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THURSDAY, December 30, 1915.

NOTICE.THE EVENING TELEGRAM
will be issued at noon TO-MOR-
ROW, New Year's Eve.**Compulsory Service.**

Although there has been no authoritative statement yet on the matter of compulsory service, it seems to be accepted by all sections of the press at home that the Government has decided on some form of compulsory service, and that efforts are being directed to put the policy through Parliament, with as little friction as possible.

So little reference is made in the despatches to a Cabinet crisis that it would appear that the Cabinet crisis is over, and that there may be few if indeed any resignations. As the Cabinet was understood to be divided equally on the abstract principle of compulsion, it would appear that the circumstances of the case for conscription, and particularly those of military necessity, are so strong as to unite the ministry. If this is so, the facts which have brought the dissenting members of the cabinet into line will naturally have a strong influence on the members of parliament who have a strong dislike to conscription. At all events opportunities appear to be being provided for a careful consideration of the case by opponents of the principle of conscription before the matter will be brought up in Parliament. In this connection, it is worth while to bear in mind the pronouncement which has already been made by Premier Asquith. On November 2nd, Mr. Asquith told married men, who were attesting under the Derby scheme, that they were to "disabuse themselves of the idea," that they would be called upon to serve while younger and unmarried men are holding back and not doing their duty. "So far as I am convinced," said Mr. Asquith, "I should certainly say the obligation of the married man to enlist ought not to be enforced or binding upon him unless and until—I hope by voluntary effort, and if not by some means—the unmarried men are dealt with first." On November 12th, Mr. Asquith authorized this ruling in his remarks to be published: "The Prime Minister on that occasion pledged not only himself but his Government, when he stated that if younger men did not, under stress of national duty, come forward voluntarily, other and compulsory means would be taken before the married men were called upon to fulfil their engagement to serve."

Brandished a Revolver

Last night Simon Hansen a nineteen year old Norwegian seaman created a disorderly scene in a boarding house on Duckworth Street, and matters grew so hot that he brandished a revolver. Constables O'Flaherty and Collins were notified and entered the house and seized the firearm, which, on examination, was found not to contain any ammunition, though a cartridge was discovered in one of his hands. The officers then took the seaman into custody and escorted him to the police station. This morning he was arraigned before Mr. Hutchings, J.P. The revolver was put in as evidence against the Norwegian, but it was shown that he was in a frenzy from liquor at the time he flourished the weapon and the defendant was released on payment of a five spot to Sergeant O'Flaherty. The alternative was a fortnight imprisonment.

JOHN BULL'S PATRIOTIC PIERRETTE'S, New Year's Night
First appearance of Assistant Paymaster Pearce, R.N.R., in the thrilling melo-drama "The Burglar and the Girl." Tickets at Atlantic Bookstore. Book early. dec27,31**Police Court.**(Before Mr. Hutchings, J.P.)
A drunk and disorderly was fined \$2 or 7 days.
A 35 year old domestic for vagrancy was sent down for 30 days.
A 39 year old laborer, a vagrant, was sent down for 2 month.
A foreign seaman for drunk and disorderly conduct and for flourishing a revolver was fined \$5 or 14 days.**Reids' Boats.**The Argyle sails from Placentia for the westward this afternoon.
The Clyde has not been reported since leaving Lewisporte at 6.20 a.m. yesterday.
The Dundee left Port Blandford at 9.20 p.m. yesterday.
The Ethie left Fogo at 3.10 p.m. yesterday, inward.
The Glencoe arrived at Port aux Basques at 11.30 p.m. yesterday.
The Home left Humbermouth at 4 a.m. to-day.
The Petrel left Heart's Content at 12.30 p.m. yesterday, inward.
The Kyle left Port aux Basques at 2 a.m. to-day.
The Meigle is at Placentia.
The Sagona is due at Port aux Basques.**"CAN YOU AFFORD TO TAKE CHANCES?"**A little cold may not seem a dangerous thing—you may feel inclined to let it go on hoping that to-morrow it will be better—but can you afford to take chances? Just as the little insignificant acorn grows if let alone, to the mighty giant oak, that cough if not stopped may grow to a very serious illness. When a cough starts there's no telling where it will end. You know no doubt, of cases right among people you have known where serious complications and fatal illnesses have had their start from a neglected cough or cold.
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The patrons of Rossley's delight in the splendid pantomime: "Beauty and the Beast." The matinee yesterday was under the distinguished patronage of His Excellency the Governor, Lady Davidson and the Misses Davidson. Every one was delighted with the show. Mrs. Rossley was the recipient of three beautiful presents of which she felt justly proud. Lady Davidson after the performance stepped on the stage and complimented everyone taking part. The pantomime is now going with a swing and every one perfect in their part. The next big pantomime is "Jack and the Beanstalk." The rehearsals are going on all the time. Miss Madge Locke is working hard to have Jack and Jill even a bigger success than Beauty and the Beast.

