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Squadron of British Warships Aid Belgians In Repulsing Germans

(Today's Summary.)

Paris, Oct. 20—The action of the Begian army and of a squadron of British warships in repulsing an attack of the enemy is the subject of especially favorable comment. The position in Alsace is more and more favorable to the French.

The Germans are hastily preparing new defensive works around Strassburg, and digging innumerable trenches in front of that City.

That the allies are frusterating the attempt of the re-inforced extreme right wing of the German army to skirt the English channel ports with the supposed object of finding a new route to Paris, is indicated by the French official statement given out this afternoon. It asserts that the Belgian army is maintaining its position on the River Yser.

Further actions are being fought between the allies and the Germans in the region of Ypres, Belgium. From Ypres the allies' left wing extends to the English channel where it is being supported by British naval forces.

....Along the remainder of the 360 mile battle front stretching from the North Sea to Switzerland, where the defenders and invaders have been deeply intrenched for thirty-seven days, the only activity noted is that in the region of the Meuse river where heavy fighting goes on incessantly, principally in the vicinity of Camp des Romains.

French batteries at St. Mihiel and in front of Verdun are reported to have destroyed an entire battery of German artillery which had been particularly active in sweeping the French positions. There is a dearth of news from German sources concerning the operations of Emperor William's forces either in France or in Russia.

THE RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT WILL NEVER AGAIN CARRY ON MANUFACTURE OR SALE OF LIQUOR

Petrograd, Oct. 20—The Russian government will never again embark in the manufacture and sale of alcoholic drinks. This statement has been made under the name of the Czar himself.

The Russian Union of Abstinence, which devotes itself to the combating of alcoholism, addressed to Emperor Nicholas a solicitation that he forbid forever the sale of spirituous liquors in Russia. His Majesty replied:—"I thank you, I long ago decided to interdict for all time in Russia the sale of alcoholic drinks by the government."

EXPRESSION OF LOYALTY SENT TO KING FROM BAPTIST CONVENTION

Fredericton, N. B., Oct. 20—That the Baptists of New Brunswicks are solidly behind Great Britain in the present struggle was manifested this morning when the convention forwarded the following telegram to King George:

To His Majesty King George V.:

Baptists of Canadian maritime provinces, in convention, by unanimous vote, humbly express to Your Majesty their loyalty and devotion, with the assurance that our prayers ascend for God's blessing upon our king and his empire.

W. F. PARKER, President.
A. J. ARCHIBALD, Secretary.

Reports of the home mission boards were read and adopted. Rev. E. E. Daley submitted the annual financial report, which recommended that a percentage of the denominational funds for annuity remain the same. Immediate steps are to be taken to increase the endowment fund.

The financial committee recommended that Rev. Dr. J. W. Manning be re-appointed denominational treasurer for Nova Scotia and P. E. Island, and Dr. W. E. McIntyre for New Brunswick.

The amount to be asked from the churches will be $55,500, the same as last year. It will be apportioned by provinces as follows:—Nova Scotia, $33,000; New Brunswick, $21,000; P. E. Island, $1,500.

Big Game Is Off

Washington, Oct. 20—The army-navy football game has been abandoned definitely.

Coal Bill Signed

Washington, Oct. 20—President Wilson today signed the Alaskan coal land leasing bill, opening the coal fields of Alaska.

Cost Captain $25.

Fort William, Ont., Oct. 20—The captain of the S. S. Beaverton has been fined $25 and costs on a charge of interfering with military guards in the discharge of their duty.

A. O. H. Secretary.

The successor of Wm. P. Hayden as provincial secretary of the A. O. H. is D. J. Shea, of Fredericton.

Horse and Foot.

In 1863 a party of Confederate Rough Riders under Colonel Mosby made a raid inside the Union lines at Fairfax Court House, about twenty miles below Washington, and captured Brig. Gen. Stoughton; also eighty cavalry horses.

A friend who called upon President Lincoln soon after found him deeply regretting the affair.

"Yes, Mr. President,' he said in sympathizing tones. "It was a most unfortunate thing the capture of the general.'

'Oh, I wasn't worrying about the general,' replied the president, with a characteristic wave of his hand denoting dismissal of the subject. "I can make a general in thirty seconds with the scratch of a pen. But it's those eighty horses. I can't make horses."

Two colored men were employed in tearing down a three-story brick building. One colored man was on top of the building taking off the bricks and sliding them down a narrow wooden chute to the ground, some thirty feet below, where the other was picking them up and piling them. When this latter colored man was stooping over to pick up a brick the former accidentally let one fall striking him directly on the head. Instead of its killing him, he merely looked up, without rising, and said.

