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We are displaying in the Eastern Window of Our New Store—nearly opposite the General Post Office—special lines of Men's Soft Felt Hats that were purchased at a clearing price—a third and more off the manufacturer's price, and we are offering them now at a Bargain—amongst them you'll find many excellent samples.

These Hats are made of Extra Fine, Fur-Felt, of a superior quality, and are finished with high-class silk ribbon bands and a deep leather sweat-band.

Your choice of side or back bow, in Grey, Brown and Black. We have some special values in Men's Black Stiff Hats too.

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**Ham Butt Pork**  
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Length, 69 1-2 fthms. Mounted.  
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DISTRIBUTORS

## CHINA IS AFTER 100 SUBMARINES FROM AMERICA

Admiral and 30 Officers from Celestial Empire Installed Near New London—May Spend \$130,000,000—Statement That Craft Are to be Resold to Allies Denied—Needed for Coast Defence

New York, August 27.—The Chinese Government has sent to this country a commission of expert naval men to study the construction of submarine boats with the intention of making extensive purchase for the Chinese navy.

It was learned to-day that an admiral and thirty other officers, some of them engineers trained in submarine-boat construction, had taken a cottage near New London, Conn., and were spending their time at the Submarine Boat Company's works there or at the Fore River Shipyards.

No contract has as yet been closed, but negotiations have been entered into with the Submarine Boat Company, which was, until lately, the Electric Boat Company, fixing upon about 100 submarines as the probable amount of the order, at a total cost in the neighbourhood of \$75,000,000. In banking quarters it was said that a cable to Peking a few days ago had advised the purchase of at least one hundred submarines. The visitors were able to inspect several boats in a practically finished condition. These undersea fighters are in process of construction for the British navy and will be delivered after the war is over.

A rumor was heard in the financial district, after the visit of the Chinese officers became known that the boats would be resold by China to the allied navies. This was denied in the bank quarters referred to and the further statement made that China, according to the visitors was planning a large fleet of submarines to guard her coasts, of which the one hundred boats being considered here would be but a small part. It is understood that if the contract goes through and the work proves satisfactory to the buyers, fully \$130,000,000 may be spent by China for submarines in this country in carrying out her naval plan.

Chas. M. Schwab Interested  
New York, Aug. 27.—Financial circles here interested to-day in a rumor that the Chinese commission of naval experts recently sent to this country were negotiating for the purchase of 100 submarines at a total cost of \$75,000,000. While the representative of one New England submarine building company admitted that some of the Chinese had inspected his plant, he denied that any contract had as yet been signed.

It was reported that Charles M. Schwab, president of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, had been authorized by the Chinese Government to place orders with American submarine builders. It was said that Mr. Schwab has also been given charge of the manufacturing end in this country of China's vast naval programme.

## Is it Coming to Canada?

Toronto World  
The patriotism that will concern itself with public affairs hereafter may dispense with the services of the professional politician. The party tricks and party feuds that divided England for two or three centuries interest not many people there to-day. Signs are not wanting of public indifference to party cries and party feuds in Canada and indeed throughout the Empire. Elections are being avoided or postponed indefinitely because so little interest is manifested in politics by the people that the result cannot possibly be forecast. Quite possibly a national party may arise not only in England but also in Canada. Many who regard a coalition between the two old parties as fantastic yet dream of a government so thoroughly representative of the people as to be able to ignore old-time party politics and devote all its energies to building up on national lines a new Canada. Public service and the general welfare will be the keynote of such a national party.

At a certain College in Iowa the male students are not permitted to visit the resident female boarders. One day a male student was caught in the act of doing so and was brought before the president. Who said:

"Well, Mr. Jones, the penalty for the first offence is 50 cents; for the second, 75 cents; for the third \$1 and so on, rising to \$5."

In solemn tones the trespasser said: "How much would a season ticket cost?"

