

George Knowling

has just received the following:

- 1750 bushels CHOICE P. E. I. POTATOES.
- 500 barrels TURNIPS.
- 76 bushels P. E. I. CARROTS.
- 100 bushels P. E. I. BEETS & PARSNIPS.

Also by Furness Steamer:

- 10 cases COLMAN'S AZURE BLUE.
- 5 cases Crosse & Blackwell's VINEGAR.
- 5 casks PURE MALT VINEGAR.
- 50 kegs GROUND GINGER.
- 5 cases Brown & Polson's CORN FLOUR.
- 69 kegs GRAPES.
- 5 cases Spratt's BIRD FOOD & PARROT FOOD.
- 5 barrels LINSEED MEAL.
- 1 bag LINSEED.
- 5 barrels SULPHUR.
- 5 kegs TARTARIC ACID.
- 3 cases Cadbury's BOURNVILLE COCOA.
- 1 barrel MANHU DIABETIC FLOUR.
- 1 case MANHU DIABETIC BISCUITS.
- 50 sacks UNCOATED RICE.
- 100 bags CURRANTS.
- 3 cases CITRON.
- 2 cases LEMON PEEL.
- 5 cases small tins SARDINES.
- 10 cases LUX WASHING POWDER.
- 2 cases NONPAREILS.
- 40 cases ORANGES.

For sale at our usual Low Prices.

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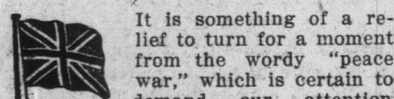
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Evening Telegram

W. J. HERDER, - - - Proprietor
H. A. WINTER, B.A., - - - Editor

THURSDAY, January 4, 1917.

The Battle for the Danube.



It is something of a relief to turn for a moment from the wordy "peace war," which is certain to demand the attention of all eyes before long, to the actual war of aims, even though what we see there is not altogether to our liking. Except for operations in the Tigris, of which we have not yet caught the purport, Roumania is the only scene of fighting of any importance. But the importance of this fighting is very great and by no means suggested in the scant news that merely chronicles the outstanding events that mark its course. It would be a mistake to suppose that the retreat of the Russians and Roumanians resembles generally that of the Russians last year, that they will eventually make a stand somewhere and that the only difference the locus can make will consist in the more or less territory abandoned to the enemy. In this case the nature of the territory abandoned makes all the difference, and explains why the Germans maintain the attack so fiercely.

Mention of Focsan and other places seems to show that the Russians in Moldavia have reached the line of the river Sereth, where they will undoubtedly make a very stubborn stand, not an unbroken, stand. The Sereth joins the Danube at Galatz, where, after flowing up northward through Roumania, it turns sharply eastward to break down into the huge, marshy and almost impassable delta through which it empties into the Black Sea. In this eastward course it separates Dobruja from the Russian Bessarabia. The whole German campaign may now be said to consist in the attempt to drive the Roumanians across the river here and hold them there.

The reason is simple. Despite her enormous gains, Germany's Roumanian campaign has been essentially defensive, and until the object we have mentioned is attained, will continue to be so. An attack on Bulgaria and Turkey (which may certainly be looked for this summer) would naturally come through Dobruja, which lies open and opposes no natural obstacles whatever. If the attackers were in force enough to undertake it, they could drive back Mackensen's army from its present position all the way to Bulgaria and beyond; but if they had to start from the northern and not the southern bank of the Danube it would be a very different matter. They would then have a tremendous initial obstacle to overcome. Until they are driven into this position the German victory is incomplete; once they are it might almost be said that the whole effect of Roumania's intervention has been neutralised.

Which the issue will be should soon be apparent. The Germans have taken Matchin, on the east bank of the Danube opposite Braila. This town may now find itself assailed from two sides. But the Russians, as well as we can judge, are standing firm in Moldavia. If they can hold their line the position will be saved. There can be no disputing the announcement in yesterday's message that a big and momentous battle is impending here,

the climax of the campaign. It will be watched with concern in all the Allied capitals. Possibly events are transpiring or are about to transpire elsewhere which will rob these operations of their present seeming importance, but it would be a fatal policy indeed that placed any reliance upon this possibility.

