

# NEW CANADIAN FLEET STEAMS INTO HALIFAX

Cruisers "Aurora," "Patriot" and "Patrician" and two destroyers off Docks There Today—"Aurora" had great Career in War—Description and List of Officers.

(By Canadian Press)  
HALIFAX, Dec. 21.—H.M.C.S. "Aurora," "Patriot" and "Patrician," cruisers, and two destroyers, presented to Canada by Great Britain, arrived off the harbor this morning and anchored off the dock yards shortly before eight o'clock.

The "Aurora," "Patriot" and "Patrician," worthy Christmas presents from Britannia, are modern vessels with excellent war records. The cruiser "Aurora" had some of the very best luck of the British fleet, taking an honorable part in almost every action fought by white-ensigned boats in the North Sea during the 4 years of hostilities. She was attached to the 8th Flotilla at Horwich, known as the "Fighting 8th," and at the outbreak of the war was the flagship of Commodore Tyrwhitt (afterwards Sir Reginald Tyrwhitt).

**Helped Sink First Hun.**  
The Aurora helped to sink the first German naval vessel sent to the bottom. This boat was a mine-layer, the Koening Louis, caught red handed laying traps for unwary marines of the dangerous Goodwin Sands. Later the Aurora was with the squadron that pursued four German destroyers of the G. class returning from a raiding expedition on English coast towns between Dover and Heligoland. The British ships sank the raiders on this occasion.

In the famous Dogger Bank action the new Canadian Cruiser had the good fortune to first catch sight of the Germans, and she was one of the first vessels under fire at Jutland.

The cruisers Arethusa, Aurora and Undaunted were together in nearly all their scraps and after one particularly difficult piece of work carried out with noticeable efficiency and valor one of the trio received a special message from His Majesty himself. "Well done!" the message said.

**Were With Beatty.**  
The two destroyers presented to

the Dominion, played meritorious if not as conspicuous parts in the Great War. They were attached to the Destroyer Flotilla on the Firth of Forth for some time under the command of Sir David Beatty. Among other actions they were present at the Battle of Jutland at which they performed remarkably well.

Captain Henry G. H. Adams, C.B.E., commander of the Cruiser Aurora, is the only Royal Navy man among the officers of the new Canadian Navy. The Patriot is commanded by Lieutenant-Commander Charles T. Beard, an Ontario man, and the Patrician is in charge of Lieutenant-Commander George C. Jones, of Halifax. The other officers are:

Eng. Commander—John F. Bell, O.B.E.  
Paymaster—Lt. Com. John G. Elga, D.S.C.

Lieut.-Commander E. G. Halliwell, Lieutenant—L. W. Murray, W. D. Moffat, H. F. J. Hibbard, R. L. Agnew, A. R. Pressy,  
Sub-Lieutenants—F. S. Hart, H. W. T. Grant.

Eng. Lieutenants—M. C. Bannan, A. D. M. Curran, G. L. Stephenson.  
Acting Eng.—Lieutenant W. E. Morrison.  
Paymaster—D. Cossette.

**Their Size and Speed.**  
The Aurora was launched in 1914. Her dimensions are—length 436 feet, beam 39 feet, tonnage 3500. She has a horsepower of forty thousand on which she is able to make twenty-nine knots. Her armament consists of two six-inch guns and six four inch guns.

The two destroyers launched in 1916 have similar dimensions—length 271 feet, beam 27 1/2 feet. They develop twenty-seven five hundred horsepower on which they make a speed of thirty-five knots. They are armed with three four inch guns.

The Aurora's complement is 318 and the destroyers have 150 men each.

## Queen Alexandra Honor Roll

The honor roll for Queen Alexandra School was made public today. It gives the names of pupils in order of merit.