ADVERTISE IN THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE

## HUDSON'S BAY RAILWAY PUSHED TO COMPLETION

Next Year Will See New Outlet For the West

Next year will see a new outlet for the products of the Canadian West, for, by that time the Hudson's Bay Railway will be completed, Port Nelson harbor sufficiently dredged and equipment provided, and a huge transfer elevator built. Then the West will be brought closer to Liverpool, the long railway haul dispensed with, or, in other words, the Back Door of Canada will be opened.

Since the first agricultural settlement on the prairie there has been a demand for the construction of this railway. It was repeatedly promised, and as often the promise remained unfulfilled. When Hon. Frank Cochrane became Minister of Railways he personally inspected the proposed route, sailing through the Straits and across the Bay to Churchill and Nelson. He decided that if the road was built that Port Nelson was the best terminus, and his decision has since been unanimously approved. From Port Nelson he made the journey to Le Pas, and from this inspection decided to immediately build the railway and equip the port on Hudson's Bay.

## Almost Direct Line.

From Le Pas to Port Nelson in a direct line is 400 miles, and the railway will be only 420 miles, about as direct a line for the distance as there is on this continent. This road will be graded into Port Nelson this year and steel laid on two-thirds of it. Next summer the steel will be carried forward to Nelson in time to handle a part of the crop. While the construction of the railway has been making rapid progress equal energy has been shown in the equipment of the port. All supplies for work at Port Nelson had to be taken from Halifax through the Straits, and yearly a dozen freighters have successfully made the trip and to a considerable degree settling the question of the feasibility of navigating these waters. A huge dredge was towed from Toronto to Port Nelson and has been at work for two seasons straightening and deepening the channel. Docks, wharves, and terminal yards have been constructed, and plans secured for a transfer elevator to be built next season. In preparation for opening of this grain route wireless stations are now being established along the Straits and lighthouses erected where required. So that on the completion of the railway there will be no delay in utilizing this new route to market the Western crop.

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To Shopkeepers:

100 dozen  
**ROYAL PALACE**  
Baking Powder at  
50c dozen tins.

500 Dozen  
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1 dozen in a Box,  
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10c lb.

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**ELECTRIC PASTE**,  
the best Blacklead  
on the market,  
48c dozen.

**J.J. St. John**  
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## A BRITISH RETREAT

An incident described by a German officer who took part in the Battle of Neuve Chapelle and reported to the Press, May 7th by Mr. Herz Carey, who is with the Germans in France, "Let me tell you of one thing I saw," said this officer: "It was the most wonderful deed I have heard of on any field."

Across the field they came—  
They cheered; they waved their  
guns on high.  
As boys dash forward for a game,  
Their game was—Do or Die!

Across the open field they sped;  
With fearless flash their bright  
eyes shone;  
We showed're relentless streams of  
lead—  
Still, still their host came on.

We saw the havoc in their ranks—  
The gaps that showed the back-  
ground view;  
But, as we claved, they closed the  
ranks.  
And, charging, cheered anew.

When they had gained the utmost  
inch;  
They looked for cover,—none was  
there!  
Your lads, who knew not how to  
flinch,  
Faced Death—and faced him square

To stand their ground was bootless  
loss;  
To charge our line was madness  
vain.  
"Fall back! Fall back!" they needs  
must cross  
That hundred yards again.

How, think you, did those boys re-  
treat—  
As sane troops would, on hands  
and knees?

Not they! Erect upon their feet,  
They stroiled with careless ease.

They dallied with Death's lifted cup,  
Stayed for each slender rest cause  
they met—  
To pick a wounded comrade up.  
Or light a cigarette.

Our gunfire scorched that open space;  
They dropped by scores about the  
plain;  
But naught could make them men!  
their pace—  
They mocked us for our pains.

Strange foe it is that 'gainst us  
strives!  
Those godlike fools, our might that  
spurn,  
Like whirlwinds dash to lose their  
lives—  
Like snails, to save them, turn!  
Queenie Scott-Hopper.

## The Lure of the Land

Prarie Farm and Home (Regina)  
Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, formerly  
chemist of the U. S. Department of  
Agriculture, now a farmer in Virginia,  
has given city folks who want to get  
back to the land some very useful in-  
formation in "The Lure of the Land"  
published by The Century Co., New  
York.