"What you doin' thar, you mutt? You make me bite my tongue."

On a voyage from Baltimore to Rotterdam, a Dutch steamer was held up by a French cruiser and taken to Havre. Her 200 tons of flour and provisions were taken and paid for.

A curiosity was found in a Dryden, Me., corn-shop the other day in the form of three ears of corn grown into one, making a broad, flat ear.

JOE PAGE BRINGS SOME BASEBALL NEWS HOME

Comment on The World Series—Three Men For Zimmerman—Jennings to the Stage

Joe Page, one of the most enthusiastic fans of the national game, was in the city this morning after attending the world series. Like the majority of those who know inside baseball, he was surprised at the outcome of the series, although he had great praise for the victorious Braves, who proved themselves better in all departments of the game. It is interesting to note that of some 260 baseball writers who followed the series, there was not one who put any confidence in the Braves pulling out champions. Mr. Page spoke highly of the treatment accorded the writers in both Boston and Philadelphia.

Speaking of the games, Mr. Page said that in one of the Philadelphia games there was a play that although unsuccessful was one of the greatest he had ever seen. While the Athletics were in the field and Rudolph, of the Boston team was at bat, he, batting left-handed, slashed out a stinging hit through the pitcher right over the second sack. Collins, who was playing about forty feet off the sack started for the ball while Barry also went after it from his position at short. Collins made a spectacular stop with his right hand but with his back to the initial bag and still on the run would be unable to get the ball to the first baseman in time to head off the runner.

Here was where an exhibition of real inside baseball was witnessed. Barry was facing the first sack and in a better position to throw, so Collins tossed the sphere to him and he relayed it to the first sack. Rudolph however was safe by a close decision, but had he been a right handed batter would have been out by inches. The baseball writers, usually the coolest in the heat of the game, were the first to note the beautiful piece of headwork and led off in the cheering, almost establishing a precedent.

Mr. Page brought with him several pieces of baseball news that will be interesting. One was word of a deal under which within the next few weeks Rube Marquard, Eddie Grant and Art Bues, all owned by the New York Giants, were to be traded to the Chicago Cubs for Heine Zimmerman, the fast first sacker with that aggregation. Reliance can be placed in this report inasmuch as the person responsible for it is none other than Larry Doyle, captain of the Giants. Grant is now with the Cubs and Bues, who has been third-basing for Jersey City, is also with the Chicago Club.

Hughie Jennings, in conversation with Mr. Page and others, said that he was going into vaudeville this winter together with Ed Smith, an eccentric negro comedian, in a ten weeks' engagement on the Keith circuit. They will operate in a one act play called the "New Mascot." They are expected to play in Montreal early in November.

KILLED WHILE MOOSE HUNTING

Fort William, Ont., Oct. 20—Alfred Berlund, son of Charles Berlund, a section foreman of the C. P. R. at Finmark, accidentally shot himself dead on Saturday, when moose hunting. He leaned upon the muzzle of his gun and a branch caught the trigger.

THE FOX DIVIDENDS.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Oct. 20—Although the war has meant the postponement of the declaration of dividends of some fox companies, and the reduction in amounts declared by others, some satisfactory payments under present conditions are announced. Up to date three companies have paid 10 per cent in cash; one 12 per cent, another 15 per cent; two 20 per cent, two 30 per cent, four 40 per cent, and three 50 per cent. Several of these have also paid various amounts in stock, and some promise to pay additional amounts in cash or stock, or both, later in the season.

LOCAL NEWS

IN FROM WEST INDIES

R. M. S. Liner Chaudiere, Captain Partridge, arrived this morning from the West Indies with passengers and cargo. She had an uneventful passage and tied up at the I. C. R. pier, Long Wharf.

Kewatin Dancing Class Thursday night. 10—22.

Read all about "Children's Week" on page 10 of this issue. 10-23.

Have you seen those $10 raincoats that Pidgeon is selling for $5.48 during his re-organization sale?

CANADIAN CLUB

Canada and the War will be the subject of Rev. Dr. Herridge's address before the Canadian Club tomorrow at Bond's at 1.15 o'clock luncheon.

RUBBERS

Rubber weather is now here—you'll need them. We've got them. Men's rubbers, 58c., 85c., and 98c.; women's rubbers, 48c., 65c., and 75c.—Wiezel's Cash Stores, 243-247 Union street.