**Sr. IV**—Alice Sulman, Dorothy Horie and Willie Gilbert, equal, Kitty Johnstone, George Clarke.

**Sr. IV**—Helen Lattimer, Marion Ketcheson.

**Jr. IV**—Jack Robertson, Kent Chadwick, Wm. Pinkerton, Arnold Bryant, Harry Fry, Ruth Cronk.

**Sr. III**—Angus McFee, Arthur Keegan.

**Sr. III**—Dorothy Boyle, Donald Dabrymple, Celestia Mullen.

**Jr. III**—Ralph Elliott, Marjorie Hill, Catherine Robertson, Raymond Cornell, Gladys Munnings.

**II**—Grace Cook, Loretta Mullen, Faith Sillman, Bernice McCormick, Hope Thompson.

**I**—Frances Hill, William Jackson, Norman Banford, Bonnie Ritchie, Claire Countryman, Louis Yanover, Louis Marakas and Malcolm Blakeley, equal, Allan Brown and Annie Dime, equal.

**First Class**—Kitty Howie, Russell Kerr, Gladys Wheeler, Bernice Warden, Gerald Howie.

**First Book**, Class A.—Lenora Elliott, Gladys Knott, Norma Cook.

## BELLEVILLE YOUTH FOUND AFTER 18-MONTHS' SEARCH; NOW ON "OWN" IN U. S. A.

Inspector Ruston of the Children's Aid Society has just solved a mystery. Eighteen months ago a ward of the society made his escape from the control of the society and nothing had been heard of his whereabouts. Today he turns up in Pontiac, Michigan

**Suspend Higher Railway Rates**  
(By Canadian Press)  
OTTAWA, Dec. 21.—The Railway Board in a judgment handed down this morning decided to suspend the increased railway rates which became effective on Sept. 12. The request for the suspension came from the Manitoba government.

## Talk of the Town And of the Country

**NO SCHEDULES YET.**  
The Junior O. H. A. schedule of games for the group in which Belleville will play this season was not drawn up yesterday as expected but will be completed this week.

**COURT OF REVISION.**  
His Honor Judge Willis held Court of Revision on the Voters' List last evening at the city hall and completed the work. The duties were light, only about forty names having to be added.

**"COLD" THIS MORNING.**  
Lowest temperatures of the season were declared locally today. The figures were Maximum 31 and Minimum 11.

**ALL BELLEVILLE NOW.**  
The A. S. Richardson Company is to be made a strictly Belleville company and two new directors have been added to the board—Col. Marsh and Mr. H. W. Ackerman. The other officials of the company are Mr. R. C. Williams, Toronto, president, Mr. H. Holten, secretary-treasurer and Dr. M. Wilson, director.

**GIRL MISSING.**  
Lottie Lucas, a girl fifteen years of age, is missing from her home at Sulphide since two o'clock on Saturday afternoon. Her father has asked Inspector Ruston to assist in the search for her. The girl is thought to have gone Toronto way.

**THE FINEST BEAVER SKIN.**  
What is believed by experts to be the finest beaver skin in Canada is exhibited in the Robert Craig Co. Ltd., store, King street west, Brockville. The skin was sold and re-sold in all 13,500 was realized from sales, one man paying \$6,000 for the skin, which measures 36 inches by 27 inches. The proceeds of the sale were given to the Université de Montreal, and the skin has been given to the same institution.

**"Dead" Since Vimy, Is Found Alive; III**  
VANCOUVER, Dec. 21.—One of the strangest stories that has come out of the world war was unfolded here when (weekly) news received information from their mother in Scotland that their brother, Alfred McBade, is alive in a sanitarium near his old home at Johnshaven, Scotland, although he had been mourned for dead since 1916. He worked in Vancouver before enlistment.

**HIGH PRICES FOR PULP WOOD.**  
Farmers from all sections of the Calabogie district have been busy since the opening of the delightful season drawing pulpwood to the station at Kingston. The first car was loaded and billed through to the big mill at Ticonderoga, New York. Any farmer who was fortunate enough to make a contract last winter for the year's output is paid \$14 a cord, while those who waited in the hope of an increase in price, receive only \$12.

**THIRTY CASES OF TYPHOID.**  
It is reported that there are some thirty cases of typhoid fever in the vicinity of Little Britain, near Lindsay, and in the district. It is further reported that the typhus is traced to a supply of well water which was used at a recent fowl supper held in one of the village churches, the water having been drawn in a large tank. Doctors are busy combating the spread of the fever and many Lindsay citizens who attended the supper have been since inoculated with the typhus serum for precautionary and preventative reasons.

