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WEATHER—FAIR

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## NOTABLE VICTORY WON BY THE FRENCH; MEMBER OF THE BRITISH WAR CABINET TELLS HOW GERMANY CAN OBTAIN PEACE

### GERMANS SWEPT OFF THEIR FEET

Valiant Armies of France In Swift Advance North of Douaumont Capture Villages, Trenches, 7500 Prisoners and Large Quantity of Artillery Pieces and Other War Material.

BRITISH REPEL ENEMY ATTACK NEAR LESBOUEFS AND ENTER GERMAN TRENCHES SOUTH OF ARMENTIERES—BRITISH ROUT TURKS NEAR KUT-EL-AMARA IN MESOPOTAMIA.

Paris, Dec. 15, via London.—The French troops, in an advance to the north of Douaumont, and between the Meuse and Woëvre rivers, captured more than 7,500 prisoners and several heavy guns, according to the French official communication issued this evening. The advance was over a front of ten kilometres and a depth of three kilometres.

The statement says:

"After several days of artillery preparation we attacked the enemy to the north of Douaumont, between the Meuse and the Woëvre, on a front of more than ten kilometres. The attack started at ten o'clock.

"The enemy's front broke down everywhere to a depth of about three kilometres.

Villages Captured.

Besides numerous trenches we captured the villages of Vacherieville and Louvemont, the farms of Chambrettes and the fortified works of Hardaumont and Bezon-Vaux.

"We have taken a great many prisoners, whose exact number has not yet been determined. Seven thousand five hundred of them, including two hundred officers, already have been passed through our commandant's posts."

"We have taken or destroyed numerous pieces of heavy and field artillery and also a considerable quantity of material.

Aviators Active.

"Notwithstanding unfavorable weather conditions our aviators took a brilliant part in the fighting. Our

success is complete. The troops have

gained vent to great advantage.

"Our losses are slight."

Belgian Communication:

"An armistice battle which started the night of December 14-15 has continued with violence in the region of Steenstraete and further to the north. Belgian guns of all calibres and heavy artillery have spiritedly taken to task the enemy's batteries."

Berlin Admits Defeat.

Berlin, Dec. 15, via wireless to Sayville.—French attacks delivered today on the eastern bank of the Meuse in the Verdun region resulted in a gain of ground for them towards Louvemont and Hardaumont, the war office announced in tonight's supplementary statement.

"The engagement has not been concluded.

WILSON WILL PASS ALONG  
PEACE OFFER WITHOUT COMMENT

President Has Not Determined Whether Any Action in Behalf of Peace Will be Taken by United States on Its Own Account.

Washington, Dec. 15.—President Wilson has decided that the notes of the Central Powers proposing a discussion of peace to the Entente Allies, will be sent forward by the American government, acting as intermediary, without any accompanying mediation offer of its own. He has not determined whether any action in behalf of peace will be taken later by the United States on its own account, but is holding himself in readiness to serve, in any way possible, toward bringing the warring nations together.

In other quarters than the White House it was learned that some word indicating the official attitude of the Entente Allies towards the peace proposal is being awaited with the deepest interest by the American govern-

"BRAZEN, BOMBASTIC,  
BULLYING BUNKUM"

That is What "Ralph Connor" Thinks of Chancellor Von Bethmann - Hollweg's Address on Peace Proposals in Reichstag.

London, Dec. 15.—"Braven, bombastic, bullying bunkum," is the alternative phrase used by "Ralph Connor," Rev. Major C. W. Gordon of Winnipeg, in an open letter to the Daily Chronicle, to Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg's speech on the peace proposals. The preacher-author advises the German chancellor to look

at men rather than at the map, and he concludes:

"Because we earnestly long and pray for peace we intend to press this blood-red path of war for months or years until the Germans are ready to accept a just and honorable peace offered by the Allies."

CHRISTMAS LEAVE FOR  
CANADIANS IN ENGLAND

London, Dec. 15.—(Montreal Gazette cable)—Regulations for Christmas leave for the Canadians in England, as at present proposed, provide for five per cent. of the men in the training camps, with no leave to any battalion Dec. 22 and 25, but it is now understood that this proposal will be modified so as to allow the same privileges as last year.

### WAR LORD OF EUROPE IS WRATHY

Kaiser William Declares Judgement of God Fell Upon Roumania.—Willing to Continue War if—

London, Dec. 15—"Confident that we are completely the victors, I yesterday made a proposal to the enemy to discuss the question of further war or peace," said the German Emperor, in addressing the troops in Alsace, according to a despatch published in the Cologne Gazette, says a Reuter despatch from Amsterdam.

"What will come of it, I don't yet know," the Emperor is reported to have continued. "It is a matter for the enemy now to decide if the fighting is still to go on. If the enemy still thinks he has not had enough, then I know you will—." Here the Emperor, says the correspondent made a "warlike gesture" which produced a fierce smile on the face of all his men.

In Wrathful Contempt.

He spoke, the correspondent relates, "in words of most wrathful contempt of that people in the east (the Roumanians) who had thought to stick a dagger in the back of our army." The judgment of God had fallen on them, the Emperor declared, in the campaign which had been conducted according to the brilliant plan of Field Marshal Von Hindenburg. The Emperor added:

"The old God of battles directed. We were His instruments, and are proud of it."

Afterward, the correspondent asked, the Emperor talked to the officers for a half hour on the Roumanian campaign, which he is said to have described as "the iron of fate" which had permitted the country purchased by the English to fall into German hands. "The English," the correspondent quotes the Emperor as saying, "paid for it. We ate it."

Definite indication of the attitude of the Entente Allies is expected in the speech of David Lloyd George, the British prime minister, next Tuesday.

Meanwhile the authorized statement of the German embassy here, that partial disarmament will be one of the subjects taken up at any peace conference, is being discussed generally in official and diplomatic circles.

BRITISH GET  
AFTER TURKS IN  
MESOPOTAMIA

Forces of Ottoman Empire Routed Two and a Half Miles from Kut-El-Amara.

London, Dec. 15.—British forces have taken the offensive in the region of Kut-El-Amara, in Mesopotamia, and have occupied Turkish positions on the Hal river, south of Kut-El-Amara, says an official statement issued tonight. In the offensive movement the British crossed to the right bank of the Hal river and took Turkish trenches near Kala-Haji-Fahan, two and a half miles from Kut-El-Amara.

Official Statement.

Mrs. Charles H. Wilson.

The death is announced in South Boston of Mrs. Charles H. Wilson, formerly Miss Hannah T. Donahue, formerly of St. John. Mrs. Wilson was 63 years of age.

### "GERMANY MAY HAVE PEACE," IF SHE GIVES GUARANTEES

Arthur Henderson, Member of British War Council, Says There Must be Reparation as Well for all Belgium, France, Serbia and Poland Have Suffered.

London, Dec. 15.—In discussing the German peace proposals at a dinner of the Steel Smelters' Association, tonight, Arthur Henderson, member of the British War Council, without portfolio, said that the government knew nothing concerning the text of the proposals, and that Germany's motives must remain a matter of speculation for the moment.

"From past and recent events," said Mr. Henderson, "we may anticipate, without over assumption, that any proposals Germany may put forward will not err on the side of their magnanimity. They must be examined with the greatest possible care."

Recalls Aug. 1914.

"We of all people, must not forget that Germany was prepared for peace with this country as late as August, 1914, but on what conditions? That we were prepared to betray France and acquiesce in the violation of the neutrality of Belgium, which Germany, like ourselves, had on oath sworn to maintain.

"The people of this country are prepared to accept peace today, as in Aug. 1914, provided that peace is both just and permanent indemnity for the past is not enough unless we have guarantees for the future and guarantees for reparation for all Belgium,

France, Serbia and Poland have suffered.

Peace Conditions.

"The peace into which we enter must contain guarantees for its own duration. Germany may have such a peace if she furnishes us with proofs of her good intention. But if her present overtures are only pretense, and if it is shown she is merely arranging an armistice to obtain a breathing spell that will furnish her the opportunity to lay fresh plans of aggression, then I say, whatever may be the temptation to the people of these islands, we must set our faces like the steel you work upon against her proposals."

### ALLIES BRING GREECE TO TERMS AT LAST

All Greeks are to be Withdrawn from Thessaly, According to Demands of Ultimatum Delivered Yesterday Afternoon.

DEMANDS FOR REPARATION FOR EVENTS OF DEC. 1 AND 2, WHEN FIGHTING TOOK PLACE BETWEEN ENTENTE LANDING FORCES AND THE GREEK TROOPS ARE TO BE FORMULATED LATER.

Paris, Dec. 15.—A despatch to the Havas News Agency from its correspondent at Piraeus, Greece, dated yesterday, says:

"The note of the Allied powers to the Greek government was handed this afternoon to Foreign Minister Zalacosta.

"The document said the recent events in Athens prove that neither King Constantine nor the Greek government has sufficient authority over the Greek army to prevent its becoming a menace to the peace and security of the Allied armies in Macedonia.

Removal of Troops.

"The Allies are therefore obliged, it continues, in order to protect themselves against attack, to demand immediate removal of the troops and war material indicated in an annexed list. These removals must begin within twenty-four hours, and all movements of troops and war materials towards the north must be stopped, it declares.

"If the government disregards the note, it is informed, its attitude will be considered an hostile act. The signatories of the note, it says, have received orders to quit Greece in twenty-four hours with the personnel of the legations. If the terms of the note are not formally accepted, the blockade will be maintained, it is de-

### "MOST DAMNABLE INFAMY OF MODERN TIMES," SAYS BECK

Former Assistant Attorney General of United States, Archbishop Ireland and Others Denounce Belgian Slavery.

New York, Dec. 15.—Vigorous expressions of indignation were voiced at a great mass meeting held here tonight to protest against the "enslavement of Belgians" by the German government. The deportation of the Belgian populace was condemned in letters read from Theodore Roosevelt, Archbishop Ireland, Joseph H. Choate and other prominent men. Equally forcible were addresses delivered by Elihu Root, James M. Beck, former assistant attorney-general of the United States; Alton B. Parker and Rev. Wm. T. Manning, rector of Trinity church, who presided.

Urge Strong Protest.

Resolutions were adopted urging the government of the United States to protest, in the name of all neutrals, to all the forces and armaments, against these outrages; to emphasize the detestation with which the American people regard these abominations; to seek no vengeance but the destruction of Europe, which will enable us to live and let others live, then we shall have used this situation to promote an ultimate settlement."

Archbishop Ireland.

"Cardinal Mercier tells the details of Belgian deportations," Archbishop Ireland wrote. "The truth of his statements cannot be doubted. The facts, as told by him, challenge contradiction. They affright the hearer. No explanation, no excuse, diminishes the awful cruelty implied in them. For its own sake, for the sake of the honorable record it covets in the history of nations, Germany will, let us hope, quickly reverse its present position and leave Belgians to live and suffer on their own Belgian soil."

Rector of Trinity.

"We have not come here to speak the language of hate," Mr. Manning said. "We do not condemn indiscriminately, the whole German people. We know that they have been misinformed and deceived, until adequate guarantees for the future have been given."

Aeroplanes Active.

London, Dec. 15.—A war office announcement tonight says:

"Naval aeroplanes yesterday threw bombs on Kule Burgaz bridge (over the Maritza river), south of Adrianople. A great weight of bombs was dropped, and extensive damage is believed to have been done."

## PLAY TO THE GALLERIES SAYS "THE NEW STATESMAN"

"No One Will Close the Door to Peace Until He is Satisfied that Parade of Enemy's Terms Does Not Conceal Possibility of Obtaining Peace of His Own."

London, Dec. 15.—The New Statesman, which generally has pacifist leanings, discusses Germany's peace proposal as "unlikely to put anything but an attempt to play on our feelings of war weariness and to cover us out of us a bad peace now, in place of the good peace we might desire, six, nine or twelve months later."

"No statesman," continues the newspaper, "will, in such a situation, close the door to peace until he is satisfied that the parade of the enemy's terms does not conceal the possibility of obtaining a peace of his own. The shortening of the war is supremely desired, and we should naturally be glad to shorten it by diplomacy instead of by war, provided the terms of its ending are the right ones. However no statesman who knows his business, on our side, will keep the peace door standing idly ajar."

**Germany's Course.**

"Germany's course is not motivated chiefly by any hope of our taking her terms. Her hope is rather that we may go on discussing them and discussing a substitute for them until we fall out over the discussion."

The Statesman says that, for example, if any powerful body of English opinion echoed the "refrain" of Philip Snowden, Socialist member of parliament, "why should England wait at Russia's gate?" or any corresponding force in Russia took up the cry, "why should Russia fight on that England may get rid of the menace of the German navy?" the whole alliance might collapse like a pack of cards, each trying to fix its own bargains with Germany. The newspaper argues that the Entente Allies should state their terms in general formula without attempting to specify what each is to get, which might lead to dissensions on essential points. If the complete evacuation of all Allied territory and all claims over it were conceded the Allies might descend into details. Few appreciate how near the war has brought Germany to an attainment of her dreams of domination over middle Europe, the news paper says, and adds:

"Peace can be had at any moment in any war on the enemy's terms. An unsolicited statement of these has no value whatever, apart from its contents. It contains a sincere approximation to the German Machiavelli with his own petard."

## GOVERNMENT CONTROL OF MERCANTILE MARINE

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—That there should be governmental control and operation of the mercantile marine of the whole British Empire is the suggestion made by Sir Henry Drayton, chairman of the railway commission in a memorandum which he has addressed to the Imperial Trade Commission upon request for his views upon the question of the ocean carrying trade. He also suggests that "the British Admiralty, who are probably the largest transporters of men and materials in the world today, will continue in the transportation business after the war."

**British Victory.**

London, Dec. 15.—The British official communication issued shortly before midnight says:

"Last night (Thursday) an attack was attempted by the enemy upon our positions in the neighborhood of Lesboeufs, but it was crushed by our artillery before he could reach our trenches."

"The enemy's trenches were successfully entered by us south of Armentières, and also east of Vierstraat."

"Early in the night a powerful enemy raiding party endeavored to break into our lines south of St. Eloi. Only a few of the raiders succeeded in reaching our trenches, and these were immediately ejected. The enemy's losses were severe."

"Our artillery bombarded Achiet-le-Petit and an enemy railway siding south of that village during the night."

"During the day (Friday) our positions on the Observatory Ridge and at Mont Horrel were heavily shelled. Our artillery effectively replied."

"Elsewhere on our front intermittent artillery activity continued."

## BLOOMFIELD

Bloomfield Station, Dec. 12—Mrs. Charlotte Bettle spent Monday the guest of friends in Hampton.

Mrs. M. P. Titus has returned home after a very pleasant visit of several weeks, with friends in St. John.

Gunner John Bussey, who left here with the 4th Siege Battery, is quite ill in the hospital at Lincoln, England; Gunner Bussey was taken sick while in France at the front, and was ordered to England, he is suffering from a severe attack of asthma. The last word received from him he was doing as well as could be expected. All will wish him a speedy recovery.

Ava E. Williams left Wednesday for Barnesville, where he has accepted a position as engineer in the mill owned by A. J. Bentley of St. Martins.

John E. Kinney, who is conducting a large lumber operation on the Miramichi river for J. K. Fleming was recently home; he reports business good in his line.

## RUSSIAN DUMA STRONGLY OPPOSES PEACE SUGGESTIONS

London, Dec. 15.—A despatch to Reuter's Telegraph Company from Petrograd, says:

"The Duma has unanimously passed a resolution against the acceptance of the German peace proposals after a spirited speech by the minister of foreign affairs."

The text of the resolution, as received here, follows:

"The Duma, having heard the statement by the minister of foreign affairs, unanimously favors a categorical rejection by the Allied governments to enter, under present conditions, into any peace negotiations whatever."

"It considers that the German proposals are nothing more than fresh proof of the weakness of the enemy and a hypocritical act from which the enemy expects no real success, but by which it seeks to throw upon others the responsibility for the war and for what happened during it, and to exculpate itself before public opinion in Germany."

"Germany always has paid greater attention to neutral opinion than we have. She is now trying to whitewash her blackened reputation."

"Especially in the United States, where commercial friendship after the war is a vital necessity, the Germans realize they need to recover much lost ground. They hope their attitude of sanctity will win favor among the more simple and more sentimental of Americans. Possibly they hope they will so spread the belief that the Germans' obstinacy prevents peace that the United States may be induced to prevent the export of munitions."

The Saturday Review says also that the German emperor appeals also to a noisy, but not numerous, faction in England, with the chief motive being to placate the "disillusioned and wavering" subjects."

The weekly contends that entering into negotiations would merely be offering Germany much needed armistice, but that the Entente Allies should take the opportunity of stating to the world the scheme of the peace for which they are fighting.

"If the Allied governments," it continues, "can draw up a reply to Germany worthy of the reversal on which they are all bent, they may not only produce an historic states document, but may clear the air by a closer definition of their aims. If they can make the German people see that the destruction of German militarism does not involve, for Germany, the kind of thing that is happening in Belgium, they may hoist the German machiavelli with his own petard."

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Lady Guinness Speaker  
Tonight—Lady Aberdeen  
Coming January 3rd.

Mrs. L. P. D. Tilley, who has been largely instrumental in the conduct of the British Sailors' Relief Fund by the Women's Canadian Club, in reply to an inquiry from The Standard last evening, said that upwards of \$1,500 had been collected. The fund will close this evening at the meeting of the club in the German street Institute. There are a number of members who have yet to make their turns, and it is expected that the fund will be considerably supplemented.

The chief number on the programme for tonight's meeting will be the address of Lady Gwendoline Guinness on "The Grand Fleet." Lady Guinness is a charming lecturer and indications point to a large attendance of members to hear her remarks. This afternoon Mrs. H. A. Powell will entertain in honor of Lady Guinness.

It was announced yesterday that January 3rd had been definitely decided upon as the date for the address of Lady Aberdeen. It is learned that Lady Aberdeen will speak on the question of reconstruction after the war. During her visit to St. John she will be the guest of Lady Tilley.

**Macedonian Front.**

Paris, Dec. 15, 10 p. m.—The official communication on the progress of hostilities on the Macedonian front given out by the French war office this afternoon reads:

"There was intermittent artillery fire December 14 along the entire front, but particularly in the vicinity of Lake Doiran.

"In the region to the north of Monastir an enemy column was dispersed by our fire.

"There has been much activity on the part of the Allied aviators. An enemy airplane has been brought down south of Petrik."

Petrograd, Dec. 15.—The official statement says:

"In the region of Mynovye the enemy almost succeeded in breaking into the trenches occupied by one of our companies. They were beaten back by our reinforcements.

"Under the cover of darkness and fog the enemy attacked two of our ambuscades in the region of Konjub, and compelled one of them to retire on our first line trenches. In the neighborhood of the other ambuscade the enemy took to cover in front of our wire entanglements.

"Caucasus front: The situation is unchanged."

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#### What You Have To Do.

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1st Prize .....	\$5.00	3rd Prize .....	\$3.00
2nd Prize .....	4.00	4th Prize .....	2.00
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- The drawing and painting contests help them to make nice sketches, and use the colors better.

- Among the prizes awarded each week, are watches, skates, frames, gold necklaces and pendants, meccano sets, dollar bills, beautiful illustrated story books, and games.

- The Children's Page is just the very thing to turn to for recreation and amusement after school is closed, and lesson books are laid aside.

- The Red Cross Helpers' League, and Allies' Aid Society (Children's Corner Branches), are open to all members of the Corner.

- All intending members must write a note to Uncle Dick expressing their desire to have their names added to the membership roll, promising to keep the two rules given above, and mention the name of the member who showed them the Corner and asked them to join.

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### BRITISH TRENCHES MODELS OF SKILL

Some new points of view are presented in the course of an article from an authoritative British source, which has been placed at the disposal of The New York Times. Just what a man will see and what he is likely to tell if he visits the Allied front line near the Somme at the point where the British army has just made one of its many steps forward, is the writer's theme. After describing the general character of the country he recounts his progress through the communication trenches. He says:

"Walking with your head two feet under cover along a neat crack in the earth with a sharp corner every few yards finally you turn the last corner into the actual firing trench. It is a trench to gadden the connoisseur's heart. How the men must have worked whenever they were not fighting—and is digging less dear than fighting to the soul of youth—in order to model this perfect line of defense and offense; its sharply firing step and clear-cut vertical walls and massively squared transverses. Here is no gaping V-shaped ditch to collect the enemy's trench mortars and invite his wandering whizzbangs in and the men know it. You walk along the trench and see just pride as well as confidence in their faces."

It is noon now, and some of them are blowing on hot tea to cool it, or eating out of their dixies and meat, potatoes and peas. It has not only been thus in the English firing trench. The English only learn war in each of their wars by degrees, but now they have learned it. The day is fine and other men are asleep, basing like cats in a state of beatitude on little sunny shelves and bunks curiously sculptured out of the trenches' firm clay walls.

One little knot of men off duty are bending over a comic paper at a corner. The wary old trench dweller always likes a corner because he can jump around it at the shortest notice and put a solid angle of earth between him and anything noxious that drops in. On the other side another group cheerfully reopens that undying theme of debate among the British

soldiers—the merits and demerits of the salient at Ypres. "How long was you at Wipers?" "Four months." "Well, I was there five months, so what right have you to speak?" A general laugh greets this method of proof and disproof, and some one else cuts in.

#### Sentries Watch Germans

You meet officers anxious about nothing except to know what there is in the last English papers. Sentries on duty with all the crowds of their grass-green steel helmets dipped curiously down to the parapet's level, realizing that nothing is stirring over the way. These helmets used to be ugly and not highly protective. They looked like the carter's basin that Don Quixote took to be the helmet of Mahabiria. The new make of helmet is more pretty, and also more virtuous. It covers more of the neck, though not so much as the blue-steel skullcaps of the French, with their jinned-down brims and its lines are artistic. Worn at the proper angle, it makes the comely young sentry look rather like Donatello's David at Florence.

With stooping heads, the sentries report "nothing doing." That means nothing visible, nothing audible.

Peering over the parapet for a moment you see only a wilderness of bare earth, pitted thickly with conical holes from three to eight feet deep. Four hundred yards away is the skeleton of a dead village. No sign of life is to be seen there except perhaps one of the larks which sing cheerfully through cannonades to the pheasants in faraway Sussex nervous, or else a big hawk slowly quartering ground and sending the larks into a retirement as modest as that of the German ones.

Sometimes the men in the shellholes would see British troops in the open within rifle range, but would not dare shoot lest British airmen should see where they were and send word to a British gun and bring down a high explosive shell on the old shellhole to bury them all alive by a second rearrangement of the earth. You perceive this apprehension just because you twice today have seen the end of a stiff, black-booted leg protruding out of the wall of an old shellhole.

Other questions about their life at the front the prisoners answered as freely had they talked politics. Yes, there were any number of Social Democrats in the army and every one thought great changes would come

of a hole like sand-martens' nests on the wall of a quarry, and staring apprehensively up at bomb-laden British biplanes wheeling about in the sky overhead as the larks in the grass look up at a hawk.

#### Kindness Surprises Captives

You know all this, because on the way up this morning you talked with a number of Prussian and Saxon prisoners. In one of the cases, the little camp where the latest captives rest for some days safe out of range of the friends' heavy guns till they can be sent on by train to the base of the English. Three days ago they told that nothing is stirring over the way. These helmets used to be ugly and not highly protective. They looked like the carter's basin that Don Quixote took to be the helmet of Mahabiria. The new make of helmet is more pretty, and also more virtuous. It covers more of the neck, though not so much as the blue-steel skullcaps of the French, with their jinned-down brims and its lines are artistic. Worn at the proper angle, it makes the comely young sentry look rather like Donatello's David at Florence.

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when the war was over, but not now. Were there any desertions? No. Many men would be glad to prisoners, but would not desert. Many more still would surrender if the German officers were not so quick to shoot men who put up their hands, and if all the German soldiers knew that the Allies did not kill prisoners nor have them scalped by savages.