CITY PAY DAY

The city officials received their semi-monthly pay today. The amounts charged to the various departments were:—

Market	$ 154.23
Ferry	815.59
Fire and Salvage Corps	1 354.66
Official	1,610.37
Sundry	1,094.20
Police	1,437.41
Total	$6,466.46

For those who think their incomes are affected by the war, and still need a fall coat, see ladies' and misses' stylish coats that have just been received at Daniel's. All are to sell at prices under $18.90, and some other good-looking warm coats as low as $8.90. There are pretty cape effects in greys and browns, as well as a large selection of popular styles in new tweeds and rough cloths already in stock. See advertisement on page 5.

SPECIAL SERVICES

Rev. Dr. J. A. Francis, a noted Boston clergyman, will conduct a series of special services in Germain street Baptist church, commencing tomorrow (Wednesday), afternoon at 3.30 and continuing until Friday with service at the same hour each afternoon, and again in the evenings at 7.30 o'clock. Dr. Francis has a nation-wide reputation as a speaker and the church should be crowded to hear him at every service.

BROAD, LOOSE BELT FEATURE OF NEW MODELS

Although built on severely plain lines this Paris model for an autumn street coat has a great deal of distinction. The straight lined coat is girdled with a broad belt which is a feature of many of the fall models.

The costume is developed in black broadcloth trimmed with skunk fur, which is very popular just now.

MONCTON LADY APPOINTED

Miss Mabel Nickerson of Moncton has been appointed superintendent of the Independent Order of Foresters Sanitarium in San Francisco, Cal., and entered upon her new duties last week. Miss Nickerson left Moncton a few weeks ago going to Los Angeles with a patient and after remaining in that city four weeks, she received the appointment of superintendent of the sanitarium, which is one of the foremost in California. Miss Nickerson is a graduate of Anna Jacques hospital, Newburyport, Mass.

MARRIAGES

SHAW-WILLIAMS — At Harbor View, Musquash, on Oct. 19, by Rev. F. Ellis, Arthur Shaw to Mrs. Ida Williams.

DEATHS

NIXON—In this city, on the 19th. inst., Agues, wife of Harry Nixon, leaving her husband and four small children to mourn.

Funeral from her late residence, 163 Brussels street, Thursay at 2.30. Friends invited to attend.

WILSON—At his parents' residence, Harding street, Fairville, on Oct. 19, 1914, John B. D. Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Wilson, aged twenty-three years, leaving his father, mother, four brothers and five sisters to mourn.

Funeral on Wednesday at 2.30 p. m. from his late residence. Interment at Cedar Hill.

CARDS OF THANKS

The family of Robert McConnell wish to thank their many friends for the kindness and sympathy shown them in their recent bereavement.

Mrs. Wm. Bogle and family wish to thank their friends, among them Mrs. John Keane and family, for kindness shown to them during their sad bereavement.

LOCAL SOLDIERS

Recruiting and Other Matters Affecting St. John Men

Recruiting orders have not yet been received by the commanders of local militia units; with the exception of Col. B. R. Armstrong, O. C. the 3rd. Regt. Artillery, who was instructed to recruit about a fortnight ago while in Ottawa. Notwithstanding this fact, recruiting is being steadily advanced in St. John, and the names of any men desirous of volunteering are being taken either for home or foreign service. Even for some time, in the anticipation of a second call on the youth of Canada, some of the officers commanding units here have been making additions to the strength of their corps, so that now when the summons for recruits is again issued they find themselves quite prepared to respond.

So far as the cavalry is concerned there is no mention of their being taken in the second contingent. Fourteen battalions of infantry are to form the quota required, and of these the maritime provinces are expected to furnish two, that is roughly speaking about 2,300 men. This is simply in accordance with the announcement made some time ago at the divisional headquarters in Halifax to Colonel J. L. McAvity when he was there in connection with his project to establish a New Brunswick infantry regiment in the field, that there would be one from both this province and Nova Scotia.

It is believed however that the force will not be all infantry as was stated in today's despatches, as militia men think there will be need of artillery, cavalry, army service, and army medical men, but no instructions have as yet been received. It is understood that some of the local officers who have been attending the school of instruction here during the last few weeks will go to Halifax to complete their training, before any of them volunteer as commissioned appointees with the second contingent. Some of the local officers who have been on duty for some time have already given their names for overseas service.

