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ST. JOHN, N. B., FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 1918.

"We are fighting for a worthy purpose, and we shall not lay down our arms until that purpose has been fully achieved."—H. M. The King.  
 TO THE PEOPLE OF THE EMPIRE—Every fighting unit we can send to the front means one step nearer peace.

## GOOD FRIDAY.

According to etymological authorities Good Friday is really God's Friday, good being a corruption of the original word. Among the Saxons it was known as Long Friday on account of the long fasts and ceremonies which took place on that day.

In ancient times the "Hot Cross Bun" was a wafer first, then a Jewish Passover cake, and then a bun. Horns (not a cross) were on the cake first, symbolic of the sacred ox, the derivation of the word bun being but the oblique "boun" from "bous," the sacred ox. The Greeks substituted the cross, because in those days they used to divide a bun into four quarters, and a division was easier with the straight lines of the cross than with the curved lines of the horns of the ox. Chelsea, London, England, really made the Good Friday bun famous to latter days. There they seem to have made the buns particularly good, and so popular did they become that as many as 50,000 persons from all parts of England would journey to Chelsea on Good Friday to buy buns. As high as 240,000 buns have been sold in Chelsea on a Good Friday. Ridgeway, a village just outside of Plymouth, England, is also famous for its brand of hot cross buns, and is the Mecca of hundreds of inhabitants of that part of Devonshire every Good Friday morning.

In many churches the service of "The Three Hours" is held this afternoon from twelve to three.

## THE LANDS AND MINES REPORT.

The Telegraph yesterday devoted considerable space to a review of the report of the Department of Lands and Mines which was tabled in the Legislature by Hon. Dr. Smith this week.

One feature of the report, however, to which our contemporary did not devote much attention dealt with the work of Dr. Smith's predecessors in connection with the forest survey and classification. Referring to the work done when the department was under the administration of the late Hon. George J. Clarke, the present minister says: "My predecessor in office is entitled to the thanks of the people of this province when he organized the forest survey, and I am glad to place the credit where it belongs. Here we have a staff of professional men, non-partisan, with one great object in view, the preservation and care of the forests. The Department of Forestry was carefully planned with a competent staff and an up-to-date equipment."

Again, in the course of his report Dr. Smith says: "On coming into office I was much impressed with the work that had been done by the forest engineers and the great importance of determining the extent and value of our forest wealth." Comment of the sort quoted is very different from the opinions Dr. Smith expressed concerning the Department of Lands and Mines when in opposition and during the late election campaign. "He and other members of the Foster party condemned all the departments unsparingly and it was only after that party came to power that those who had criticized commenced to discover the excellent character of the administration. Every department of the public service was in good shape when the Foster party took charge. Those departments are not in such shape today. The statement which Dr. Smith has applied to the Lands and Mines Department can truthfully be applied to every other department of governmental activity."

## NEW BRUNSWICK'S OPPORTUNITY.

Although the present time is not over-favorable for the establishing of new industries not essential to war power nevertheless yet there is ample opportunity for the utilization of water power in New Brunswick, Maine, Quebec and elsewhere. Many manufacturers in the United States and Canada who have been seriously handicapped within the past few months by the railroad embargoes and the coal shortage are making plans to transfer their plants to places where they will not be wholly dependent on the coal supply to keep their machinery in motion.

New Brunswick industries are slowly developing, half a dozen centres this year reporting additions and new buildings. But there is room for many more, particularly in the St. John river valley, where abundant water power is available. Edmundston is a town that is advancing rapidly, and Grand Falls should have been a busy hive of industry long ago. It is probable that the day is not far distant when that village will experience a decided boom. St. John is becoming a greater industrial centre each year.

and several additional industries will be added within the next few months. But the industrial growth of New Brunswick is far too slow. The people of the province as a whole do not like to risk capital on new projects as do the people of New England. In New England practically every town, village and hamlet has a textile mill, a shoe factory or other industry. It has been the capital and enterprise of New England people that has made that district the greatest textile and shoe manufacturing centre on the continent. In the years to come the Canadian markets are bound to broaden rapidly and in the further development of commerce with other parts of the British dominions and foreign lands New Brunswick should be prepared to take its proper place.