Hockey League.

Start Season's Business - Patriotic Games Proposed Besides Regular Series.

At the office of the President, Mr. W. J. Higgins, the annual meeting of the Hockey League took place last night. Mr. Higgins presided and each of the clubs had a representative present, namely: - C. Ford, Victoria; J. Tobin, Terra Novas; E. Jerrett, Felldians; and J. St. John, St. Bon's. The customary reports were read, showing the League to be in a healthy state, and after their adoption President Higgins and Secretary-Treasurer Tobin were re-elected to office. It is the intention of the League to start an Honour Roll and the Secretary has been instructed to write the captains of the four respective teams asking them to send him a list of all who were members of their clubs. A great many of our hockeyists have responded to the call of the Motherland. Some are now in the trenches in France, others are in training and some have sealed their devotion to the Empire. The hockey season this year will open this month with a game between the team from the Regiment and a representative city team, in aid of the W. F. A. Funds. During the season other patriotic games will be played, and a city team will be picked by the President of the League and four captains, but they will have to go some to beat the Regimental septette. The League regretfully had to reject an application from the Regiment to enter a team, owing to the uncertainty as to when they may be drafted to the Old Country, but a member of the Regiment may play with any team.

It was unanimously decided that if any team is withdrawn in future and the second round is otherwise finished, the games in which such team has taken part for the season shall not count for the championship. The regular fixtures were drawn as follows: -

- St. Bon's vs. Felldians.
- Terra Novas vs. Vics.
- St. Bon's vs. Terra Novas.
- Felldians vs. Vics.
- Felldians vs. Terra Novas.
- St. Bon's vs. Vics.

McMurdo's Store News

THURSDAY, Jan. 4th, 1917.

Colds in the head are always prevalent at this time of year, and no less this year than other years, and are always annoying. If neglected too, the consequences may be worse than annoying. It is often possible by the prompt use of Eucaline to stop a head cold, and so prevent it, maybe, from going down upon the bronchial tubes or the lungs. Eucaline is the product of great experience and considerable thought, and is a combination of antiseptics and antispasmodics designed to soothe and purify the nasal passages, to relieve inflammation and running from the blood, and to cure that dull heavy headache which usually accompanies coryza and acute catarrh. Eucaline is put up in tubes and is very convenient to apply. Used early in the attack it will usually prevent the cold from amounting to anything much. Eucaline sells for 30c a tube.

CAPE RACE, To-day.
Wind E., strong, weather dull; nothing in sight. Bar. 29.90; Ther. 30.

TO-DAY'S Messages.

1.00 P.M.

DAILY NEWS SEES THE END NEAR

LONDON, To-day.
The Daily News, analysing the comments in the German newspapers on the Entente reply and citing the reports of the sightings of the peoples that the Central Powers do not regard the Central Powers do not regard the prospect of negotiations as ended, and comes to the conclusion that the time is fast approaching when they must have peace at any cost. It sees confirmation of this in Count Drassy's statement saying that whatever the motives for the decisions of the Central Powers to submit their peace terms to President Wilson, it is more imperative for the Allies to make a clear, full and temperate statement of their terms in their reply to the President.

AFFAIRS IN ABYSSINIA.

WASHINGTON, To-day.
Despatches received here describing conditions in Abyssinia with the deposed Emperor Lidi Jassu had been captured and his followers were being prosecuted and crushed. The reports mentioned a German Minister and a Turkish Consul as having played a part in the events which led to the upheaval last fall. Lidi, a son of the second daughter of the old Emperor Menelik, soon after ascending the throne joined with his father in an attempt to make Mohammedanism the State religion of the German-Italian country. He was overthrown by a resolution led by churchmen and his mother resigned.

CAPTURE OF MATCHIN.