CANADA IN THE WAR

The Federal Life Assurance Company of Hamilton (Ont.) has donated $2,000 to the national patriotic fund.

Canada in the war.

Recruiting orders were issued yesterday at Ottawa for the raising of 16,000 foot-soldiers at once, in fourteen battalions, of which the maritime provinces will be expected to provide two.

Canadian saddlery firms have been given contracts for the supply of 50,000 military saddles for the allied forces. T. W. Stobart, purchasing agent for the imperial government, is now in Canada to place orders for sweaters, socks, gloves and shirts.

The Canadian soldier found dead near the camp at Salisbury Plain on Sunday morning was Private W. H. Hartley, of C. Company, First Royal Montreal Regiment. He enlisted from Valleyfield. His wife survives.

"The Allies' Aid" brand began its work in St. John last evening when in the Sign o' the Lantern, Germain street young ladies were busy in the interests of a fund to aid soldiers discharged from the hospital commanded by Dr. Murray MacLaren. The young ladies actively engaged were Misses Grimmer, Whittaker, Crosby, Foster and K. Sturdee. Mrs. M. B. Edwards was chaperone and honorary cashier.

AN ADVANCE IN ART WILL FOLLOW THE WAR

Strong Emotions Produced Will Find Expression, Says Professor Jenks.

New York, Oct. 20—A renaissance in art after the war was prophesied today by Prof. Jeremiah W. Jenks, who is lecturing each Friday afternoon at New York University on various phases of the war.

"Art is the expression of human emotion," said Prof. Jenks, "and if something happens to stir great emotions they will find expression in poetry, music, painting and architecture.

"It may seem a trivial thing to suggest that a great poem is to be one of the results of this war, causing great sorrow to untold millions, but his very sorrow is sure to find expression in some form of art, and the strong feeling of patriotism that has been stirred in millions of breasts is sure to cause a new birth of art."

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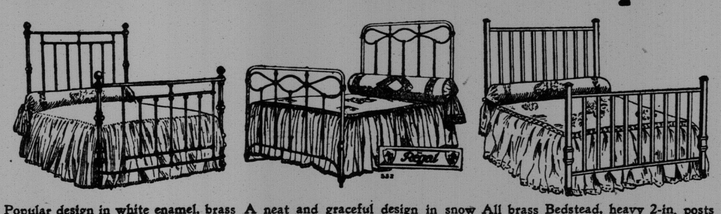

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Our entire stock of both White Enamel and Brass Beds are included in this clearance and will be sold at reduced prices for *this week only.*

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THE WAR

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present, the attitude of the government with regard to the war was approved.

It was decided that there were no reasons at present that would justify any alterations of Roumania's attitude.

Naval Fight in Black Sea

London, Oct., 20—A despatch from Copenhagen to the Central News says:

"The Berliner Tageblatt publishes a telegram from Bucharest saying that evidently a big Russian-Turkish naval battle has taken place in the Black Sea. Exceedingly heavy firing, lasting a considerable time, is reported.

Japan Occupies More Territory.

Tokio, Oct. 20—The navy department has announced the occupation, for military purposes, of strategically important islands in the Marianne (or Ladrone) Marshall, east Caroline and west Carolina archipelago.

Jaluit, in the Marshall group, was occupied on October 14 by a division of the Japanese fleet. Jaluit, it was explained, was the base of the enemies maritime operations in the Marienne, Marshall, and eastern and western Caroline archipelagos. The Japanese found two German vessels there. One sent herself to the bottom, and the other was captured with her crew. No damage was suffered by the Japanese fleet.

The German ships at Jaluit were survey vessels.

THE BULLET AND THE BILLET.

("K." in October Canada Monthly.)

As a matter of fact, most of the bullets fired in actual warfare are billeted nowhere. Even at the present day, taking into account the immensely increased precision and deadliness of firearms, and the improvement in rules, the ratio borne by the numbers of the killed and wounded to the number of bullets fired must be very small. Not so long since Lord Roberts said that if the British soldier could be so trained as to make it certain that one shot in twenty "got home" our army might be pronounced five times as formidable as any continental army has yet shown itself. As it is, the army is twice as formidable. The shooting of the British lines at Mons the other day excited the unbounded admiration of the French. The firing was not that of nervous or excited men, such as happened to the New York 73rd, let us say in the Philippines when poor chaps (who had just left the land office and the ice cream counter) for the first time learned the awful fact that it was no fancy play at the ranges, but a matter of life and death with a real enemy popping at them, until they found themselves firing with shut eyes like Mr. Winkle at the partridges, and the roof of every man's mouth was hot with trouble.

