourn

Thomas Kickham, a well known and highly respected citizen of St. John, died at his home in Charles street about ten o'clock this morning after an illness

MAN WHO BUILT INTERNATIONAL RAILWAY

Life Ended This Morning in Bathurst—An Outstanding Figure in Provincial Life—Three Sons in the Army

QUEBEC HAS SERIOUS FIRE

Quebec, Jan. 10.—Fire this morning in the warehouse of J. B. Renaud & Co., crockery dealers, caused more than \$125,000 damages to that firm, also to A. J. Turcotte & Sons, wine dealers, in the lower town warehouse and wholesale district.

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The report of a committee of the Council of the Board of Trade, appointed to consider the report of the assessors' commission and the proposed new act, which was submitted to the council of the board last evening, was handed to Mayor Hayes this morning.

QUESTIONS VALUE OF THE NEW ASSESSMENT ACT

The committee finds much to commend in the report of the assessors, but also find much to which they take exception. The difficulty of equitably administering the new act appears to them as a reason for not approving it as a whole and several of the provisions, such as the method of taxing personal property, are not approved.

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