Mr. Bray is the son of the late Robert Bray of New Horton, Harvey, Harvey, Albert Co., his parents both dying when he was a small boy, he was brought up by his uncle, the late Dr. Gideon Bray of Hopewell Cape, with whom he lived until some 26 years ago, when he married a Miss Foster of Alma, and removed to his present home in Mount Vernon. The bride was the widow of Dr. Nathaniel Peck Duffy, a native of Covendale, a brother of Mr. Jonial Duffy.

The doctor lived for a time at Harvey where he married, and with his wife removed to Lubec, Me., U. S. A., where he acquired a very extensive practice. In one of his long night drives along the back coast, Dr. Duffy contracted pneumonia with fatal results.

#### BATH

Bath, Dec. 11.—There is good crossing at this point by ferry at the upper crossing, the recent rains have had the effect of raising the water in the river.

George Phillips arrived home from St. John on Thursday last, he expects to now remain home this winter.

Messrs. Hayes & Vanderstein expect soon to begin their sawing operations at their mill here.

Dr. M. E. Cummings opened his new drug store on the first inst., where all such articles as are usually kept in such a store may be had.

#### LOGGIEVILLE

Loggieville, N. B., Dec. 12.—Members of the Red Cross Society held a bonfire supper at the bank building on Saturday evening. There was a good turnout of the residents, and a nice sum of money was realized.

Mr. and Mrs. Elery Weeks have returned from their wedding trip, and are now residing in town.

Mrs. Randolph Cox entertained the Ladies' Aid Society on Thursday evening last at the Terminal.

The Swastika club meets on Thursday evening of this week at the home of Miss Lotta Loggie.

W. Brady who has for some time past been engaged in store work with the A. & R. Loggie Co., has given up his work here. Good wishes for the future were combined with regret for his departure in the farewell messages of friends.

#### ALBERT

Albert, Dec. 12.—Mr. Alvin A. Bray of Mount Vernon, Wash., with his bride, formerly Miss Edith Coonan of Har-

vey, Albert Co., left by this morning's train for Mr. Bray's present home as above.

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ST. JOHN, N. B., SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1916.

"We are fighting for a worthy purpose, era we shall no lay down our arms until that purpose has been fully achieved." —H.M. The King.  
 TO THE PEOPLE OF THE EMPIRE—Every fighting unit we can send to the front means one step nearer peace.

## NATIONAL SERVICE.

The work of taking an inventory of Canada's man power, which will be carried on by the Post Office Department under the direction of the National Service Board, will be commenced on New Year's Day and it is hoped to make the first week in 1917 a National Service Week. The inventory is expected to provide information upon which will be based a scheme for making those adjustments in our national life, necessary for the maintenance of the agricultural and other basic industries of the Dominion at that high point of efficiency and productive ability so necessary for the successful prosecution of the war while continuing unimpaired the essential public services of the country. To accomplish these results, and insure the maximum production of war material and equipment, the services of all available men and women must be utilized in a manner that will achieve the purposes aimed at, and at the same time, release from present employment men physically fit and of suitable age who may desire to serve overseas with the Canadian military or naval forces.

This is an undertaking that must appeal to every patriotic Canadian. Up to the present time the average man, not in military service, has contributed little or nothing toward the winning of the war or necessary preparation for conditions that must be met after it has been concluded. Donations to patriotic funds, while very worthy and necessary, do not fulfill the duty of the man whose desire it is that the Empire shall come victoriously through the test of struggle in which it is now plunged. More must be done and it is the function of the National Service Board to lead in this direction.

There are thousands of men and women whose present occupations are of more importance to the nation than any other in which they could successfully engage. Such, however, form but a small proportion of the whole and the National Service Board, insofar as may be necessary, aims to properly place and employ the greater number who are not exercising their abilities in the best interests of themselves and of the state.

In this effort all have the opportunity of assisting. Between now and the 15th of January every male person in Canada, between the ages of sixteen and sixty-five, will be equipped with cards containing a number of questions to which recipients will be asked to reply and forward by mail to the director of National Service at Ottawa. These replies will furnish information as to the physical fitness and employment of those addressed and will also indicate their willingness to exchange their present line of effort for other more necessary work. In this case the first duty is to promptly furnish the facts asked for as subsequent success will depend altogether upon the information secured through the inventory. It is a businesslike stock-taking of Canada's greatest asset, the ability and willingness of her citizens to subordinate self interest to the welfare of the state in the state's most critical period and it is most earnestly hoped that every Canadian will take a personal interest in the effort and do his best to make it successful. Then will he be doing real national service of the most useful sort.

## WILL FIGHT TO A FINISH.

That the Entente Allies will not give consideration to the peace proposals of Germany unless she is prepared to make full preparation for past misdeeds and give absolute guarantees of good behavior in future is assured by the unofficial utterances of leading men of the Allied nations, by the press reflection of the public mind and by the attitude of the greatest neutral. A Washington despatch of last night conveyed the information that President Wilson would transmit the notes of the Central Powers to the Entente Powers, but would make no suggestion of his own. This is the course he was expected to take, for in the circumstances suggestions from any nation save those most intimately concerned are not required and would not be welcome.

There is no reason why the Entente

## PAINTINGS OF LOCAL MAN ARE ADMIRE

Critics Say Work of Alex. Watson is of High Class—Include Provincial Scenes.

The display of paintings from the brush of Alexander Watson at the store of P. E. Holman & Co., King street, is creating most favorable comment. The work is certainly a credit to the accomplishments of Mr. Watson and is in the class with the best paintings that have been seen in this city. The display comprises twelve water colors and two oil paintings. Many familiar scenes have been painted by Mr. Watson, including the old Willow at Westfield, the Prince of Wales Elm, opposite Westfield, scene on the Kennebecasis near Riverside, a scene in the vicinity of Jaggers Point, N. S., a scene near the scenic grounds at Westfield and scenes in the Saint John Harbor.

Allies should listen to any proposals save those that absolutely meet their own demands, for they are masters of the situation and will remain so. It is admitted that German generals have met with some successes in the eastern war zone, but at the same time it must not be forgotten that the value of the German mark is gradually depreciating in the money markets of the world and the economic situation in the Fatherland is growing daily more serious.

Germany commenced this war with splendid preparation. During the first two years of the conflict she achieved remarkable things, but, despite all that, her position today is less favorable than it was six months ago, and she is steadily using up her resources in men and materials.

The Teutonic attack upon Verdun was made with a force and fury unparalleled in warfare, yet it failed, and now the French in that area have inception an advance which, yesterday, carried them forward for several miles and delivered into their hands more than 7,500 Hun prisoners.

From these and other pieces of evidence it can be seen that Germany's case is already desperate, and that her peace proposals are intended merely to deprive the Allies of greater concessions she will be forced to make later. At the same time there is no reason why the Allies should not now indicate the conditions on which they will be prepared to end hostilities, for the whole world is war-weary and will welcome peace. That peace, however, must be permanent, and the only way it can be made so is to deprive the Hun of the ability to wage war. In any peace negotiations to be undertaken now or in the future that point will be kept determinedly in mind. Until Germany is prepared to make ample reparation for her crimes of the past and submit to conditions under which it will be impossible for her to again, the conflict must go on.

The Allies entered upon this war in a worthy cause, and they will continue until that has been attained, even though such a course may mean a fight to the finish.

## THE WAR-WORKER.

(From London Opinion.)  
 I left her  
 Just a little bit of fluff—  
 High heels and frills and powdered nose—  
 Good enough  
 For theatres or dances; pretty clo'es and rippling hair—but just a playtime girl.  
 Monday last  
 "Blighty" saw me back again:  
 Shoulder chipped, and gassed a bit,  
 Not much pain,  
 But wanting peace and rest—Oh! lots of it!  
 Not fooling round—but just one woman's love.

I found her  
 Working in the city every day  
 To let some man away to fight.  
 Not so gay  
 She seemed—the powder, frills and fluff away.  
 Less pretty p'raps—but just my real best girl. —K. J.

LIEUT. COM. FREYBURG  
 GETS VICTORIA CROSS

London, Dec. 15.—King George has conferred the Victoria Cross on Lieut. Commander Bernard Cecil Freyberg. Lieut.-Commander Freyberg headed the naval battalion which, on Nov. 13 captured the village of Beaucourt, north of the Acre River, in France.

Much local interest is being manifested in the visit of Captain the Hon. Rupert Guinness and Lady Guinness to St. John in the interests of the Canadian Volunteer Reserve Corps. The distinguished visitors will reach St. John at noon today in their private car, Signet, from Fredericton. This afternoon Captain Guinness will meet the naval recruiting committee at the Board of Trade rooms, while he will be the chief speaker at a big meeting in the interests of recruits for the navy at the Imperial Theatre tomorrow afternoon. Lady Guinness is to speak before the Women's Canadian Club this evening.

Captain Guinness is a prominent figure in politics in the old country and is a famous sporting man, having the distinction of capturing the diamond sculls.

There is no reason why the Entente

## Little Benny's Note Book

We started to eat supper last night and ma sed, Benny, this table cloth was just put on clean this afternoon, and woe unto you if you get a single spot on it.

That sounds like a horse, woe unto you, I sed.

Never mind what it sounds like, don't you get anything on this cloth sed ma.

You jest dare, sed ma.

And I start to eat carefull, and after a while I sed, G. ma, if I dont get a single mark on the table cloth from now to Krisensus, will you give me a extra Krisensus present.

I serenty will, sed ma.

Will you give me a pair of fur lined gauntlets? I sed.

Yes, I'll give you a pair of fur lined gauntlets, sed ma.

Extra, besides what you was already going to give me? I sed.

Extra and besides, sed ma.

Big thick yellow gauntlets? I sed, and ma sed, Yes, big thick yellow ones.

And I keep on eating carefull, and after a while I sed, Will they be long gauntlets, ma, coming half way up to my elbow like Merdy Merfys?

You can pick them out yourself, sed ma.

G. herry, Im going to get gauntlets, I sed. Being so excited over it what did I do but drop my fork with a piece of meat on it and made a grate big stain on the cloth.

Aw, heck, I sed.

Take those gauntlets off, Benny, sed pop.

Aw, heck, I sed. Only I probly woodent of got them enway, on account of makng 2 more spots before supper was over, one with a piece of puttayto and one with a lime been.

## PENNFIELD

Pennfield, Dec. 12.—At the annual meeting of King Edward L. O. L. No. 92 Pennfield, held on the evening of Dec. 2nd, the following officers were duly elected and installed: Douglas Spisney, W.M.; Melvin Dunbar, D.M.; Fred Gillespie, R.S.; Benjamin Tatton, treasurer; Joseph Jack, F.S.; James U. Byrd, secretary; Wm. Shaw, D. or C.; J. W. Jackson, Chap.; W. Spinney, E. C. Justason and William Shaw, hall committee.

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are also prominently featured in our offerings of this year, our fine, well-assorted array embracing the most recent novelties in Ladies' Hand-bags, Portfolios, Purses, Letter Cases, Wallets, Pocket Books, Bill Folds, etc.

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**GERMANY'S PEACE MOVE  
SHOWS SHE IS WEAK**

Every Confidence Is Felt In Great Britain's Power To Continue War.—No One Believes Peace Near.

Special to The Standard.  
London, Dec. 15.—The tone of the markets is improving, though nobody believes that the advent of peace has been hastened by any of the events of the present week.

The new Chancellor of the Exchequer's statement in the House of Commons in moving a vote of credit of £400,000,000 is considered featureless apart from its colossal totals and confident tone. His remarks that the daily average expenditure of Great Britain was in the neighborhood of £5,710,000 a day (\$28,550,000) was particularly impressive. Shipowners are confident that no nationalization of shipping is to-be expected.

This feeling on the part of shipowners, however, is not shared on the exchange, where shipping stocks have ruled flat in the last session in anticipation of governmental control in some form.

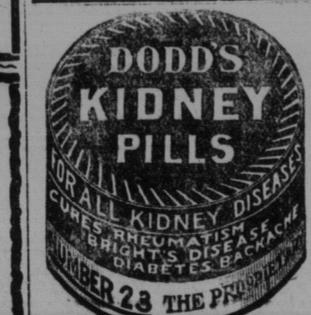
Financial business is being severely checked as uncertainty as to the government's new policy concerning finance and industrial control, for it is quite generally anticipated that stricter financial measures of some kind will be employed.

Government loans are firm, the new Chancellor of the Exchequer being credited with a desire to finance the war more by taxes and less by loans. Germany's peace proposals are regarded as an internal weakness and inability to continue the effort she is now putting forth. Every confidence is felt here in Britain's power to stand a still greater strain if her resources, financial and human, are properly husbanded. The nation's whole economic energy is now beginning to be concentrated on the war, as is the desire of all classes of the community.

**CLAM DIGGING SEASON OPENS DOWN THE BAY.**

The clam digging season opened at Eastport this week when two large plants were made ready for canning the shell fish that have been received a few days before, but it is stated that no large supplies have yet reached there and there is not much enthusiasm at present among clam diggers at neighboring Canadian islands of Passamaquoddy Bay where much of the clams are taken every winter. Quoddy boatmen of Eastport are out looking for all supplies that can be bought at \$1 a barrel on the flats, and the boatmen to the local wharves is 25 cents extra.

**Bob-cats at Campbell Island.**  
Bob-cats have made their appearance along the southeast side of Campbell Island, and are seen occasionally by the crew of workmen engaged in constructing the \$35,000 modern saw mill whose numbers of the islanders are also employed in the woods not far from Herring Cove. There is a bounty of \$5 on the cats, so that hunters are on the lookout this month for all cats that can be found in the woods.

**THINKS THERE IS  
NO PEACE IN SIGHT**

Leading New York Copper Man Says Russia Will Not Stand for Reported Terms Offered.

Special to The Standard.

New York, Dec. 15.—A leading copper man is of the opinion that there is no peace in sight. The reported terms of German capitulation bear most stiffly on Russia, who would not only have nothing to show for her huge losses in men, but would suffer the contraction of her boundary lines and be more firmly locked out of the Dardanelles than ever.

Therefore, if the western members of the Entente should by any means choose to hearten to peace talk, they would be bound to secure Russia's views before taking any action.

There is nothing in the situation that indicates that Russia is willing to sacrifice any of her territory and let her dead go unavenged.

But regardless of the peace talk, there is nothing to worry about in the copper trade. Producers are so heavily sold up into 1917 that their business is assured.

**OBITUARY.**

Miss E. I. Kinnear.

The death took place at 196 Princess street on Thursday night of Miss Emily I. Kinnear, at an advanced age.

She was a sister of the late Charles and John H. Kinnear, who composed the firm of Kinnear Bros., prominent merchants of this city, over 40 years ago. In her younger days Miss Kinnear was an energetic church and Sunday school worker. She leaves one sister, Miss Isabella, one niece, Mrs. Edwin Daniel, and three nephews Harrison, Charles A. and Frank A. Kinnear.

Charles H. Davis.

Charles H. Davis, proprietor of a large Boston jewelry store, died in Boston recently. Mr. Davis was born in Westmorland county. When he first went to Boston he entered the employ of B. A. Atkinson, a large furniture dealer and dealer in Baile Verté.

Mrs. Haived Long.

On Thursday evening death again visited Belles Creek, taking away Mrs. Haived Long, who for the past few years had been a patient sufferer. Mrs. Long was a woman of sterling character, an upright Christian, a member of the Baptist church, of which when health permitted, she was ever ready to help in a good cause.

She was also organizer for a number of years, a teacher in the Sunday school. Before marriage she was a Miss Fairweather, daughter of L. Fairweather. She leaves to mourn her husband, one little boy, father and mother, two sisters, one brother and a number of other relatives. The funeral will be on Sunday afternoon.

**COD FISHERMEN ARE HAVING GOOD LUCK.**

With dry cod and pollock worth about \$6.25 a quintal the fishermen are coming in for considerable money for their fish catches of the past few weeks about the Bay of Fundy and Passamaquoddy Bay, and there is yet no over-supply reported. It was only a few seasons ago that the average harbor hand line fisherman was content to sell his catches of cod, pollock, halibut, etc., in Eastport, at 3 to 5 cents each, regardless of size and weight and there were always many large fish in the loads caught, but now weight counts.

J. A. GRIESEN IS NEW COUNTY COURT JUDGE.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—J. A. Griesen of Weymouth Bridge, N. S., has been appointed judge of the County Court of Annapolis, Digby and Yarmouth.

## CANADIAN BANKERS OPTIMISTIC

Sir Thomas White Says Dominion's Condition Excellent, But There is Need of Economy.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—Sir Thomas White, Minister of Finance, was in conference today with the Canadian Bankers' Association, and all the leading financial institutions were represented.

The Minister stated no specific subject was up for consideration, but with the approach of the new year a careful survey of the financial situation, present and prospective, was being made.

Canada has done a lot of war financing. Its great achievements, however, must be repeated in the future not immediately but some time there will be more domestic issues, while of vital importance is the saving essential to establishing Imperial credits in this country.

The average man does not comprehend the exchange situation, and the adverse condition which it presents, making necessary the finding of money in the country. At the same time munitions orders and the employment and prosperity that come from them are wholly dependent upon Canada's capacity to temporarily finance them by advances to the imperial credit. The bankers today reported financial conditions as sound and stable, and while agreeing as to the need of wartime economy, they are optimistic as to the outlook.

**HOTEL ARRIVALS.**

Royal.

E. J. Caron, Montreal; L. Marcus Toronto; C. M. Motherwell, Montreal; A. H. Hubbs, Ottawa; A. L. Rice, Edmundston; C. A. Anderson, Halifax; B. Dunn, New York; L. L. Richard, Mrs. O. T. Daniels, Mrs. A. E. Hanson, Fredericton; A. B. Colwell, Toronto; Thomas Sydenham, Geo. A. Roberts, Moncton; J. S. Moffat, Montreal; A. J. Thompson, Fredericton; P. Sanders, Everett, Mass.; F. J. Humphrey, F. J. Humphrey, Jr., New York; L. R. Ferguson, Philadelphia; R. J. Wing, Washington, D. C.; F. H. Woodworth and wife, Kentville; H. Morse, Montreal; H. S. Schott, Toronto; C. J. Mersereau, Halifax; R. P. Olmstead, Montreal; M. A. Olsen, C. P. Jensen, Canoe; Jas. McGhee, Toronto; Arthur Barry, Montreal; Miss Holstein, Moncton.

WAR LOAN MAKES RAPID PROGRESS.

London, Dec. 15.—The new war credit for £400,000,000 introduced in the House of Commons yesterday by Andrew Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer, passed through all its stages in the lower house this afternoon.

DON'T BE BLUE OVER PIMPLES.

Stuart's Calcium Wafers Will Soon Put the Stamp of Beauty on Your Cheeks. Cheer Up.

No matter how bad your skin may be, Stuart's Calcium Wafers will quickly work wonders with it. It's good-bye to blackheads, pimples, acne, boils, rash, eczema and a muddy "fill-ed-up" complexion.

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## HUNS STAND BY BELGIAN DEPORTATIONS

Germany in Reply to U. S.  
Note Claims she has Been  
Misrepresented.

Berlin, Dec. 14, via Sayville—Assertion that the action of the German government, in the deportation of Belgians, is absolutely in accordance with the principles of international law, is made in the concluding sections of Germany's reply to the inquiries of the United States concerning this subject, given out by the Overseas News Agency.

These paragraphs, available today, read as follows:

"The unemployed (Belgian) sent to Germany shall be engaged in agricultural and industrial establishments. They will be excluded from occupations to which a hostile position, according to international law, cannot be coerced."

### Berlin Mad at Press.

The German government highly deplores that, by the slandering press campaign of her enemies, the conditions explained above have been completely distorted in the United States. The German government also, and not least in the interest of the Belgian people, would extremely deplore it, by these distortions, the highly beneficial action of the relief committee should be hampered in any way.

"The German government finally feels obliged to point out the fact that the deportation of the German population from parts of Germany and from German colonies occupied by hostile troops, especially the deportation of women, children and old persons from Eastern Prussia to Siberia, has, as far as known here, given to neutral states no incentive to take steps with the respective governments similar to those now taken towards Germany."

"At all events, there could be no doubt that these measures are gross violations of the laws of humanity and of the rules of international law, while after the explanations given above, the German government is absolutely in accord with these principles."

## SHIPPING NEWS

**MINIATURE ALMANAC.**  
December—Phases of the Moon.  
First Quarter .... 1st Sh. 55m. p.m.  
Full Moon ..... 9th Sh. 41m. a.m.  
Last Quarter .... 17th 2h. 6m. p.m.  
New Moon ..... 24th 4h. 31m. p.m.  
First Quarter .... 31st Sh. 7m. a.m.

**PORT OF ST. JOHN, N. B.**  
Arrived Friday, Dec. 15, 1916.  
Coastwise—Schr Claremont A., fishing trip.  
Cleared.  
Coastwise—Schr Connors Brothers, Chance Harbor; schr Pucket, Noel, N. S.

**BRITISH PORTS.**  
Manchester, Dec. 10.—Schr stmr Manchester Miller, Musgrave, Philadelphia.  
Liverpool, Dec. 12.—Ard str Lapland, Bradshaw, New York.  
Schr D. S. stmr Sagamore, Fenton, Boston.  
London, Dec. 12.—Schr Cloughton, London, Boston.  
Liverpool, Dec. 13.—Schr stmr Adriac, New York.

**FOREIGN PORTS.**

Boothbay Harbor, Dec. 13.—Ard sch Jesse Ashley, Eatonville, N. S. for New York.

Sid Dec. 13, schr Charlie and Willie, (from Weymouth), Belfast.

Boston, Dec. 13.—Ard schr William Mason, Perth Amboy for Yarmouth, N. S.; Alice B. Crosby, Philadelphia for Portland.

Sid Dec. 18, schrs William Mason, Yarmouth, N. S.; Telumah, New York; Ella Clifton, Stockton; Sallie E. Lund, Millbridge.

Baltimore, Dec. 13.—Schr Transporation, Portland.

Gloucester, Dec. 13.—Schr Bessie L. Morse, Portland; Pemaquid, Maine porters.

Newport News, Dec. 12.—Schr Norfolk, Portland.

New York, Dec. 13.—Ard schr Josephine Madeira.

Sid Dec. 13, schrs Carrie E. Look, San Juan; Andrew Nebinger, Port Reading for Bar Harbor; Nellie Eaton, Port Liberty for Calais.

Rockland, Dec. 11.—Ard schr Mary E. Morse, Stockton for Bridgeport; St. Maurice, Parrsboro for New York.

Vineyard Haven, Dec. 13.—Ard schr Elsie Porter, Prince Edward Island for New York.

New York, Dec. 12.—Schr Gov. Brooks, Montevideo; Roger Drury, St. John, N. B.

Mobile, Dec. 12.—Schr Annie F. Conlon, Puerto Padre.

## BERLINERS BECAME PEACE-MAD

Popular Excitement Intense When News of Peace Offer Became Known—Kaiser in Capital.

London, Dec. 14.—A despatch to the Star from Berlin, describing the excitement in Berlin immediately after the speech of Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg, on Tuesday, expresses the view that it indicates the hopes of the people that the move would bring peace within measurable distance.

As soon as the gist of the speech was known, adds the message, men rushed wildly from cafes and restaurants, snatched newspapers from strangers and shook hands with each other, while women crowded the churches, where Protestant ministers and Catholic priests offered extempore prayers for peace.

### Popular Excitement.

The popular excitement, according to the message, was reflected on the Berlin and Frankfurt bourses on Wednesday morning, when at the opening shares rose with astonishing rapidity, only to collapse suddenly on the receipt of unfavorable forecasts of the probable tenor of the Entente reply.

Emperor William is reported by the correspondent to be in Berlin conferring with Field Marshal Von Hindenburg and the heads of the German states, and planning to remain there until the Entente answer is received.

The anxiety before the delivery of the chancellor's speech was great, but now it is many times greater.

"Despite the press opinions from enemy countries, of a discouraging nature, telegraphed to Germany, it is hoped they do not express the opinions of the respective governments."

