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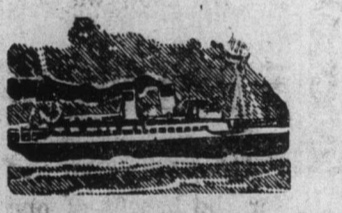
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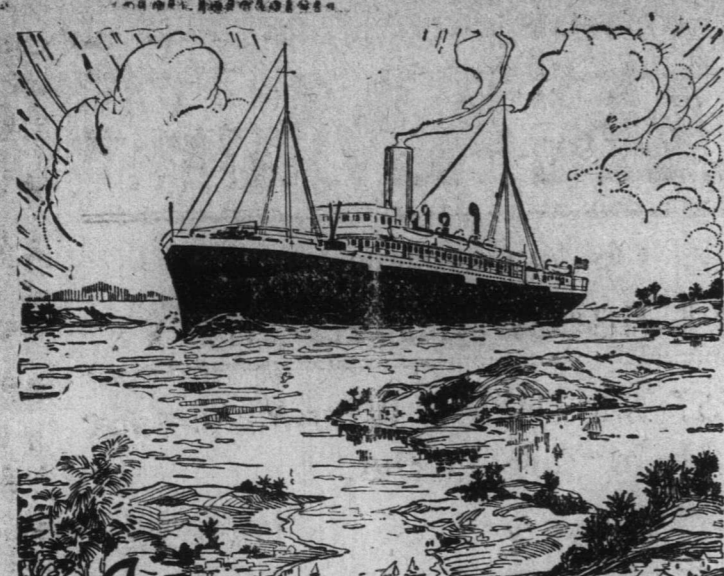
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CHAPTER XIII.
 A CHANGE OF FORTUNE.
 In the yard stood another carriage, and as Reuben walked on to the platform, he saw Morgan Verner and Mr. Normanby in conversation. As Olive and Sir Edwin appeared, the two gentlemen came forward and greeted them.
 "We thought we would avail ourselves of the opportunity of a pleasant journey," said Mr. Morgan, with a smile at Olive. "My father does not come up until to-morrow."
 Sir Edwin turned to where Reuben was superintending the management of the baggage.
 "My new steward, gentlemen," he said.
 Morgan Verner started, and put up his eyes with an insolent stare of amazement.
 "Your steward!" he said.
 "And an excellent steward he will make, I expect," put in Mr. Normanby, to cover Morgan's unfortunate exclamation.
 Reuben held open the carriage door till the party were seated. His face was grave and impassive, but in his heart was a tumult of wild fears. It seemed to him, as he gazed on Olive and Morgan Verner, as if the insolent, vulgar heir to the Grange were carrying off the woman whom he worshipped forevermore.
 When the train had steamed out of the station he galloped back to the Hall, consumed with a devouring flame of jealous rage. His good fortune was almost forgotten, for his heart had gone with Olive.
 "Fool!" he said to himself sternly. "You are only a clod, fit to be crushed beneath her proud feet. Get to your work and stifle this madness. She is in London—and you are here! The distance typifies the gulf between you."

