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TO-DAY'S MESSAGES.

9.00 A.M.

SOUTH AFRICA VOICES DEMAND.

DURBAN, S.A. Dec. 12. (Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.)—Unparalleled enthusiasm was evident at a packed meeting of many thousands of citizens in the Town Hall here yesterday, when a resolution was passed strongly advocating the repatriation of interned enemy subjects, particularly Germans, and also punishment for ill-treatment of Allied prisoners of war, together with the retention of the former German colonies in Africa. A feature of the meeting was the reading of a telegram, signed by over 300 men from the Potchefstroom training camp, endorsing the objects of the meeting.

OF INTEREST TO SPORTS.

LONDON, Dec. 12. (Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.)—The best bouts at the British Empire-American Services Boxing Tournament, held in the Albert Hall yesterday, were those between welterweights Sgt. Basham, British Army, and Sgt. J. Atwood, Canada. Atwood put up a remarkable good fight, but was beaten on points. Other Canadian results were in the flyweight class. Sgt. Percival, British Army, knocked out Pte. Sims in the second round; Bantam class, Pte. Evans, Australia, beat Sgt. Jones on points; featherweight class, first series, Lee Corp. Higham, Canadiana beat Pte. Spearman, New Zealand, on points; second series, Seaman Clancy, American Navy, defeated Lee Corp. Higham on points; lightweight, leading seaman J. Smith, British Navy, beat Sgt. J. Clarke on points; middleweights, second series, Pte. Blanchard, Canada, walkover.

EXTRA DONATION.

LONDON, Dec. 12. (Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.)—The Government announces in the unemployment demobilization, a donation of five shillings weekly in the case of men and women, and half a crown for boys and girls under eighteen years making the men's donation twenty-five shillings and the women's twenty-five shillings per week.

OPTIMISTIC OUTLOOK.

LONDON, Dec. 12. (Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.)—An optimistic view of the prospects for the coming decade, was taken by Lord Inchcape, speaking at the annual meeting of the Peninsular and Oriental Steamship Company in dealing with the question of employment. Lord Inchcape, after emphasizing the fact that there were vast opportunities in the dominions, said that the next decade would be one of immense production in repairing the damage of the last four years, improving and making permanent plans of trade and communications, and resuming normal operations, which had been suspended by the war. It would be a decade which would more likely see three jobs for one man than three men for one job.

A STATE RECEPTION.

PARIS, Dec. 12. Paris is awaiting the arrival of President Wilson and another national holiday for the celebration of the Allied victory. The official delegations to receive the American President, left for Brest to-night. A luxurious special train was reserved for the use of President Poincaré. The French Ministry was represented by Stephen Pichon, the Foreign Minister, and Georges Leygues, the Minister of Marine. The delegation included a deputation from the Senate and Chamber of Deputies, and Andre Tardieu, French High Commissioner to the United States.

HOLLAND DEFIANT.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 12. The Premier of Holland, Jonkheer Ruijs de Beerenbroek, who yesterday declared in the Lower House that

NOTICE.

Importers of Hay or Oats are requested to meet in the Food Control Board Office (formerly Conroy & Higgins' office, corner Prescott and Duckworth Streets) at 3 p.m. to-morrow (Saturday) afternoon to consider ways and means of expediting the import of these commodities.
NFLD. FOOD CONTROL BOARD.

Runaway Horse.

About the noon hour when coming down Military Road, the pony of Mr. Eric Bowring, attached to a sleigh, and hitched too close, took charge of the lady who was driving and dashed down Prescott Street, turning into Bold Street, where it was stopped before any damage was done. Two children and the driver then got out and a man undertook to take the rig home, but on the way, while going down Rennie's Mill Road, the animal again got fractious and took control, tipping the driver out and continuing its way homewards at headlong speed. Entering the gate of Mr. Bowring's residence, at a mad rate the sleigh collided with the posts, wrecking the whole outfit. When released from the encumbrance the pony made for the stable. The last driver was uninjured.

Casualty List.

RECEIVED DECEMBER 12th, 1918.
 At King George Hospital, London.—Repatriated Prisoner of War. 1143—Pte. Michael Joseph Boland, 128 Duckworth Street.
 Arrived in England in Good Health, December 12th.—Repatriated Prisoner of War From Germany. 2535—Pte. Edward Fortuna, Jeffrey's Bay, St. George's.
 Admitted to Alexander Hospital, Cosham, England, Not Yet Diagnosed. Under Observation for Mental Trouble. 4189—Pte. Isaac Kehoe, Burla North.

J. R. BENNETT,
 Minister of Militia.

Preliminary Hearing.

The preliminary hearing into the case of Crown vs. Duggan, who is charged with obtaining money under false pretences, began yesterday afternoon before Judge Morris. Summers, K.C., Deputy Minister of Justice, acted for the Crown, Higgins, K.C., for accused. The evidence of Theresa Rowell, Azariah Manuel, Mrs. Gertrude Britt, Lewis Manuel and Jos. Bursey, was taken, after which the proceedings were adjourned.