LONDON, To-day.
The capture of Matchin is regarded here as ending the defence of the Dobruja bridgehead. In order to protect Braila from the rear, nothing now remains to them except a narrow strip of land between the marshes which form the highway to the city. The Germans and Bulgarians are in a position to push their guns within eight miles of Braila, and it is assumed that if the invaders capture the latter town the Russians on the line west of the Danube will be withdrawn. It is taken for granted that the prolonged resistance to German advance enabled the defenders to remove the stores of grain and other material from Braila.

DAILY MAIL UNDER FORMER CONTROL.

MONTREAL, To-day.
A four page issue of the Daily Mail appeared this morning with the following announcement: "Negotiations are in progress for continuing the Daily Mail and Evening News under former control." A great many of the Daily Mail has been produced under difficulties which the public will appreciate and for which our readers will make due allowance. The success of the negotiations which have been in progress for the past twenty-four hours will enable the Daily Mail and Evening News to print a larger and better newspaper than heretofore and place the property on a strong financial basis.

REICHSSTAG MAY MEET.

LONDON, To-day.
A plenary session of the Reichstag will possibly be convened at the middle of January, according to a despatch from Amsterdam, quoting the Berlin Vorwaerts. The Vorwaerts says that it is obvious that the Reichstag as well as the parties would like to express an opinion on the Entente's refusal of Germany's peace offer.

HOMEWARD BOUND.

ST. JOHN, To-day.
Two hundred and fifty-one returned soldiers arrived to-night, seventeen whose homes are in Newfoundland, left on the Halifax train for North Sydney from where they will take port from home.

AMERICAN DOCTORS TO FREE BRITISH FOR SERVICE.

LONDON, To-day.
According to the Daily Telegraph, arrangements are being made to re-employ a number of young American British hospitaliers by Americans in order to enable the Britishers to enter the army. There are hundreds of doctors of military age in the home hospitals who wish to join the army, says the Telegraph, but hitherto they have been denied the honor, owing to lack of substitutes. With a view to meeting the difficulty, the Daily Telegraph continues, the army authorities some time ago inquired of the medical authorities of the States whether they could send to England detachments of young American doctors. A hundred young doctors of the States, according to the Telegraph, volunteered to serve in the British army but could not receive a commission because they were not British practitioners. There is no barrier, however, to their practising in Britain, says the newspaper. They are exactly the material required to fill the places of the English doctors who desire to go to the front. The newspaper does not say how many Americans are likely to come, but asserts that they may not run into many hundreds. It adds, however, that those who do come will be welcome.

GERMANY NEARLY STARVING.

LONDON, To-day.
A most careful study of economic conditions in Germany reveals that beyond a doubt the peace offer was prompted chiefly by the reason that Germany is on the verge of starvation. This information is based on the views of individuals, neutrals or others, whose impressions were gained in visits to Germany and who were generally biased in its favor. Their views cannot be compared with the actual evidence collected directly from German newspapers.

W. P. A.

IN AID OF THE SICK AND WOUNDED AND OF OUR SOLDIERS AND SAILORS AT THE FRONT.

Subscriptions may be sent to Lady Davidson, Mrs. Emerson, Treasurer, or any of the following ladies of the Finance Committee: Mrs. J. Ayre, Mrs. Byrne, Miss Browning, Mrs. Duley, Mrs. Eiens, Mrs. Macpherson and Mrs. Herbert Rendell.

Amount acknowledged	\$11,332.90
W.P.A. Petty Hr. per Mrs. Hewitt	40.00
Intercession	1.00
Thomas's Church for December, per Hon. R. Watson	15.00
Saturday Party	50.00
Friendly Neutral	20.00
Received from Ayre & Sons per 'Daily News'	1.00
	\$11,488.90

KATHERINE EMERSON, Hon. Treasurer.

Jan. 4, 1917.

Report of the W.P.A., Harbor Grace, for Year 1916. FINANCIAL STATEMENT. RECEIPTS.