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Thus communing with his wiser self, his thoughts turned to his grandfather. He had had but one letter from him since Wynter had left for London, and then only a note, stating that the writer had lost something of importance to them both, and was about to set forth in quest of it. Old Wynter added that he was joining a small traveling company, which would enable him to earn his living.
 Reuben did not attach much importance to this mysterious "something"; but he was glad the old man was happy. Ever since Reuben's almost fatal fall, Wynter had withdrawn himself from the country circus and stage—such as it was—and had set himself to bring up and teach the boy as well as possible. He had saved a little money, and with the sundry sums he made from time to time by his acting, he managed to keep both Reuben and himself.
 He had gone up to town, meaning to restore Reuben to his proper estate, and this could only be done by producing certain proofs. On the night that little Ernest had come to him, he had drawn up a statement of the case, describing the condition of the boy and the pursuit by Verner, and had made all the company sign it as witnesses. This paper, with the clothes the child had worn and a locket containing the portrait of Squire Verner, would be proof enough, he thought, especially with the boy's own memories. After the fall, when Reuben had forgotten all his childish past, Wynter had grown so fond of him that he had left the packet in town with an old friend; firstly, for safety, and secondly, that he should not be tempted to blurt out the truth in a moment of confidence.
 Now, on his arrival, he found that his friend had fallen on evil times and disappeared. There was nothing to be done but search diligently for him among the little touring companies, and thus rescue the precious packet.
 Meanwhile, Reuben rode home to his stewardship, and Olive was borne toward London.
 It was, as Mr. Morgan had delicately remarked, the off-season, and there was nobody in town—that is to say, only a few millions, but there seemed every likelihood of enjoyment for Olive, and, naturally she was light-hearted and expectant. Only now and then the old cloud arose to check her gaiety, and that was when she thought of Lord Cravenden and his unanswered prayer. She had flown to London to avoid that prayer, but the thought arose that Lord Cravenden could come to London if he chose, and repeat his request.
 Now, Olive Seymour was in love with no one at present—certainly not with Lord Cravenden, of Falcot. She vowed, as the train sped along, that she would be bound to no one, but remain as free as the air and the birds.
MIRNARD'S LINIMENT CURES GARBET IN COWS.

CHAPTER XIII.
 A WAGER—IN WRITING.
 EATON HOUSE, Park Lane, was a beautiful little place of residence, and Olive, who was delighted with it, saw at a glance that it would suit her father.
 "Oh, this is delightful, father," she said, flitting from room to room. "And it is really our own to do what we like with for—how long?"
 "As long as we please. That Mr. Normanby is a clever lawyer," added Sir Edwin thoughtfully; "but we really ought to be grateful to Morgan Verner, for it was he who first thought of this place."
 "Ye—s," said Olive doubtfully.
 "And now, my dear, for the letters. Ah, here is one from my cousin, Mrs. Davenport. Read it, Olive."
 "She is delighted to hear that we are in town," Olive began vivaciously, "and she will chaperon me with pleasure, but is sorry—so sorry, that positively no one else is in town. There are cards for the Countess of Crammore's 'At Home' on Wednesday, and there's a fancy-dress ball at Lady Verrinder's—and nobody in town! Why, London seems full enough to give a party every night. I know we shall enjoy ourselves immensely. You shall go to your club, and see all your old friends, and ride with me in the park, and give a little dinner party to some of the people you used to meet at—"

"H'h!" said Sir Edwin, faking up another letter. "Lord Cravenden is coming to town, my dear."
 Olive's voice died away in silence.
 "One morning, a fortnight later, Mr. Normanby sat at breakfast in his chambers. The room was comfortably, almost luxuriously furnished; the hangings were of some soft Oriental fabric, and the whole was of that subdued tone which marks an educated taste.
 Propped up against the coffee-pot were a dozen dry-looking letters, and as Mr. Normanby toyed with his breakfast, he eyed them with a smile which, though contemplative, was placidly serene.
 A sharp and sudden knock at the door interrupted his contemplation, but did not disturb his serenity.
 In response to Mr. Normanby's languid "Come in," Mr. Morgan Verner entered, presenting an appearance that was in striking contrast to his tranquil friend. He was badly, though expensively dressed; his face was pale and blotchy, his manner half insolent, half nervous.
 "Ah!" murmured Mr. Normanby, "up already, tasting the freshness of the early morn'g"—the time was twelve o'clock. "What a simple country nature is yours, my dear Morgan!"
 "Don't," said Morgan, dropping into a chair; "I'm in no need of chaff this morning, old chap. I'm seedy."
 "I've remarked," said Normanby, "that for general use, my dear Morgan, late hours and an absurd liking for the vulgar spirit called brandy are not conducive to good health and temper."
 "Temper!" said Morgan "Enough to make an angel mad. You to talk of brandy, too! You drink sometimes."
 "Often," said Normanby sweetly; "but I own to a certain fastidiousness in what I drink. As a proof, permit me to pour you out a brandy and soda."
 Morgan tossed it off, grunted, and remarked:
 "Look at me."
 Mr. Normanby screwed his glass into his eye and did so, calmly and contemptuously.
 "Here 'am I, the heir to a large estate, yet I can't put my hand on a ten-pound note. Look!" He drew from his pocket a handful of letters and threw them on the table. "Bills, every one of them—all pressing. What am I to do? Yesterday I got a check from the governor—and where is it?"
 "Bridge, my dear Morgan, is one of the finest crucibles for melting hard cash of which I know," replied Mr. Normanby. "You would play last night; you lost—"
 "And you won!" snarled Morgan.
 "Exactly!" said Normanby. "I won. I also pay my bills—all of them—and I could show you how to pay yours—"