Superb New Year Gifts. Everybody appreciates a Book. The very latest: The Gray Dawn by Stewart Ed. White, \$1.50; Mr. Bingle by Geo. Barr McCutcheon; The Book with the Xmas spirit all the year round, \$1.50; Straight Down the Crooked Lane by Bertha Bunkle, \$1.50; The Fur Trail Adventures by Dillon Wallace, \$1.55. Just arrived by Stephano, GARDLAND'S BOOKSTORES.—dec27,31**EXPRESS DUE.**—The Kyle express is due in the city at 4.30 p.m. to-day.**1st Nfld. REGIMENT.****Casualty List.**

DECEMBER 29.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.1313.—Private Ernest L. Braithwaite, 92 Antrim Street, Cambridge, Mass., wounded. Arrived 3rd London General Hospital, Wandsworth.
1248.—Private Ludwig Hoddinott, Indian Islands, Fogo, gunshot wound, thigh. Suva, Dec. 5. Arrived 3rd London General Hospital, Wandsworth.

1155.—Private John J. Ivany, English Harbor, T. B., fever, severe, Alexandria, Nov. 5. Arrived 3rd London General Hospital, enteric.

315.—Private John D. Andrews, 80 McFarlane Street, enteric, Alexandria. Arrived 3rd London General Hospital, Wandsworth; enteric.

1349.—Private Frederick Cummins, Golf Avenue, enteric, severe, Alexandria. Arrived 3rd London General Hospital, Wandsworth; enteric.

744.—Lance Corporal Harold H. Batson, English Harbor, T. B., enteric, severe, Alexandria. Arrived 3rd London General Hospital, Wandsworth; enteric.

837.—Corporal William S. King, South Side Road, Hospital Abbasia, Cairo (not yet diagnosed). Arrived 3rd London General Hospital, Wandsworth; enteric.

188.—Private John J. Kelly, 29 Le-Marchant Road, dysentery, slight, Alexandria. Arrived 3rd London General Hospital, Wandsworth; heart trouble.

DECEMBER 30.

1189.—Private Frederick Charles Roper, Bonavista. Killed in action Nov. 27.

309.—Private George Samuel Knight, 27 William Street. Killed in action, Dec. 2.

1328.—Private James Michael Brown, Curling, Bay of Islands. Killed in action, Dec. 3.

1019.—Private Frederick Bishop, 12 Sebastian Street. Reported wounded, Nov. 27.

756.—Private Patrick J. Cooper, 27 Wadgrave Street. Reported wounded, Nov. 28.

537.—Private Jonathan Brett, Fogo, seriously ill, St. Patrick's Hospital, Malta, Dec. 24; amputated toes.

555.—Private Patrick Holden, South Side (Riverhead), Valetta Hospital, Malta, Dec. 23; gunshot wound in head.

884.—Private Samuel Patrick Ryan, 105 Hamilton Street, seriously ill septic sores, Dec. 3.

Previously Reported.

432.—Private Michael T. Whelan, 5 Alexander Street; Conjunctivitis, West Murdos, Oct. 20. Dangerously ill enteric, Dec. 28; 27th General Hospital, Murdos.

REPORTS OF CASUALTIES RECEIVED BY MAIL.

159.—Sergeant Fred Mercer, 48 Spencer Street, Tigne Hospital, Malta, Oct. 20; sick. Discharged from Hospital fit for active service, Nov. 15.

332.—Sergeant Samuel R. Smith, Harbor Breton, Malta, Sept. 25th; wounded. Discharged from Hospital fit for active service, Nov. 15.

No. 636.—L. C. Wm. J. Snow, 50 Colonial Street. Bullet wound through neck; Nov. 4. Admitted 26th Casualty Clearing Station, Suva, Nov. 5, and transferred to Hospital ship Morea.

632.—Private Wm. Taylor, 41 Le-Marchant Road. Gunshot wound left shoulder, Nov. 5. Admitted 26th Casualty Clearing Station, Suva, Nov. 7, and transferred to Hospital ship Morea.

871.—Private Michael Joseph Evans, 37 Cooktown Road. Gunshot wound in arm, Malta. Compound fracture humerus left arm.

No. 750.—Private Wm. Snow, Princetown, B. B. 1. Dysentery, severe; Alexandria, Oct. 26; 2. Convalescent. Discharged to Luxor Convalescent Depot ex 21st General Hospital, Alexandria, Nov. 20.

1010.—Private Geo. T. Lerner, Burgeo, Rheumatism, Hospital, Cairo. Discharged to Convalescent Depot, Mustapha, Alexandria, Nov. 20.

998.—Private Arthur Sullivan, Pouch Cove. Gunshot wound in neck, slight. Rest Camp, Cairo. Discharged to Convalescent Depot, Mustapha, Alexandria, Nov. 20.

269.—Private James Carter, Stephenville Crossing. Not previously reported. Admitted 19th General Hospital, Alexandria, Nov. 21; jaundice.

789.—Corp. Jos. R. Waterfield, 54 Penneywell Road. Sick, slight; East Mudros, Oct. 21. Discharged to Convalescent Depot, Nov. 11.

740.—Private Andrew P. Caravan, Long Island, N.D.B.; Malaria, Malta, Oct. 30. Transferred to Spinola Convalescent Camp ex Military Hospital Tigne, Malta, Nov. 23.