It is known that several corporations employing large numbers of men contemplate moving their works from locations in the Middle States or Southern New England into Maine in order to avail themselves of water power and thus gain independence of coal as a source of energy, and one of these concerns, employing thousands of hands, has, it is said, selected its location and made arrangements for power supply from one of the most remarkable developments of water energy that state has ever known. This power, one of the greatest east of Niagara, is to be utilized for the generation of electrical energy on a vast scale, for distribution by transmission lines of any length. The water power itself is deep in the wilderness.

Maine's manufacturing industries are located chiefly in the southwestern part of the state, whereas by far the greater water power is found in the northern and eastern sections. At present this power is only partially and imperfectly developed. It is believed that the time is at hand when this vast natural energy is to be developed on a grand scale, and that cities like Bangor, advantageously located with respect to transportation facilities, labor supply and conditions of living, are to experience an industrial revolution that will relegate lumber and associated interests to the background.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

### THANKS THE STANDARD

The University, Windsor, N.S., March 28th, 1918.  
 Dear Sirs—Please let me thank you most sincerely on behalf of the Board of Governors of King's College and the Advance Movement Committee, as well as for myself, for the valuable help you gave us in the recent campaign in St. John. The result there were very encouraging indeed, though the times are very difficult, and the war conditions increased the difficulty in many ways. I feel sure the results could not have been obtained without the generous publicity that The Standard gave us, and the educational value of the campaign was also much increased.

Please accept this expression of our appreciation, and believe me, Yours very faithfully,  
**T. STANNAGE BOYLE**, President.

### A BIT OF VERSE

THE SING-SONG.  
 When digging trenches, kitchen drill,  
 And muddy hikes are done,  
 Before the time for taps to sound  
 We have some quiet fun,  
 Around the old piano then  
 We gather with delight,  
 And send a flood of melody  
 Outpouring on the night.

"Swanee River," "Over There,"  
 Old favorites and new;  
 And "Home, Sweet Home," to mist  
 Our eyes  
 With something bright as dew.  
 It keeps a soldier's heart in tune  
 With dear ones far away  
 To have a little sing-song at  
 The closing of the day.

So let us strum the light guitar  
 And pound the ivories,  
 And make the concertina wail,  
 And when we cross the seas  
 And meet the Kaiser's pets, behold!  
 So musical we'll be,  
 Our bullets will be sure to hum  
 A song of victory.  
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 N. Y.

### A BIT OF FUN

THEIR WAY.  
 "Average juries remind me of a self-cooking revolver."  
 "In what way?"  
 "They go off as soon as they're charged, but nobody knows where they're going to hit."—Baltimore American.

A STRIKING DIFFERENCE.  
 "That ventriloquist," she said, "can

## THREE ASPIRANTS FOR CIVIC HONORS FILE NOMINATIONS

Civic Political Pot Beginning to Boil—Mayor Hayes, Commissioner Russell and John Thornton Fyled Papers Yesterday.

The civic political pot is beginning to boil and the nominations of three aspirants for office were filed yesterday. Those of Mayor Hayes, Commissioner Russell and John Thornton.

Commissioner Russell was first in the field with a largely signed nomination paper, among whom were the following: Thomas McAvity, R. B. Emerson, T. Collins, J. Morris Robinson, James S. Gregory, W. H. Barnaby, H. C. Schofield, William Hawker, A. O. Skinner, J. Harold Wilson, Thomas Nagle, S. Herbert Mayes, John McAvity, W. G. Estabrooke, T. E. G. Armstrong, W. G. Scott, M. F. Mooney, W. E. Emerson, J. Roy Campbell, James Lewis, C. W. deForest, E. R. W. Ingraham, H. Colby Smith, Dr. Doore, Dr. Alsworth and many others.