"If what?" asked Morgan impatiently.
 "If I were sure you were worth it," said Normanby, coolly.
 "What have I done—?" commenced Morgan, gradually growing fascinated by Normanby's serpent-like smile and manner. "Why don't you help me? One day before, you hinted that you would do great things for me."
 "Suppose—I only say suppose—I had it in my power to place a fortune in your hands?" said Mr. Normanby.
 Morgan stared, and took one hand out of his pocket to rub his chin.
 "Suppose this fortune also included a certain beautiful woman, whom you could marry. Suppose—but no, let's change the subject. How long has Miss Olive Seymour been in town?"
 Morgan started and stared at his friend with curious, puzzled eyes.
 "A fortnight," he replied.
 "Ah! and seems happy; full of enjoyment, eh?"
 "Enjoyment!" retorted Morgan. "I suppose so. She and Mrs. Davenport have been running from one place to another—the gaping stock of every idle body left in town. There's nothing her father denies her—and here am I, the heir to the Grange, without a fiver in my pocket. My father believes he'll get her for my wife—he laughed, disconcertingly—but the girl hates me!"
 "That's promising, very promising," said Mr. Normanby gravely. "So Mr. Verner has an idea that you will wed the heiress of Bingleigh?"
 "Normanby," said Morgan savagely, "sometimes I think you are the devil himself! You're making a laughing-stock of me as usual. Confound the girl—I'll throw it up. I've no earthly chance with her. My father's an idiot in this matter. I'm ready to wager anything that he doesn't succeed in snaring Olive Seymour for me."
 "And I!" said Mr. Normanby, with a placid smile, "have so profound a confidence in your father's sagacity that I accept the wager. If he has set his heart upon your winning the hand of the heiress, I think—provided you do as he tells you—that you will win it; therefore I am willing to bet on the event. Let us say that you offer me five thousand pounds on the day of your marriage with the beautiful Olive?"
 "Five thousand pounds!" said Morgan; "that's a long bet."
 "Would you insult the wealth and majesty of the lady by making it a smaller one? Remember the extent and richness of the Bingleigh estate—five thousand pounds are as a rain-drop in a millpond to it—yes, say five thousand pounds. And just to make the matter more formal," continued Mr. Normanby suavely, "suppose we put it—in writing?"
 (To be continued.)

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 If the little girl's dress is cut with a round neck, finish it with a pleated frill.
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War News

Messages Received Previous

AUSTRO-GERMAN PORTENT
 (Via British Admiralty Press).—The capture of German forces of Col. von der Goltz in the heights of Plateau, in Northern Italy, with the taking of more than a thousand prisoners was today by the army headquarters statement reads: The official of Monday, as reports from the German front that date, beginning the Col del Rosso, by reports also of Montebelluna states likewise that several Italian staff officers were taken.

BERLIN STATEMENTS
 BERLIN, via London.—Italian counter-attacks in the mountains of Sunday were today as an Italian official from Monte Parlios, the army headquarters to-day, reports 9,000 prisoners were taken. Col. del Rosso fighting, says the statement.