## PASSENGERS FROM U.S. TO BRITAIN MUST GET VISA

**Special to The Standard.**

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—Official notification has reached the department of external affairs, that all passengers, whether British subjects or aliens, embarking at any United States port for the United Kingdom must obtain the visa of the British consular officer at the port or their passports.

**TWENTY MILES OF BIBLES.**

A. W. Nichols, manager of the University Theatre, Des Moines, Iowa, has met with particular success in his special children's matinees, says Motography.

**CASTORIA**  
For Infants and Children  
In Use For Over 30 Years  
Always bears the  
Signature of

The largest orders ever placed by the New York Bible Society have just been given to two publishing houses. One is for 150,000 copies of the Scriptures, and the other is for 100,000 volumes.

If the quarter of a million volumes of the Scriptures were put together in line they would reach for a distance of twenty miles.

These volumes will be distributed in the city and harbor of New York. Many will be given to immigrants landing at Ellis Island, and to sailors on all kinds of vessels without regard to class or creed.

**RINKS TO OPEN.**

The Carleton open air rink was ex-

pected to open this afternoon.

On Tuesday night Queen's Rink will be opened. It is not known the day of the opening of the other rinks in the city.

The funeral of Chief Officer John Geddes of S. S. Memling, took place yesterday afternoon at four o'clock from the undertaking rooms of M. N. Powers to Fernhill cemetery. Rev. R. Taylor McKim conducted the services.

**QUEENS RINK TICKETS.**

Mr. Armstrong, in spite of numerous

requests, will not raise the price of tickets for Queens Rink. Same low price as usual. Opening Tuesday.

## MOPE TEXTILE MILLS GRANT WAGE RAISE

It Will be Larger Christmas Stocking for Thousands of Hard Working Mill Operatives.

All of the employees of the Canadian Colored Cotton Co's big mills in Marysville, formerly the Gibson, have been notified that wages will be advanced per cent next Monday.

Similar notices have been posted at the mills of the York Corporation, Saco, Me., Laconia and Pepperell Mills, Bideford; Edwards mills, Augusta; Farwell, Lisbon, Womrumb, Lisbon, Barker, Avon, Androscoggin, Continental, Hill, Bates and other mills of Lewiston; Leavitt, Waterville, Cabot of Brunswick, Me., and elsewhere in that state. The Maine mills are the last to join the big upward wage movement in New England textile circles.

It is understood that similar notices have been given to many of the cotton mills in Ontario and Quebec.

When consulted last night, General Manager Cudlip of the Cornwall and York cotton mills, in this city, said that no wage notices had been given here. The local mills are on the highest scale in their history. Several advances have been made in Canadian mills within the past year.

The following telegram was received last night from Joe Page of Chicago:

"Trying to arrange Tom Cowler, an English champion, and Andre Andersen, a man awaiting acceptance of Cowler. Failed to land Cowler will have another worthy opponent for Andersen. If this big bout should fall I have other good men in prospect. Managers here are favorable to your plan."

Preddie Welsh is another boxer who will probably come to St. John, and an effort is being made to get several well known wrestlers to give exhibitions. It is many years since St. John has had an opportunity to see good boxing exhibitions and the promoters of the coming series believe that the patrons of the "manly art" will respond generously in the interest of a worthy cause.

The promoters are making no attempt to start any fighting propaganda in St. John and the exhibitions will not in any way be objectionable. The shows will be put on at 10 p. m., after the regular programme of the Imper-

## Live Sporting News and Notes

### BOXING AT THE IMPERIAL

### LOCAL BOWLING YESTERDAY

### ANNUAL DINNER OF ST. STEPHEN'S CADETS

### Many Members of this Popular Corps have Enlisted for Active Service and are Doing Duty Overseas.

On Black's alleys last night in the City League, the Ramblers won three points from the Tigers. The scores follow:

	Tigers	Ramblers
Beloya .....	88 86 98	272 99 2-3
Robinson .....	81 82 88	251 83 2-3
Howard .....	87 88 120	295 98 1-3
Bailey .....	98 92 91	281 93 2-3
Lunney .....	85 86 103	274 91 1-3
	439 434 500	1373

The St. Stephen's Scots Cadets held their 26th annual dinner in their hall, Charles street, last night. Out of a total enrollment of sixty-five boys, there were present sixty-two members.

Although the new members

who have joined this year number about twenty boys, the total membership is very little above that for the same period last year, because of the number who have enlisted for overseas service.

The regular business meeting was held before the dinner and reports of the year were read by the secretary.

Treasurer, Capt. Manford Brown, who showed that in point of numbers the corps was in better condition than it has been since it was organized over twenty-six years ago. The resignation of the present captain, Manford Brown, was read and accepted, the same to go into effect on February 28, 1917.

After the business meeting the boys betook themselves up to the drill hall where the tables were spread in most becoming manner. Among the invited guests were Major Magee and Capt. Metcalf of St. Andrew's Cadet Corps, and Sgt. T. McKeen of the 235th Killers, formerly members of this cadet corps, and Pte. Sargeon of No. 8 Ambulance Corps, formerly a cadet corporal.

When the supper had been duly served, Mrs. Charles Thompson, Mrs. H. Vall, Mrs. Jas. Brown, Mrs. C. Barton, Mrs. H. Dakin and Miss Mildred Till, the gathering broke up with three cheers for the ladies and the singing of "God Save the King."

**WOMEN'S CANADIAN CLUB.**

It is requested that all the collecting cards for British Sailors' Relief Fund shall be handed to Mrs. Leonard P. D. Tilley, or brought to the meeting of the Canadian Club at the German street Institute this evening.

The fund closed tonight. All cards

whether filled or not are to be returned and contributions, small or otherwise, will be gladly received.

S. M. Berg, the well known expert

musician for the film, has tendered his resignation as musical editor of the Moving Picture World, and has joined the editorial staff of the Exhibitor's Trade Review.

It does not take long to make a star these days. Did anyone ever hear of June Keith? Well, she has been announced as a new star, and will shortly go into New York in a play entitled "The Right Little Girl."

**LOT NO. 1—Consisting of—**

Serge jackets,

Serge trousers,

Grestcoats and cloaks,

Cloth breeches,

Serge caps.

**LOT NO. 2—Knitted goods, consisting of—**

Underwear,

Sweaters,

Socks,

Knited Caps.

**LOT NO. 3—Cotton, consisting of—**

Denim shirts,

Denim trousers,

Top shirts,

Towels,

Canvas equipment.

**LOT NO. 4—Leather and rubber, consisting of—**

Ankle boots,

Canvas shoes,

Rubbers,

Overshoes.

**LOTS Nos. 1, 2 and 3 can be seen and**

examined by prospective tenders, on

application to the Senior Ordnance Officers, at any of the following places:

Montreal, Vancouver,

London, Toronto,

Regina, Kingston,

Calgary, Winnipeg,

Ottawa, St. John,

Halifax, Victoria,

Quebec, Quebec,

Kingston, Ontario,

Regina, Ottawa,

Victoria, Winnipeg,

Montreal, Vancouver,

London, London.

Tenders for any two or more of

lots offered for sale should be accom-

panied by a certified cheque for \$1,000

PEOPLE  
PRIZE WINNERS

and Sussex Folks  
are in Maritime  
how.

NEWS OF MARRIAGE  
WAS BIG SURPRISE

E. A. Corbett, Popular Commercial Man and Returned Soldier Weds Miss E. W. Johnson.

The announcement of the marriage of E. Eldon Corbett of this city, eastern representative of Clare Bros. of Preston, to Miss Ermia W. Johnson, daughter of F. H. Johnson of Truro, will come as a distinct surprise to Mr. Corbett's many friends. The young couple were quietly married at the United Baptist church in Amherst yesterday morning. Rev. C. W. Rose was the officiating clergyman. The bride looked charming in a travelling suit of royal purple chiffon with white fox fur. Mr. and Mrs. Corbett were unattended.

The bridegroom was a member of the first Canadian contingent and is well known among the commercial men and others in the Maritime Provinces. Both bride and groom were successful in keeping quiet their intention to be married until after the event had taken place.

## FOOD ECONOMY

## The Use of Oatmeal.

By Dr. C. W. Saleby

At the Queen's Hall, in July, moving a resolution to call the Government's attention to the value of cereals, I apologized for the entire omission of any reference to oatmeal in my article published here in January. In the South we have indeed gone far astray in these questions of food values, but there is no excuse for a student who spent thirteen years in Edinburgh. Since them in England, one has observed porridge as an optional preliminary to breakfast and no more. In our hotels today it is served at the beginning of a breakfast, which offers all manner of eggs, fish and meat, and costs three shillings or three-and-six; and in the course of travelling between camps for lectures to the men who are saving the world for a few pence a day, one is compelled to pay such a sum for a breakfast which no one but a soldier in hardest training now has any right to consume.

We definitely know that the plate of porridge alone, with milk and sugar, for instance, at the beginning of such a breakfast, is an adequate meal for a really normal appetite, with moderate work. Scottish experience has proved it. In times past oatmeal was the staple food of Scotland, whom anthropologists then reckoned to be the tallest of mankind, with the most splendid and substantial skeletons. Many a time in Edinburgh, in past years, have I seen a pack of such Scottish forwards, doubtless breast and porridge-fed to a man, shore English, Welsh or Irish forwards back for yards in a Rugby "scrum." So much for the body. As for the development of the brain, which is body, too, but almost more, oatmeal need fear no challenge. Everything one needs it contains. Truthful history is the tradition, astonishingly it has always sounded to Southern ears, educated in Scotland, that in times past the son of the Scottish manse left his home in the autumnal university, with a sack of oatmeal, upon which he lived during the winter, and acquired the knowledge with which he later conquered London or Labrador, or the Tropics. Gone for ever are those days, when the Scots buy thus "cultivated learning on a little oatmeal"—that now despised oatmeal which scarcely figures at the banqueting of the gross and Gargantuan dietary of a Glasgow hotel today—but the lesson is one for all time.

Unravelled in Cheapness

For cheapness, in terms of value, it surpassed all other foods in normal times, and its economic rank is scarcely impugned today, when its nearest rival, wheat, is so dear. Says Dr. Goodfellow, in *ante-dictum* days: "The purchaser who expends his modest twopenny, halfpenny on a two-pound loaf may rest assured that he could not spend his money to better advantage, except perhaps in the purchase of oatmeal, which contains slightly more energizing nutrient than bread." Observe the present price of the loaf and estimate the place of porridge in food economy today.

Growing in the North, oats are rich not only in protein, but also in fat; a good source of heat is needed for a young plant that is to grow in high latitudes. This applies to a young child. Thus oats are rich in fat, whereas rice is poor. So much the better for oatmeal as a food in northern lands, and in winter. Doubtless many of us find ordinary oatmeal tiresome to digest, because of the irritant and inimittable husk. The recent rolled oats, so largely advertised under various names, meet this need, though in these the remarkable percentage of nourishment has been slightly reduced. Oatmeal porridge is very well absorbed by the normal digestion, and has unquestionably played a primary part in the history of Scotland, and thus of the Empire. Oatmeal and milk was formerly the staple diet of the Scottish peasant. Fortunate was he to have the most nutritious of all cereals growing, almost for nothing, at his door. Rich in iron and other salts, as well as in fat—besides the protein and starch—this food not only contains everything necessary for life, but has a constitution well fitted for children, who need iron for their blood, salts for their bones, and fat to keep their little bodies warm. Oatmeal is also rich in vitamins, and even contains genuine stimulant substances.

which the late Sir Lauder Brunton, a Scotsman, compared with strich-nine—a true analogy, I fancy, than that of another famous Scottish doctor of that old school, who preferred to compare oatmeal with champagne at night, forgetting the real pain in the morning.

## Porridge and Physique

Dr. Hutchinson has given us a very useful comparison of two meals, in respect of food value and cost (in normal times). The first is a meal of tea and bread and butter, the second a meal of porridge and milk. For the same sum (three halfpence), even with bread at its old price, which will probably never return, the porridge and milk is far superior both for tissue building and supply of energy. Here, then are plain indications for the reader who is really concerned with food economy. He or she will remember that we are now considering real value, not mere flavor; that some skill is necessary in cooking, and also that methods of prolonged cooking must be employed which are economical of fuel, or our money calculations may be partly vitiated. Lastly, we Southrons must remember that a marked change in diet involves some degree of adaptation on the part of the digestion. We must not suddenly be rapt with enthusiasm at the food values here quoted, and expect our stomachs instantly and effortlessly to digest imperfectly cooked porridge used as a staple food for the first time.

Most serious of all, from the point of view whence Scotsmen are perceived as indispensable imperial assets of the first rank, is the fact that the Scottish child is no longer brought up on porridge, as he was. When the revelations of the Boer War directed attention to the children's physique an inquiry conducted by women medical students in the homes of Edinburgh showed that tea and white bread and jam were replacing porridge and milk to an extent which almost sufficed to account for the deplorable physique of Scottish city childhood in our days, and the monstrous distribution of rickets, a disease of malnutrition in which oatmeal is very valuable, on account of the iron, fat and phosphorus it contains. A certain strong man issued a version of the official report, with parallel columns, in which he argued that physical exercises of his prescription, would save expense and fill our regiments with superb manhood. The exercises which will straighten bow legs and knock knees, or restore teeth lost ten or 20 years ago, have yet to be defined. The right nutrition of childhood is an essential foundation of Empire: knowledge we have, but wisdom lingers.

## PORT ELGIN.

Port Elgin, Dec. 14—Mrs. P. S. Enman has returned from Moncton, where she spent the past week.

Miss Jean Fitzpatrick is visiting in Moncton, the guest of her brother, Rev. P. A. Fitzpatrick.

Miss Thora Berg, who is training at the General Public Hospital, St. John, is spending a few weeks at her home here.

The Fort Moncton Chapter I. D. E. held a tea in Hickman's hall on Saturday evening. The sum of \$47 was realized.

Mrs. William Read left last week for Dorchester, where she will spend the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. William Johnson are receiving congratulations on the arrival of their little daughter on the 10th inst.

Mrs. Fred Magee and Miss Grace McLeod are spending a few days in St. John.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Hayward have returned from spending their honeymoon in Boston.

Mr. W. W. Dakin who has spent the past few months in Joggins, has returned home.

Mrs. Thomas Magee left last week for Allston, Mass., where she will spend the winter.

Mrs. C. E. Munro was called to Truro last week by the serious illness of her sister, Miss Johnson, who has since passed away.

Mr. A. R. Moore, who has been ill for some time is now slightly improved.

## EXCHEQUER COURT.

At yesterday morning's sitting of the Exchequer Court, hearing was commenced in the case of Dr. Steeves vs. the King. The taking of evidence in the case of James D. LeBlanc vs. the King was completed on Friday night. Dr. Steeves held a property adjoining the LeBlanc property and the case is similar in practically every respect, the complaint alleging damages for loss sustained to the value of his property through the erection of a new L.C.R. subway at the Main street crossing in Moncton. Dr. Steeves took the stand in his own behalf yesterday morning. The counsel in the Steeves case are the same as those who appeared in the LeBlanc case.

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GOOD OLD "NERVILINE" WILL CUREFifteen Minutes After  
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You Are Well.

Cold, excessive strain and exertion are a common cause of stiff neck, soreness or inflammation.

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M. J. DARRAGH RETIRES  
FROM SUGAR REFINERIES

Staff Fittingly Remember  
Dock Superintendent Who  
Goes to Montreal.

M. J. Darragh, the popular dock superintendent for the Atlantic Sugar Refineries in this city, was pleasantly surprised yesterday afternoon when he was invited to the office and made the recipient of a handsome travelling bag. The presentation was made on behalf of the members of the staff by J. E. McCarthy, formerly of Fredericton, but now of this city. An address appropriate of the many good qualities of Mr. Darragh was read and the dock superintendent made an appropriate reply.

Mr. Darragh held one of the most important positions on the local staff. He has decided to retire from his present position to accept a responsible post with a Montreal concern. He contemplates leaving immediately for Montreal, in which city he formerly resided.

UNITED STATES TO GET  
DANISH WEST INDIES

Copenhagen, Dec. 15.—A plebiscite held yesterday on the question of the sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States resulted in 257,000 votes being cast in favor of the sale and 157,000 against such action.

To sell means that the matter will now be taken up by the Danish parliament. A treaty for the sale of the islands was concluded between the United States and Denmark in New York on August 5 of this year, the purchase price being fixed at \$35,000,000.

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## McADAM

McAdam, Dec. 14—Miss Winnifred Clark spent the weekend at her home in St. Stephen.

Miss Diana MacDonald has returned from a pleasant visit with friends in Houston, Me.

Miss Blanche Doten was an over Sunday guest in Oak Bay.

Miss Mabel Gardner and Miss Mabel MacDonald have returned from Vancouver, Me., where they were visiting friends.

Miss Jessie Hay spent Sunday with St. Stephen friends.

Mr. Earle Clark has returned to his position here after some months absence.

Mr. W. Hoyt returned on Tuesday from St. John. While in the city Mr. Hoyt was the guest of his son, Mr. Arthur Hoyt and Mrs. Hoyt.

On Monday evening last, a party of young people were entertained in a very pleasant manner at the home of Mrs. Allan Budd. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Austin Budd, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Herd, the Misses Annie Miller, Delta Byers, Verna Trecartin, Julia Humphrey, Ruth Humphrey, Winnifred Clark, Messrs. Alex. Rossborough, Frank Hay, George Hay, Ronald Hewett, and F. Harris.

The young friends of Mr. George Hay gathered at his home on Tuesday evening to celebrate his birthday. The party included: Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Love, Mrs. Speedy, Mrs. Jordan, Mrs. Byrd Boone, Mrs. Edward Coburn, the Misses Doris MacDonald, Jessie Hay, Blanche Doten, Winnifred Clark, Messrs. Frank Estabrook, George Stevens, Charles Thomas, Dawson Greek, Roy Hunter.

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## THE WEATHER.

## Forecasts.

Maritime—Strong winds and gales, shifting to westward, snow and rain, then clearing.  
Washington, Dec. 15.—Northern New England—Snow Saturday, colder in extreme East Maine. Sunday fair; severe north and northwest gales.

Toronto, Dec. 15.—Local snow flurries have occurred in nearly all the provinces, but the weather has been mostly fair; quite cold from Manitoba eastward and milder farther west. A fairly important disturbance is centered tonight near Nantucket, indicating stormy conditions for the Maritime Provinces.

## Temperatures.

	Min.	Max.
Prince Rupert	38	44
Victoria	32	44
Vancouver	30	36
Kamloops	16	28
Calgary	24	40
Edmonton	24	36
Battleford	6	32
Prince Albert	6	16
Saskatoon	*2	29
Moose Jaw	2	26
Regina	*13	24
Pon. Arthur	*8	*2
Parry Sound	6	16
London	*4	14
Toronto	9	16
Kingston	5	24
Ottawa	*8	12
Montreal	10	16
Quebec	6	18
St. John	6	28
Halifax	10	32
—Below zero.		

## Around the City

MCMILLAN'S STORE  
will be open this evening.

## Colored Deserters.

The two colored men arrested a few days ago for deserting from the Construction Corps training in Truro, were taken to that town yesterday morning by a military guard.

## Convicts To Dorchester.

The three seamen who were found guilty of robbing the parcel post on one of the steamships in port were taken to Dorchester penitentiary yesterday to serve a three years' sentence.

## Endorse Children's Aid.

The Brotherhood of the German street Baptist church in session last evening placed themselves on record as being heartily in sympathy with the objects of the Children's Aid Society. This winter the members of the brotherhood will devote their activities to assisting the society in the performance of its work and in securing from the legislature the necessary legislation for making effective the plans of the society. E. L. Rising presided at the meeting last evening which was largely attended. Reports of committees were also presented at the meeting.

## The Enemy Samples Exhibit.

The attendance at the enemy samples exhibit yesterday was all that could be desired and a number of the manufacturers from other points in the province were present looking over the goods on exhibition and studying them very closely. The small metal wares and the textiles have come in for the most attention here and no doubt there will be satisfactory results from the exhibit. Today will be the last opportunity to view this exhibit and all those in any way interested in the expansion of Canadian trade and manufacturing are urged to attend if they have not already done so.

## For Patriotic Purposes.

The Acadia Concert Company—a number of young ladies from Wolfville—will hold a concert in St. David's hall on Tuesday next, for the purpose of helping the Red Cross funds. They will be assisted by Miss Blenda Thompson and Walter Pidgeon. This entertainment which consists of a one act playlet, "Maker of Dreams," and a number of musical selections, made a big hit in Wolfville, and is sure to please the most critical audience, and as the funds will be devoted to a worthy cause a big attendance is looked for.

## Will Rebuild at Grand Bay.

Arrangements have been concluded for the rebuilding of the foundry of the Thompson Manufacturing Co. at Grand Bay, which was destroyed by fire a few weeks ago. This fire came at a very bad time for the company, as they had a lot of orders to be filled, but they hope to soon be in a position to resume operations in full, and it is their intention to add to the plant in the near future. Their goods have become known all over Canada and have found a ready market wherever they have been introduced.

Fine line of Christmas Candies to be found in the city at The Chocolate Shop, 26-28 Charlotte street. Also afternoon tea and luncheon at all hours.

Hunt's, the store of a thousand gifts, Call and see the greatest array of gifts for men and boys we have ever shown. Store open this evening till 11 o'clock, 17-19 Charlotte street.

Back Page Local street of the Read Levine's advt. on Page 7.

For Shaving Sets, Shaving Brushes, and Razors of all kinds go to The Rexall Store, 100 King street.

RECOMMEND  
INSPECTION  
OF SIDINGSLT. BIGGAR  
IS LEAVING  
ST. JOHNELEVEN MEN  
SIGNED ROLL  
YESTERDAY

Jury in Richardson Inquest  
Brought in Verdict of Accidental Death and Urged  
More Rigid Inspection of Sidings.

The jury brought in the following verdict in the Richardson case last night:

"We the jury appointed to inquire into the death of James F. Richardson, find that deceased came to his death on December 11, 1916, between the hours of 1.20 and 1.50 p. m., at the present site of the Maritime Nail Co. siding. Deceased came to his death by being crushed between the flat car loaded with wire and the irregular projection of said siding, while in the discharge of his duty as brakeman in the employ of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

"We the jury recommend a more rigid inspection of sidings in the future."

Signed—L. H. Thorne, foreman; Charles Haines, T. E. Robinson, Chas. McConnell, W. Roy Giggay, A. McArthur, Robert Butler.

The inquiry opened in the court house at eight o'clock. The C. P. R. was represented by Weldon & McLean, and J. MacMillan Trueman was present in the interests of the family of the deceased. The coroner reviewed the steps already taken in the place of the accident had been visited, a demonstration of how it occurred had been given and the body viewed.

The first witness examined was Samuel S. Earle, teamster for the Maritime Nail Co., who was on the platform when the deceased jumped down between the platform and the car. The cars had been shunted in, the cut had been made and the cars started to move. Mr. Richardson picked up a piece of plank and threw it down to check the wheels and then threw down a second piece. He did not stop the car and he jumped down between the platform and cars. At this time witness turned and walked away. He did not see the man caught. He did not consider the cars were shunted at any faster speed than usual. He placed the time of the accident between one and three o'clock. J. M. Trueman asked what had happened if the car had not stopped. The witness said it had stopped. The witness said it would not stop at a bumper.

Murray McCutcheon, assistant to the general manager of the Maritime Nail Co., was the second witness. The first he knew of the accident was when a man came in and telephoned to the C. P. R. about it. This was about 1.45. He went to the siding and saw the man between the cars and the platform. He had seen cars shunted in and would say that they moved about as fast as a man would walk.

Thomas McMurray, who was doing some work around the Maritime Nail Co. warehouse went up to the platform and helped to take up planks in order to get the body out. He had noticed that the planks were sticking out at the place where deceased was caught.