Teas	\$210.72
Donations	147.60
Collections	148.05
Tag Day	101.24
Entertainment, per Carbonear Troops	67.30
Jan. 20th to Dec. 15th	25.70
Wools etc.	20.90
Cuttings	60
	\$752.91
Balance from 1915	68.77
	\$821.68

EXPENDITURE.
Wool Account
 \$517.05 || Material for Shirts, etc. | 127.41 |
Red Cross Fund	101.24
Printing and Incidentals	6.11
	\$752.81
Cash on hand	60.54
	\$813.35

MARGARET CASEY, Treasurer.

Hr. Grace, Dec. 28, 1916.

Report of Work Sent Out by Harbor Grace Branch of W.P.A., 1916-17.

2, Jan. 20th to Dec. 15th. Eight shipments containing—909 pairs socks, 168 pairs mitts, 75 flannel shirts, 114 white day shirts, 35 night shirts, 9 pairs 9 pillow slips, 16 bundles old linen.

MARGARET J. A. WARD, Secretary.

Harbor Grace, Jan. 2, 1917.

Patriotic Fund

Editor Evening Telegram.
Dear Sir—Kindly acknowledge through the columns of your paper the following contributions towards the Patriotic Fund:
Amount already acknowledged \$113,025 15
H. Baldwin, Esq., Pouch Cove, per S. Keating, Esq. 1 00
Anonymous donor 7 00
Heart's Content Patriotic Association 18th Instalment, per G. F. Moore, Esq., Hon. Treas. 100 00
M. C. Messervy, Esq., Dec. Instalment 2 00
\$113,135 15

Yours very truly,
Nfld. Patriotic Fund,
John S. Munn,
Hon. Treasurer.

Reids' Boats.

The Argyle left Placentia at 9 p.m. yesterday on bay route.
The Clyde left Fogu at 7 p.m. yesterday, inward.
The Dundee reached St. John's at 3.30 p.m. yesterday.
The Kyle left Port Saunders at 3 p.m. yesterday, inward.
The Home left Springdale at 4 p.m. yesterday, inward.
The Kyle left Port aux Basques at 1 a.m. to-day.
The Meigs left St. Lawrence at 3.30 p.m. yesterday, going west.
The Sagona left Port aux Basques at 1.05 a.m. to-day.

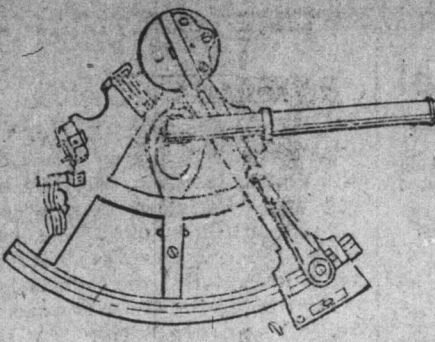
Nldr Drowned.

The Gloucester schooner Commonwealth, put into Liscomb, N.S., yesterday, and reported the loss of one of her crew, Joseph Daly, aged 25, a native of Newfoundland. He was washed out of a dory on Christmas Day.—Halifax Chronicle, Dec. 29, 1916

BIG NEW SHOW AT ROSSLEY'S.

At Rossley's British Theatre there is a fine show and one that has caught on immensely with the theatre-going public. It is artistic, yet jolly and gay. The electrical display in the Floral Tete has been greatly admired. Cupids Bower will also appeal to patrons, for it is a work of art. The Misses Squires as principal ballet dancers are wonderful. Florence Bair is another big little favourite. In fact, all special mention must be made of Marie Dandell, in her splendid song "On the Trail to Santa Fe." Big vitagraph feature in two reels and other pictures all new. Matinee daily.

COUNCIL MEETING OFF.—We learn before going to press that the regular weekly meeting of the Municipal Council Board, referred to elsewhere in this issue, is postponed.



SPECIAL NOTICE!

CHRONOMETERS and NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS Cleaned, Repaired and Adjusted.

Just arrived a splendid line of new Chronometers, for sale or hire.

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TAILOR & CLOTHIER, 281 and 283 Duckworth Street, St. John's, Nfld.