**STILL AT LARGE.**  
The two boys who left school yesterday and did not return to the Shelter are still at large.

**PLAINTIFF GETS \$400.**  
At Osgoode Hall, in the trial court before Mr. Justice Lennox, a law case of local interest was heard. J. W. Curry K.C., appeared for the plaintiff and C. A. Payne for the defendant. The action was one for damages for alleged malicious prosecution, false arrest and imprisonment.

**Judgment was as follows.**—Aside from the claim for injured reputation and loss of earnings, estimated by the plaintiff in thousands, he was at an actual outlay in journeying to several sittings of the Court of a sum far very far beyond the amount of damages awarded by the jury. It is quite clear to my mind that if he was entitled to damages at all, and I think he was, he was entitled to a substantially larger sum than was awarded. When he sued, if he believed in the justice of his claim, he was justified in expecting a sum beyond the jurisdiction of the County Court. There will be judgment for plaintiff for \$400 with costs, to be taxed according to the tariff of the Supreme Court.

**Internal parasites in the shape of worms in the stomach and bowels of children sap their vitality and retard physical development. They keep the child in a constant state of unrest and, if not attended to, endanger life. The child can be spared much suffering and the mother much anxiety by using a reliable worm remedy, such as Miller's Worm Powders, which are sure death to**

**Cupid puts in a good deal of time at target practice.**

## OBITUARY

**JOHN TITUS.**  
The funeral of the late John Titus was held on Monday afternoon from his late residence, Mountain View, to the Methodist Church, where Rev. Mr. Gall conducted services. The interment was made in Mountain View cemetery, the bearers being C. Sprague, C. Wood, F. Johnson, J. R. Anderson and C. E. Lauder.

**MRS. GUNBOLUS.**  
The funeral of Mrs. Annie Gunbolus took place on Monday afternoon from her home, Moira Street, to Belleville cemetery, a large number of friends from the city and from a distance attending to pay their last tribute. The Rev. A. H. Foster officiated. The bearers were A. E. Bailey, Dr. Dupray, B. R. Quincey, Edward Fenn, E. Diamond and T. E. Burnside.

**TUESDAY MARKET PRICES EASIER.**  
Buying Not so Brisk Today—Grocers on Hand—Power "Consumers" Present.

Poultry was quite plentiful on the market this morning and there was a slight tendency towards easier prices. Ducks eased off to \$3.00 each, while geese sold at \$4.25. Turkeys ranged all the way from six dollars to twelve dollars each. Seventy cents was the price per pound on turkeys and thirty-five on geese. Chickens sold at one dollar and upwards each. The wants of the individual have apparently been fairly well taken care of either by previous purchases or by means of the butcher shop or corner grocery, for there was little rivalry for today's fine birds. Grocers were more in evidence than consumers.

**Armouries Closes For the Holidays.**  
Provisional School Takes Recess—Officers of Argyl to Hold a Smoker.

The Provisional School which is being carried on at the Armouries will be closed for the Christmas holidays from Wednesday December 22 to Monday, Jan. 3rd. The armouries will be closed for drill during this period.

There will be a smoking concert in the officer's mess of the Armouries for the officers of the Argyl Light Infantry on Monday Dec. 27th at 8 p.m. All officers are particularly requested to attend, uniform not necessary.

A special meeting of the Sergeants Mess of the A.L.I. will be held on Monday, Dec. 27th at 8 p.m. which all members are requested to attend. The business concerns arrangements for an entertainment on New Year's eve.

**Plucky Lad, Hurt, Is "Holding His Own"**  
Leo Shannon, the nine-year-old Tyndnaga boy, who was brought to the General Hospital suffering with a compound fracture of the frontal bone of the skull and with a broken nose, as a result of being kicked in the forehead by a horse on the farm of his father, Mr. James Shannon, near Latta, is holding his own today. The lad is in a semi-conscious state and is putting up a big fight. He will not be out of danger for four or five days from infection. Dr. Hill, who performed the operation is quite satisfied with the boy's condition today.