George McGovern, watchman at the Portland street crossing, had not seen the accident. He had seen cars shunted in there a number of times and had not seen them put in as fast as a man would walk. He would not consider there was danger of the cars breaking the bumper.

David H. Ryan, assistant superintendent of the C. P. R. said the siding in question was owned by the Maritime Nail Co., but built under the supervision of the C. P. R. These sidings were supposed to be built to a standard and he would judge that this one had been built to standard, but it was not so today. He did not know of anything in the line of his duty which would call for deceased being down between the cars and the platform.

The answer to Juror Thorne, Mr. Ryan said he would judge the flat car was seven or eight inches wider than the box car. The person who could say why the accident had occurred was the man who was killed. He should have been acquainted with the conditions existing there.

Mr. Trueman asked if the deceased was not justified in expecting that conditions there would be standard, and if this was not the first time Mr. Richardson had worked at this siding? Mr. Ryan did not know.

Dr. F. T. Dunlop, who performed the autopsy, found that death was due to rupture of the internal organs caused by pressure.

George H. Brown, engineer on the engine in the day in question, had not seen the accident. He had got the usual signals and supposed every thing was all right.

Robert Currie, fireman on the engine, had been busy with his fire at the time of the accident.

William N. Campbell, yard foreman, and William A. Hipwell, brakeman, on the day in question, did not see the accident. They did not know of any reason why the deceased should have been down between the cars and the platform.

The jury then retired and after an absence of more than an hour returned a verdict as stated in the opening paragraphs of this article.

Kodaks and Brownie Cameras, \$1.25 to \$2.00, at The Rexall Store, 100 King street.

Son of General Biggar who  
Held Local Post Joins the  
Engineers.

Recruiting More Active than  
on Any Day for Past Two  
Weeks—Military Notes.

Lieut. A. L. Biggar who for the past eight months has been the efficient officer in charge of supply and transport in this section, has been transferred to the Canadian Engineers and will leave the city on Thursday next for the training depot of the unit at Saint John's, Quebec. The young officer is a son of General Biggar of Ottawa, one of Canada's leading military men, and at present the director general of supply and transport for the Dominion. Lieut. Biggar since coming to Saint John has made a large circle of friends who will be interested in the announcement of his transfer. He succeeded Lieut. Patterson at his local post. His own successor will be Lieut. G. H. Russell who has been stationed at Sussex for some time past.

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## SKATES

## Popular Seasonable

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Hockey, "Scots,"	2.20
Hockey, "Regal," Featherweight	5.50
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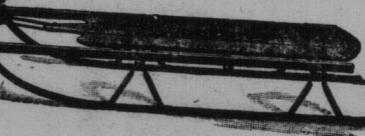
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WEATHER—FAIR

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## FINE NEW INSTITUTION THAT IS LIKELY TO PROVE AN ADVANTAGE TO CITY'S BOYS AND YOUNG MEN

### YOUNG MEN'S CATHOLIC INSTITUTE HAS COMMODIOUS BUILDING WHICH WILL BE OPENED BEFORE NEW YEAR

With Fine Up-to-date Gymnasium, Swimming Pool, Shower Baths, Bowling Alleys, Reading and Billiard Rooms it Will Practically Afford Club Privileges to Its Members.—Makes Noteworthy Addition to Existing Plant for Social Work Among St. John's Young Men.

Ever since the first stone was placed in the foundation of the Catholic Young Men's Institute on Cliff street, the young men as well as the boys of the city having been looking forward with keen anticipation to the time when the institution would throw its doors open. In the fall of 1915 the first step was taken for the erection of this splendid building. It was then that the work of excavation was commenced. From that time until October 26th last, when the organization meeting took place the construction proceeded without one moment being lost, with the result that in a few weeks many of the men of the city will have the pleasure of spending a part of their time in one of the best physical and educational institutions east of Montreal.

The impressive looking structure, of which R. A. Frechette of Moncton was the architect, has a frontage of 120 feet. The depth of the building is 75 feet. The building is two stories high, and the lines of construction throughout carry the idea of solidity and simplicity, yet graceful and imposing. The architectural design is Gothic. This singular and beautiful style of architecture could not be shown to any better advantage than with the material which has been used in the construction of the institute. It is of cream tapestry brick presenting a smooth unbroken surface from the foundation to the roof. Messrs. John Flood are responsible for the erection of the building, and the completed structure speaks volumes for the efficiency of the contractors.

The accompanying picture will give the reader an idea of the building. It will be noticed that the large windows on the first and second floors practically form a solid glass front, thereby furnishing the interior with an abundance of light and sunshine. Every detail has been attended to and His Lordship Bishop LeBlanc, who first conceived the idea, as well as the clergy and laymen have shown a deep interest in the work of the institution.

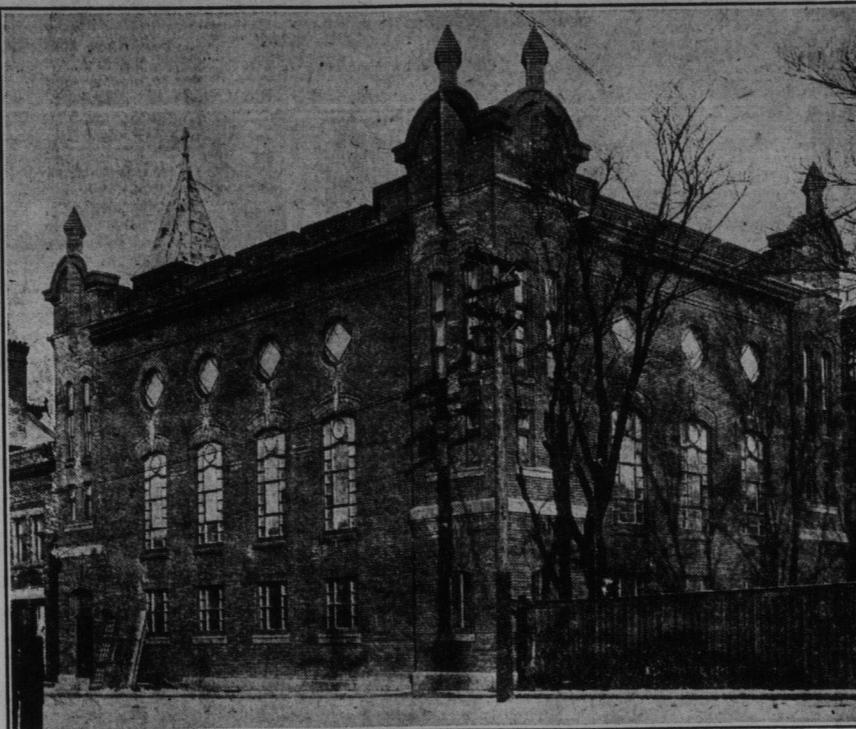
Over the door, the high power incandescent lamp enclosed in white globe, on which the initials Y. M. C. I. can be seen, marks the entrance to the building. Once over the threshold the same simplicity and impressiveness which characterize the exterior are made manifest. The bright spacious lobbies, the large airy rooms, and the effective decorative scheme, contribute to make the interior beautiful. Further distinguishing features are the amount of illumination provided for the physical strength of the participants. All the apparatus used in the "gym" has been purchased direct from the Harold A. Wilson Company, Ltd., of Toronto. Yesterday the workmen under the supervision of Director George McGee of Boston were busily engaged in making the necessary preparations for the installation of the apparatus.

#### A Splendid Swimming Pool.

Visitors and members will be furnished with information as well as instructions by the secretary, who will occupy the registration office, situated on the left side of the lobby. Directly opposite is the entrance to the swimming pool, which will probably be used as much by the business men of the city as by the younger set. The water surface covers an area of 1,260 square feet. It is tiled throughout in half inch tiles of three colors, green, white and brown. A change is observable in the construction of the pool. Instead of the water being carried back to the tank, as it drips from the swimmer, a gutter has been made running around the interior of the tank, about three inches from the top, which carries away the water. This gutter also acts as a hand rail for the frequenters of the pool to pull themselves up from the water with. The depth of the pool ranges from four to ten feet. The different depths are inserted in the tiling on both sides of the pool. In this way one can readily ascertain the depth of the water. This is a safety measure which will be of great assistance to swimmers. And it will be of special interest to those who are just learning the art.

Pinned in heavy Quebec marble and standing to the left of the pool are the shower baths. These are four in number, and are enclosed on the sides with marble. The mode of spray is that of the improved tumbler mixer, and the regulation of the water is controlled by one lever, which works on the same principle as the lever on an elevator. At the rear of the baths, in an adjoining department are installed the furnaces.

At the end of the room are the steel dressing lockers and box lockers furnish a new system of accommodation



YOUNG MEN'S CATHOLIC INSTITUTE

and will conveniently contain all the fixtures when not in use.

**Well Equipped Kitchen.**  
Near the gymnasium is situated a completely furnished kitchen. This will assist the auxiliary when entertaining the members of the association at a supper or banquet. The kitchen equipped with hot and cold water, a gas cooking range as well as lockers for dishes and pantry room. The kitchen is also 10 x 30.

#### Assembly Hall to Seat 600.

The seating capacity of the assembly hall is estimated at 600, but in case of emergency accommodation is required for a larger number, the billiard room can be included with the doors folded back, making the length of the hall fully 31 feet. This auditorium will be used for entertainment and educational purposes. It is understood that the members of the class intend to form a dramatic class, and if such is the case, no better place could be obtained in the city for amateur production. The same high ceiling and brilliant illumination is featured here, excepting that the lights are suspended by heavy metal chains.

#### Billiard Rooms.

At the end of the assembly hall, and facing Cliff street is the recreation room for the senior members. Accommodation has been provided for no less than three tables. They will be installed shortly, in order that the room will be readiness for the opening night, which is to be during the week between Christmas and New Year's.

The billiard room will be equipped with the latest scoring board as well as the "never-lose" chalk system. The tables will be placed in such a position that the light will fall evenly on all the tables. A settee will also be placed in the billiard room for spectators. This form of amusement has always been very popular among the young men of the city, and several members of the institute have gained prominence as pool and billiard room, hence interesting matches are expected to be played this winter at the institute.

At the left of the billiard room is the reading and writing room. This room is of the same dimensions as the billiard room. Reading racks containing the daily papers, as well as interesting weekly and periodical publications will be always found for perusal. Special lamps have been carefully selected for use in the reading room, so as not to affect the readers' eyesight.

#### Sure to be Success.

The gymnasium is practically and brilliantly illuminated by means of no less than seventy-two exceptionally large incandescent lights. These are systematically arranged on the panelled ceiling so as to provide the largest amount of light possible. In each section formed by the finished panels there is situated a cluster of lights, enclosed in a frosted globe and this is in turn encased in a wire mask, as a protection against the miscalculated "bump" from the basketball. On each panel are twenty-four lights, set at equal distance apart. All the wiring has been concealed, giving the ceiling a very attractive appearance. The electrical work has been done by Messrs. Driscoll and Mackie.

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## RELIEF FOR THE WESTERN COAL SUPPLY

Important Judgment Delivered by Railway Board Yesterday.

#### Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Dec. 14.—In a judgment of the railway board issued today the new and important principle is laid down, that the railways responsible for carrying coal to the consumers of the west must move this important commodity, not only over their own originating lines of railway, but also to points on other lines. The judgment declares that cars must be supplied for delivery to points on other lines to the full extent cars are available.

#### Where Duty is Thrown.

In all cases where transfer at the junction point results in the line on which the traffic originates obliging long haul, the duty is thrown upon that line to supply the cars. In cases where the long haul is enjoyed by the receiving line, that line must supply the cars. In cases where the line that ought to supply the cars, under these principles, is unable to supply them, then the other line shall supply them, but shall be paid by the line in default a per diem charge of \$1.25 instead of the usual per diem of 45 cents. No addition may be made to any existing freight rate to cover the additional per diem charge.

It is believed that the effect of the judgment which upsets previous judgments given by the board in the past will tend to relieve the existing coal scarcity in the west, which is described in the finding of the board as "acute."

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#### The New Director.

The directors were very fortunate in securing the services of George McGee of Boston as physical director. Mr. McGee has had a broad and varied experience in boys' work. For five years he was associated with Messrs. McCann of Boston, during which time he gained a thorough knowledge of the work. He has been in the city for some time attending personally to the installation of the bowling alleys and gymnasium. He possesses a pleasing personality and should prove a valuable instructor.

The price of membership will depend upon the age and class the applicant proposes to attend. \$1.25 is the fee for the school boys. This will entitle

them to the use of any part of the building with one exception. They will not be admitted to use the bowling alleys. On Wednesday and Saturday physical classes will be held for the school children.

The Juniors, besides being allowed the use of the institute, will have two classes each week in the evenings, Tuesday and Thursday. The price of membership in this class is \$2.50.

Seniors will have the privilege of three physical classes which will be held on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings.

Senior membership cards will cost \$5.00. There will be another class to be known as the general; the cost of membership in this is \$3.00. A feature of the institute is the opportunity it furnishes for the business man, who, after being confined to the store or office all day, is greatly in need of recreation and exercise. Each evening as soon as the floor is clear at 5 o'clock the business men will hold their class. In addition to this, every evening after the seniors are through, an hour will be devoted to the men. And on every Saturday from 4 to 6 o'clock a physical class will be held for the business men.

**Classes and Fees.**

A summary of the different classes and fees:

School boys, \$1.25, Wednesday and Saturday.

Juniors, \$2.50, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Intermediates, \$3.00, class days not decided.

Seniors, \$5.00, Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, (evenings.)

Business men, \$10.00, from 5-6 every day in the week, from 4-6 on Saturday and one hour each night after the senior class.

**The Officers.**

J. H. Coholan, who was the unanimous choice of the managing committee for the office of general secretary, has already entered upon his new duties of office and is very much attached to the work. Mr. Coholan is well known throughout the province as a scholar and student and is admirably qualified to fill the office of general secretary.

The officers for the ensuing year are as follows: President, John Keeffe;

vice-president, Judge H. O. McInerney; secretary, T. M. Burns; treasurer, Thomas Nagle. The members of the executive are all known throughout the city for their sound business judgment.

The governing board consists of

Messrs. R. O'Brien, John O'Regan, J.

F. Owens, Joseph Harrington and T.

M. Burns, who will hold office for three years; John Keeffe, Joseph Dwyer, George Cunningham, Thomas Nade and John McGowan, who will serve for two years; Ernest Harrington, Dr. L. Fleming, Judge H. O. McInerney, Alfred Dever and J. H. Colohan, who will serve for one year.

**500 Applications Received Already.**

Already over 500 applications have

been received by the secretary from the different ages throughout the city. Of this number 200 have already been presented with their membership cards. Measured by the number of inquiries received by the secretary numerically, the institute is now practically a going concern. It is the intention of the directors to have a general opening night some time within

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## ANGLICANS WILL OBSERVE DEC. 31 AS WAR DAY

Lord Bishop of Fredericton Issues Pastoral Letter to Priests of Diocese Calling for Day of "Prayer of Thanksgiving and of Resolve."

Last Sunday of Year Will be Marked by Special Observances in Church of England in Canada and Throughout the World.

Sunday, Dec. 31, will be observed in the Church of England in Canada as a special day "of prayer and thanksgiving and of resolve" in connection with the war.

His Lordship, the Bishop of Fredericton, has issued the following pastoral letter to the priests of the diocese:

"My Dear Brothers—in accordance with the action taken by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York with regard to the cathedrals and parochial churches of the motherland, the Priests ask the Church of England in Canada to observe Sunday, December 31 next, as a special day 'of prayer, of thanksgiving, and of resolve,' in connection with that war, hope therefore that this will be done in every parish in the diocese, keeping in mind the three suggested purposes to which I have referred above. Prayer is needed—prayer for ourselves as a nation, and as individuals—prayer for the sailors and soldiers who have gone forth to fight—and prayer on behalf of all those to whom the war has brought suffering and sorrow. Thanksgiving, too, is needed—thanksgiving for the protection that has been afforded us, and for the devotion that has been shown by so many men and women in the cause of truth and honor. And resolve, too, is needed—to solve that in the face of every difficulty and discouragement we shall not fail to do our duty. Let us then, make these three thoughts the keynotes of our services on the last Sunday of the year.

"It is not necessary, I think, to issue any further forms of service. You are at liberty to make wise use of such forms as are already in your hands, and which have been set forth by authority either in Canada or in the motherland.

"Affectionately yours,

"JOHN FREDERICKTON."

## IMPERIAL OIL CO. ANNOUNCES BONUS

Several Thousand Employees of Corporation From Atlantic to Pacific Will Benefit.

A large number of commercial and financial organizations are issuing year-end statements to their employees announcing special rewards for faithful service during an unusually strenuous and arduous year. In adopting this policy corporation heads are recognizing the fact that conditions, being abnormal, are unlikely to be permanent and that for the time being the existence of high prices for practically all the necessities of life have greatly increased. Some of the banks are graduating the amount of bonus paid to their employees so that the maximum of benefit will go to married men who are in the lower grades of the general secretary.

The largest commercial organization to announce such benefits is The Imperial Oil Company, Limited, the Directors of which have decided to grant for the year 1916 to all employees of one year or more service (engaged on a monthly basis) one month's salary; and to all similar employees in the service for a period of from six months to a year, a bonus of a fortnight's salary. These gifts will be payable to several thousand employees from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

A very large proportion of the Imperial Oil payroll represents the share-holders of the company. A year ago the opportunity was offered to every employee to invest in its stock on exceedingly advantageous terms, and to the large number who accepted the offer the investment has proved unusually lucrative.

London, Dec. 14 (4:40 p.m.)—In the House of Commons today Thomas McNamara, financial under-secretary for the admiralty, announced that the Admiralty had under earnest consideration the matter of arming merchant ships.

## CAMPAIGN FOR A DRY DOMINION

Ottawa, Dec. 14.—An organization to be known as the Dominion Prohibition Committee was the outcome of a conference of temperance leaders from every province in Canada held here today. The committee's objects will be the aggressive prosecution of a campaign for a dry Canada.

Mr. Justice E. Lafontaine, of Montreal, was chosen president of an executive of 24 members.

The conference adopted a resolution urging the Dominion government to enact, as a war measure, a law prohibiting the manufacture of intoxicating liquors for beverage purposes in Canada, and prohibiting the importation of the same from any other country.

## ADMIRALTY MAY ARM MERCHANT VESSELS

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## Correspondents' Corner

## SHEDIAC

Shediac, N. B., Dec. 14—Cold weather has struck in the past few days.

Owing to Tuesday afternoon being stormy the attendance of the Red Cross Society was small and it was decided to postpone the business meeting until later. The society is pleased to receive Mrs. R. C. Tait as a life member. A tea and sale of Christmas cooking will be held on Saturday, the 16th inst, from three to six, in Tipperary Hall.

Miss Beatrice Harper is the guest of friends in Moncton.

Some Yule-Tide Hints  
Useful Gifts are Especially Popular This Year

You need scarcely be told that practical remembrances for Christmas are, this year, more than ever favored.

A visit to the various departments of our establishment, where the Holiday displays are now complete, will reveal to you many suitable gift suggestions, only a few of which we can mention here.

## Nickel and Copper Tableware.

Coffee Percolators, nickel, at \$2.50, \$4.35, \$5.00. \$5.60, \$9.00.

Coffee Machines, nickelled . . . . . \$8.75 to \$16.00

Coffee Machines, copper . . . . . \$7.40 to \$13.00

Electric Coffee Percolators . . . . . \$9.00 and \$10.00

Electric Coffee Machines . . . . . \$12.50 to \$15.85

Electric Coffee Machines, copper . . . . . \$13.40

Coffee Machine Sets, consisting of Coffee Machine, Tray, Sugar, Cream, Coaster . . . . . \$3.00

Also Nickelled Coffee Pots, Hot Water Kettles, Chafing Dishes, Serving Trays, Crumb Trays, etc., in many sizes and patterns.

## HOUSEHOLD DEPARTMENT—FIRST FLOOR.



## Flashlights.

A Full Line of Famous "Eveready" Flashlights, including Tubular Lights from \$1.05 to \$4.50. Vest and Coat Pocket Lights from \$6.00 to \$1.65. Fountain Pen Lights \$1.10. Pistol Lights, \$1.65. House Lamps, \$2.50 and \$3.00. Cap and Lapel Lights, \$6.00. "Eveready" Candle, \$1.15. Railway Lanterns, \$3.25. General Utility Lanterns, \$4.00 and \$6.25.

ELECTRIC CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTS, Attractive, safe, economical—8 Lights, \$4.00; 16 Lights, \$8.00. These do away with fire risk.

## Vacuum Bottles.

These are of the Famous Universal Brand, and offer all the advantages of more expensive vacuum bottles, besides exclusive patented features, at MODERATE PRICES:

In Brown Enamel Finish, Pints \$2.00; Quarts, \$3.50

In Green Enamel Finish, Pints, \$2.50; Quarts, \$4.00

Corrugated Green Enamel, Pints, \$2.75; Quarts, \$4.25

Corrugated Nickel . . . . . Pints, \$3.00; Quarts, \$4.50

Plain Nickel . . . . . Pints, \$3.50; Quarts, \$5.00

Universal Lunch Boxes, complete with Vacuum Bottle . . . . . \$3.50 to \$5.00

Refills for all Universal Vacuum Bottles are kept constantly on hand.

## SPORTING DEPARTMENT—SECOND FLOOR.

ONLY TWO MORE DAYS  
For Our Special Wear-Ever  
Aluminum Sauceman Sale  
\$1.35 Value for 79¢  
Get Yours TodayW. H. THORNE & CO., LTD.  
Market Square — King Street

among Shediac people recently in Moncton.

The large circle of friends of Capt. Allan Harper, who was recently dangerously wounded in France and has been transferred from the clearing station in Rouen to one of the hospitals in England, are glad to know that the latest cable concerning him says he is progressing favorably.

Mrs. Geo. A. White, the Misses Weston, Mrs. H. W. Murray and Miss B. Wortman were in Moncton during the week.

Mrs. E. Mugridge spent part of the week in Amherst, N. S.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Terry of Truro, N. S., are guests of friends in town.

The Ladies' Aid of the Methodist church will meet this week at the parsonage when Mrs. Turner will be hostess.

Overseas mail this week conveyed the season's greetings to home friends from the boys in England. "Where in France?" and "elsewhere who are nobly doing their bit" for their King and country.

The S. S. Northumberland is still running between P. E. I. and Port du Chene and enormous quantities of freight arrive daily from the Garden of the Gulf.

## NEWCASTLE

Newcastle, Dec. 12—Miss Annie Bamford, late matron of the Miramichi Hospital, returned to her home in Blissfield Saturday. Three new nurses, Miss Curtis of Michigan; Miss Haines of Moncton and Miss Macdonald of Chatham, have been lately taken on the staff. Miss Curtis has been accepted for overseas. The new matron, Mrs. Mabel Richards of Fredericton, is expected Monday.

Before going away several social gatherings were held in honor of Miss Bamford, who was much liked.

Mr. Ernest Hutchinson of Douglastown is also better after a few days illness.

Mrs. Rachael E. Stearns, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Appleby of Nelson, N. B., died at her home in Boston Dec. 4th. She leaves her husband, Paul Stearns, three children, seven sisters and one brother.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Drillon have received word from their son, Pte. Elwyn W. F. Drillon, that he has recovered from his wounds received in the big battle of June 2nd, and is back in France again.

D. J. Buckley and J. A. Rundle visited St. John this week.

Jack Crocker of Nelson, left on Monday night to join an Army Service Corps at Toronto.

J. E. Andrews, manager of the Royal Bank, of Grand Falls, recently of Newcastle, has been transferred to Guyton, N. S., and is succeeded by J. P. McKendy, also recently of Newcastle branch.

Mrs. Patrick Keough of Blackville, was in town this weekend attending the funeral of her brother, Mr. John Jarde.

Rev. Father Crumley of Blackville, was in town Tuesday, also Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Brown of Millerton.

Mrs. Masson Betts and children of Campbellton are visiting Newcastle friends.