And if our British—those cool, methodical, efficient men—lost heavily in that five days' fighting, what of the Germans?

Our boys, says the reports, went silent and happy to their positions, without singing, which is forbidden these days, but with their own sallies of humor—that of little Ortheris, and Mulvaney, and now Johnny Canuck.

It is estimated that in the Franco-Prussian war the Germans fired 20,000,000 bullets. The French killed and wounded amounted to about 140,000 men. According to this, only one ball out of 143 fired hit its man; and assuming that on an average one man out of seven hit was actually killed, it would seem that only one bullet in 858 proved effective. At the battle of Bantzen 714 bullets were fired for one man put hors de combat. At Victoria, Wellington's army fired 500 shots for one man killed or wounded.

In 1849 at Kopling, the Prussians fired 77,000 cartridges and killed or wounded 475 Danes; that is one man was hit out of every 163 shots fired. Such estimates might be vastly extended without serving much purpose, but they show how necessary is efficient marksmanship and how futile for all murderous purposes is a rifle practice that exercises a man's markmanship at the rate of sixty shots a day for comparatively a few days a year.

BROUGHMAN F. McCREADY.

Moncton, Oct. 20—Brougham F. McCready, a well known Moncton young man, died yesterday. He was thirty years of age, and is survived by his wife and two children. He was a son of the late George McCready, a former city engineer, and a nephew of J. E. B. McCready, of Charlottetown, P. E. I. He is survived also by three brothers, Charles and Lee, of New York, and Frank, of Spokane; and two sisters, Mrs. Arthur Farquhar, of Kimberley, B. C., and Mrs. A. E. McFadden, of Johnson's Mills, N. B. The funeral will be held on Wednesday afternoon.

Beethoven a Belgian.

Paris, Oct. 20—The Figaro has discovered that Beethoven was a Belgian, and that he came from Louvain. The family later lived in Antwerp and Ghent. The composer's grandfather was buried in a Louvain church, which was burned by the Germans.

The Figaro suggests heading all future Parisian concerts of exclusively Belgian music by Beethoven's symphonies.

RUSSIAN TROOPS TO PLAY WAITING GAME

Said to Have Allowed the Enemy to Entrench For Winter in Poland

London, Oct. 20 — Telegraphing from Petrograd regarding the situation in the Russian field of operations, the correspondent of the Times says:

"It looked as if those high in Russian command had decided to play a waiting game. Otherwise they would not give the Germans time to entrench and thereby prolong the whole course of operations.

"Reliable information shows that the Germans seriously contemplate wintering in Poland. Peasants have risen at many places, notably Kielce and Miechow. Regardless of the most terrible reprisals, they are forming guerrilla bands and attacking the invaders. The railroad near Nowo Radomsk has been wrecked and trainloads of Germans soldiers killed.

"All roads from the Vistula to the frontier are encumbered with the German transport wagons and dead horses. The roads are impassable owing to rains."

A despatch from Venice says that reports received in Vienna from the headquarters of the German army on the Russian frontier are said to admit that the soldiers are suffering intense hardships in the cold, rainy weather, owing to lack of proper warm clothing. The Russian prisoners, on the other hand, are all said to have been found to be well provided for the winter, and are wearing fur caps covering both their heads and their necks.

WESTERN MEN WANT TO SELL ALL GOODS FOR SOLDIERS FROM THE WEST

Winnipeg, Man., Oct. 20—The finance committee of the Winnipeg Patriotic fund, passed a resolution and telegraphed Hon. Robert Rogers, requesting the dominion government to place all orders for goods for use of western war contingents with western manufacturers. Co-operation of public bodies throughout the west, is also asked in this connection.

It is reported that applications have been received from 656 families for assistance, and 444 families are to receive a regular monthly allowance. Total subscriptions to October 17, amount to $688,099.

It is estimated that it will take $25,000 monthly to provide for present needs.

READY FOR ANYTHING

Scientist, Too Old to Fight, Will Help in Other Ways

London, Oct. 20—Sir William Ramsay, a great scientist, in a public letter, makes this concise patriotic offer:

"I am too old to be of use in the fighting line. But as an emeritus professor of chemistry, I am willing to give my services gratis in any capacity as a chemist if by so doing I will release anyone fit to defend his country."

Sir William Ramsay has already backed up his offer by action. The provost of the University of London having informed him that his successor (Sir William Ramsay, retired last March), was last heard of in Stettin, and is probably interned by the Germans. Sir William will hold the professorial chair for him to take up his labors.