ITALIANS RETAKE
 (Via Rome).—In a desperate battle which they had yesterday, the Italian forces which they were forced to retreat on the Asiago Plateau, today's war office statement says and numerous machine guns which had been abandoned by the Italians in their retreat, captured when the old positions were re-occupied. The text of the statement follows: On the Asiago Plateau the battle which commenced yesterday, diminished in intensity at nightfall. Our counter-attacks made several hours before succeeded, in spite of the rain and the very low temperature, in arresting the enemy and in fighting on to positions where we had defeated the previous day. The enemy defended the ground with great stubbornness, but our attacks and concentration of his line a formidable line of fortifications. During the vicious struggle, some machine guns were left in destroyed lines. An enemy column advanced from Berlico toward the heights of west of Malga Costalunga, destroyed by our fire. A large

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War News.

Messages Received
Previous to 9 A. M.
AUSTRO-GERMAN SUCCESS REPORTED.

BERLIN, Dec. 23. (Via British Admiralty, per Wireless Press.)—The capture by Austro-German forces of Col del Rosso, and the adjoining heights on the Asiago Plateau, in Northern Italy, together with the taking of more than six thousand prisoners was announced to-day by the army headquarters. The statement reads: The Austrian official of Monday, as received here, supplements the German statement of that date, beginning the capture of Col del Rosso, by reporting the capture also of Mont Val Bella. It states likewise that a colonel and several Italian staff officers were captured.

BERLIN STATEMENT.
BERLIN, via London, Dec. 25. Italian counter attacks upon positions taken in the Austro-German attack of Sunday were repulsed yesterday as was an Italian drive at Monte Parlios, the army headquarters announced to-day. More than 9,000 prisoners were taken in Col del Rosso fighting, says the official statement.

ITALIANS RETAKE POSITIONS.
ROME, Dec. 25. In a desperate battle which lasted all day yesterday, the Italians fought their way back to positions from which they were forced the previous day on the Asiago Plateau under Austro-German attacks, according to to-day's war office statement. Some guns and numerous machine guns, which had been abandoned by the Italians in their retirement, were recaptured when the old positions were re-occupied. The text of the statement follows: On the Asiago Plateau the battle which continued fiercely and sanguinarily the whole day yesterday, diminished in intensity only at nightfall. Our counter attacks—made several hours before dawn—succeeded, in spite of the difficult terrain and the very low temperature, in arresting the enemy and carrying the fighting on to positions from which we had moved the previous day. The enemy defended the ground gained with great stubbornness, countering our attacks and concentrating in front of his line a formidable fire from batteries. During the vicissitudes of the fierce struggle, some batteries and many machine guns which had been left in destroyed lines were rescued. An enemy column advancing from Berlico toward the heights to the west of Malga Costalunga was destroyed by our fire. A battalion suc-

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ceeded in wresting from the enemy and holding for some time the summit of Monte Valsella, while other detachments having ascended the slopes of Col del Rosso engaged the enemy under the summit of the mountain in heavy hand-to-hand fighting. During the action hundreds of our guns of all calibres unceasingly bombarded the enemy troops, dispersing concentrations behind the line and stopping the advance of the supports. We took a number of prisoners.

BRITISH ON ITALIAN FRONT.
LONDON, Dec. 25. The first statement of the British war office dealing with the Italian front where the British troops now occupy positions, was issued last night. The text reads: Since a portion of the Italian front was taken over by British troops there has been no change in the situation on the British front. There has been active counter battery work. Our armies have given good account of themselves, but has been hampered by bad weather during the last few days. Some snow has fallen and the cold is intense, especially in the mountains. The health and spirits of the troops are excellent.

ON THE WESTERN FRONT.
LONDON, Dec. 25. To-day's official statement, issued by the British war office, on the Franco-Belgian front operations reads: We took a few prisoners in a night patrol encounter, south of Cambrai. There was considerable reciprocal artillery fire last night east of La Bassée and east of Ypres. Monday night the war office statement regarding the same theatre said a hostile raiding party was driven off south of Ypres. There was considerable hostile artillery fire in the afternoon in the region of Ephy and south of Boelcapelle.