Mrs. Laurence Brooks and daughter Lillian have returned from a short visit to Campbellton.

Mrs. Emily Price and Miss May Price, who have been spending the summer with Mrs. Price's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Miller, Sr., have returned this week to MacLeod, Alta.

Mrs. Nicholas Power of New York, spent the summer with her sister, Mrs. J. Kelly of Douglastown, and returned to her home this week.

## SUSSEX

Sussex, Dec. 15—Mr. Roy Davis, St. John, spent the weekend in town with his father Mr. C. D. Davis, Church Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Garfield White were visitors to St. John Monday.

Mr. Jack Ferguson was the hostess at a most enjoyable thimble party on Tuesday evening.

Mr. Thomas McDonald left for St. John this week, where he has accepted a position. Mrs. McDonald will remain in Sussex for the present.

Miss Ada Cripps was a visitor to St. John this week.

Mrs. Capt. Harry Black has arrived safely in England. She left Sussex about three weeks ago, and sailed on the Sicilian from Montreal.

Mrs. Seeley, St. John, was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. George Hoyt,

among Pleasant Ave., over last Sunday.

Miss Myrtle Harry, Moncton, spent the weekend with friends in Sussex.

Miss Parkin of Parkdale, is the guest of Mrs. L. H. DeMille.

Mrs. W. G. Asbell and son Tilley Asbell, were in St. John on Monday.

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## HARCOURT

Harcourt, Dec. 11.—Rev. Mr. Rowlands, of Millerton, was the guest on Monday and Tuesday of Rev. Chas. and Miss Stebbings.

Mrs. R. H. Miller and Miss Reta returned to Chipman on Friday. They were accompanied as far as Moncton by Mrs. Miller's mother, Mrs. L. J. Wathen.

Mrs. R. W. Anglin, of Windsor, N. S., visited her father, Mr. J. N. Wathen last week, returning home on Friday.

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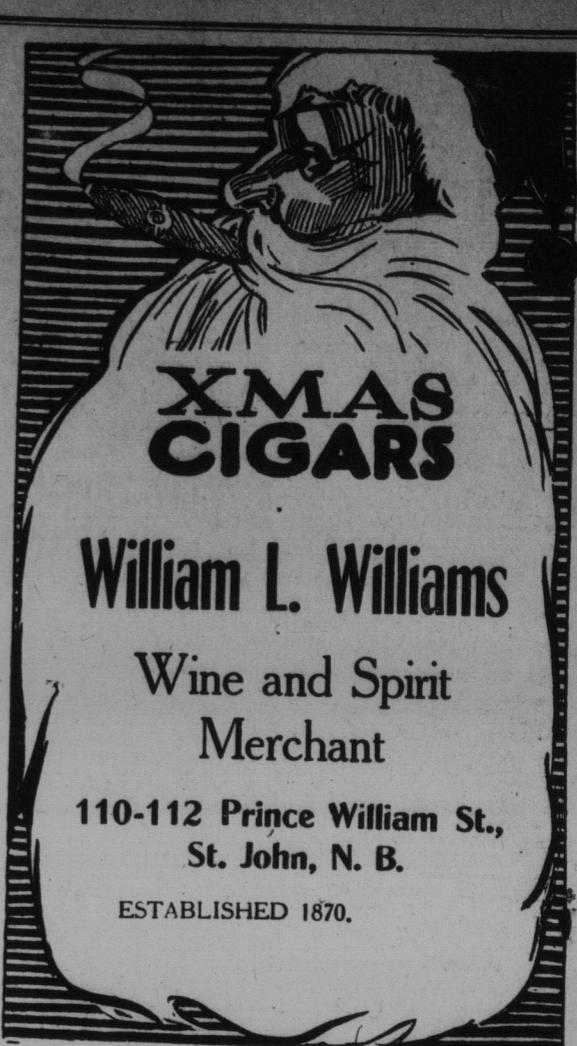
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## XMAS CIGARS

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Wine and Spirit Merchant110-112 Prince William St.,  
St. John, N. B.

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## Christmas Cheer

The proper spirit to enjoy the Yule-tide season with, is the old time favorite

## Whyte &amp; Mackay's

## Scotch

The moderate use of which is beneficial to all, fosters the spirit of hospitality and promotes good fellowship.

At all dealers.

## For Christmas Entertaining

Help your guests with the highest type of Scotch procurable.

## Robt. Brown's Four Crown

From all dealers or

# NEWS AND COMMENT FROM THE FINANCIAL WORLD

## LET UP IN STOCK MARKET LIQUIDATION

## MONEY AND THE GREAT WORLD-CONFLICT

Feeling in New York is That Position in Market Does Not Warrant Hope for Definite Rise in Prices Yet.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)  
New York, Dec. 15.—There was a let-up in the liquidating movement in the afternoon and a good recovery followed, which made up the morning's losses in some of the more active issues. Such a movement was natural after the most severe decline that had taken place in the market in many years. It remains to be seen, however, whether the technical position has enough improved to afford a basis for any continued upward movement.

This hardly seems likely as there are still many holders of stocks who are likely to sell on every good advance in fear of a repetition of the break on any renewal of peace talk. It is now generally believed that peace will not result from Germany's proposal but there may be renewed uncertainty as to the situation until Lloyd George or some other man of high authority among the Allies makes a definite statement of the Allies' position.

Lloyd George is now said to be improving in health and likely to be able to appear in the House of Commons next Tuesday as planned.

The government crop report showing much smaller yields in the final estimates than for the previous year, received little attention but business news, showing record present prosperity and excellent prospects, began to have some weight in the market. Although the crop yields are much lower, the value of the crops showed a large increase because of higher prices per bushel.

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### MONTREAL SALES

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.) Morning.

Montreal, Friday, Dec. 15th—  
Steamships Com.—70 @ 40, 600 @ 28, 50 @ 38½, 10 @ 33½.  
Steamships Pfd.—25 @ 90, 75 @ 89½, 35 @ 90½, 10 @ 90½.  
Steel Canada—50 @ 76½, 125 @ 75½, 260 @ 76, 5 @ 75½, 25 @ 75½, 5 @ 75½, 300 @ 74½, 460 @ 74½, 75 @ 74½, 125 @ 74½, 135 @ 74½, 50 @ 75, 50 @ 74½, 50 @ 73½, 10 @ 72½, 70 @ 72½, 280 @ 65, 115 @ 65½, 125 @ 64½, 60 @ 69.

Textile X. D.—10 @ 84½.

Can. Cement Pfd.—1 @ 93½.

Can. Cement Com.—10 @ 66½, 510 @ 66, 55 @ 65, 25 @ 65½, 85 @ 62, 125 @ 64, 75 @ 65½.

Dom. Iron Com.—1,450 @ 71, 30 @ 71½, 100 @ 70½, 300 @ 70½, 425 @ 70½, 50 @ 70½, 20 @ 70½, 60 @ 70½, 35 @ 70½, 100 @ 69½, 325 @ 70½, 50 @ 70½, 75 @ 69½, 450 @ 67, 405 @ 66½, 125 @ 66½, 100 @ 67, 1,075 @ 66½, 500 @ 67, 200 @ 70½, 575 @ 69, 25 @ 68½.

Civic Power—485 @ 80.

Dom. War Loan—1,300 @ 99, 2,500 @ 98½.

Smetting—25 @ 34½, 10 @ 34½, 200 @ 34½, 50 @ 33½, 50 @ 33½, 100 @ 34, 10 @ 33.

Laurier Pulp—5 @ 19½.

Riordan—75 @ 125, 200 @ 120, 50 @ 115, 120 @ 114.

General Electric X. D.—125 @ 112, 10 @ 113.

Maple Milling Co.—125 @ 105, 25 @ 105½, 25 @ 104.

Wayagamack—175 @ 95, 25 @ 94½, 75 @ 93.

Scotia—275 @ 130, 25 @ 127, 10 @ 126½, 120 @ 125, 125 @ 124½.

Quebec Ry.—25 @ 41½, 15 @ 42, 20 @ 41½, 25 @ 42, 175 @ 41.

Spanish River Com.—25 @ 17½, 45 @ 18, 75 @ 17½, 50 @ 17, 100 @ 16½, 100 @ 16½.

Dom. Bridge—175 @ 170, 125 @ 168, 75 @ 166, 25 @ 165½, 115 @ 160, 250 @ 164, 25 @ 166, 25 @ 163, 25 @ 164.

Tram Power—250 @ 41, 25 @ 40.

Brompton—335 @ 60, 250 @ 55, 50 @ 53, 50 @ 54.

Ames Holden Com.—40 @ 20½, 50 @ 20.

Afternoon.

Steel Canada—450 @ 69, 125 @ 69½, 69½ @ 68½, 45 @ 68½, 25 @ 67½.

Civic Power—550 @ 80, 25 @ 79½.

Dom. War Loan—2,500 @ 98½, 300 @ 98½, 1,200 @ 98½.

Can. Car Com.—50 @ 36.

Detroit United—30 @ 118, 25 @ 119½, 25 @ 119.

Smetting—20 @ 33½, 250 @ 34, 225 @ 35, 50 @ 34½.

Laurier Pulp—55 @ 198½, 50 @ 198.

Riordan—75 @ 115, 250 @ 117, 30 @ 116, 275 @ 120, 50 @ 121, 25 @ 126, 40 @ 125, 25 @ 128.

General Electric—13 @ 113.

Maple Milling Co.—35 @ 105½, 50 @ 106.

Wayagamack—75 @ 95.

Quebec Ry.—110 @ 41½, 60 @ 42.

Scotia—50 @ 126½, 50 @ 127, 25 @ 127½, 10 @ 127½.

Spanish River Com.—150 @ 16½.

155 @ 17.

Dom. Bridge—40 @ 169, 420 @ 170.

Tram Power—250 @ 40½, 125 @ 41, 100 @ 40½.

## ENORMOUS LIQUIDATION IN MONTREAL

Probably All Records Broken in Stock Market.—Heavy Losses and Violent Recoveries.

New York, Dec. 15.—The stock market underwent its third and most severe test of the week today, further serious intrusions being made upon prices during the first half of the session on another enormous selling wave. This condition was materially rectified in the later dealings, particularly in the final hour, a brisk rally, occasioned in part by hurried short covering, wiping out many losses and substituting some notable gains.

The uncertain state of the domestic situation in its relation to the Teutonic peace overtures was again made the weapon with which to depress prices in the forenoon. In well informed quarters, however, this was regarded as secondary in actual importance to the congested and over extended bull position denoted in the dealings of the preceding week.

War shares dropped.

War shares and affiliated issues were again the centre of attraction, while the liquidation was at its height, with extreme losses of five to ten points in leading munitions, equipments, metals, papers, Central Leather, Distillers Securities and Industrial Alcohol, while Bethlehem Steel was conspicuous for its gross decline of 47½ points to 52.

United States Steel bore the brunt of the early pressure in the extent of its offerings at an extreme concession of 4½ to 10½. Steel's contribution to the day's transactions was 600,000 shares, or about 25 per cent. of the total of 2,400,000 shares.

Except for moderate recessions in some of the granglers, rails offered stout resistance to the early weakness, advancing one to three points, common and preferred; Rock Island, the Pacifics and Coalers. The somewhat conflicting government crop report seemed to exercise little influence, despite the break in grains.

Little heed was paid to the further hardening of exchange rates on Berlin

## NEWS SUMMARY.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)  
New York, Dec. 15.—Federal Mining and Smelting quarter ending Oct. 31st, 1916, total net profits increased \$77,700 depreciation increased \$355,000, balance increased \$77,300.

Government's final crop report to day.

State Department announces that notes to Entente Powers have not gone forward as yet.

High officials in Russian foreign office says Germany's peace offer lack sincerity and is doomed to failure.

The National Bank of Commerce in New York, Corn Exchange Bank, Southern Pacific Co., Atlas Power Co. and other concerns grant bonuses to employees to offset high cost of living.

Gov. Harding of Federal Reserve Board in speech in Boston declares there was no intention to reflect upon the credit of any nation when reserve board issued its warning against foreign short term loans.

Despatch from Tokyo says Japan

will stand by her Allies in rejecting any peace offer that includes an anti-bellum state as its basis.

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and Vienna, the increased northern securities dividend or the prospects of another expansion of local money holdings.

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## CHICAGO PRODUCE.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)

Chicago, Dec. 15.—Wheat—No. 2 hard, nominal; No. 3 red, nominal; No. 2 hard, nominal; No. 3 hard, nominal; Corn—No. 2 yellow, nominal; No. 4 yellow, 88½ to 89½; No. 4 white, 89½ to 89½.

Oats—No. 3 white, 50 to 50%; standard, 50½ to 51.

Rye—No. 2, 136.

Barley—85 to 123.

Timothy—3.50 to 5.50.

Clover—12.00 to 17.00.

Pork—28.50.

Lard—16.80 to 16.85.

Ribbs—13.50 to 14.00.

Wheat.

High. Low. Close.

May ... 163 153½ 155½

July ... 139½ 131½ 132½

Sept. ... 150 142½ 142½

Dec. ... 150 142½ 142½

Corn.

High. Low. Close.

May ... 52 50 50½

July ... 49½ 48 48½

Sept. ... 48½ 46½ 46½

Pork.

High. Low. Close.

Jan. ... 27.35 27.00 27.05

Feb. ... 26.80 26.50 26.75

Oats.

High. Low. Close.

May ... 52 50 50½

July ... 49½ 48 48½

Sept. ... 48½ 46½ 46½

Dec. ... 46½ 45 45½

Winnipeg Wheat Close.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)

High. Low. Close.

Jan. ... 18.42 15.19 18.26

Mar. ... 18.71 18.45 18.54

May ... 18.92 18.65 18.74

July ... 18.94 18.67 18.75

Oct. ... 16.93 16.77 16.82

Winnipeg Wheat Close.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)

High. Low. Close.

May ... 10.86 10.86 10.86

July ... 10.86 10.86 10.86

Sept. ... 10.86 10.86 10.86

Dec. ... 10.86 10.86 10.86

## FORTUNES IN SHIPS

Scandinavia's Big Mercantile  
Pr. fits.

By The Daily Chronicle Special Cor-  
respondent, Lately in Scandinavia.

Huge fortunes have been made and  
continue to be made by the mercantile  
marine of Norway, Sweden and Den-  
mark—for the ships of Scandinavia  
are a potent factor for all the world  
in wartime. Sweden has profited much  
by her shipping, but the industries of  
Sweden are large and varied and her  
sea trading is not so dominant a feature  
as in Denmark and Norway. Norway  
has by far the largest fleet, pos-  
sessing about two and a half million  
of tonnage. Both Norway and Den-  
mark are on the western side of Scan-  
dinavia, and being mainly in posses-  
sion of a great carrying trade have

found the war a real boom time. In  
spite of certain handicaps big profits  
are accruing and enriching both coun-  
tries. An incidental result has been a  
speculation fever in shipping shares in  
both Christiania and Copenhagen, and  
in any narrative about shipping activi-  
ties a clear distinction must be drawn  
between gambling gains and losses (a  
domestic affair) and the profits  
brought into the two countries from  
outside by legitimate receipts from  
actual trading.

The world demand for carrying ships  
is producing the shipping profits for  
Scandinavia. It is not merely a question  
of trade between Scandinavia and  
Britain. For instance, Danish ships  
do a big business on the coast of Asia,  
and Norwegian ships trade between  
England and Spain, between the United  
States and West Indies, between Eng-  
land and America, between England

and France. They convey all sorts of  
things, food, coal, timber, paper, pulp  
and merchandise generally.

### Huge Rise in Freights

I asked one prominent shipowner for  
an illustration of the greater earnings  
and he gave me an example of freights.  
Before the war the charge for carrying a quarter of corn from  
America to Norway was 3s. 6d.; it is  
now 20s. Of course, he pointed out  
that the difference was not all profit  
to the shipowners. Insurance charges were enormous. "My  
ships trading between the Canary Is-  
lands and London used to cost for in-  
surance about £1,000 per year, which  
now costs £1,000 insurance for each voyage." He explained, too, the cost of coals,  
labor, and provisions had risen very  
greatly. Moreover, from the profits  
that were left the Government took  
about 50 per cent. in special taxation.  
Withal he admitted there were large  
gains.

Another shipowner showed how the  
sinking of vessels meant a very great  
loss. "We do not insure the full value  
of our ships because if we did the in-  
surance would take every farthing of  
our profits. That means, if we lose a  
ship insured for £80,000, to replace her  
costs £150,000." The present high  
cost of ships accounts for this. A  
tug steamer built 10 years ago at a  
cost of £10,000 will fetch today, de-  
spite her age £50,000.

These facts make clear the origin  
and continuance of the excited spec-  
ulation in shipping shares. The stock  
markets in Christiania and Copenhagen  
are in a fevered state. Prices of  
shipping shares have been inflated to  
a degree far in advance of their real  
value, large as are the current profits.  
Farmers, tradesmen, fishermen, pro-  
fessionals, all have been rushing to  
buy shares, most of them with the  
idea of selling at a profit. As a mat-  
ter of fact they have been selling at  
a profit—and so the inflation con-  
tinues. The manager of one big firm  
told me that the share of his busi-  
ness stood at 450. "We are having a  
prosperous time, but our shares are  
not worth a point more than 300. I  
tell people who come to me for ad-  
vice. They don't believe me. I  
think I have something to conceal."

### Gambling in Shipping Stock

An idea of the size of the specula-  
tion gamble may be obtained from the  
fact that before the war there were  
eight stockbrokers in Christiania; there  
are now 300. Many stories are  
current as to the extraordinary gains  
of individuals. The chairman of a bus-  
iness firm was asked on the telephone  
one morning if he knew a certain "Mr.  
Peter Anderson," who had given the  
firm as a reference in applying for  
£3,000 of shares in a new shipping  
company. The only "Mr. Peter Anderson"  
of whom the chairman had  
knowledge was the office boy, "Peter,"  
whose salary was about 10c. per week.  
He was summoned to the chairman's  
presence, and acknowledged that he  
had applied for the shares in question.  
"How dare you do this kind of thing,"  
said the chairman, "you haven't got  
£3,000?" "Oh, yes, I have," said the  
youth, producing a pocket-wallet filled  
with notes. They were his gains in  
small speculations up to that period.

I have indicated that this craze is  
a domestic affair, and that it con-  
cerns only the pockets of the Norwegians  
and Danes who are operating with  
each other, but there is one direction  
in which it may provide an avenue for  
a good deal of the war profits to leave  
the two countries. I take Norway as  
an example. Speculators have placed  
an order in America steamers amounting  
to 1,600,000 tons for delivery up to  
three years hence. They will have to  
be paid for at the present abnormally  
high rates for building. When they  
become available for use the war may  
be at an end and mercantile marine  
profits on a lower standard altogether.  
It is easy to foresee the crash that  
must ensue if this kind of procedure  
goes on.

The gambling is an excrecence of  
the genuine trade. The extra yearly  
shipping profits of Denmark at present  
are about five million pounds. The  
tonnage of Denmark is a quarter of  
that of Norway, and even taking into  
account the fact that the latter country  
has lost 10 per cent. of her fleet  
through German submarine activity,  
one may assume from the Danish fig-  
ures that she is from sixteen to eighteen  
million pounds a year better off  
by reason of her ships.

## MARKETING POTATOES

### Experimental Farm Notes

From the consumers' side, the ques-  
tion of marketing potatoes is of the  
greatest importance, especially so in  
years when the prices for this com-  
modity are advancing daily. The  
officers of the Experimental Farms re-  
cently had an opportunity of inspecting  
quantities of potatoes in the con-  
sumers' own cellars. The potatoes  
had been purchased in the ordinary  
way from small dealers. The condi-  
tion of the potatoes was most unsatis-  
factory. In three cases the amount of  
rot came up to 75 per cent. of the total  
quantity in storage. This rot was the  
common Late Blight rot, and certain-  
ly present when the potatoes were  
dug, and before shipping.

The consumer is helpless in such  
cases and rarely is there a way open  
to him for compensation. Nor is the  
small dealer to blame. The blame  
rests entirely with the shipper and the  
grower. In order that such losses  
may be avoided and the consumer be  
in a position to secure for his good  
money good potatoes that will keep  
over winter, it is necessary for the  
growers, on their part, to exercise  
more care in digging, sorting and  
handling potatoes. Late Blight is a  
preventable disease; every farmer  
should know this fact, since the Ex-  
perimental Farms system has made  
every effort to demonstrate on many  
farms in the country the effect of  
spraying, with results showing the  
production of sound crops, and an in-  
crease in yield amounting to some 90  
to 100 bushels per acre.

The sale of inferior potatoes is dis-  
honest, if not illegal at the present mo-  
ment. Farmers know from their own  
experience that storage rots cause  
great losses in their own cellars. It  
seems however, the general practice  
to dispose of an infected crop imme-  
diately and shift the losses from rot  
from the farmer to the consumer. The  
latter, however, has to pay the price  
of good potatoes.

In some instances, no doubt, the  
consumer is to blame by storing pota-  
toes (or other winter vegetables) in  
too warm cellars. Potatoes and similar  
vegetables must be stored in a cool place.  
They cannot stand frost, which causes a sweetish taste in pota-  
toes; but the temperature should  
never rise above 40 degrees Fahrenheit.  
Where such conditions are non-ex-  
istent it is better not to lay in a win-  
ter's supply, as losses are sure to re-  
sult.

Farmers are cautioned that the atti-  
tude of consumers will eventually re-  
sult in demanding grading of potatoes  
just like apples; and the farmer who  
does not control diseases in the field,  
will have all rotten or diseased pota-  
toes thrown on his hands. Diseased  
potatoes, when boiled, still make good  
stock food, it should be remembered. A  
letter or postal card addressed to the  
Publications Branch of the Department  
of Agriculture will bring by return  
mail all the required information  
relating to the growing of crops of po-  
tatoes free from disease.

### HARCOURT

Harcourt, Dec. 12—Mr. David John-  
son, who has been confined to the  
house owing to ill health, went to

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THE HOME  
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## NEWS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

THE MOVIES  
THE PLAYERS*Here are Related Facts and Fancies Concerning the Activities of Individuals and Organizations, the Home, Fashions and Other Matters.*

## SATURDAY'S POEM.

"The White Comrade" by Katherine Hale, a Canadian, (McCllland, Goodchild and Stewart) has been published in pamphlet form. It consists of one long poem and five short ones bearing on the thoughts of the war, all written in Katherine Hale's characteristic lyric and slightly elusive style. "The White Comrade" contains thoughts ascribed to a wounded Canadian soldier at Ypres. The idea of the poem can perhaps best be indicated by two quotations:

"And so my friends, this word I bring to you.  
Hot from the hell of conflict whence I come,  
Where life and death, binding men's spirits close  
Have sealed a certain knowledge on our souls.  
Christ has come back to earth in these great days,  
I, but a young Canadian, tell you this."

Then again:

Christ has come back to earth in these great days,  
He has come back, as in the centuries past

He suddenly appeared upon the streets

Of old Judean towns. Let people talk Of ancient creeds and dogmas as they will,

That helps not, hinders not, the vital truth

That one young man in his most ardent youth

So loved life, felt life, understood its laws,

So took pain to his heart, so took great love,

And knew that pain and love are always one.

And knew that death can be lived through life,

Till He commanded death, and death obeyed.

So comes the Comrade White, down silent pain.

He comes to woods and battlefields today.

(Sometimes I think he loves the woods the best)

And finds free souls flung skyward, glad to go.

Among the lonely and the pain-racked ones

He comes—not death at all, but radiant life,

Comes in the eyes of comrades, lives in hearts

That give all, taking nothing in return.  
He is a rumor and a far white light,  
He is the singing bird, the children's flute  
That called us wading forth to give our all.

The floating glad things of the buoyant air,

Young earth's warm children, music and delight,

Live in His eyes: those deathless azure eyes,

That smile upon the moment we thought hard,

And turn our sacrifice to kindling light.

They pass through radiant gates on whom He smiles.

