

The Evening Times and Star

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CHURCH AND STATE

The members of the recruiting committee have good reason to be gratified with the response of the clergymen of the city to the request to meet with them yesterday and consider in what way the committee and the clergymen could best co-operate in the recruiting campaign, with special reference to a universal service on the Sunday following the new year. It was decided to hold service of intercession next Sunday, as already provided for in most of the churches, and to have a Soldiers' Memorial Service on the Sunday following.

nounced by Premier Asquith, who agreed that there had been "errors of calculation," but added that they were not confined to one side. While this remark is true, it does not overcome the force of the criticism which, however, found perhaps too strong expression in the words of Mr. Dillon. Hit or miss, errors or no errors, we must see this thing through, and it must be clear to every observer that British miscalculations are small indeed in comparison with those of Germany, which had at the outset so immense an advantage in preparation for land fighting.

THE BELGIANS

Canadians are reminded of the debt they owe to the starving people of Belgium, John Galsworthy, the popular English writer, puts these words in the mouth of a Belgian: "We stood by our guns for them, and they are going to leave us in the lurch."

ROYAL YEAST CAKES BEST YEAST IN THE WORLD

LIGHTER VEIN. The Fun Eliminated. "Why do ye look so sorrowful, Dennis?" asked one man of another.

It Was the First Time. Jones was a past master of the habit of carelessness. He dropped things around in any old place and afterwards never remembered where that place was.

HOCKEY STICKS. Salyard's Celebrated Hockey Sticks. Goal Sticks. OPEN EVENINGS

USEFUL GIFTS Is the Watchword This Xmas. Electrical devices for the home—things that make the duties lighter and the home brighter—these are the gifts most welcome.

What Gift Will Be More Welcome? You Will Find New Satisfaction And Pleasure in Giving Gifts That Ensure Lasting Pleasures. HOCKEY SKATES "Automobile" Skates. HOCKEY STICKS Emerson & Fisher Ltd.

M. Phipson's LIGHTNING HITCH. Leader in Skating Boots. MADE IN CANADA and sold to the best Sporting Goods houses in the United States.

Francis & Vaughan 19 King Street. The Christmas Store! 90 Charlotte St. You Will Find the Biggest and Best Assorted Stock of Dolls' Toys in St. John.

The churches and the clergymen have done nobly in this war. Every church has its honor roll. More than one speaker plausibly and yet we doubt not proudly observed that there were comparatively few men of recruiting age, fit and free to go, in his congregation now, because so many had already gone.

There is still hope that Santa Claus may be able to use his sleigh. The arrival of more wounded men brings more strongly home to us the personal interest Canadians have in the war, and in doing all in their power to bring it to an end.

An Immense Showing of Diamonds. To one not familiar with our rapidly growing stock, our showing of Diamonds would come as a surprise.

A Christmas Tree in Your Parlor and a New Range in Your Kitchen Will Make a Happy Christmas for All. R. H. IRWIN, 18-20 HAYMARKET SQ. Main 1614

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CHRISTMAS TREE FOR SOLDIERS' CHILDREN. Fully 800 children yesterday enjoyed themselves at the Christmas tree entertainment in their honor in the rooms of the Knights of Columbus under the auspices of the Soldiers' Comforts League.

EVERY THREE MINUTES ONE DIES IN THE U. S. The Anti-Tuberculosis Society illustrates the frightful toll of consumption by extinguishing a light every three minutes, and shows that it is the man or woman, girl or boy, who neglects colds, whose blood is impure, who feels weak and languid, who is the very one to contract tuberculosis—and none are immune.

ALLAN GUNDRY 79 KING ST. The House for Diamonds. THESE ARE THE BEST VALUES WE HAVE EVER OFFERED.

Gaiters In Fawn Color and Battleship Gray. Leggings WOMEN'S \$1.00 and \$1.50 MISSES' .90 and \$1.25 CHILDREN'S .90 and \$1.00 INFANTS' .85 and \$1.00

A more useful Gift you could not give— Our "Leader Fountain Pen" at \$1.00 Self Fillers, \$1.50 and \$2.00 Gold Mounted, \$2.25 and up. J. M. Roche & Co., Ltd., 90 King St.

\$5.75 A TON IN BIN. Well screened Minute Coal, great value. Heavy, Dry, Softwood Kindling and choice Hardwood. Goods promptly delivered. A. E. Welpley, 289-290 Paradise row. Phone 3119.

ANOTHER MILLION MEN. Premier Asquith asked parliament yesterday to provide for the enlistment and equipment of another million men. The discussion was marked by some very plain speaking, but no member offered any objection to the proposal.

FOLEY'S STOVE LININGS THAT LAST This is What They Cost Put INTO YOUR STOVE. 8-10 Stoves with water front, \$1.00 8-10 Stoves with water front, \$1.25 8-10 Stoves with water front, \$1.50 8-10 Stoves without water front, \$1.50

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McRobbie FOOT FITTERS - KING ST. HALIFAX IN WAR TIME Bangor Man Speaks of Seven Thousand Soldiers Being There.

Christmas Cakes And Candy Fruit Cakes White Cakes, Seed Cakes, Fancy Frosted Cakes, Colonial Cakes. Mince Pies, Lemon Pies, Washington Pies, Tarts, Patties, Cookies, Doughnuts. Laban C. Sharpe Optometrist and Oculist 53 1/2 Dock Street - St. John, N. B.

CHRISTMAS GREENING! FIR and PINES. A Choice Line of Crawford's English Biscuits. New Nuts of All Kinds. New Cider. Jas. Collins 210 Union St. Opp. Opera House

Robinson's Four Stores 173 Union St. 417 Main St. 48 Celebration St. 108 Main St.

Gandy & Allison Showroom 3 and 4 North West.

Robinson's Four Stores loading constantly with supplies for the Allies. Grain, live stock, ammunition and other supplies are going out in a never ending stream and the docks are piled high with merchandise awaiting shipment.

The determination with which Canada is facing the war issue will go a long way towards assuring the success of the Allies in the great European conflict, according to Hon. T. D. Bailey of this city, who has just returned after a business trip to Halifax.

The greatest activity on the water front where vessels of all descriptions are

ways another on hand ready to take its place. They are speeded to the limit and work their six hours without a pause. Vessels are constantly coming and going.