

INGS IN THE WORLD OF SPORT

ockey Club Has Now its Full Quota of Players

T BURNSIDE DEAD

Will Spend a Month in the Quail Georgia—Many Caribon in British Columbia.

on, who's got L't Altham Johnson? he has the big black signed, and man who used to handle the grape-

of the National Hockey Association, full quota of players. The latest center, who played last season with

is said that Barney Dreyfuss in- shakeup for next season as that

whose death is announced at Ash- tuberculosis, was the originator

the herds of caribou in British this year in the report of Mr. F.

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at Yale began with seventy-one work. This is the largest num-

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sity Hockey team has arranged January 6th.

ch, the famous matchmaker, of at Pat Rooney's feature attrac-

lumbering heavyweights were across a set of gloves. They

TO RESUME OPERATIONS. Butte and Superior will re-

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NO OVERTURES FOR PEACE MADE TO GENERAL VILLA

Washington, December 5.—R. Zubaran Capmany, head of a Constitutionalist Agency here, announced

"I can declare authoritatively that the report of alleged overtures for peace between Carranza and Villa

CONSOLIDATED AND BIG EXCHANGE TO OPEN THE SAME DAY.

New York, December 5.—The Committee of Three of the Consolidated Stock Exchange of New York

TO RESUME STOCK DEALINGS. New York, December 5.—No meeting of the Stock Exchange Governors has been called and none will

GERMANY IN NEED OF COTTON. Washington, December 5.—Cotton shipments from America to Germany and Austria are expected by the

SEES KING OF ITALY. Copenhagen, December 5.—Private advices from Berlin say that the German Ambassador at Rome to

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GERMANS PREPARE TO DEFEND STRASSBURG

French Advance Forces in Alsace Now; Movement Slowly Developing; Cobweiler Almost Surrounded

OFFENSIVE IN FLANDERS

Germans Lost 100,000 Men at Lodz, Germans Suffer Severe Reverses in Eastern Theatre. Russians Have Advantage. Fresh Troops for Russia Now in Field.

(Special to The Journal of Commerce.) Paris, December 5.—According to a despatch from Basle, the Germans are making great preparations to defend Strassburg. The suburbs of the city have been flooded, and great portions of the nearby territory mined. Many lines of trenches have been dug in front of the city, and strong artillery is mounted to command every road.

The despatch also states that the French are advancing in the direction of Colmar, where the Germans are reported to have mounted artillery near the churches, and in the squares with the object of drawing the French fire on the town. The despatch adds that the French advance forces have almost surrounded Cobweiler. The general forward movement of the Allies in Flanders and the French in Alsace is developing slowly, but within a few days may be sweeping forward over the German lines.

It is apparent now that the plan of the Allies calls for a strong offensive in Flanders simultaneous with the French advance on the right wing, leaving the old centre along the Aisne for future development.

Notwithstanding the reserve of the Russian official statement on the reported victory at Lodz, correspondents at the front insist that the battle has resulted in a serious reverse for the German arms. Observers are convinced that the advantages are with the Russians, because of superior numbers controlled by officers who can fight their men just as ably as the Germans, and also because of their better railroad service on the Warsaw base.

It is stated upon good authority here that the Germans, in cutting their way out of the trap at Lodz lost 100,000 men, and their exertions and losses have left them unable to resume the offensive.

The Russian official statement to-day admits, however, that the Germans are forcing the fighting in certain places. The battle on the line through Lodz, Lodz and Petrokow being obstinate.

The third great effort of the Germans is now directed against the Petrokow-Zenitochow front. The initial rush in this direction broke against the Russian wall at Lask-Szczecow, thirty miles west of Petrokow.

Correspondents state that the battle in Poland is the fiercest in modern times. After escaping annihilation at Lodz the Germans reformed their lines and began stubborn counter-attacks.

German reinforcements are more than matched by the accession of fresh Russian troops, and competent critics maintain that the two Kaisers are merely waiting their men against the Russian masses.