1118.—Private Harry Rowe, 72 Cabot Street; Pyrexia, slight. Discharged to Mustapha Pacha Camp, ex. Bom-

bay Presidency Hospital, Alexandria, Nov. 18.

925.—Private Wm. P. Prowse, 53 Bannerman Street; bullet wound in left heel. Transferred from 54th Casualty Clearing Station, Suva, Nov. 7.

645.—L.C. Hamor Gardner, British H.R. T.B.; Jaundice, severe, Alexandria. Transferred to Convalescent Camp Clymenopoulo, ex Greek Hospital, Alexandria, Nov. 16.

1313.—Private Ernest L. Braithwaite, 92 Antrim Street, Cambridge, Mass.; wounded (Hospital Wandsworth); Gunshot wound right hand.

443.—Private John Jos. Ellis, 359 South Side W.; not previously reported. Jaundice.

803.—Private Walter A. Kane, 64 Vant Road, Tooting London; not previously reported. Dysentery. Admitted 15th General Hospital, Alexandria, ex Hospital Ship Dover Castle, Nov. 20.

731.—Private Reginald J. Paul, Burin North; shrapnel wounds right shoulder and arm, Malta. Transferred to All Saints' Convalescent Camp ex Military Hospital, Floriana, Malta, Nov. 20.

American Schooner Meets With Mishap.

The American schooner Purity, which put in here a few days ago in a damaged condition, resumed her voyage this morning. The vessel was bound from Gloucester to a port in Green Bay for a load of frozen her-

ring. The Purity is fitted with motor engines. Heavy weather was met and she got her propeller broken. The vessel then came on to this port under sail, and repairs were effected at the dry dock pier. The Purity's compass, which was out of order, was adjusted by Mr. J. Roper, and she left here for Green Bay this morning.

Here and There.

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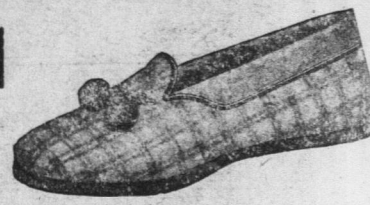
WEATHER.—It is calm and dull along the line of railway to-day with the temperature averaging about 15 above.**Hand Sewing Machines, \$10.50 each; Foot Sewing Machines, \$25.00 each. BOWRING BROS. Hardware.**—dec14,tf**LEFT FOR SYDNEY.**—The s.s. Foga, Capt. Dalton, sailed this afternoon for North Sydney to load coal for this port.**No advance in price, Stafford's Essence of Ginger Wine only 10c. a bottle.**—dec14,tf**ALEMbic SAILS.**—The barq. Alembic, Capt. Coward, sailed to-day for New York with a cargo of oil from Job Bros. & Co.**One 10c. bottle of Stafford's Essence of Ginger Wine makes 3 quarts of Ginger Wine.**—d14,tf**TAKES BIG FREIGHT.**—The s.s. Prospero, which sails to-morrow for Griguet and intervening northern ports, takes a very large freight.**BOWRING'S SHIPS.**—The Prospero sails to-morrow for the northward. The Portia left Hermitage at 8 a.m. to-day, coming east, due to-morrow night.**QUICK PASSAGE.**—The schr. Al-lison Maxner which loaded fish on the West Coast and left there for Lisbon, has reached her destination, having made the passage in 15 days.**COBAN RELOADED.**—The s.s. Coban was reloaded at 2 p.m. to-day with the assistance of the steamers Louisburg, Meigle and Argyle. We thank the Anglo for the news.**AT HOME!**

The Governor and Lady Davidson will be AT HOME on New Year's Day from 3 to 6 p.m. Government House, St. John's. dec29,31

Under the Defence of the Realm Act the Minister of Munitions has made an order prohibiting without an official permit the buying or selling of various kinds of optical instruments, which are declared to be "war material".

The list includes certain prismatic binoculars and monoculars, Galilean binoculars, portable terrestrial telescopes, telescopic or other optical sights for rifles, periscopes and hyposcopes, and prismatic compasses.

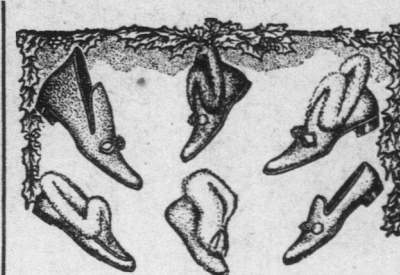
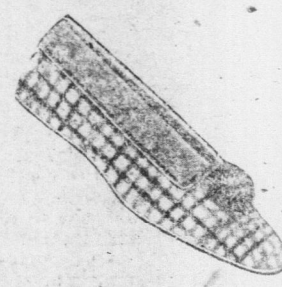
The order, which will be strictly enforced, is specially commended to the notice of dealers, such as jewelers, outfitters, tailors, and pawnbrokers. Applications for permits should be made to the Director-General of Munitions Supply, Branch C.M.S. Armament Buildings, Whitehall place, S.W.

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