MANNHEIM BOMBED.
LONDON, Dec. 25. The city of Mannheim, in Germany, on the Rhine, was bombed by a British air squadron early Monday. The official statement says: Covering operations of Army aviators during Sunday.

day, and in Monday's early hours, ten bombs were dropped. Several fires were started. All but one of our machines returned.

MESSAGE TO TROOPS.
OTTAWA, Dec. 25. The Prime Minister sent to General Currie and to General Turner the following Christmas message: "To officers, non-commissioned officers and men of Canada's forces—It is again my great privilege to convey to you from the Government and people of Canada, greetings and gratitude, which during this season are deep in the heart of every citizen at this Christmas time. We recall in loving and solemn memory many thousands of your gallant comrades who have passed into their perfect peace. They died that Canada might live. They gave up their lives that we might have peace here on earth, but their spirit yet lives to inspire the nation which they can never forget. You who are completing their unfinished task look to us for support and cheer. The men and women of Canada have already shown you that your trust is not in vain."

BEST WISHES TO CANADA.
OTTAWA, Dec. 25. The following message has been received by the Governor-General from Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig commanding the British troops in France: General Headquarters, Dec. 23rd: "All ranks under my command join with me in sending heartiest good wishes to the Dominion of Canada for Christmas and the coming year. (Signed) Douglas Haig."

CANADIAN CASUALTIES.
OTTAWA, Dec. 25. To-night's list of forty casualties contains twelve Canadian soldiers killed in action, one accidentally killed, one died of wounds, two presumed to have died, seven wounded and missing, one missing, one prisoner of war and balance wounded or ill.

BACK TO REPORT.
AN ATLANTIC PORT, Dec. 25. On a British steamer arriving here to-day was William B. Thomson, head of the American Red Cross Mission to Russia, who is returning to the United States to make a report of the condition in that country with reference to the work of his organization.

THE KAISER'S SPEECH.
AMSTERDAM, Dec. 25. In a speech to the second army, Saturday, Emperor William said: "It has been a year full of events for the German army and the fatherland. Powerful blows have been delivered and your comrades in the east have been able to bring about great decisions with centralized direction. In order that we should be able to deliver these offensive blows one portion of the army had to remain on the defensive. Hard as this was for the soldier, however, as has been fought in 1917 is without parallel. A fraction of the German army accepted the heavy task of covering its comrades in the east unconditionally and it held the entire Anglo-French army. The enemy had collected unheard of technical means, numerous ammunition and guns in order to make his entry into Brussels over your front, as he proudly announced. The enemy has achieved nothing. The most gigantic feat ever accomplished by an army and one without parallel in history was accomplished by the German army. I don't boast. It is fact and nothing else. The admiration you have earned shall be your reward and at the same time your pride. Nothing can in any way place in the shade or surpass what you have accomplished, however great and overwhelming it may be. The year 1917 with its great battles has proved that the German people have in the Lord of Creation above an unconditional and avowed ally on whom it can absolutely rely. Without Him all would have been in vain. Yesterday I saw and spoke to your comrades near Verdun. There passing through all minds like the ozone of the morning breeze was the thought you are no longer alone. The great success against our adversaries of recent past, great days of the battle in Flanders and before Cambrai, where the first crushing offensive blow delivered upon the arrogant British showed that despite

three years of war and suffering our troops still retained their fighting prowess. We don't know what is still in store for us, but you have seen how in this last of the four years of war God's hand has visibly rewarded, punished treachery and rewarded heroic persistence. From this we can gain firm confidence that the Lord will be with us in the future also. If the enemy doesn't want peace then we must bring peace to the world by battering in with iron fist and swinging sword the doors of those who will not have peace."

ALLENBY'S TROOPS ADVANCE.
LONDON, Dec. 25. General Allenby's troops in Palestine continue their advance on the plain of Sharon, north of Jaffa and have occupied four more towns.

SERRAIL REPLACED.
PARIS, Dec. 24. General Serrail, according to official announcement, will be replaced as head of the allied army at Saloniki by General Guillaumel.