**Blonde Eskimo To Visit States.**  
One of Stefansson's Discoveries Brought Along to See the Sights.

NOME, Dec. 21.—Apuktawana, a lone male member of the far northern mysterious tribe of "Blonde Eskimo," the discovery of which has been credited to Vilhjalmur Stefansson, Canadian explorer, recently was brought by traders to Nome from his home on the southern shores of Coronation Gulf, located on Canada's northern rim. Nome residents thought that only in his dress did he differ from the Eskimo of this region.

Joe Bernard, Nome trader, who brought the "blonde" Eskimo out, said he intended to take him to the States to show outsiders what sort of people the strange Eskimos are. The native was of stout build, with copper-colored skin, straight black hair and dark brown eyes. Bernard said he was an example of the males of the "blonde" tribe.

**Trial Is Inexpensive.**—To those who suffer from dyspepsia, indigestion, rheumatism or any ailment arising from derangement of the digestive system, a trial of Parmelee's Vegetable Pills is recommended, should the sufferer be unacquainted with them. The trial will be inexpensive and the result will be another customer for this excellent medicine. So effective in their action that satisfaction can certainly be traced to their use.

## Use Air Machines For Town Planning

Unusually Mild Weather Down East—Take Films of Halifax.

DARTMOUTH, N.S., Dec. 21.—Unusually mild winter weather is making it possible for the birdmen at Eastern Passage Air Station here to carry out flights throughout the N. B. Province by the sea in the interests of town planning people and the Federal Hydrostatic Survey. Before the colder days of January and February set in and freeze the lakes and rivers—Major A. B. Shearer says it is exceedingly unpleasant to land in a seaplane on ice and he is in command here—the "zoom" of Eastern passage propellers will be heard in various parts of Nova Scotia.

A few days ago the camera at the Air Station took a flight with Major Shearer, and gave Halifax and Dartmouth districts the aerial "up and down". A film of one hundred pictures was taken and the result should be of great value to the Halifax town Planning Commission.

Orders from Ottawa will take the birdmen over Yarmouth Harbour, over the sand dunes at Joggins, the mud flat on the Avon River near Windsor, the sand dunes at Port Mouton and possibly Cape Sable, within the next few weeks. With any luck pictures will be taken of these sections before the snow "really" flies.

# SINCLAIR'S



## Three Day Sale of Blouses

For Christmas Giving  
Values up to \$19.50 For \$5.00

Such pretty Blouses as these are sure to be welcome. Very pretty styles fashioned from Georgette and Crepe de Chine, are shown in a perfect rainbow of colorings, for these are over 150 Blouses to choose from. This Sale comprises our complete stock of Blouses of Georgette and Crepe de Chine. You may have wanted one of these Blouses before but have not had it on account of the price. This is your opportunity. This Sale is in plenty of time, too, for selection for Christmas Giving. See these Blouses in our window. They were regularly up to \$19.50—Your Choice \$5.00.

## Gift Linens

—are a happy thought because innumerable women have allowed their supplies to run low. Table Cloths, of course, take first place and may be had in 2 1/2 or 3-yard lengths in Fancy Linens at \$7.00 to \$16.50. Madiera Linens, Indian Lace, and a large variety of Fancy Linens for dainty gifts—all quite moderate in price.

## Umbrellas

An Umbrella makes an ideal gift for either a lady or gentleman. We are well prepared with a full assortment of handles, and tops of good quality. Ladies' Umbrellas at \$1.25 to \$10 each; Men's from \$1.50 to \$6.50.

## A Sweater Bags, Purses

—is a most useful gift, and is particularly useful to anyone who enjoys outdoor life. We have some very special values which were priced up to \$11.50, for from \$1.50 to \$4.