Youthful Thief Caught Red-handed.

Last night Sergt. Noseworthy caught a boy named Bishop, well known in police circles, committing a bold petty theft. Bishop, Woodland and another lad went into a store on New Gower Street, owned by a man named Jackman, ostensibly to buy apples. While the proprietor was engaged talking over the counter to Bishop's two pals, Bishop reached his arm in the window and "lifted" a small sized tin of meat worth ten cents. Sergt. Noseworthy, who happened to be passing on the opposite side of the street, saw what was going on and caught the lad red-handed and arrested him. This morning the accused was arraigned before Judge Hutchings, pleaded guilty, and in view of his bad record was sentenced to thirty days' imprisonment without the option of a fine.

Train Notes.

Thursday's outgoing express reached Port aux Basques at 11.45 p.m. yesterday. The incoming express is due at 6 p.m. to-day. The Trepassay train reached the city at 11.35 a.m. to-day.

Here and There.

PERSONAL.—Mr. W. J. Ryan, purser of the s.s. Kyle, is a passenger on the express due this evening.

Bishop Field College re-opens Tuesday, January 9th, at 9.15 a.m.—Jan 4, 11

NEW FISH CARRIER.—A new fish carrier arrived here to-day from Boston for Mr. G. C. Fearn. She is a fine vessel in every respect.

BOATINGS SHIPS.—The Prospero left Little Bay at 9 o'clock last night, going north. The Portia left Channel at 2 a.m. to-day, going west.

WEATHER REPORT.—The weather across country to-day is fresh west wind and dull; temperature at Quarry 4 below zero, at other places from zero to 25 above.

NURSE CAREY LEAVES.—Miss Alice Carey, who recently resigned her position as head nurse at the Fover Hospital, left by to-day's express en route to England, where she will be engaged attending to the sick and wounded soldiers.

FISH CARGOES ARRIVE.—Several schooners from Trinity, Bonaville and Green Bays reached port to-day with cargoes of dry fish, fall cure. On the way along they harbored at Catalina, which port they left early this morning and with a stiff breeze behind them made a good run to St. John's.

TABLET ON EXHIBITION.—There is an exhibition in the store of McCreath Bros on Water Street, a handsome tablet, containing the Honour Roll of the Methodist College Literary Institute. The list includes thirty-two young men who offered themselves for King and Empire. Some have already made the supreme sacrifice and others are still doing their "bit." The tablet is artistically inscribed and painted and is a splendid work of art.

MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE.—The preliminary hearing of the manslaughter charge preferred against James and Elizabeth Goss was continued in private before Judge Gudge yesterday afternoon and again this forenoon. Doctors Rendell and Scully and Sergt. Savage were examined yesterday and two tuberculosis nurses gave testimony to-day. Up to 12.45 p.m. all the witnesses for the Crown had been examined. The hearing then adjourned until Tuesday next when the defence will be heard.

ELECTRIC SMELTER WORKING.—The first manganese ore ever smelted in Newfoundland passed through the electric smelter at the railway station last night. About 500 lbs. of the pure metal was secured and the percentage we learn exceeded all expectations. As soon as there is a large enough supply ready it will be shipped to Canada and used in manufacturing a high grade steel. Mr. W. A. McKay manager of the company, left for Little Bay by to-day's express and is highly pleased with the results obtained.

Dresses for little schoolgirls are best made of serge, poplin or heavy linen. Collars cut in one with yokes are very prominent among fashion features.

DIED.

There passed peacefully away last night, Mary, the beloved wife of John R. Mullins, aged 48 years, leaving to mourn one daughter, three sons, mother, one sister and a large circle of friends; funeral on Friday, at 2.30 p.m., from her late residence, 227 Hamilton Avenue; friends will please attend without further notice.

Grove Hill Bulletin

THIS WEEK.

Owing to the rush of business during the last couple of weeks, we have found it difficult to find time to write our usual Weekly Bulletin, but we beg to take this opportunity of wishing all our patrons

A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

J. McNEIL,
Waterford Bridge Road.