GERMAN CASUALTY LIST. Copenhagen, December 5.—The 91st Official German Casualty list brings the losses in killed, wounded and missing up to 658,483. This list, however, does not include the 69th Wuertemberg, 67th Saxen and 88th Bavarian lists.

Among the dead are General Henning, General Von Grumkow and General Von Oswald; all of them were killed in action.

HORSE TRAIN WRECKED. Moncton, N.B., December 5.—A horse train was wrecked here 33 miles west of Campbellton. A trackman found a rail missing and put up the red flag while he went for torpedoes. The flag was removed whilst he was away. Thirty horses were killed.

LATIN AMERICAN TRADE CONFERENCE. New York, December 5.—Howard Elliot, president of New Haven Railroad will preside at a Latin-American trade conference to be held in Boston December 15th. Arrangements for this conference have been made by the management of the New Haven with a view to helping New England manufacturers to extend their sales in Central and South America.

Among the speakers will be John Barrett, director-general of the Pan American Union, W. S. Kies, head of the Foreign Trade Department of the National City Bank, New York, and Dr. E. E. Pratt, chief of Bureau of Labor Statistics.

SCHWAB SAILS FOR ENGLAND. New York, December 5.—Chas. M. Schwab sailed for England to-day.

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KARLSRUHE IN NORTH ATLANTIC

New York, December 5.—Reports brought here by passengers of the United fruit steamer Zaccapa, that the wireless operator of that ship had been in communication with the steamer Hannan, which reported sighting the German cruiser Karlsruhe passing Fort Antonio, Jamaica, under full speed, caused much interest among the war risk underwriters. In some quarters the fact that the Karlsruhe was leaving the South Atlantic was connected with the sailing of the steamer President from Havana early this week without filing clearance papers. The President had a full cargo of coal and other supplies, and it is assumed that the material may be transferred to the Karlsruhe.

There is much fear that the Karlsruhe may come up to the North Atlantic route and harass steamers taking food and war cargoes to England. Losses along this route would severely affect underwriters.

LOST 100,000 IN BIG BATTLE. Petrograd, December 5.—The Germans lost 100,000 men in fighting their way out of the trap set for them at Lodz and have been unable to renew the offensive on account of terrible losses and exhaustion. The battle was bloodiest of the war. Many regiments had less than 100 men left.

The statement says: "There seems little doubt that the Germans are employing civilians whether they be willing to do such work or not to dig trenches. Some who refused to do this labor were shot."

MANY GERMAN PRISONERS. Petrograd, December 5.—Ten thousand prisoners were brought to the fortress at Kieff on Wednesday, bringing to a total of 130,000 the number of captured Germans and Austrians who have passed through Kieff since the commencement of the war. They have been sent to the interior of Russia and to Siberia as rapidly as possible, and have been put to work in the fields or in big industrial camps.

SELLING AGENTS FOR G. N. O. PROPERTIES. New York, December 5.—M. Hanna and Company will act as selling agents of the Great Northern Ore properties, a contract to this effect having been closed. The United States Steel Corporation lease with the Great Northern expires on the last of this month. It is the intention of the interests concerned to rapidly develop the properties. A contract has already been let to strip 3,500,000 cubic yards.

ILLINOIS TRACTION CO. A dividend of one and one-half per cent. on the preferred stock of the Illinois Traction Company has been declared for the quarter ending December 31st, 1914, payable January 2nd, 1915, to shareholders of record December 15th, 1914.

FALL OF CRACOW IMMINENT. Petrograd, December 5.—Several sorties made during the night by the Austro-German garrison at Cracow were repulsed by the Poles. It was announced at Military Headquarters. The fall of the city is imminent.

The Russian army, under General Dimitrieff, is only two miles from the defences of the city and is preparing for a siege of the Galician fortress. The Austrian population in the city is fleeing toward Vienna. The German residents are hastening northward.

Military experts estimate that the Germans have lost two-thirds of their army in Poland.