The second paper to be filed was that of John Thornton and this was signed by the following: J. Fraser Gregory, Fred W. Munro, D. C. Clark, George D. Ellis, W. H. Turner, Murray McL. Holly, John Spence, H. C. Olive, J. D. Mitchell, C. H. Lee, J. Starr Tait, James W. Hamm, F. W. McMullin, J. D. Mitchell, F. W. Noble, E. R. W. Ingraham, J. Percy Cruikshank, J. D. Dunlop, George Appt, Christopher Spence, R. A. Jamieson, S. E. White, Gilbert McMullin, F. J. Shreve, A. W. Estey, Walter Logan, Wilfred C. Day, W. E. Deming, S. R. Belyea, Andrew Garnett, L. D. Brown, Joseph White, S. W. McBeth, Isaac Hutchinson, Norman H. B. Smith and many others.

Later in the afternoon the papers of Mayor Hayes were filed and from present indications he will be returned without opposition. Monday is official nomination day and the full line-up will then be known. It is expected that in addition to those who have already filed papers there will be in the field T. H. Bullock, E. J. Hilyard, and possibly James H. Frink for the office of commissioner.

## MILITARY IMPOSTER GETS FOUR YEARS

Man Had Two Wives and Claimed to Have War Record.

Calgary, Alta., Mar. 28.—Pleading guilty to a charge of bigamy, William Stitt, alias Captain W. S. Stewart, one of the most amazing military impostors who has ever been sentenced, was today sentenced by Magistrate Davidson to serve four years in Edmonton Penitentiary. In police court today the full facts of his case were placed before the magistrate, evidence being brought about his first wife and ten children in Toronto, of whom five sons are at the front; and also of his marriage in Calgary, in 1916, to a woman who believed him a single man.

Stitt, or Stewart, has been for more than two years discharge officer here under the Military Hospital Commission, and posed as a veteran of the present and other wars. As far as the present war is concerned, Chief Cuddy branded his professions as untrue, on the authority of his first wife in Toronto.

## P. E. I. MEMBER IS CONFIRMED IN SEAT

Mr. Sinclair of Queens and Mr. Pedlow of South Renfrew Are Safe.

London, Mar. 28.—Melville McNaughton, appointed by the high court as the authority in the Canadian election cases, gave judgment in the law courts today regarding South Renfrew and Queens, P. E. I., confirming the sitting members.

Mr. McNaughton decided that ballot envelopes, which he was asked to open and which had been set aside by the special returning officers, were not in some cases endorsed in accordance with the provisions of the act, though in some cases they were endorsed. He decided further, however, that he had no jurisdiction to deal with any of these unopened envelopes. He ordered the payment of amounts deposited by applicants for recounts to successful litigants, but did not order payment by petitioners of general costs.

Mr. I. E. Pedlow, the winner in South Renfrew, is a Liberal. The sitting member referred to in Queens, P. E. I., is J. E. Sinclair, Liberal.

talk without opening his mouth." "How different from you," he replied, perhaps with more bitterness than was necessary. "You can't open your mouth without talking."—Springfield, Ohio, News.

MORE DATA WANTED.  
 He (after the proposal)—I'm getting \$2,000 a year. Now, dearest, what is the least you think you can live on yearly?  
 She—Well, how much credit can you get?—Boston Transcript.

BLUE MONDAY.  
 Well was it the week's first day  
 Was chosen for our lay off;  
 It gives us on our worst day,  
 Our off day, see? our off day.

Smoking is said to calm the nerves. In other words the more a man smokes the less he frets.

## Little Benny's Note Book

BY LEE PAPE.  
 Soldiers.  
 Armies is composed of guns and cannons and soldiers, especially soldiers. If there wasn't any soldiers there wouldn't be anybody to shoot the guns and cannons and there wouldn't be anybody to shoot them at, which would be such a waste of guns and cannons that nobody would make any more.

There is 2 kinds of soldiers, privates and officers. A private has to salute an officer whether he likes him or not, and if he pretends he don't see him the officer can walk right around and stand in front of him if he wants to. If a officer orders a private to do something, he has to go and do no matter even if he would rather not. This proves the best thing to do is to be a officer.

A general is the highest officer, and any other officer that thinks he can sass a general guy thinks so because he never tried it. But 2 generals can sass each other all they want to. The lowest officer is a footman, but most footmen wear the highest expressions.

