

NEW PENSION REGULATIONS IN EFFECT JAN. 1

Commissioners Have Power to Grant Relief in Cases of Special Hardship.

Ottawa, Dec. 23.—New pension regulations come into force on New Year's Day. They will follow, in the main, recommendations made by the special committee of the House of Commons, whose findings were published some months ago. But the recommendations have been supplemented in three important particulars:

- 1. The coming into force of the regulations is fixed for January 1, 1919.
2. All existing cases may be reviewed by the board of pension commissioners in the light of the present regulations.
3. Special provision is made for cases of exceptional hardship.

In special cases of hardship, the new regulations read, "which are not covered by the pension regulations and in cases in which special relief should be given, the commissioners shall have exclusive authority to make a recommendation to the governor-in-council, and the governor-in-council shall have authority upon such recommendations to award a pension or to afford relief."

MRS. BARTIMUS A CANADIAN.

A tiny blue sweater at a Toronto bazaar had the honor of being bought for no less a baby than that of "Bartimus," the vivid sea writer, who has recently during the most strenuous days of the war. Incidentally, this fortunate young infant has already an entire wardrobe of sweaters and all sent by Sir Rupert and Lady Kipling.

Admirer of "Bartimus" may not know that his wife is a Canadian girl, a former Miss Scott, grand daughter of Mr. J. D. Guerin, of St. Catharines. The little is her name now, and the first girl in generations of her husband's family has just appeared in the person of her first baby.



Give Footwear for Christmas

- Leather Slippers, \$1.15, \$1.95, \$2.00, \$2.25.
Kid Slippers, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.50.
Brown Kid Slippers, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00, \$4.25.
Felt and Wool Slippers, \$1.25, \$1.65, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.25.
"Hart" Boots, \$9.00 to \$15.00.
"Derby" Boots, \$7.00 to \$10.50.
"F. & V." Special, \$5.85 to \$9.00.

- LADIES
Felt Slippers, leather sole and heel, \$1.85, \$2.00, \$2.25.
Felt and Wool Slippers, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.25.
"Cozy" Felt Slippers in colors, \$1.00 to \$4.00.
Kid Boudoir Slippers in colors, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.25.
Fancy Indian Moccasins, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.50.
Dress Pumps \$4.00 to \$9.00.
High Cut Boots, \$4.00 to \$15.00.
High Grade Low Shoes, \$6.50 to \$9.00.

- MISSES AND CHILDREN
Felt Strap and Wool Slippers, 85c. to \$1.25.
Dress Pumps and Streets Boots.
Rubber Boots, Leggings, Overshoes.

- BOYS
Skating Boots, \$2.75 to \$4.75.
Rubber Boots, short and above the knee.
Oil Tanned Shoe Pumps.
Waterproof Boots.

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Poly-See vs the Baron and Pa. Finn!



ASSO. PRESS BEATS INTERNATIONAL

United States Supreme Court Sustain Decree of Federal—Upholding Property Rights in News.

Washington, Dec. 23.—The Supreme Court of the United States sustained today the federal court's decree restraining the International News Service from pirating news of the Associated Press. Five members of the court, including Chief Justice White, concurred in a majority opinion, delivered by Associate Justice Pitney, upholding the principle of a property right in news, and the complaint of unfair competition, and refusing to interfere with injunctions, specifically prohibiting the International News Service from pirating news of the Associated Press members to violate its by-laws by permitting the defendant to obtain news before publication, and to copy news from bulletins, bureaus, and from early editions of Associated Press newspapers and selling it either wholly or after re-writing.

Two minority opinions were delivered. Associate Justice Brandeis dissented entirely, declaring that, while the injunctive use of the use of the uncopyrighted news of a competitor was obvious, the defendant had acted without misrepresentation, and he regarded the majority opinion as laying down a dangerous precedent, which might result in the denial to a great number of people of news that only the Associated Press secured. He stated that there should be legislation to protect the public rights.

Associate Justice Holmes delivered a brief opinion, in which he announced that Associate Justice McKenna joined, holding that fraud, on the part of the defendant in palming off the complainant news as its own, constituted the only ground of action, and that, without legislation, the only remedy to be applied was to grant an injunction requiring the International News Service to credit, to the Associated Press, all pirated news used within a certain number of hours after publication by Associated Press papers.

TRAFFIC ORGANIZATION COMPLETED ON THE C.N.R.

Toronto, Dec. 23.—C. A. Hayes, vice-president in charge of traffic of the Canadian National Railways, has completed the organization of the chief offices under his jurisdiction, and circulars are now being prepared to effect the appointments made, which include a freight traffic manager and a passenger traffic manager with offices at Toronto; three assistant freight traffic managers, having offices at Montreal, Montreal and Winnipeg, respectively; a passenger traffic manager with office at Winnipeg; two general passenger agents with offices at Winnipeg and Toronto, and a general freight agent with office at Winnipeg.