Sir R. L. Borden, who speaks at the Canadian Club luncheon on Monday, has been Premier of Canada since 1911. He is a "Blue Nose," having been born in Grand Pre in 1854. He was first elected to Parliament in 1896, and made leader of the Conservative party in 1901. He was knighted the first of the year.

Sir Ernest Shackleton is likely to be prevented getting away to the South Pole this year, owing to a strike in Australia. If he had his choice he would probably prefer to be with his ship in the North Sea, but as all preparations had been made before war was declared, there was nothing for him to do but to go South. He is a Lieutenant in the Royal Navy.

Mr. George Hannah, former passenger manager of the Allan Steamship Line, is 67 years of age to-day. He was born at Glasgow, Scotland, educated there and in the United States, but spent most of his business life in Canada. He was for 17 years associated with the Allan Line as passenger manager, where he was recognized as an authority in the steamship passenger business. He resigned from the company a few months ago and is now living in retirement at Woodstock, Vt.

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Colonel Denison is an enthusiastic Imperialist. He is also an authority on cavalry tactics, his book on the subject being one of the world's standard text books.

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QUEER CONDITIONS EXIST IN EUROPE

W. E. McLean, Manager Harris Abbottoir Just Returned From Europe Speaks on Conditions Abroad

EGG QUESTION IN ENGLAND

Russian Eggs Hard to Procure and Only After Long Voyage—Meats in London Steady, Business Normal—"Paris The Dead," Wholesale Streets of Stores Closed—Many Interesting Experiences.

"Conditions throughout England and France at the present time are very hard to fathom and explain," said Mr. W. E. McLean, local manager of the Harris Abbottoir Company, who has just returned from a business trip in England and France.

"From a purely commercial viewpoint, the egg situation in England would probably be of greatest interest to the readers of the Journal of Commerce, so on that subject I will touch first. England, under normal conditions, is in the habit of importing nearly all of her eggs for consumption from Russia, primarily, and Holland, France and Italy. These latter countries shortly after the outbreak of the war, placed an embargo on all eggs for export, so they are out of the running. Now this leaves the field to Russia, but it is very much restricted. Formerly, Russia exported all her eggs to England through Germany direct, but the war has put an end to all this. Eggs in Russia are very plentiful, and they are usually shipped in twenty-dozen cases, excelsior packing. In order to bring them into England now, they must be sent via Archangel, and the White Sea. Transportation facilities are very poor. There is practically no harbor, and when the eggs arrive there, they must be lightered to the ships. When the eggs arrive in England after their long trip they are not in the best condition, and most of them are frozen after their long Siberian voyage. This route is that which was said the Russian soldiers had travelled some time ago. They were not soldiers, that was a misrepresentation of fact, they were eggs.

"In England, eggs are selling at about the levels of Canadian eggs. Formerly they were half the price. On the average they are quoted at an equivalent to forty-five cents per dozen.

"As regards meats, prices are being held very steady and after the first wild fluctuation, the price receded to almost former levels where it remained. When war was declared, the British Government bought up all the frozen and chilled meats that were in dealers' hands, and they also bought extensively from packers in the Argentine and the United States. In this business, Canada was shoved to one side, as her prices were altogether too high for the English buyers. Tinned meats were also in demand for the troops at the front. The Government is supplying the troops in England with the chilled and frozen beef.

"Holland," continued Mr. McLean, "seems to be in some fear that they will get the rough end of the boot, as Belgium did, and in consequence, the packers there have been shipping vast numbers of small pigs to the English market. The Dutch Government, for some reason or other, is permitting this, although they have forbidden the export of all bacon. It may be that it would take so long to raise these small pigs into bacon stock that they deem it unwise to keep too many of them. In England, the Dutch exporters are receiving very low prices for them.

"Denmark and Sweden are also supplying England with much bacon and other meats. Business for these lines does not seem to be greatly worried, and it is going on as though under normal conditions.