WANT PEOPLE'S PEACE.
PARIS, Dec. 24. Leon Trotzky, the Bolsheviki Foreign Minister, according to a note issued by the Havas Agency, called on Joseph W. Cullen, French Ambassador to Russia, and explained that the Bolsheviki wished to keep to the principle of a democratic peace, leaving to the peoples the right to dispose of themselves. The Ambassador having asked him what he would do if Germany refused such a peace, Trotzky answered that then the Maximilians might be led to wage a revolutionary war.

NO LETTING UP.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 24. Germany's newest peace propaganda viewed as a forerunner to an offensive in the west unless the German offer is accepted by the Allies and the United States, should not for a moment induce us to slacken our preparations for war, says Secretary of War Baker in his weekly review of the military situation. The review points out that the fighting morale of Italy may be relied upon, no matter how intensive the German peace campaign becomes.

PEACE MOVE AT HAND.
ROME, Dec. 24. The report that a new German peace move is at hand is supported by apparently reliable information which has reached high quarters here.

CANADA AND PROHIBITION.
OTTAWA, Dec. 24 (Official). The announcement has been made by Sir Robert Borden of the prohibition of the importation of intoxicating liquors into Canada. The Prime Minister's announcement reads: On December 17th the people gave to the Government an unmistakable mandate for the vigorous prosecution of the war, and for the employment of all the country's energies and resources necessary to achieve victory. It is essential and indeed vital for the efficient conduct of the war that wasteful or unnecessary expenditure should be prohibited and that all articles capable of being utilized as food should be conserved. It is beyond question that the use of liquor adversely affects the realization of this purpose. The subject has been under consideration by the war committee of the cabinet and the following conclusions have been reached: First, any liquor or beverage containing more than two and a half per cent of alcohol shall be regarded as intoxicating liquor; second, the importation of intoxicating liquor into Canada is prohibited on and after Dec. 24th, 1917, unless it shall have been actually purchased on or before that date for importation into Canada, and then not later than the 31st day of January, 1918—(this regulation shall not apply to importations for medicinal, sacramental, manufacturing or chemical purposes) third, the transportation of liquor into any part of Canada wherein the sale of intoxicating liquor is illegal will be prohibited on and after a date to be determined upon after further investigation and consideration of the actual conditions of industry as above mentioned; the prohibition of importation becomes effective on Monday, Dec. 24th; the regulations to carry into effect the other provisions above mentioned are being prepared, and as

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soon as approved they will be enacted under the provisions of the War Measures Act. The foregoing provision will remain in force during the war and for twelve months after the conclusion of peace.

AFTER GERMAN'S NAVY.
NEW YORK, Dec. 24. Use of aeroplanes in major attacks on Germany's navy was recommended in a letter made public here to-day from Rear-Admiral Bradley A. Fiske to Allan R. Hawley, President of the Aero Club of America. The letter says it is not a foolish notion of fantasies in aeronautics but is sound idea based on principles of strategy that all Germany's naval eggs are in one basket, Rear-Admiral Fiske declares, and these eggs are virtually essential to her existence as a nation. It is my profound conviction that we can smash these eggs by torpedo plane and air bomb attacks, if we can prepare and deliver them on a scale sufficiently great.

Reuters Message.

THE CONSCRIPTION ISSUE.
MELBOURNE, Australia, Dec. 24. (Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.)—Among the majorities against conscription in the latest returns which, without the soldiers' vote show a total majority of 175,000 against its adoption are: New South Wales, 141,000; Victoria, 12,000; Queensland, 30,000; South Australia, 21,000. Among the majorities for conscription are: West Australia, 59,000; Tasmania, 350. The impending defeat of conscription causes an embarrassing situation. Premier Hughes will now advise the Governor-General to summon Hon. Mr. Tudor, or a member of

his own party, to form a new government, by which Hughes would be absolved of his pledges, or he may ask for a dissolution. It is believed that the majority against conscription is largely due to the solid vote of the Labor Unions, smarting under the recent strike defeat, the strong campaign of Archbishop Mannix influencing the Catholics, and also the fact that the industrial classes failed to appreciate the large issues involved.