Police Court.

There were no criminal cases in court this morning.
 In a civil case, the plaintiff who wished to get a tenant out of her house, agreed to wait till Dec. 27th, ere she took possession.
 In another case where a party had not paid for certain articles bought at the plaintiff's shop; judgment was given in favor of the shopkeeper.
 Another case was dismissed as the defendant did not appear in court.

Lady Curlers.

The annual meeting of the Ladies' Curling Club was held yesterday in the Ladies' Reading Room. The following officers were elected:—
 President—Mrs. W. H. Duder, re-elected.
 Vice-President—Mrs. W. Rennie.
 Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. W. B. Fraser.
 Committee—Mrs. Frank Bradshaw, Mrs. Fred. Alderidge, Mrs. W. Kennedy and Mrs. H. Foster.

McMurdo's Store News.

FRIDAY, Dec. 13, 1918.
 Mary Garden is the Queen of Perfumes, for lasting qualities, for exquisiteness of odor with its suggestions of Oriental luxury and mystery, it stands unrivalled. We have secured a limited stock of this remarkable perfume for the Christmas Season. Two sizes \$2.25 and \$4.50 a bottle.
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Reids Boats.

Argyle left Placentia yesterday on bay route.
 Clyde leaving Port Union to-day.
 Dundee arrived at Lewisporte at 8.30 p.m. yesterday.
 Ethie at Humbermouth.
 Glencoe left Port aux Basques at 12.30 a.m.
 Home arrived at Lewisporte at 4.30 p.m. yesterday.
 Kyle arrived at Port aux Basques at 7.45 a.m.
 Meigle at St. John's.
 Sagona at North Sydney.
 Petrel leaving Port Union to-day.
 Fogota not reported.

From Cape Race.

Special to Evening Telegram.
 CAPE RACE, To-day.
 Wind south, fresh, weather dull with light snow showers. The schr. Gladys Fearn and another three-masted schr. passed in yesterday afternoon. A three-masted schr. in sight at 11 a.m. about ten miles south, also bound in. Bar. 30.08; Ther. 32.
 GINARD'S LUMBER
 KAY'S FRIEND.

Supreme Court.

This is an action to recover damages for breach of agreement to freight to Greece by the steamer Donareva. The Plaintiff claims \$46,676 damages. Mr. L. E. Emerson opened the case for the Plaintiff; Mr. H. A. Winter is Counsel for the defendants.
 In the Case of Richard Power vs. Jas. Coombes.

Which is an action respecting the use of Portugal Cove beach as a place for hauling up boats, the further hearing was resumed this morning and all witnesses examined.
 Both cases were adjourned till 2.30 this afternoon.

Hr. Grace Notes.

Mr. Matthew French, of Courage's Beach, passed away on Tuesday, after a long illness. He was a member of the Conception Bay British Society, and that body will attend his funeral this afternoon.

The Klark-Urban Company are to play here next week, thus giving our people an opportunity of seeing and hearing this company.

Mr. William Martin, who had been working at Montreal all summer returned home by Saturday night's train.

Mrs. J. Pike of Harvey Street, left for St. John's, on Wednesday morning on a short visit.

The regular meeting of the Sons of England took place in the hall on Monday night. After the regular routine business had been gone through with the election of officers, for the ensuing year, took place and resulted as follows:—

G. T. Gordon P.P.; Wm. H. Harris, W.P.; R. Sheppard, V.P.; W. B. Walters, Chaplain; A. W. Heath, Rec. Sec.; S. E. Parsons, Fin. Treas.; Harvey Bray, Treas.; Dr. Cron, Surgeon; Alex. Crocker, 1st guide; J. T. Ash, 2nd guide; Geo. Stevenson, 3rd guide; Frank Martin, 4th guide; Robt. Tetford, 5th guide; Thos. Murphy, 6th guide; James Tetford, inside Guard; Outside Guard to be elected; Trustees—John Downey, Martin Sheppard; Auditors—J. F. Fox and Chesley Butt.

CORRESPONDENT.
 Hr. Grace, Dec. 12, 1918.

Train Notes.

Wednesday's west bound express arrived at Port aux Basques at 11.50 p.m. yesterday.
 Yesterday's west bound express left Millertown at 9.10 a.m.
 Yesterday's east bound express left Terra Nova at 8.50 a.m.
 To-day's east bound express left Port aux Basques at 9.40 a.m.

Here and There.

HERRING SCARCITY.—A message received by the Minister of Marine & Fisheries from Bonne Bay, reports weather conditions fine, but herring scarce.

RE-TAKES POSITION.—Mr. H. B. Curtis, of the Reid-McG. Express Co., who recently resigned his position as Superintendent there, has taken back his old job again.

"HOLLY LEAVES"—11th issue of this number is on sale at all the Bookstores for 10 cts. Output friends desiring copies, send name and address to any bookstore.—dec13.11

FUNERAL NOTICE.