SUPREME COURT JUDGMENTS IN SEVERAL CASES

Ottawa, Dec. 23.—In the supreme court today judgments were rendered in the following cases: "Quebec Balmalou vs. City of Montreal, appeal dismissed with costs. Lord Dufferin dissenting.

CHATHAM AFTER BOOTLEGGERS

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JACK BRITTON WON

Jersey City, N. J., Dec. 23.—Jack Britton, of New York, outboxed Martin of New York in an eight-round bout here tonight. Britton weighed 147 pounds and Martin 156.

CHIEF SIMPSON TO PRINCE ALBERT

Local Chief of Police Has Offer of Position in Saskatchewan as Inspector of Provincial Police. Special to The Standard. Regina, Sask., Dec. 23.—Chief of Police David Simpson, of St. John's, is slated for the position as inspector of the Prince Albert division of the Saskatchewan provincial police. This was made known here today by Superintendent Mahony, of the provincial police. The application from headquarters of the provincial police for some months.

JOSEPH BAXTER DEAD AT MINTO

Death Resulted from Rifle Bullet Wound in Abdomen—Had Quarrelled With Man Who Shot Him. Fredericton, Dec. 23.—Joseph Baxter, of St. John died this morning at Minto, James Walker, aged about eighty years, was arrested by Constable George A. Purley, Manvilleville, has been notified of the death of Baxter, but up to an early hour this afternoon no inquest has been held. Reporters following a row in Walker's dwelling, both Walker and Baxter drinking liquor. Walker struck Baxter over the head with a bottle, cutting him severely, in an attempt to put him out of the camp.

CITIZENS INVITED TO MEET SOLDIERS

Large Number Who Will Spend Christmas at Clearing Depot, King Street, Would be Pleased to Meet Callers. Two steamships with returned soldiers are due to arrive in port today and there will be at least two hundred excess belonging to the Maritime Provinces who will spend Christmas Day in St. John on their way home. They will be located at the clearing depot in the Bank of Montreal building, King street, and would be undoubtedly pleased to meet any citizens who might call and welcome them with a few pleasant words, or better still, a good cigar or some cigarettes. The military offices in charge of the depot would appreciate a call or any friendly interest of this kind.

FUR MERCHANTS AGREE ON DATE

Special to The Standard. New York, Dec. 23.—Negotiations between the New York Fur Auction Sales Corporation and Sunston Bros. and Co., of St. Louis, have resulted in the changing of the opening date of the annual winter fur auction here, and in that city. Through a misunderstanding on the part of the St. Louis company both sales were scheduled to begin on January 27, but as matters now stand the New York sale will start on February 3rd, and the St. Louis auction on January 26th. In a statement made today Charles S. Forster, president of the New York Corporation, said that negotiations for the change of dates were begun by the corporation in the belief that by changing them the best interests of the fur trade would be conserved. Merchandise meant for sale at the New York auction will be received until January 26th. From present indications the coming sale will be one of the largest ever held here, and predictions are that prices will be maintained at the prevailing market levels.

WATERBURY & RISING LIMITED

Executive Offices For the fortieth time it gives me great pleasure to extend to friends and customers our HEARTY CHRISTMAS GREETINGS and every good wish for A HAPPY NEW YEAR Yours sincerely E. L. RISING, President.

THE WEATHER

Table showing weather forecasts for various locations including Toronto, Victoria, Calgary, Medicine Hat, Port Arthur, Pelly Sound, London, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, Halifax, and Feroozes.

DIED

BRAND—At Westfield, on December 22nd, Janet Y. J., wife of James B. Brand, leaving her father, husband and three children to mourn. Funeral from Barnhart's Church, Fairville, at 7 p. m. if weather favorable, if unfavorable from the Union depot on arrival of the Boston train. No flowers by request.

WEDDINGS

Hicks-Hicks. A quiet but pretty wedding was solemnized on Wednesday evening, December 18, at the home of Mrs. Ada Hicks, Hicksville, when her youngest daughter, Retta Mae, was united in marriage to G. Cleveland Hicks, of the same place. Rev. W. H. Johnson was the officiating clergyman. The bride looked charming in a travelling suit of blue serge. The groom's present to the bride was a substantial cheque. The happy couple have the best wishes of their many friends.

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THE AERO COMPANY

At the organization meeting of the Canadian Aero Company the officers and directors were elected. President—Stanley E. Blinn. Vice-President—E. A. Schofield. Secretary—John R. Mills. Treasurer—S. S. Wetmore. General Manager—E. M. H. Solicitor—Dr. J. Roy Cannon.

Advertisement for DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS, featuring an illustration of a man and a woman, and text describing the benefits of the pills for kidney ailments.

DETECTIVE

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CHOCOLATE AND

Should consumers pay attention to the quality of their chocolate? The article discusses the importance of choosing high-quality chocolate and the potential health benefits of certain brands.

N. B. GUIDES TO MEET IN J.A.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, Dec. 23.—Brunswick Guides' Association held their annual meeting here last night and adjourned to meet next. No business was done.

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