## SOLDIERS' SOCKS.

Children Do Splendid Work For Field Comforts Association.

Mrs. W. C. Hawkins, president of the Associated Field Comforts, stated this morning that the school children of Hamilton had sent to the association through F. J. Howell, five hundred pairs of socks for the December shipment. Much pleasure was expressed, and through the Spectator Mrs. Hawkins wished to convey the thanks of the association.

—Hamilton Spectator.

Singapore had a big auction for the Patriotic Fund and according to the Singapore Daily Press "the sum of \$17,000 was raised—\$5,000 was given for the silver auctioneer's hammer."—Vancouver Daily News and Alvertiser.

Why Worry?

In addition to the rules of health and hygiene, Prof. Fisher told many people who want to live longer should avoid the hurry habit, should cultivate a religion of healthy mindedness, should learn to control their attention, should moderate their desires and should cultivate the habit of happiness.

"I know a very wise physician who prescribed to a business man worrying over his financial responsibilities that he start each day by saying over to himself for five minutes: 'I don't give a hang! I don't give a hang!'" Prof. Fisher concluded.

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"We don't give a hang! We won't give a hang!" —Vancouver World.

Women Crane Drivers.

Sheffield, Dec. 14.—Women crane-drivers are employed in a great steel works here. They wear masculine dress of chocolate brown with blue trimmings.

Patriotic Work of Christian Scientists.

Help! Soldiers Greatly—At the Christian Science War Relief Association's annual meeting Tuesday night, it was shown that \$3,189.20 was received and \$2,852.62 expended. Of this, \$1,507.22 was sent to Berne, Switzerland, to buy bread for prisoners of war in Germany, 4,526 articles of clothing and comforts were donated to the St. John Ambulance Association, and the Returned Soldiers' Convalescent Home. Much other relief work was done.

—Winnipeg Telegram.

NED IDEAS SEEN IN NEW YORK SHOPS.

Black satin shows signs of great popularity this winter for suits, dresses and coats, especially a most beautiful new variety introduced this season. This is unusually heavy and lustrous and is especially effective for the new coats.

A most beautiful new fabric is being shown for the first time this season, called "Velvour" and is nothing more nor less than a "de luxe" variety of the popular wool velour. It is an ideal fabric for the heavy coat, especially the motor coat.

The tam-o'-shanter crown has apparently settled down to a long season, as it is seen in every variety of hat and is made of every kind of material. Another shape destined to popularity is the stocking shaped crown, which looks coquettishly on the side and is usually finished with balsal or tassels of fur.

The new collars and fuchs are extremely lovely, white net having first place. This is beautifully embroidered in white and occasionally in colors.

Many new collars are seen of white flannel or broadcloth; especially on the ever popular blue serge dress.

The flared skirt is finally giving way to straighter lines again. The new skirt is fairly full, but hangs absolutely without a suspicion of flare.

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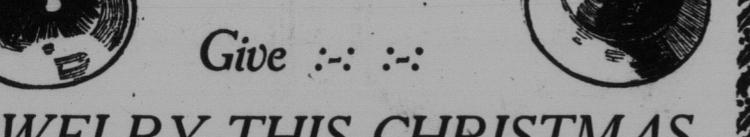
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There are lots of ways of being Martha. Search your own heart to find out whether you are one of them.

Old Gloves

The members of the Women's Canadian Club of Vancouver have just sent away another large shipment of old kid gloves, which will be used by the Glove Waistcoat Society of London to line waistcoats for the men at the front. It has been only four months or thereabouts since the club sent a shipment of 2000 pairs away and since then they have collected 700 pairs, which were shipped a few days ago. There was also a large bundle of fur in the last shipment. Some beautiful pieces of fur were received. Many of them could have been made over into wearable garments, but their owners evidently preferred to send them on, that they might be used to keep the men at the front warm during the cold winter days and nights they must spend in the trenches. The society to which the Canadian club has sent several shipments of gloves and furs, uses the pieces to line waistcoats for the soldiers.

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# In Pulpit and Pew

## BAPTIST

("British Weekly" Special.) Mr. Spurgeon was the grand spokesman of the aspiring journalist thirty years since. Fresh news items from the Metropolitan Tabernacle were always welcome. Though the great preacher's health began definitely to fail in 1887, he continued to draw enormous congregations. On one Sunday evening, as announced in our column over 2,000 persons were turned away. Visitors from many lands attended his Thursday meetings, when seats could be found without waiting. Some idea of Mr. Spurgeon's European position may be gathered from a letter sent by a Belgian gentleman in the autumn of this year. The writer had translated into the Serbian language a number of sermons from the Tabernacle pulpit. The Metropolitan of Serbia issued orders about that time that the priests of the Greek Orthodox churches throughout the country were to add preaching to the other duties of their office. The priests, many of whom were poorly educated and untrained in the art of public speech, would have been placed in an awkward position but for the kindness of the translator, who, with the consent of the Metropolitan, sent them copies of Mr. Spurgeon's sermons. These were read Sunday by in the village churches. Little did anyone imagine that thirty years later Britain and Serbia would be linked in that indissoluble bond "which binds the brave of all the earth."

The Rev. R. F. Guyton, of Kingston-on-Thames, who has recently received a commission in the Civil Service Rifles, is now undergoing a course of instruction at an Officers' Training Camp. He was at drill the other day and involuntarily overheard a conversation which interested him. The squad was standing at ease and the sergeant, who is a strict disciplinarian and not altogether restrained in his language, unbent a little and began to talk with some of the cadets. Mr. Guyton heard him remark, inter alia, "We get all sorts here. Why, I'm told we've even got a Baptist parson." Well, I daresay we shall find some use for him, as we haven't a chaplain here."

Resolution recently passed by the Providence Rhode Island Conference: Whereas, We, the members of the Baptist Ministers Conference of Providence, Rhode Island, and vicinity have learned through our denominational press of the protest of our esteemed brother, Rev. J. B. Gambrell, D.D., against the action of General Funston commanding United States armed forces on the Mexican border, refusing to allow preaching to the soldiers by Baptists unless under humiliating limitations of utterance destructive both of religious freedom and the integrity of the Gospel as a saving message to men, viz., that no Baptist might hold public religious services in the camps making religious appeal to the soldiers as "lost men," and,

Whereas, In the public protest of Dr. Gambrell we are informed that in the face of this ruling against Baptists, Roman Catholic and Episcopalian representatives have been allowed to hold religious services in the camps without interference by General Funston with the free expression of their beliefs, therefore,

Resolved, That we hereby record our firm and unalterable conviction that no military officer in command of United States forces has any right under the Constitution to censor the religious views of the men of his command nor to discriminate in granting permits for public worship against any accredited religious body, and,

Resolved, That we protest that the ruling of General Funston, as brought to the attention of our denomination by Dr. Gambrell, is in our judgment in direct violation of the spirit of the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States which forbids that Congress shall enact any law forbidding or furthering any form of religious belief, and,

Resolved, That we express to Dr. Gambrell our warm appreciation of his efforts to have an evangelical message uttered by Baptists in the camps of the United States Army, and express the hope that Baptists all over the land will rally to his support in his righteous contention that religious liberty be vouchsafed to all our citizens under arms.

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Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the President of the United States, the Secretary of War, and to each Representative and Senator of Rhode Island in Congress; also that a copy be sent to Rev. J. B. Gambrell, D.D., of Dallas, Texas; to the State Convention decided to launch a campaign for the erection of a great Baptist hospital. The Baptist hospital movement is becoming popular throughout the country.

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**From the Maritime Baptist.**  
Rev. E. A. Kelly, missionary at Rangoon, Burma, reached London November 15th on his homeward journey. He expects to spend Christmas with his wife at Syracuse, N. Y. Shortly after, he hopes to visit his native province. He was born at Collina, N. B. He was for some years pastor of the Lester Street church of this city. He will receive a warm welcome on his arrival here.

Rev. H. P. Everett has resigned his charge at Springfield, N. S. We regret to report that in this case, too, a good man is being lost, at least temporarily, to the work in these provinces. He has decided to accept the call extended to him by the church at Dartmouth, Man. Perhaps when he has had experience of the west he will decide that home fields are best and so may be induced to return to us.

A personal letter from Dr. MacDonal brings the information that he is still busily engaged in the office of the Director of Chaplain Service. He expected to leave London in a few hours after writing on a tour of hospital inspection, visiting Leicester, Sheffield, Manchester, Liverpool, and other places. In about a week he expected to be back again in the office in London. He writes that the Baptist chaplains from these provinces are all doing a high grade of service. Captain Parker has been off duty for about six months.

Rev. Perry J. Stackhouse is accomplishing things at the Tabernacle church, Utica, N. Y. During the past year eighty-three have united with the church. Pastor Stackhouse has been preaching a series of sermons on the Lord's Prayer, following the line of development made familiar by his book on this subject. A local paper says this, along with many other things, concerning him: "There's going to be a change in things. In fact we are in the midst of a change now. What the change will result in is for the people to determine. If you have not thought much on the subject of a new social order in Utica, it will stir your mind into action to hear this polemic little preacher expound his ideas. You may not agree with him, but he will give you a good argument."

**ANGLICAN**

**Archdeacon Raymond**

The Diocese of Fredericton met with a serious loss in the removal of the Venerable Archdeacon Raymond to Vancouver. So lone had he worked here that he seemed to be a vital part of the diocese. He was one of the few men who resisted all allurements to other fields across the border. He determined to remain among his own people. It is somewhat appalling to think of the work he accomplished of such a varied nature at Woodstock, N. B., Feb. 1853, when he was educated at the Woodstock Grammar school and at the University of New Brunswick. Here he graduated with honors in mathematics and science, and captured the Douglas gold medal in 1879. He took his M. A. degree in 1881, and his Alma Mater conferred upon him the honorary degree of LL. D. in 1901. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1879, and was rector of the parish of Stanley, N. B., until 1886. He did noble work, and did much for that large and important parish. Since that time he has been rector of St. Mary's church, St. John, and in 1899 the congregation presented him with a gold watch in recognition of his twenty-fifth anniversary of appointment as rector. His activities in the welfare of his city and province were marvelous. For years he was president of the Church of England Institute; Rector of the Deansery of St. John; president of the Sunday School Association; president of the Miramichi Branch of the Historical Society; Chaplain of the N. B. Loyalist Society; Chaplain of the Thistle Curling Club; deputy examiner for McGill University, as well as being Archdeacon of the Archdeaconry of St. John. He was formerly Lieutenant, commanding the Woodstock Field Battery; gazetted chaplain with honorary rank of captain, of the 3rd N. B. Regt. C. A., Feb. 1906; chaplain of the Champlain-de-Monts celebration in 1904. In 1906 he was made a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada.

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It is only possible in this brief sketch to give the bare outlines of Archdeacon Raymond's life. His work in connection with the Synod committee alone would fill a volume. Thereafter his form is no longer seen in the accustomed place. The words of Judge Sayre that he is "Worthy of a notable place among Canadians of distinction" is certainly true, and the people of St. John, as well as the whole of New Brunswick will more and more come to see the value of such a life in their midst. The members of the Anglican Church are naturally proud of Dr. Raymond. His good work, his nobleness of heart, and his kindly and sympathetic disposition are known to everyone, and all unite in wishing him renewed health, peace and happiness in the golden years of his life on the far off sunny slopes of the fair Pacific coast.

**The Rev. H. I. Lynds**

The Rev. H. I. Lynds was in St. John this week on his way to Lockport, N. Y., to take charge of his new parish there. He and Mrs. Lynds and their two little girls are spending a few days with friends at St. George, N. B., before proceeding on their way. The good wishes of their many friends go with them in their future home.

**Mission Funds**

Attention is again directed to the importance of all parishes making a determined effort to have all mission amounts handed in to the Diocesan treasurer before the close of the year. The Bishop in a recent appeal to the clergy says:

"Let me take this opportunity of saying one more word about the missionary funds. It is of the utmost importance that there should be as generous a response as possible this year. We are only too likely, I fear, to suffer from all subscription rates in several of our largest parishes, owing to the absence of their respective rectors at the time, and the consequent disturbance of parochial conditions. Will you, therefore, to your very best to see that all subscriptions are paid in at once, and that prompt returns are made by your respective parish treasurers? This applies also, of course, to the required contributions to the Board of Missions from the Aide-Missions. A little effort will materially reduce the total arrearage from which we only too often suffer at the end of every year. I am most anxious that there should be no deficit this year upon the funds, both for our own sake, and for the sake of the M. S. C. C."

That a parish magazine can be maintained is proven by the fact that the seventh volume of The Church Bell at St. James Church, St. John, is completed with the Christmas number, just issued. This is an attractive magazine, issued monthly, and goes to all the members regular accounts of the church work within the parish. It also includes The Dawn of Day, that excellent English magazine, the reading of which is enjoyed by old and young.

The Rev. J. R. Hopkins, owing to ill health, has been forced to resign the important parish of Andover. Mr. Hopkins has stood faithfully by the Diocese for years, and his departure will be keenly felt.

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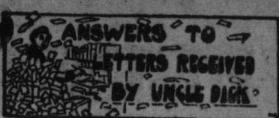
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Pearl McKinley, Woodstock—Very pleased to have your letter, Pearl.

Eva Ritchie, Upper Kent—Very glad you are enjoying the Corner Eva.

Clifford Kerrigan, Aroostook—Yes, there is always plenty in The Standard to interest all members of the family. You print nicely.

James Bass, Bannon—Delighted to get your letter, and have you as a member. Write again soon.

Nellie Erb, Wickham—So you like prize. Did you find the extra children's pages last week? Forty cents up to Dec. 31st. Yes, get it daily and enjoy the daily Corner also.

Kathleen Fowles, Jemseg—Although your letter arrived late, I was very pleased to have same. Did you like the surprise?

Mildred Hickle, Jacquie River—Glad you like the contests.

Gerald Legere, St. Ignace—Drawing was good but too small.

Sanford Devereaux, Jacquie River—The water quite nice.

Evelyn Wanamaker, The Range—Please you are better. Sorry your mama missed me.

Margareta Arnold, Sussex—I remember you writing before and hope you will enjoy the Corner again.

Willie Sharp, Lower Jemseg—The drawing shows much progress.

Herbert Pulk, St. Stephen—Glad you like the contests.

Muriel Ruth Green, Upper Greenwich—Thanks for your nice answer.

Myrt Mallory, Mont Joli—The Allies' Aid were delighted to have your fifty cents. Yes, send me one, and I shall see what I can do.

Verna Lamay, Amherst, N. S.—Thanks for nice letter and what you say. Now try harder than ever in the contests.

Flossie Foshay, 45 Marsh Street—Glad to have the nice long letter, but was sorry you had been unable to see me when you called give baby my best Christmas wishes. He must be cute.

Donald Rogers, Hartland—Glad you like the contests.

Mae Kerrigan, Aroostook—You are a clever little artist Mae.

Alta Coy, Oromocto—Quite happy with all you kiddies thanks, write again.

Bridget Comeau, West Bathurst—Pleased to have your nice letter Bridget.

Francis Speight, Welsford—What a pity you made the drawing so small.

Luck Anderson, Sussex—Quite pleased you have joined Lucy, and to have your letter.

Mildred Frerette, Petit Roche—You seem to enjoy the contests.

Graham Falconer, Pokemouche—What a nice little artist you are Graham.

Bonar Lawson, Mundeville—Now write me often, as you are now a member.

Constance Logue, Oromocto—Thanks for nice letter. Call the next time you are in St. John.

W. Gladwin, 100 City Road—Pleased you are entering in the contests.

Harry Lutes, Jacquie River—Yes, certainly Harry, and a big welcome to you.

Isabelle Cassatt, Smith's Cove—Your list was most neatly written out.

Majory Landon, Newcastle—Thanks for nicely written letter, Majory.

Lantz Lent, East Advocate—Glad you are commencing the contests.

Raymond Lent, Weymouth—You tried hard in the contests.

Roy McIsaac, E. Florenceville—Very pleased to include you in the list of members.

Hilda Merritt, Silver Beach—A big welcome, Hilda. The letter was most interesting. Write soon again.

Bessie Gibbons, Bath—Glad to get your letter, and have you as a member.

Lina Gibbs, Four Roads—You tried hard in the contest.

Olive Stanning—Sorry you sent no coupon or address with your letter.

Gladys Marshall, Little River—You seem to be enjoying the Corner.

Margaret White, Bathurst—I always try my best to answer all letters, but you must forgive me if I sometimes miss one, as there are such a huge number.

Alberta Johnston, Welsford—Glad to see you like the contests.

Bessie Whelan, South Branch—You tried hard in the contest.

Elton Keith, Anagance—Thanks for good wishes, Elton. Hope you have a nice time.

Edith Stewart, Elmsville—You seem to be enjoying the contests.

Frances Calkin, 109 Wentworth St.—Very pleased to get your nice letter Charlotte, and to see you like the Corner.

Irene Hackney, W. Bathurst—Very pleased to have you as a member and hope you will often write.

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Mayne Lutz, Sussex—Thanks for your letter and contest entry. Both well written.

Alice Brown, Bath—Pleased to see you are trying in the contests.

Carmel Rees, Amherst—Yes, the drawing was quite good. Glad to have your letter. Write again.

Norman Chaffee, St. George—You tried hard in the contest.

Glenna Hartley, Tracey Mills—You sent a very good answer Glenna.

Elsie Baxter, Baywater—You made out a very good neat list.

Mayne Lutz, Sussex—Glad you got over the operation so well. Yes, Nellie's was good.

Della Furlotte, Durham Centre—No, Della, it was to make the most number of words.

Phyllis Barber, 42 Broad Street—

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

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### Uncle Dick's Chat With the Children

### New Members This Week

Uncle Dick gives a hearty welcome to the following kiddies who have joined the Corner during the past week:

Margaret White, Bathurst; Christina McLellan, 123 Wright St.

Lillian Honey, E. Brighton; Ada Rose Edwards, Beliele Creek.

Stanley Johnson, Mizonette; Etta De Wolfe, Bathurst.

Dorothy Goodill, Rolling Dam; Phyllis Smith, Milltown.

Beatrice Dunfield, South Branch; Vivian Fish, Woodstock.

Alma Goodill, Rolling Dam; Arthur Barton, Mill Cove.

Edith Barton, Mill Cove; Adalda Brown, Chipman.

Searl Whipple, Summer St.; Irene Tweedale, 515 Brunswick Street.

Kenneth Rogers, Milland; Madeline Wetmore, 142 City Road.

Pearl Graham, Hartland; Myrtle Day, Wapsie.

Arthur Donahue, Dalhouse; Minnie Good, Salmon River.

Willard Violette, Sea Side; Edward Bohan, Park Hotel, City.

Geraldine Mitchell, 162 Rockland Road.

Herbert Pulk, St. Stephens; Verna Lamy, Amherst.

Mae Kerrigan, Aroostook; Bridget Comeau, W. Bathurst.

Lucy Anderson, Sussex; Bonar Lawson, Mundeville.

Constance Logue, Oromocto; Harry Lutes, Jacquie.

Bertha Reid, Hampton Sta.; Cecil Morris, Woodstock.

Ida Cote, Daigle; Emma Wright, Andover.

Alice Reicher, 102 City Road; James Ross, Bannon.

Mildred Connor, 210 St. George St., West.

Harriet Fries, Hampton Sta.; Ruby Price, Debrecen.

Basil Buckingham, Coldstream; Dorothy Davenport, California.

Mary Bloodsworth, Upper Kent; Ellen Rees, Amherst.

Ellen Lowe, Logleville; Helen Kinley, Woodstock.

Nellie Goss, L. Etang; Elias Holmes, Beaver Harbor.

Rachel M. Bell, 102 City Road; Bert Easter, Bass River.

May Herbert, Pokemouche; Hazel Connally, Truro.

Frances Preese, Welsford.

James Taylor, Municipal Home; Emily Hudson, South Branch.

Cornelia Murphy, Bass River; Lillian Beatrice Seymour, Three Brooks.

Mina Noble, Lower Brighton; Vern Groves, Coates Mills.

Lantz Allen, E. Advocate; Raymond Lent, Weymouth.

Roy McIsaac, E. Florenceville; Hilda Merritt, Silver Beach.

Elton Keith, Anagance; Irene Hackney, W. Bathurst.

Florence M. Palmer, Toolston; Willis Wason.

Marguerite Ellis, Westpoint; Tom Cochrane, Sackville.

Leslie Cruikshank, Fredericton; Yves, write often. Your work is very

Adrian Michaud, Bathurst—Glad you are enjoying the contests, Gertrude.

Tom Cochrane, Sackville—Thanks for nice letter, and your name is now

membership roll. Sorry, I cannot write to you.

Freida Hoyt, who has been enjoying the Children's page for some time, is here seen enjoying her Christmas present of last year.

Edward Furlotte, Durham Centre—See what I said to Della.

Adolphine Arsenau, Campbellton—The drawing was nicely made.

Ellen Lowe, Logleville—Although it is your first attempt, don't hesitate to continue in the contests, as I like your work.

Gertrude Sheasgreen, South Esks—The drawing was good, but you spoilt it in the arm.

Elmer Leslie, Back Bay—Glad you are enjoying the contests.

Jack Morserau, St. George—Pleased to have your entry.

Edith Stewart, Elmsville—The picture was very well copied.

Harold Holmes, Beaver Harbor—I liked your drawing, Harold.

Sadie Frame, Danville—I should like to see more of your drawing work.

Elsie Urquhart, Hatfield Point—Yes, I was surprised and delighted to have your letter, Elsie. Try to write more often.

Freida Arsenau, W. Bathurst—You made quite a nice sketch Gertrude.

Frank Russell Meating, St. George—The drawing was quite well done for your age.

Eva Whibley, West Side—Can you call some afternoon, and get the prize?

Nan Coleman, 240 Duke Street—You made a very good drawing Nan, and showed what work.

Harriet Piers, Hampton Station—Delighted to have you Harriet, and get your nice letter. Your writing is very neat.

Ruby Price, Debrecen—You are very welcome and I was pleased to have your letter. No, but often in the contests.

Eileen Briar, St. George—Your drawing was nicely done Eileen, but watch the details next time.

Robert Langstroth, City—You sent quite a number of words Robert.

Dorothy Goodwin, Bale Verte—The list was nicely written out.

Helen Kinley, Woodstock—Pleased to have your nice letter Helen.

Nellie Cooke, L'Etag—Glad to have your letter, and allow you to join the Corner, Nellie.

Viola Giggy, Waterloo Street—Pleased you are enjoying the contests, Viola.

Adrien Michaud, Bathurst—What a pity you made your nice drawing so small.

Margaret McNally, Beechwood—You got the prize and liked same. Write soon again, Elsie.

Cecil Harris, Annapolis, N. S.—Your picture arrived safely.

Elsie Baxter, Baywater—You tried hard Elsie.

Winnie Brock, 75 Brussels Street—Which school do you attend Winnie.

Elsie McMullin, 87 St. James Street—The drawing was nicely done, Elsie.

Marguerite Carleton, Sussex—You tried hard in the contests.

Vera Fournier, Riverside—You tried hard but in drawing always watch the details.

Eliza Holmes, Beaver Harbor—Glad you all like the Standard so much Elsie.

Helen McMullin, Fredericton—Sorry I made the mistake in your name, Yes, hold your spoon.

Dorothy Davenport, California, N. B.—Although you did not win first prize or the story book, you tried hard, and I am pleased to have you as a member. Write soon again.

Edith Stewart, Elmsville—You seem to be enjoying the contests.

Frances Calkin, 109 Wentworth St.—You have room for—glad you joined.

Any Leslie, St. George—Yes, I should have you if had been successful.

Lewis Jacobs, Rolling Dam—You are having a good time in the contests.

Frances Ellis, Bathurst—Glad to have the contest entry.

Beulah Tapley, Kintore—You tried but neglected to enclose the coupon.

Eldon Keith, Anagance—Thanks for good wishes, Eldon. Hope you have a nice time.

Edith Stewart, Elmsville—You seem to be enjoying the contests.