The remains of the late Alan Sparks, who died at Williamsdale, Nova Scotia, arrived by express this morning. Funeral on Sunday at 2.30 p.m. from his father's residence, 32 Mullock Street.

ECCLESIASTICAL CHANGES.—We understand that the Rev. Father Wilson, of Marytown, has been appointed Parish Priest of Argenta in the place of Rev. Father Ashley who has been transferred to Torbay, and the Rev. Father Maher of St. Lawrence has been appointed to the Parish of Ferryland, which has been vacant by the death of the venerable Father Vereker. Some other changes we are informed will also take place.

"Better Than the Best."—The Ladies' Khaki Guild will hold their Annual Sale, afternoon tea and concert (in aid of the disabled soldiers' and sailors' fund) in the Presbyterian Hall, on Wednesday, December 18th, at 3.30 p.m. Plain work, jams, jellies and Xmas puddings and Pickles for sale. Minced Meat a specialty. Admission, 10 cts.—dec13.16,17

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"In Rainbow Land"

Under the distinguished patronage of His Grace the Archbishop, this delightful Juvenile Operetta will be performed by the pupils of the Academy of Our Lady of Mercy, Military Road, at the

Casino Theatre, Monday, December

23rd at 8 p.m.

The proceeds are to aid in the extension of the Class Rooms of the Academy.

Reserved Seats Tickets to be had at Hutton's Music Store.

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CALL AT Robert Templeton's FOR PRACTICAL XMAS GIFTS.

CHRISTMAS APPEARANCE.

The town is rapidly assuming its seasonable garb, snow abounding everywhere, while the shop display windows are being very tastefully decorated with various attractive designs.

RABBITS \$1 BRACE.

Rabbits are selling in town at \$1 a brace, and this substantial meat, formerly cheap, so that even the poorest could buy, is now within the reach of only a few. From 20c. to a \$1.00 is a long step.

The Amateurs.

(From the New York Herald.)

The cocktail and highball strategists of the clubs, the restaurants and the bar-rooms—who always knew how the war ought to be conducted and were perpetually worried by the mistakes of leading generals—have now turned into amateur diplomats, experts in international law, and are just as great nuisances in their habitual haunts as they ever were. Furthermore, their contempt for the information printed in the newspapers is as profound as ever. But if these individuals were bored and wet blankets to all good citizens while the fighting was going on, they are positive makers of mischief in this the second phase of the world conflict. For in the innocence or stupidity of their hearts they are playing the German game by repeating, for example, that this, that or the other of the Allies is selfish, looking-out for number one or determined to trick us or somebody else. Just before the collapse of the Prussians a clipping from a German newspaper reached New York by way of Holland. It occurred the statement that there was no reason for Germany to despair because of any enemy victories, for Germany would win out substantially in the long run if only distrust could be caused among the Allies, or if the Allies could be started as to who had done best in the war, or doubts could be raised as to why any nation went into it. The man who says "I wanted the Allies to win but Great Britain to lose" is a dangerous idiot. The man who says, "We went in to help France, not the English," is a lunatic who should not be at large. These, like those who disparage France or distrust Italy, are but types such as would incite nothing but contempt in the gallant soldiers and sailors who are under the command of General Pershing and Admiral Sims. The sound maxim:—"Be silent and suspicious, for the foe is listening," is just as applicable now as a year ago. The view of the gravity of the work which has to be done by the Versailles Conference, which will have to settle the affairs of the world, and to do it in spite of Teutonic machinery.

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By RUTH CAMERON

The Chinese, as you doubtless know, have a fine way of signaling New Year's, the greatest holiday of the year, by paying every bill which they owe, that they may start the New Year with a clean slate.

I have a friend who thinks the Chinese can teach us something, and she has a clipping of the clean slate, which she carries it farther than just paying of bills.

First She Pays All Bills. She aside an evening a week the last three or four weeks before Christmas for this celebration. The first place she pays every bill. If she has any odd jobs pigeon-hole a charity to investigate, a clip to send to someone who will be much she cleans that work up.

Her Old Friend Letters. One who writes what she calls her friend letters. Most of us have a collection of these friends' letters, and these friends whom we "love" long since and lost.

not by death but by life, are still as dear to us as those we every day. To all such, whether in the habit of holding a regular correspondence with them or not, a woman writes a Christmas letter, a line of greeting but a real letter giving the news of the year and asking how her friends prosper. She is fortunate to use a typewriter and so the letter giving the news of the year will interest all of her correspondents, but a part of each letter is, of course, purely personal. If she writes a letter she thinks will interest her friends then in.

And Word We Are Always Going to Say Someday.

Lastly she thinks the Christmas the best opportunity in the year to send a line of appreciation and encouragement to the story writer who appreciates the minor characters expressed just her own inimitable thoughts. The minister who went straight past the

Turkeys, Ducks and Geese and C

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