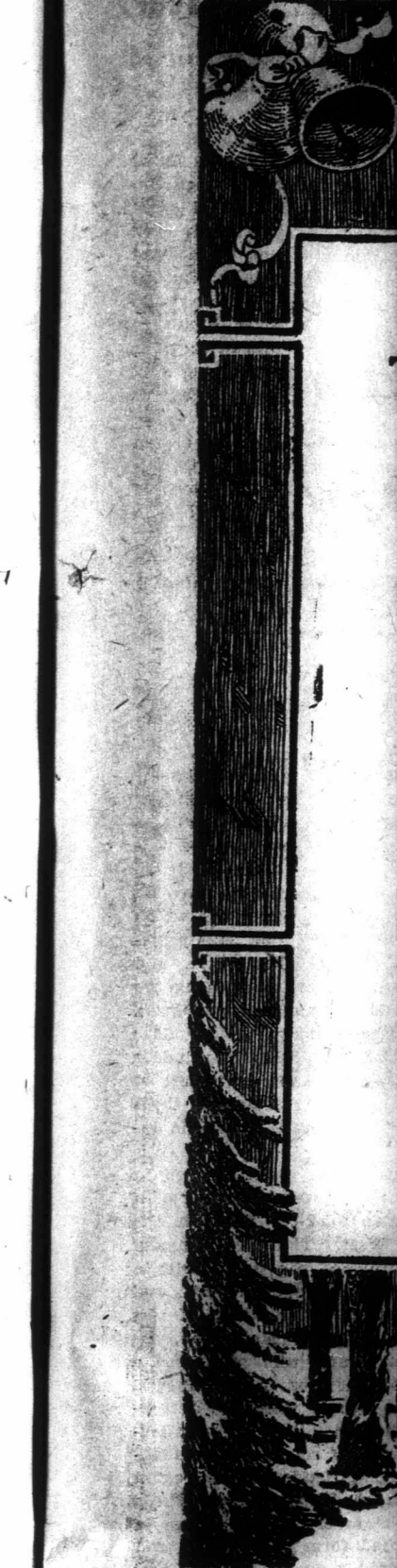
## Gift Suggestions

No gift is more acceptable than Gloves and it is quite impossible for anyone to have too many pairs. Silk Gloves in all shades at \$1.50 to \$3 a pair; Chamotte Gloves at \$1.00 to \$2.25; Kid and Leather Gloves at \$1.25 to \$3 a pair.

- SILK HOSIERY**—Best makes at Lowered Prices. 50c to \$2.00 each.
- BATH TOWELS**—Priced \$14.50.
- HUCK TOWELS**—40c to \$1.75 each.
- MOTORING RUBS**—\$15.00 to \$17.50.
- FRENCH IVORY**—
- HEATHER HOSE**—At \$2.25 to \$3.50 Pair.
- CAMISOLES**—
- SILK UNDERWEAR**—
- TEDDY BEAR BLANKETS**—Priced \$1.50 to \$3.50 each.
- UNDERSHIRTS**—
- NEW NECKWEAR**—
- HANDKERCHIEFS**—

WE ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THE REMOVAL OF ALL LUXURY TAXES  
STORE HOURS 9.30 to 5.30  
OPEN FRIDAY TILL 9.30 P.M.

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**PICTON.**  
Dr. F. Roy Clapp, Pictou, child, also Mr. and Mrs. Elton spent a week at Mrs. Allen's. On the 15th inst., as 30 people surprised him at his home. A pleasant time was spent in games and dancing.

**REDNEVILLE.**  
Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Robin Massassaga, were the guests of Mrs. C. Bronson, on Sunday. Mrs. W. H. Brickman is a few days with her daughter. Mrs. Clap's birthday, about 30 people surprised him at his home. A pleasant time was spent in games and dancing.

**CARMEL.**  
Mr. Honeywell, Canifford, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Allison, Sr. A number from this vicinity attended the birthday party of Mrs. W. H. Brickman, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claren. Miss Harriet, on Thursday.

**WALLBRIDGE.**  
Rev. T. Wallace occupied the pulpit on Sunday night after being absent for eight weeks. Mrs. Jno. Kerran and son attended the funeral of the late Mrs. R. Mr. and Mrs. Jas. A. Hincel visited Mr. and Mrs. A. Wilson on Valley on Sunday.

Mr. G. Ketcheson and sister Mrs. H. Hinchcliffe, Master R. H. took dinner with Mr. B. Hincel, on Sunday. Mr. L. Sine is improving and Mr. and Mrs. C. Spencer visit