If he returns Sir William is then "immediately ready to take up any chemical work whatever that will release a young man for enlisting." "I do not care what it is," said Sir William. "Mixing prescriptions behind a counter — bottle-washing, if you like. It is every man for his country, "and all hands to the wheel."

SAYS HIGH PRICE OF PORK WILL CONTINUE

More Money in Raising Hogs than in Any Other Branch of Farm Life.

Chicago, Ills., Oct. 20—Wealth will come more quickly to the young farmer who embarks in the business of raising hogs, than any other branch of farming he may choose, said E. T. Cash, of St. Louis, today before 500 members of the American Meat Packers' Association in convention here. There is more money in raising hogs than in other branches of farming, Mr. Cash said, because they can be fed more cheapty and the demand is daily increasing, and will continue to increase. High prices, he asserted, would prevail indefinitely.

THE WHEAT MARKET

Chicago, Oct. 20—After opening ½ off to ½ up the wheat market suffered a material decline all around and then recovered with May scoring a fresh gain but December not keeping pace.

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MR. BOARDER, your home is here, 43 Duke street. 17796-10-27

GIRL WANTED—Patrick Kane, Winter Port Restaurant, West Side. 17802-10-21

FURNISHED Room with grate suitable for two, 110 Elliott Row. 17799-10-27

FURNISHED Room, hot water heating, electric light, 87 Elliott Row. 17763-10-27

MARE COLT for Sale, 16 months old, weight 800 lbs. Apply 319 Princess street. 17797-10-27

GROCERY CLERK desires better position. Address "B" Times. 17798-10-21

BARGAIN for Quick sale, genuine Russian Pony Skin Coat, new; also sable set. Address. Russian, care Times. 17792-10-22

PERSONALS

Mrs. Robert David Magee will receive her friends at 24 Queen street on Thursday and Friday afternoon, Oct. 22 and 23.

C. W. Hayter and bride, of Lynn, Mass., arrived by steamer from Boston on Saturday and were the guests of Captain and Mrs. W. H. Mabee of West End. Mr. and Mrs. Hayter left by steamer D. J. Purdy on Monday to spend a week at the home of L. P. Hayter, Long Reach.

Mrs. John Farrell who has been visiting her uncle, A. E. Cooper, Lennoxville, Que., returned to the city this morning.

Mrs. G. H. Currie announces the engagement of her daughter, Ada Louise, to Tyler B. Mullin. The marriage will take place on November 5, at Jemseg, N. B.

Miss Bessie Welsford arrived home yesterday from Rhode Island Hospital to spend her vacation with her parents.

Doctor Margaret Parks is nursing wounded soldiers in St. Thomas' Hospital, London.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Johnston, of this city, returned yesterday from England.

Dr. J. D. Maher returned home today from Boston.

Miss Margaret Kennedy, of Moncton, who has been visiting friends in St. Martins and St. John, has returned home.

C. H. Michaelson of New York left on his return there last night after a pleasant trip to his old home here.

Madame Furlong-Schmidt returned home today from Upper Canada.

Miss Ethel McGowan, of Boston, arrived in the city today on a visit to Mrs. D. J. Doherty, Douglas avenue.

Mrs. Frank Foster and Miss Josephine Lynch returned today from Boston.

Rev. F. S. Porter returned today from Fredericton.

SOUTH AFRICANS HERE.

Head of Society Wishes to Form New Company of Artillery.

Toronto, Oct. 20—James B. Ashman, of London, Ont., president of the South African Society in America, has written to Sir Robert Borden in behalf of his compatriots, offering the services of British South Africans for defence of the empire.

In a letter to The Mail and Empire Mr. Ashman says: "South Africans in America are shocked at the treacherous and suicidal conduct of Colonel Maritz, and we wish to demonstrate to our fellow countrymen at home that we in America intend to stand by the British Empire."

The text of his letter to the Premier of Canada follows:

"I have been requested by South Africans, both of British and Dutch descent, at present residing in America to write you offering our services for garrison or defensive duty in any portion of the British Empire.

"We would suggest the formation of an artillery company comprising South Africans, Australians and New Zealanders resident in Canada, to be known as the Southern Imperial Artillery.

"The writer, who is South African by birth and education, would undertake to recruit the men, you to appoint the officers."

Reginald Hatfield, of Port Greville, N. S., was drowned on last Friday while canoeing.