Soldiers have to be out in all kinds of weather, just like letter carriers on wet days.

The following is a poem about a soldier:  
 The soldier looked sad and worried,  
 He said "Nothing has happened to jar me.  
 I want to fight like anything,  
 But I've lost the army."

## A GREAT BRITISH VICTORY WON IN MESOPOTAMIA

Entire Turkish Force in Hit District Captured or Destroyed—British Casualties Very Light.

London, Mar. 28.—The entire Turkish force in the Hit area, in Mesopotamia, has been captured or destroyed by the British. The war office announces. Three thousand prisoners were taken.

The statement follows:  
 "On March 26, a highly successful operation was carried out by our troops operating on the Euphrates northwest of Hit which resulted in the capture or destruction of virtually the entire Turkish force in that area. Early in the morning our columns advanced to take the Turkish positions about Khan Bagdad, twenty-two miles northwest of Hit. Our cavalry made a wide movement around the Turkish positions to Aleppo in the rear of the enemy. By nightfall the enemy's main positions north of Khan-Bagdad had been carried by assault."

"The main body of the enemy, attempting to break to the northwest, was intercepted by our cavalry and repulsed with heavy losses.  
 Three Thousand Prisoners.  
 "So far it has been reported that about 3,000 prisoners have been taken, including a divisional commander, two regimental commanders, about 200 other Turkish officers, one German officer and a few German non-commissioned officers. In addition 2,000 rifles, many machine guns, 600 animals and a quantity of other booty have been taken.  
 "Pursuit of the remaining fugitives has already been carried beyond Hadith, forty-five miles northwest of Hit. "Our casualties were very slight."

Hit is on the Euphrates river, one hundred miles west of Baghdad. The town was evacuated by the Turks on March 9. The Turks fell back to Khan-Bagdad, twenty-two miles above Hit, before the British column operating along the Euphrates, which has been conducting a vigorous and successful campaign.

## SEVERAL CHARGES AGAINST PRISONER

Man Who Had Served Term for Destroying Cattle Arrested for Theft.

### Special to The Standard.

New Glasgow, N. S., Mar. 28.—Constable Little has arrested a man named Everett Pace, who was wanted in Trenton on a charge of stealing a suit of clothing, a pair of boots and a cap. The man, when lodged in Trenton jail was searched by Chief Norman McDonald and then it was discovered that the man was travelling under an assumed name, for the contents of his pockets revealed no less than two different marriage certificates.

Upon inquiry it was found that this man was urgently being sought after by the police of Guysboro county. It seems that Pace had been serving a term in a Guysboro county jail for destroying cattle and that some little time ago he made good his escape. Since then detectives have been on his trail. Constable Little succeeded in capturing the man near Stellarton, just as he was about to board an outgoing train. He was brought before Magistrate Fraser at Trenton and sent up to stand trial at the next session of the Supreme Court on a charge of stealing clothing from a boarding house in Trenton.

### FREDERICTON ESTIMATES.

Special to The Standard.  
 Fredericton, Mar. 28.—The City Council in committee this evening fixed the assessments for 1918 at \$150,000 against \$140,000 last year. Two itemized lists of taxes and school estimates more than make up the ten thousand dollars so that the estimates for the year are less than those of 1917.

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## A NEW LEAGUE TO ORGANIZE

New International League Being Organized in New York

—John H. Farrell the Proposed Leader.

New York, Mar. 28.—The new international League is being organized here. Already Toronto, Rochester, Baltimore and Jersey City baseball interests have made known their intention to form clubs, and Buffalo, Syracuse, Binghamton, Newark, Wilkes-Barre, Scranton and Elmira have made application for admittance to the league. John H. Farrell, president of the New York State League, and secretary of the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues, has been proposed as head of the new organization. Toronto, Rochester and Baltimore were members of the old international League, which disbanded today and Jersey City was at one time a member. Buffalo and Newark, which have applied for admittance, also held membership in the old league and the other five clubs, which are seeking to join are included in the New York State League.

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