Hattie Phillips, South Minto—



## BRITISH TRENCHES MODELS OF SKILL

Observer on the Somme Front  
Finds Them Devoid  
of Traps.

## THINKS THE FOE UNNERVED

Condition of German Prisoners Said to Indicate That The Strain is Telling on the Whole Army.

Some new points of view are presented in the course of an article from an authoritative British source, which has been placed at the disposal of The New York Times. Just what a man will see and what he is likely to tell if he visits the Allied front line near the Somme at the point where the British army has just made one of its many steps forward, is the writer's theme. After describing the general character of the country he recounts his progress through the communication trenches. He says:

"Walking with your head two feet under cover along a neat crack in the earth with a sharp corner every few yards finally you turn the last corner into the actual firing trench. It is a trench to gladden the connaisseur's heart. How the men must have worked

whenever they were not fighting—and is digging less dear than fighting to the soul of youth—in order to model this perfect line of defense and offense; its shapely firing step and clear-cut vertical walls and massively squared transverses. Here is no gaping V-shaped ditch to collect the enemy's trench mortars and invite his wading whizbangs in and the men know it. You pass along the trench and see just pride as well as confidence in their faces."

It is noon now, and some of them are blowing on hot tea to cool it, or eating out of their dixies stew and meat, potatoes and peas. It has not only been thus in the English firing trench. The English only learn war in each of their wars by degrees, but now they have learned it. The day is fine and other men are asleep, basking like cats in a state of beatitude on little sunny shelves and banks curiously sculptured out of the trenches' firm clay walls.

One little knot of men off duty are bending over a comic paper at a corner. The wary old trench dweller always likes a corner because he can jump around it at the shortest notice and put a solid aisle of earth between him and anything noxious that drops in. On the other side another group cheerfully reopens that undying theme of debate among the British soldiers—the merits and demerits of the salient at Ypres.

"How long was you at Wipers?"

"Four months."

"Well, I was there five months, so what right have you to speak?"

A general laugh greets this method of proof and disproof, and some one else cuts in.

### Sentries Watch Germans

You meet officers anxious about nothing except to know what there is in the last English papers. Sentries

on duty with all the crowns of their grass-green steel helmets dipped curiously down to the parapet's level, report that nothing is stirring over the way. These helmets used to be ugly and not highly protective. They looked like the barber's basin that Don Quixote took to be the helmet of Mabino. The new make of helmet is more pretty, and also more virtuous. It covers more of the neck, though not much as the blue-steeled skullcaps of the French, with their turned-down brims and its lines are artistic. Worn at the proper angle, it makes the young young sentry look rather like Donatello's David at Florence.

With stooping heads, the sentries report "nothing doing." That means nothing visible, nothing audible.

Piercing over the parapet for a moment, you see only a wilderness of bare earth, pitted thickly with conical holes from three to eight feet deep.

Four hundred yards away is the skeleton of a dead village. No sign of life can be seen there except perhaps one of the larks which sing cheerfully through commandos that would make the pheasants in faraway Sussex nervous, or else a big hawk slowly quartering ground and sending the larks into a retirement as modest as that of German armistice.

And yet you know that waste is infected; that you need only to raise your head a foot higher to bring a bullet dipping itself with a quick flick into the loose earth behind you; that if you crawled out on your stomach and peeped over the edge of each shell hole you reached you would come at last to one in which men in wide-skirted gray tunics with narrow red bands round their caps were crouching, some of them nursing their one good friend, a machine gun, some of them digging hard to connect hole with hole till a row of fortifications dots were turned into a line; of some resting tucked into little cavities scooped in the earth or near the side of a hole like sand-martins' nests on the wall of a quarry, and staring apprehensively up at bomb-laden British biplanes wheeling about in the sky overhead as the larks in the grass look up at a hawk.

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## "OLIVER OSBORNE" DISCLOSES HIS REMARKABLE CAREER

(Continued from page 8.)  
gone away. Ruth said they could not talk because Lewis Stuyvesant Chamberlain, their lawyer, and the Slades had told them not to.

"When the time comes we will talk in a way that will hurt," Rose exclaimed.

Ruth told her sister to keep still, but Rose added:

"Where the man in Chicago who claims to be 'Oliver Osborne' said, as the newspapers report, that he gave my sister \$10 and \$20 each time he went with her he lies. We can't say anything now, but my heart is broken. Four girls are living here in this bare flat with no furniture except four chairs. Look!"

"We have been hounded like dogs from one place to another just because Rae made a terrible mistake. When that man comes here from Chicago with his lies we will have something to say."

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These, then, are the kind of men and that is the life and state of mind which exist beyond the 300 intervening yards of blank green. On some early day, perhaps, an incessant sequence of separate shell bursts among and around them at intervals will change in an instant into an outburst of furious, continuous barking like suddenly angered dogs, or of a great many suddenly angered dogs. The earth of their trench and in front of it and behind it will begin to dance up in fountains like the surface of a puddle during a very heavy rain, only that all of the earth foundations are 20 feet high.

Perhaps the Germans will just be able to see through a hole in the smoke that the British parapet, where not a sign of human habitation had been seen before, bristles with men standing up at full height and then moving forward. In the next 20 minutes many capricious fates will befall individuals on both sides, but underlying this seeming confusion in the destinies of atoms causes will still be having their natural effects. The average German soldier, having endured defeat already, will fight less well than he did. His nerves having suffered the strain of those new experiences in the shell holes will out last longer than they used to. His mind having learned that surrender into the hands of Englishmen does not mean

## PROBLEM OF POPE'S POSITION MAY NOW BE NEAR SOLUTION

Famous Jesuit, Father Ehrle, Would Have Pontiff Created a True Sovereign, with Temporal Possession of His Own. — At Present Church Has No Title to Vatican.

Paris, Nov. 15.—The problem regarding the position of the Pope seems to have been solved in a nearer solution than it has been at any time since forty-six years ago, the Italian state seized Rome and made it the capital of Italy, and Pope Pius X. and his successors shut themselves up in the Vatican. An agitation, which began among the leaders of the Catholics in Germany, has aroused the keenest attention of Catholics in all the countries of Europe and has been received with consideration even by the Government press in Italy.

Only a form of temporal power can end the unsatisfactory condition in which the administration of the Catholic church complains of finding itself. This was the first and basic fact which the German Catholics advanced for any discussion of the question, and this fact has been explicitly or implicitly set forth by the Popes and the Papal Secretaries of State since 1870. The concrete proposal for the settlement of the temporal power question brings out a number of facts of intense interest for Catholics.

It is now authoritatively stated that the Vatican Palace, in which the Pope resides and from which he directs the spiritual life of Catholics throughout the world, is not his property. It had been generally believed that the Vatican was extra-territorial; that the Italian Government had no dominion over it and had no jurisdiction over the authorized dependents of the Pope.

**The Vatican Not Extra-Territorial**

been in existence for some time in Germany before outside attention was drawn to it in any special degree, but when the leading German Catholic organ, the *Germania* and the *Koelnisches Volkszeitung*, published a letter "from an authoritative Vatican source," commanding the agitation the general interest of Catholics was at once aroused. This letter was written in commendation of an address by Prof. Hoeber, in which he analyzed the various solutions offered for the settlement of the Roman question, affirmed that only temporal power could satisfy the needs of the situation and added that the temporal power need not be of a large extent, and that "merely a few square kilometres would suffice."

The letter of commendation, which Italian newspapers hint, was written by Cardinal Gaspari and addressed to Cardinal von Hartmann, Archbishop of Cologne, said in part:

"I am with pleasure that I inform you that Prof. Hoeber's address has been found very satisfactory, and you are authorized to print and publish it precisely as it was submitted, including the statement which states that the temporal possession of the Holy See need not be more than a few square kilometres in extent. It is an absolute fact that only a real territorial possession can assure to the Pope the liberty and independence he must have for the performance of his high functions. The Pope must be a true sovereign, and not one with merely honorary rights conceded by the favor of a single state, or even by the favor of all the states. This would be unworthy of the head of the church, and the proposed solution of the Roman question by the 'internationalization' of the Italian Law of the Guarantees would merely have the effect of making the papacy a plaything in the hands of the guaranteeing powers."

**Famous Jesuit Announces Solution**

The next important incident in the movement was the publication in the German Catholic review, *Stimmen zur Zeit*, of an article by the famous Jesuit priest, Father Ehrle, who for many years before the beginning of the war had held the high position in the Vatican of Prefect of the Vatican Library and who had been the close friend of Cardinal Rampolla and of the present Pope.

Father Ehrle set forth the concrete basis of temporal power which "would be in accordance with the desire of Pope Benedict." He proposed that the Vatican constitute the temporal power. Incidentally he stated that the generally received opinion that the Vatican is extra-Italian and extra-territorial and the property of the Pope is an error: that the Pope has been the usurper of the Vatican; that when the Italians took Rome in 1870 the Pope was not only dethrown but also completely dethroned, and that he is in the true sense of the term a prisoner in the Vatican. If he should attempt to sell or otherwise dispose of a manuscript from the Vatican Library or a painting from the galleries or a sculpture from the museums the Italian Government would promptly step in to prevent him.

Of the three proposals advanced for the remedying of the Pope's position—modification of the Law of the Guarantees by which the Italian Government settled the status of the Pope within the Italian state; internationalization of the Roman Question through guarantees by all the great powers that the Italian Law of the Guarantees would not be violated, and, finally, temporal power—the last mentioned would be practical or would form a definite solution, the Jesuit authority said.

Such temporal power might be created through a relatively small territorial possession. The Pope does not demand the restoration of the Papal state, nor of the city of Rome nor of the part of the city on the Vatican side of the Tiber. If he were given full dominion over the Vatican it would suffice.

The Italian Government press published Father Ehrle's statement as representing the views of Pope Benedict and of Cardinal Gaspari, Papal Secretary of State. Instead of meeting with the old-time bitter and acrimonious recriminations which all proposals regarding the Pope's situation met with in the past, these new and rather startling announcements were accorded a reception which was moderate and, it might even be said, not unsympathetic.

The Tribune protested once more against the assertion that the Pope is a prisoner, and with regard to the proposal that the Vatican be erected into a form of temporal power for the Pope it declared that the law of the Guarantees is not part of the Italian Constitution and cannot, therefore, be expected to be altered.

From the German side has come a new contribution to the discussion and again it is hinted that it is with the approval of the Vatican that an additional and highly important subject is opened.

Julius Bachem, owner of the *Koelnisches Volkszeitung* and one of the leaders of the Centre Party in the German Reichstag, declares that when it is announced that the Vatican would suffice as a temporal power for the Pope it is not meant that the mere Vatican Palace would be sufficient or adequate. Back of the Vatican and its gardens lies an extent of uncultivated grounds. A certain area in this region would be absolutely necessary as part of the Pope's territorial possession. There must be space enough to found a real Pontifical principality, where buildings could be put up for the offices of the church administration, and where foreign governments could establish the residences of their Ambassadors and Ministers accredited to the Holy See.

Herr Bachem also indirectly replies to some of the difficulties raised in Italian Government organs, with regard to the proposal of Father Ehrle. He admits that the Italian state has in practice treated the Pope as if he were a true temporal sovereign, and has respected the privacy of the Vatican and has attempted to exercise civil judicial power within the precincts of the Palace. It has also frequently affirmed

that the Law of the Guarantees is considered by Italy as binding on it and as being inviolable and unchangeable. As a matter of fact, however, as the Italian state freely passed the Law of the Guarantees, so it can change it or abolish it should this seem desirable and there would be no real obstacle to its doing so. As Father Ehrle pointed out, the Italian state when it took Rome on Sept. 20, 1870, did not stop at the door of the Vatican but took under its dominion all that Rome contained, and it is only the usus of the Vatican which the Law of the Guarantees confers on the Pope.

The suggestion that the other powers solve the Roman Question by guaranteeing the observance by Italy of the Law of the Guarantees and the respecting at all times of the rights and prerogatives of the Holy Father, Herr Bachem says, is an absurdity. Neither Italy nor the Pope could accept it. Italy could not tolerate the guaranteeing by other powers of the observance of one of her own laws, and the Pope would find his position still more difficult, as, while continuing to be a subject of Italy, he would be exposed to the possibility of intrigue by other powers who might seek compensation for their guarantees.

The only way to end the difficulty is to have the Pope cease to be a subject of the Italian state and become a true sovereign, with a temporal possession of his own, however small it may be.

The argument that a great modern state like Italy could not tolerate the creation within itself of an independent state is of no weight, in the opinion of Herr Bachem, since there is already in Italy a small state whose independence it respects—the Republic of San Marino. Indeed, in the present instance all that is asked of Italy is that she establish, in accordance with International law, a condition of affairs, which is already generally believed to be in existence—the extraterritoriality of the Vatican and supreme dominion over the palace and its holdings by the Pope.

Father Ehrle had suggested that the Catholics in all countries insist that their governments take action with a view to remedying the position of the Pope so that the administration of his spiritual life should be carried on in a fitting and entirely independent manner. Herr Bachem points out, however, that the chief burden in this regard lies on the Catholics of Italy.

The settlement of the Roman question on the basis of temporal power is one, he says, for Italy and the Vatican alone. It will require not only the consent of the Government, but also of the Parliament of the country, and the Catholics should at once undertake the preparatory work which is to lead to the acceptance of the measure by the Italian Senate and Chamber of Deputies.



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## Social Notes of the Week



Continued on page thirteen.

A very delightful evening was spent on Wednesday by the congregation of St. Andrew's church in their parlors when a genuine surprise was given Rev. F. S. Dowling, the pastor, and Mrs. Dowling. Mr. W. C. Whitaker, on behalf of the congregation, presented Mr. Dowling with a very handsome chair. Mrs. Dowling was presented with a purse of gold.

Hon. J. D. Hazen and Mrs. Hazen expected home next week to spend Christmas.

Mrs. Philip Grannan has returned from Campbellton, where she had been owing to the serious illness of Mr. J. F. Gallagher, whose many friends in St. John will be pleased to hear is slightly better.

Each week brings good news of deserved promotion of our brave boys overseas. This week promotion well earned has come to Lieut. Cecil G. Porter of the 26th Battalion. In the official London Gazette his appointment as temporary Captain is announced, and to be acting major while in command of A Company. Captain C. F. Leonard, who has also seen much active service with the 26th Battalion, has been made acting major while in command of A Company, and Captain H. H. Donnelly has been gazetted major.

On Sunday evening a number of young ladies and the orchestra from Bond's and the Gem Theatre visited the Parks Convalescent Home, where a most enjoyable sacred concert was given. During the evening refreshments were served from the well filled baskets brought by the ladies. It is needless to add what pleasure was given by this kindly act to the men in the home.

The 21st Calgary Battalion, which arrived on Tuesday, were given a hearty welcome and much regret was expressed that they were to be such a short time in our city. On Wednesday the march out of this fine battalion called forth much admiration from the hundreds who lined King street as they were inspected by Brig-General McLean. It was a treat long to be remembered by those fortunate enough to attend the concerts given by the battalion's band on Wednesday evening and Thursday afternoon in the Imperial Theatre.

### FREDERICTON

Fredericton, Dec. 14.—Mrs. Miles Dixon of Hillsboro, arrived in the city on Thursday last and will remain here for several weeks, guest at Miss Allen's.

Major D. Allen Laurie and his bride, formerly Miss Doris Breakey of Breakaway, Quebec, arrived here on Friday evening last from Moncton, where they were married at the St. John's Presbyterian church by Rev. T. Porter Drumm. Major Laurie is a son of Mr. Archibald Laurie, a prominent lawyer of Quebec, and went overseas with the 12th Battalion. Later he was transferred to the 2nd Battalion and was seriously wounded at Festubert. He is now in command of A Company of the 23rd.

The presentation of forty historical pictures to the Provincial Normal School was made by the Educational Department of the Daughters of the Empire and have been accepted by the Board of Education. The donation was made through Mrs. B. C. Foster, educational secretary for the Daughters of the Empire for New Brunswick.

The condition of Mr. Frank Whinney who was operated on at the Victoria Hospital last week is very much improved.

Mrs. Arthur Fisher of Woodstock is the guest of Mrs. W. T. Whitehead, Church St.

Mrs. W. S. Thomas entertained informally at bridge on Monday evening. A cable was received on Tuesday from Mrs. Charles Fitz Randolph, telling of her safe arrival in Liverpool.

Mrs. Daniel Richards is closing her private hospital and has accepted the position of matron of the new Miramichi hospital at Newcastle. Mrs. Richards was for six years matron of the Victoria Hospital here and brought the institution up to a high state of efficiency.

Mrs. W. T. Whitehead entertained informally last week for her guest, Mrs. Fisher.

Miss Mayme Robinson of the Receiver General's Department was presented with a handsome ring by the employees of the civil service. Miss Robinson is to be married on Dec.

25th to Mr. G. Percy Rigby, resident engineer for the St. John and Quebec Railway.

Last week Mrs. S. B. Wass entertained a number of her friends at a variety show in honor of Miss Robinson.

Mrs. A. B. Kitchen, secretary of the central committee of the Daughters of the Empire has received \$300 from the Women's Volunteer Reserve through Mrs. A. G. C. Wilson, proceeds of the play put on here last week by the St. John Dramatic Club.

Mrs. Robert Fitz Randolph returned from St. John on Tuesday evening.

Miss Hester Shute, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Shute is ill at the Victoria Hospital with diphtheria.

On Tuesday evening at Elmcroft Mrs. A. G. C. Ketchum entertained at a delightful dinner of fourteen covers. The table was decorated with autumn leaves and a large candelabra with pale green silk shades. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. de Mille, Mr. and Mrs. Brooks, Mr. McLaine, Mrs. Ernest Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. John Tothill, Miss Stopford, Mr. Bate and Mr. Symonds.

Major W. J. Osborne who went overseas with the 55th Batt. was later transferred to the 5th Mounted Rifles, with which regiment he fought on the Somme, arrived home on Monday morning. He was met at the station by Mayor Mitchell and a large gathering of citizens who went to welcome the returned officer.

The death of John B. Glaser occurred suddenly at Lincoln on Sunday last. The deceased was a son of the late Stephen Glaser and was 62 years of age. He is survived by four sisters, Mrs. Coombs of Halifax, N. S.; Mrs. Beckwith of Moncton, and Mrs. Farquharson of London, England.

Lieut.-Col. Percy A. Guthrie O. C. of the 236th Battalion spoke at the Vancouver Hotel on Dec. 12th at a luncheon given in his honor by the Canadian Club of Vancouver. Lieut.-Col. Guthrie and party left for Prince Rupert, where they addressed meetings and on Friday started on their return trip to this city.

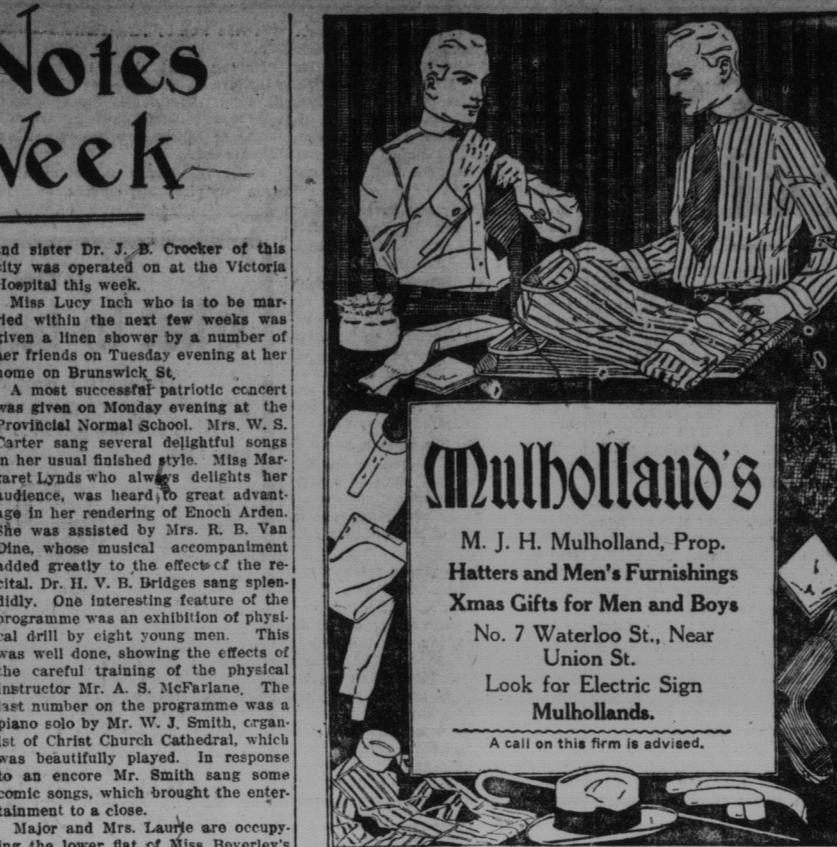
Mrs. Scovil Neales, wife of the Dean of Fredericton, left on Wednesday for Woodstock to attend the funeral of her uncle, Mr. J. Arthur F. Garden.

Mr. H. W. Schofield of St. John was in town on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Lemire returned on Tuesday from an extended trip to New York and Boston.

Mr. J. B. Daggett, secretary for Agriculture, left on Wednesday for Moncton to attend the Maritime Poultry Show being held there this week.

Miss Helen Crocker, Domestic Science teacher at McDonald College.



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Men's Shaving Sets.

Men's Dressing Sets.  
Men's Travelling Sets.  
Men's Suit Cases.  
Men's Club Bags.

Men's Umbrellas from \$1 to \$6.50.  
Men's Neckwear from 25c. to \$1.00.

Men's Kid Gloves from \$1 to \$1.75.  
Men's Fur Lined Gloves at all prices.

Men's Mocha Gloves from \$1 to \$1.75.  
Men's Underwear from 75c. to \$2.50.

Men's Braces from 25c. to 75c.  
Men's Handkerchiefs from 5c. to 75c.

Men's Fancy Shirts from 75c. to \$1.75.

**MEN'S SUITS,**  
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**BOYS' SUITS,**  
from \$2.75 to \$12.00, at Special Cut Prices.

**BOYS' OVERCOATS,**  
from \$3.75 to \$15.00.

**MEN'S OVERCOATS,**  
from \$10.00 to \$28.00, at Special Cut Prices.

**MEN'S RAINCOATS,**  
from \$5.00 to \$18.00.

**BOYS' RAINCOATS,**  
from \$3.75 to \$8.50.

**LADIES' SERGE DRESSES** from \$5.50 to \$9.50.

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**LADIES' TEA APRONS** from 25c. to 75c.

**LADIES' PULL OVER APRONS** from 50c. to \$1.00.

**GIRLS' BABY LAMB COATS** from \$3.75 to \$6.00.

**LADIES' RAINCOATS** from \$5.00 to \$18.00.

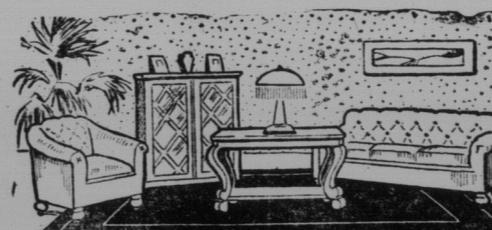
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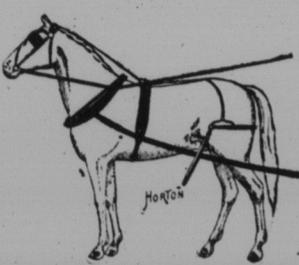
### ROTHESAY

Rothesay, Dec. 14—On Monday afternoon at the factory the closing meeting for 1916 of the Rothesay Branch Woman's Auxiliary was held, the president Mrs. Allan Daniel presided and led the devotional service. Encouraging reports were given by the secretary Mrs. Davidson, the treasurer Miss Fairweather, and the Branch secretary Mrs. Hanington. After the business Mrs. W. J. Davidson conducted an hour's study of the life of Bishop Patterson, from "Modern Heroes of the Mission Field," finishing chapter 12 of the book. On the second Monday in January the members will meet again and resume work.