"Personally I believe that agricul-  
ture is the fundamental profession,  
that it is one in which a man can  
have the greater opportunities for de-  
velopment, have broader views of life  
and render more efficient service than  
in any other activity in which man  
engages."

I cannot escape from the belief  
that the man who lives in closest  
touch with nature, other things being  
equal, will be the best man and have  
the broadest view of human life and  
human activity and human destiny."

## To Prosecute The Monopolists

Paris, Sept. 2.—Acting on charges  
made in the report of the Chamber of  
Deputies committee on commerce and  
industry, that a trust has been formed,  
to illegally corner the supply of  
calcium carbide, large quantities of  
which are used by the army for light-  
ing purposes. Paris police are search-  
ing the officers of a number of com-  
panies engaged in its manufacture  
and sale. They have seized many  
documents and the magistrate who is  
conducting the investigation declares  
these papers fully establish the truth  
of the charges.

A similar investigation is being  
carried on in the provinces.

The purchase by the U.S. gov-  
ernment of the invention of J. H.  
Hammond, Jr., for wirelessly con-  
trolling torpedoes is favored by  
Secretary Garrison for use in pro-  
tecting the country's harbors. Be-  
fore the end of the last session of  
congress the purchase of the de-  
vice was before the appropriation  
committee but no action was  
taken. The inventor announces  
that he will refuse to sell to any  
nation but the United States.

## War As Baseball

Fan Sees It

Bulgaria—A good player all the  
managers are after but who still  
waits for higher salary.

Japan—Can play any position  
and makes all the managers nerv-  
ous.

Russia—A big fellow, but so  
slow he has to make a homer in  
order to get to first.

Belgium—The innocent specta-  
tor who was hit with a foul ball.

Turkey—A pitcher who looked  
easy, but who is making a lot of  
trouble.

Uncle Sam—The man who owns

the pop, peanut, and refreshment  
privilege.

Wilson—The umpire in Mexico  
whose judgment goes but who  
never satisfies anybody.

War Correspondents—The men  
who can't get into the press stand  
because the managers have given  
all the seats to their friends.

Czar—The manager with loads  
of substitutes but too few regular  
players.—Walter Camp in Col-  
lier's Weekly.

The price of flour in Canada has  
dropped 75 cents a barrel. It re-  
mains to be seen whether this will  
affect the price of a loaf.

## Received To-Day, July 16th, At W. E. BEARNES Haymarket Provision Store

20 Barrels NEW POTATOES.  
10 Barrels NEW TURNIPS.  
20 Crates BANANAS.  
20 Cases CALIFORNIA ORANGES.  
10 Large Ripe WATER MELONS.  
2 Crates TOMATOES.  
10 Large New CANADIAN CHESSE  
20 TWIN CHESSE.  
20, 30 lb. Tubs NEW GRASS BUTTER.  
STRAWBERRY PULP, 10 Pound Tins.  
APRICOT PULP, 10 Pound Tins.  
GOOSEBERRY PULP, 10 Pound Tins.  
All Brands of FLOUR reduced in price. Get our quotations before buying.

**W. E. BEARNES HAY MARKET GROCERY**  
PHONE 379

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BECAUSE—We select only the highest grade wool cloths in each particular class having an eye to such patterns and designs as will satisfy each individual taste.

BECAUSE—We have Expert cutters and give careful attention to Linings, Trimmings, and inner Constructions.

BECAUSE—British suits are the ones with the best fit and longest life of any suits sold in Newfoundland.

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Fancy Regatta Shirts ..... 65c. to \$1.80  
White Dress Shirts ..... \$1.00 to \$2.00  
White and Fancy Vests ..... \$1.00 to \$1.80

## BOYS

TWEED SUITS:—  
Compleat, size 0 to 4 from ..... \$3.00 up  
Cyril, size 0 to 4, from ..... \$2.80 up  
Norfolk, from ..... \$2.50 up  
Rugby, from ..... \$3.40 up  
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