When asked about the monetary situation as he saw it, Mr. McLean said that he did not know much about that, as his business did not bring him in touch with this situation, but he said, "I do know that they took nearly all my money."

"In France, it is hard to notice that the grim grip of war has it in its clutches. The people are taking the situation very philosophically, although business, it cannot be said to exist. In Paris, for instance, whole streets of stores are closed, and the hotels are doing practically no business. It is a very dull city compared with the 'Gay Paree' of a year ago."

Mr. McLean had many interesting stories to tell regarding his voyage and his trip through the two countries. He made a comparison of London and Paris. In London, all one hears from the streets to the music halls is war, war, war. In Paris one hears nothing. "When there," he said, "I tried to visit one of the battlefields, but it was impossible to do so. A person has to get permission to get into the city, and also permission to live there. When he leaves he also has to get a pass. The system of espionage is very much feared, and the French are doing all in their power to stamp it out. I saw where the bombs were thrown from aeroplanes in Paris, but they did very little damage.

From Dieppe, Mr. McLean went to Boulogne, one of the large British bases. He said that it was used principally for the care of the wounded. He saw many convalescent soldiers embarking for the front, after being released from the hospitals, and they were quite enthusiastic regarding the possibilities of another battle. Many wounded arrived from the Marne while he was there. At one time he saw as many as fifty automobile transports waiting to convey the wounded to the hospitals. Mr. McLean spoke very highly of the Red Cross system, and its efficiency and cleanliness, and also gave high praise to the French soldiers, who, he said, were wonderful.

In the way of trophies, he had a great many buttons given to him by wounded soldiers, and also the boot strap taken from a dead German at the Marne with the mud of the battlefield still on it, and given to him by a wounded Britisher. He did not hear a word of any atrocities committed by the Germans.

TURKEY INSISTS UPON SEARCHING GREEK LEGATION IN CONSTANTINOPLE. Athens, December 5.—The Government has received word from its Ambassador at Constantinople that his departure was imminent as a result of the breach with the Turkish government.

The Greek Minister was charged with maintaining a secret wireless apparatus in the Legation and the Turks insisted on searching the place but the diplomat threatened to leave the city if such action were taken.

The Greek Government is upholding its Minister.

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THE CURB MARKET. New York, December 5.—The Curb Market was irregular. Rights to United Profit Sharing Corporation, new stock, were traded in on a "when issued basis," and sales were reported at 12, now quoted 10 1/2 bid. Profit Sharing, old stock, sold at 15 1/2.

Standard Oil, Calif. Bid. Asked. 323 325

BOND RANGE. New York, December 5.—Range active bonds: Open. High. Low. 11 a.m.

COPPER EXPORTS. New York, December 5.—Exports of copper from New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore for the week ending November 5th totalled 15,806,440 pounds. This is first copper export statement issued by the Metal Exchange since Treasury Department thirty-day clause on manifests went into effect.

ARKANSAS VALLEY RAILWAY. Arkansas Valley Railway, Light and Power Co., has declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent on its preferred stock, payable December 15 to stock of record of November 30.

THE CRISIS. James Russell Lowell. Once to every man and nation comes the moment to decide. In the strife of Truth with Falsehood, for the good or evil side; Some great cause, God's new Messiah, offering each the bloom or blight. And the choice goes by forever 'twixt that darkness and that light.

Then to side with Truth is noble, when we share her wretched crust. Ere her cause bring fame and profit, and 'tis properous to be just; Then it is the brave man hooses, while the coward stands aside, Doubting in his abject spirit, till his Lord is crucified. And the multitude make virtue of the faith they had denied.

New occasions teach new duties; Time makes ancient good uncouth; They must upward still, and onward, who would keep abreast of Truth;

Lo, before us gleam her camp-fires; we ourselves must, Pilgrims be. Launch our Mayflower, and steer boldly through the desperate winter sea; Nor attempt the Future's portal with the Past's blood-rusted key.