The good news received last Friday, that Miss Mary Domville, daughter of Senator and Mrs. Domville, "The Wiltons," had arrived safely in Halifax, was heard with pleasure by everybody. Rothesay has been very proud of the splendid work Miss Domville has been doing as a Red Cross nurse in France since the early days of the war, and her welcome back will be warm and sincere. She has had first to go to Quebec, but is expected home on Friday or Saturday.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Robinson over the last week end were Dr. J. Lee Day and Mrs. Day of St. John.

On Saturday evening in the recreation room at Netherwood, the little day scholars, Helen Allison, Sybille Frink, Margaret and Catherine Peters, Kathleen Blanchard, Florence Puddington, Eleanor and Ruth Foster, Audrey Allison, Millie Hibbard and Ruth Robertson, entertained the school very delightfully with a series of charming tales and illustrations poems of Stevenson, which were recited in connection with each of the "living pictures." All the performers did splendidly and the "Stevenson" evening greatly enjoyed.



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Shaft Bells, Nickle Plated ..... 50c. to \$3.50 each Body Bells, Nickle Plated ..... \$1.25 to \$3.25 pair Back Bells, Nickle Plated 60c. to \$1.00 each nickle Munted Driving Harness ..... \$15.75 set upwards Orieide and Rubber Mounted Driving Harness ..... \$23.00 set upwards Also a full line of Horse Furnishings Goods which we are offering at Lowest Prices.

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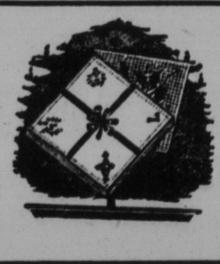
### Ladies' Coats

Black Plush, plain flare large collar \$15.00 and \$20.00  
Black Plush, plain flare extra large collar ... \$24.00  
Black Plush, full flare, 1st quality, large collar ... \$29.00  
Brown Plush, full flare, belt and military collar \$28.00  
Fancy Tweeds, Velours, Curlcloths, Beavers, Chin-chillas, prices from ..... \$8.00 to \$22.00  
Children's Coats in Tweeds and Curlcloths only \$6.00



### Blouses

Voiles and Silks in Fancy Xmas Boxes ..... From \$1.25 up  
Crepe De Chine in Fancy Xmas Boxes ..... From \$3.50 to \$8.00  
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Kiddies' Handkerchiefs, fancy boxes ..... 15c. and 25c.

### Ladies' Suits

At cost price during December.



### Hosiery

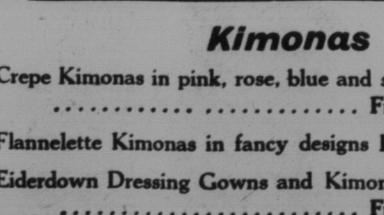
Silk Hosiery, all shades, in fancy boxes ..... From 35c. to \$1.25  
Cotton Hosiery, all shades, in fancy boxes ..... 25c. and 35c.  
Cashmere Hose in black and white ..... 50c., 60c., and 75c.  
Fleece Lined Hose ..... 25c.

### Collars

Crepe De Chine and Georgette Collars in Fancy Boxes ..... From 50c. to \$2.00  
Silks, Chiffons and P. K.'s. in Fancy Boxes ..... From 50c. to \$1.75  
Voiles and Lawn Collars in all the new styles ..... From 25c. to 75c.

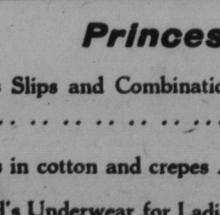
### Handbags

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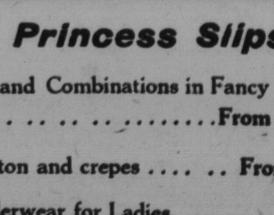
### Gowns

Night Gowns in Crepe, Cottons and Flannelettes in Fancy Boxes ..... From \$1.00 to \$3.00



### Corset Covers

Corset Covers in fancy Xmas boxes, from 30c. to \$2.25.



### Princess Slips

Princess Slips and Combinations in Fancy Boxes ..... From \$1.00 to \$3.00  
Drawers in cotton and crepes ..... From 25c. to \$2.00  
Stanfield's Underwear for Ladies ..... From 50c. to \$2 per garment

### Fancy Hair Pins

Fancy Hair Pins, Barettes, Side Combs, Back Combs, Turban Pins and Pompadour Combs ..... 15c. to \$3.00

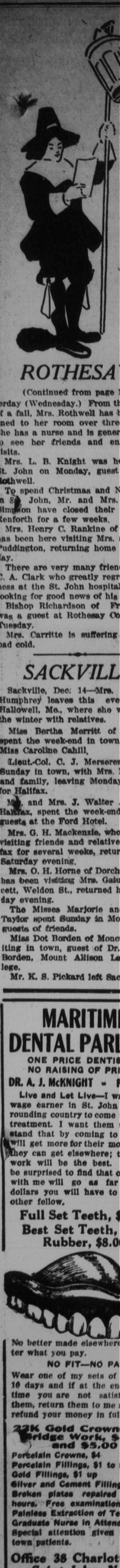


### Dolls

Madame Hendren Character Dolls ..... From \$1.00 to \$2.00  
Unbreakable Dolls ..... From 25c. to \$5.00  
Baby Dolls, undressed ..... 75c.

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Miss Hazel McArthur, Riverside, had as week-end guests her friends Miss Helen Murdoch and Miss Elizabeth Morrison of St. John.

doll was won by Mrs. Harry Puddington, fourteen of the Netherwood pupils having spent about two months with Mrs. R. Grey Murray, Crown St., St. John. Miss Jessie Fraser expects this week to settle down for the winter at 87 Elliott Row, where she has taken rooms.

Mrs. Frei Foster on Friday afternoon very pleasantly entertained about

days. Mr. Teddy Clark of the Garrison Artillery, Halifax, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Clark, Fair Vale, arrived home last week, leaving for Halifax again on Monday night. Mr. and Mrs. Clark have also two sons overseas.

Mrs. Rothwell's friends are sorry to know she has not been so well during the past few days, but was better yes-

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**ROTHESAY**

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C. Clark who greatly rega-

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looking for good news of his

Bishop Richardson of

Tuesday.

Mrs. Carritte is suffering

bad cold.

**SACKVILLE**

Sackville, Dec. 14—Mrs. Humphrey leaves this eve-

Hallowell, Me., where she w-

the winter with relatives.

Mrs. Bertha Merritt of

spent the week-end in town

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Lient-Col. C. J. Mersereau

Sunday in town, with Mrs.

and family, leaving Monday

for Halifax.

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day evening.

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days of friends.

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Mr. K. S. Pickard left Sac-

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Sackville, Dec. 14—Mrs. Harmon Humphrey leaves this evening for Hallowell, Me., where she will spend the winter with relatives.

Miss Bertha Merritt of Amherst, spent the week-end in town, guest of Miss Caroline Cahill.

Lieut.-Col. C. J. Mersereau spent Sunday in town, with Mrs. Mersereau and family, leaving Monday morning for Halifax.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Walter Allison of Halifax, spent the week-end in town, guests at the Ford Hotel.

Mrs. G. H. MacKenzie, who has been visiting friends and relatives in Halifax for several weeks, returned home Saturday evening.

The Misses Marjorie and Muriel Taylor spent Sunday in Moncton, the weekend of friends.

Miss Dot Borden of Moncton, is visiting in town, guest of Dr. and Mrs. Borden, Mount Allison Ladies' College.

Mr. K. S. Pickard left Sackville Sat-

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time with friends in St. John, have returned home.

The Daughters of the Empire have sent for the use of the Canadians who have gone overseas, two hundred and ninety-six pairs of socks, eleven hospital shirts, thirteen suits of pyjamas and six bed jackets, besides contributing to various patriotic appeals: \$25 to the Lone Soldiers' Christmas Box Fund; \$25 to Mrs. J. Calah Wood for the Duchess of Connaught's Prisoners of War Fund; \$25 to Lt.-Col. McAvity for the 26th Battalion Regiment Fund; \$25 to endow a bed in the Princess Patricia Convalescent Hospital at Ramsay to be known as the Lord Sackville Chapter I. O. D. E. bed; \$25 to Mrs. Sanford Fleming's Home for Canadian Convalescent Soldiers at Lympne Castle Hythe; \$25 to Miss Annie Strong, a former Mt. Allison girl for her hospital work in France; \$100 to the British Sailors' Relief Fund; \$50 to Miss Kathleen Burke for the Scottish Woman's Hospital Work in France and Serbia, a work carried on entirely by women, the surgeons, the bacteriologist, the x-ray specialist are women, all working without pay. The nurses alone receive a small stipend; \$50 to the Y. M. C. A. Fund; \$50 to the Maple Leaf Club for the Canadian men on leave in London. This grand total of \$470 is in addition to the \$10 given monthly to the Canadian Prisoners of War Funds.

Mr. James Smith left Thursday en route to California, where he expects to spend the winter. He was accompanied by his sisters, Mrs. William Campbell, Miss Helen and Miss Alice Smith.

Miss Blanch Lund of Sackville, New Brunswick, who has been visiting friends in Brooklyn since July, will be the guest of her sister, Mrs. Samuel M. Nelson, in the Ives cottage on Townsend Ave., New Haven.—Journal Courier.

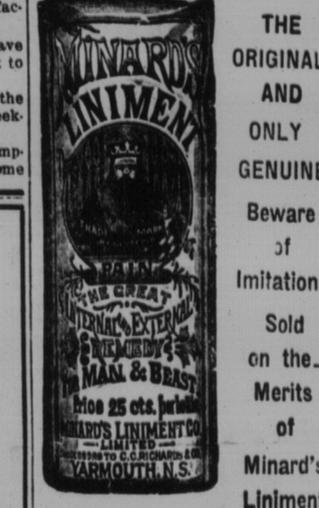
St. Paul's church sale on Saturday was a great success, bringing in to the workers proceeds in the vicinity of \$150. St. Paul's Church Club wish to thank all those who assisted them in any way in making the sale a success. The pantry sale table was under the care of Mrs. Frank Harris, Mrs. Edward Hazen, Mrs. Raleigh Tritton, Mrs. Fritzi Read, assisted by Miss Dora Ester and Miss Kathleen Mackenzie. The fancy sale was presided over by the Misses Dorcas Johnson, Gretchen Allison and Mrs. A. G. Miller. Misses Glennie Hansen and Jean Rainnie had the candy table, and the Junior W. A. table was in charge of Mrs. Aubrey Smith.

The attendance was excellent and the results of the sale most satisfactory.

Lieut. Col. F. B. Black will leave some time during the present week to return overseas.

Captain Rev. W. S. Godfrey of the 236th N. B. Kilties, spent the weekend visiting friends in town.

The Misses Alice and Mary Campbell, who have been spending some



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Suit Cases and Travelling Bags ..	\$2.00 to \$25.00
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## Social Notes of the Week

### SACKVILLE

(Continued from page 15)

home some time ago. Friends in Sackville were glad to see him again.

A meeting of unusual interest was held on Tuesday afternoon in the Methodist church, when the 22nd anniversary of the organization of the W. M. S. of that church was observed. A programme suitable to the occasion was presented. Seven of the charter members are still living. A most interesting talk was given by Mrs. Wood who was present at the first meeting held on December 8th, 1884. She spoke of the officers of that first Sackville Auxiliary and gave a brief sketch of each. At the close of the meeting the auxiliary presented to Mrs. Pickard Trueman a certificate of life membership in the Woman's Missionary Society of Canada. A solo, "There's a Song in the Air," was sung by Miss Vega Gronlund.

### MONCTON

Moncton, Dec. 13—Mrs. E. L. Day, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Givan, left this week for her home in Ogdensburg, N. Y.

Mrs. A. A. Allen and daughter, Miss Dorothy left this week for Victoria, B.C., where they will visit Mrs. Allen's sister, Mrs. N. W. Goggin.

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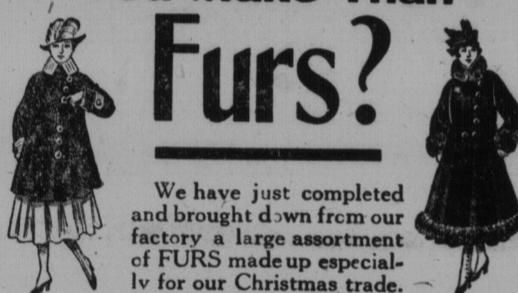
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## What Better Gift Can You Make Than Furs?



We have just completed and brought down from our factory a large assortment of FURS made up especially for our Christmas trade. They are all NEW and thoroughly up-to-date in every particular, and we can offer you the best values in the Maritime Provinces. A few of them are described.

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Miss Jean Blanchard of Mount Allison Ladies' College spent the weekend in Dorchester, guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Smith.

Mr. W. Stewart of St. John, was in town on Tuesday.

Miss Alice Hickman of Mount Allison Ladies' College spent the weekend at her home in Dorchester.

On Tuesday evening in the school room of the Methodist church, Mrs. A. H. McCready gave a most interesting travel talk on her recent visit to Quebec and the Shrine of Saint Anne de Beaupre. The lecturer first gave a sketch of the historic days of Quebec, paying a high tribute to the bravery of Montreal and Wolfe. Then the Basilica of Saint Anne de Beaupre with its shrine and the wonderful miracles of healing, which have occurred there, were described. Many fine views of Quebec, Montmorency Falls and St. Anne were shown by means of the reflectoscope, which was most skillfully manipulated by Mr. McCready. At the close of the lecture a hearty vote of thanks was tendered to Mrs. McCready from the Epworth League under whose auspices the lecture was given. Rev. Mr. Thomas acted as chairman.

Mr. C. W. Fawcett left Sunday on a trip to Montreal and Ottawa.

Miss Bessie Wright spent Saturday in Amherst.

Mr. Walter Melanson has returned home from a trip to Quebec.

Mrs. F. Roy Summer has returned from a visit to relatives in Boston and Springfield, Mass.

Mr. Stanley Jones of the Bank of Commerce, left this week for Sydney, C. B., where he has been transferred.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Lawson are receiving congratulations upon the arrival of a baby girl.

Miss Florence Wortman, R. N., of New York, arrived in the city this week to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Wortman, Union St.

Miss Guera Taylor of Charlotte town, P. E. Island, is the guest of Miss Nan Chapman, Botsford St.

Miss Beatrice Harper of Shédiac, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Bell, Church St.

Miss Lilian Barnes of Sackville, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. William Barnes, Humphrey's Mills.

A variety shower was tendered Miss Rita Weir last week at the home of Miss Sadie Manning.

Mrs. Dr. Cleveland and little daughter of South Africa, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. N. Palmer, Highfield St.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Colwell, who have spent the summer in this city, left this week for Boston.

Mr. H. M. Gordon of the Warren Bituminous Paving Co., left this week for Toronto.

Mrs. G. A. Lawson and daughter Miss Dorothy left this week for Boston, to spend Christmas.

The engagement is announced of Miss Rita Weir, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Weir, to Lieut. J. A. Humphries of the 236th Batt., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Humphries, the wedding to take place this month.

Miss Louise Tritts of Salisbury, was in town this week.

Mrs. C. J. Paul left this week for Montreal to spend Christmas with relatives.

Mr. W. N. Ripley of the Car Service, C. G. R., left this week on a business trip to Montreal.

A pleasant event took place at the Brunswick Hotel on Wednesday evening, when the guests and members of the staff congregated in the office and presented their manager, Mr. Harry Twigger with a handsome pipe in honor of his fiftieth birthday.

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## What Shall I Give?

No thought that you can conjure up of what to give for Christmas will serve to settle the doubt as satisfactorily as a little journey through these varied, helpful and appropriate holiday stocks, for in them lies the happy solution for every problem, large and small. Even with no thought in mind of purchasing we shall be glad to have you come and see the store in all the beauty of its holiday decorations.

So once and for all you can safely dismiss the question of the proper gift to make—it is certainly here somewhere, and waiting to solve the question to your utmost pleasure. The store of a thousand gift suggestions is ready for you—splendidly ready!

### PRACTICAL GIFTS FOR MOTHER, AUNT OR SISTER AT \$1.00 EACH.

- A Dainty Voile Blouse in all white, embroidered, hair stripe dimity, or perhaps a winter blouse of warm flannelette, size 34 to 44 ..... \$1.29 to \$1.65.
- A Fine Nelrook Night Gown, Swiss embroidery front, a night gown of soft warm white flannelette, high or low neck, long or short sleeves ..... \$1.00 each.
- A Combination Cover and Drawers in envelope or flare style, trimmed fine insertions and embroidery ..... \$1.00 each.
- A "Dorothy" Boudoir Cap, dainty lace net, wide satin ribbon bows, sky, pink, hello or white, \$1.00 each.
- Fancy Nelrook Aprons, lace or with French embroidery, front, a night apron with lace trim, or with French embroidery ..... \$1.00 each.
- A Fine House Dress of English Cambric, chamberlain or fine sash ham, light or dark shades, sizes 34 to 44 ..... \$1.00 each.
- Washable Doe Skin Gloves, a new English make, very soft and close fitting, white only ..... \$1.45 pair.
- "Charles Perrin's" Suede Gloves in black only, 2 dome silk stitching, all sizes ..... \$1.65 pair.
- "Alexandre" Gloves, first quality fine French Suede, in pretty new greys all sizes ..... \$1.75 pair.
- "TRYPHOSA" GLOVES—MOST ACCEPTABLE GIFTS
- Real Ladies' Gloves fine, soft and dainty, best French kid, perfect in cut and with all the new stitching, black with white, white with black. Another strong feature about these gloves is that they are finished by a new sanitary dyeing process, perfectly sterilized, makes the hands soft and smooth, not liable to become chapped, all sizes put up in dainty Xmas boxes.
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- A Nice Pair of Corsets neatly made in box with Xmas ribbon ..... \$1.00 each.
- Two Fine Fancy Yoke Vests, quarter or no sleeves, in box ..... \$1.00.
- Two Women's Fancy Corset Covers, deep panel yokes, embroidered or lace, in box for ..... \$1.00.
- Women's Fine Corset Cover and Drawers, trimmed embroidery, lace and lace ..... Both for \$1.00.
- A Nice Pair of Corsets neatly made in box with Xmas ribbon ..... \$1.00 each.
- Two Fine Embroidered Brassieres, all sizes for ..... \$1.00.
- White Moire Wash Rep Undershirts, deep wide flounce ..... \$1.00 each.

### PRACTICAL GIFTS FOR WOMEN

- New Designs, Voile Blouses and Swiss embroidered muslins, new deep collar and wide cuffs, sizes 34 to 44 ..... \$1.29 to \$1.65.
- Dainty Tea Aprons and Large Bib Aprons, in Xmas boxes, lace or ribbon trimming ..... 25c. to 95c. each.
- Dainty Boudoir Caps in Xmas boxes, fine lace net, crepe de chine or silk, some elaborately trimmed ribbons ..... 50c. to \$1.95.
- Dainty Crepe De Chine or Italian Silk Bloomers, fitted over knee with wide elastic band, satin ribbon bows, flesh, sky, white, etc. \$1.50 to \$4.25 pair.
- Dainty Crepe Evening Vests, finest Italian silk, narrow strap over shoulder, flesh or white, all sizes ..... \$2.75 and \$2.85.
- Dainty Fancy Corset Covers of finest nainsook and organdy, deep lace panel yokes, trimmed embroidery, and ribbons ..... 75c. to \$2.25.

### GIFTS FOR WOMEN AT \$2.00 EACH.

- Spencer Jackets of Soft Saxony wools with full sleeves, all new shades and white, in box ..... \$2.00 each.
- Hug-Me-Tights, warm heavy knit, all colors and white, in box \$2.00 each.
- Three Piece Set of dainty lingerie, gown, coat and drawers ..... \$2.00.
- A Pretty Morning Dress of cambric or gingham, with large white apron, white or colored to match for \$2.00.
- Maid's Black Dress, good quality, soft satin finish satinet, white hemstitch, detachable collar and cuffs ..... \$2.00 each.
- A Pair of New Front Lace Corsets, latest model, boxed and tied with pretty Xmas ribbon for ..... \$2.00.
- Dainty Silk Camisoles in white, cream or flesh, lace or satin ribbon trimmed, in box ..... \$2.00.
- Dainty Boudoir Caps, very fine lace and crepe de chine, trimmed with wide satin ribbons, pink, sky, yellow, rose, hello, etc. \$2.00 each.
- A Pretty Silk Lace Boudoir Cap and Silk Camisole to match, all colors. Both for ..... \$2.00.
- A White Crepe Empire Night Gown, with Boudoir Cap to match. Both for ..... \$2.00.
- A Dainty French Embroidered Corset in new envelope or flare style ..... \$2.00 each.
- A Dainty French Embroidered Corset Cover and One Pair of Drawers to Match. Both for ..... \$2.00.
- A Fine Voile Blouse, with New Square Cut Camisole or Corset Cover to Match. Both for ..... \$2.00.

### JEWELRY AND FANCY GOODS

- Filligree Hat Pins, gold finish, black or white pearl ..... 48c. each.
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- Lingerie Clasps ..... 29c. and 49c. each.
- Turban Hair Pins and Combs in plain shell, grey, amber with white or colored brilliants, including the new feather combs ..... 15c. to \$1.50.
- Pearl or Black Beauty Pins in shapes of hearts or good luck wish bones ..... 29c. set.
- Necklace with cross pendant, set with brilliants ..... 29c. each.
- Ear Rings in Jet or Black and Pearl ..... 29c. and 49c. pair.
- Plain and Carved Pearl Bar Pins ..... 25c. each.
- Bar Pins, plain or set with brilliants ..... 29c. and 35c. each.
- Fans in ivory finish or pink 75c. each.
- Shell, amber or rock crystal barettes, plain or with brilliants ..... 25c. to \$1.25 each.
- Patriotic Needle Cases ..... 29c. each.
- Pearl Cuff Links ..... 25c. pair.
- The New Casque and Psyche Combs in shell, amber and blond, set with white or colored brilliants ..... 65c. to \$1.75 each.

### LADIES' HAND BAGS

- Black Moire Silk and Silk Poplin Bags, either in new pouch shapes, with pretty flowered lining, with gate tops or with popular draw strings, some with steel bead trimmings, all new neat designs.
- Corded Suede Bags in tan, blue grey, and black at 58c. each. Others up to \$1.95, fitted with mirror and coin purse.
- Envelope Purse in black, brown, green and amethyst, in soft fine leathers, pin seal and suede ..... 58c. to \$4.25 each.
- Black Leather Hand Bags, in great variety of styles, with nickel gilt or gun metal frames 49c. to \$5.75.
- Novelty Morocco Bag, with Grecian trimmings, very fine, \$4.85 to \$5.85.
- Silver Mesh Bags with square frames or gate tops, dresden kid or kid linings, some without linings ..... 35c. to \$1.75.
- Jinxy Purse, a novelty in silver or oxidized ..... 65c. and 75c.
- New Black Leather Bags, with fast lock catch ..... \$1.25 to \$4.75.

### GOOD HOSIERY FOR PRACTICAL GIFTS.

- Ladies' Fine Quality Cashmere Hose, full fashioned, black only 60c. pair.
- Ladies' First Quality Rib Cashmere Hose, all sizes in black only ..... 75c. pair.
- "Radium" Silk Hosiery, ladies' sizes, black or white, in box \$1.00 pair.
- Gordon Silk Hose, latest fancy stripes and colorings as used in New York, pretty light or dark shades to match dresses or suits, in fancy boxes ..... \$1.75 pair.
- Men's Fine Cashmere Half Hose, Penman's make, guaranteed, 2 pairs in a box ..... 50c. pair.
- Boys' Stockings, good strong school hose, pure cashmere, 2 by 1, or 1 by 1 rib, double knees, all sizes ..... 65c. pair.
- Children's Overstockings, good strong quality in khaki, sky, white or scarlet .....