EXPRESS WIN-THE-WAR VIEWS.

LONDON, Dec. 24. (Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.)—Reuters is informed that all Australian anti-conscription leaders have expressed strong win-the-war views. Prominent labor leaders are fighting at the front, and others have sons there, including Senator Tudor, the anti-conscriptionist leader, and for-

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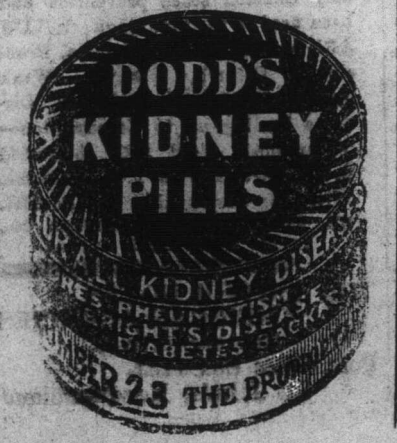
BOMBAY, India, Dec. 24. (Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.)—The Bombay Times has received a letter from an Indian statesman of high position, pointing out that the heart of Moslem India is grieved to find that the principal Islamic State is warring against the British Empire, and suggesting that Indian Moslems should jointly urge on Turkey the desirability of peace.

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H. A. WINTER, B.A., - - - Editor
WEDNESDAY, Dec. 26th, 1917.

In Russia.

With the West front virtually inactive and the desperate struggle for command of the valleys into the Venetian lowlands yet lacking a decision, chief interest attaches for the present to the extraordinary situation in Russia. Germany has sent to Brest Litovsk her most astute diplomats to make a show of negotiating for a peace which they know to be impossible. Their task is a blinding one, being nothing more than to consume time without making that intention too plain to the unsophisticated delegates of the Bolsheviks. They are succeeding well enough so far, and we hear of further postponements of the discussions. Meanwhile, the only business that matters is being transacted behind either side of this solemn facade. Germany is stripping her east front of men, apparently with the greatest possible speed and with no attempt at concealment. The Bolsheviks themselves cannot help noticing it and

draw it to the German delegates' attention as a breach of the armistice terms. As Germany has no intention of regarding any of those terms that do not suit herself, the position is not without its humor. At the same time the flame of civil war is undoubtedly spreading in southern Russia and Siberia. The announcement that the Ukrainians have formed an alliance with the Cossacks and that Grand Duke Nicholas is in command of a large army in the Caucasus further encourages the hope aroused in recent days that Russia may yet regain the freedom that she has lost through licence and anarchy.

Another, but less substantial, hope begins to emerge from the Petrograd quarter. It has lately become known that the other Allies have recognised Lenin's de facto government and are continuing to give Russia economic assistance as before. Whether this is merely to prevent the Bolsheviks from being driven, by withdrawal of the Allies' support and recognition, entirely into Germany's arms, as is alleged, or whether it has also some deeper purpose, cannot as yet be known; but it is significant that of late a change seems to have modified the attitude of Trotsky, the real leader of the government. He has hitherto been regarded as more or less a German tool, working, for German money, towards thinly disguised German ends. The opinion has certainly been justified to date, for nothing could have helped Germany more than the success that has attended him. Recently, however, he has been laying greater emphasis on the democratic essence of the peace that must be accomplished, and drawing a sharp distinction, which must be unpleasant to Berlin, between the German militarists and the German people. Asked the blunt question, what he would do if his peace terms were rejected by Germany, he answers that Russia would probably wage a "revolutionary war." As Russia's preliminary terms are said to have been already rejected by Germany, and as any final terms which Germany may agree to will not come within a thousand miles of the sort of peace Trotsky professes to insist on, his prediction will soon be put to the test. It would be idle, of course, to place any faith in the inclination or capacity of the Maximilians to return to the war, but they are fortunately not Russia, and when they have failed to obtain peace in the end and Germany's real purposes are plain even to the simple Russian people, it will not be unreasonable to look for the speedy return to power of some war party or another, though under what leader or after what course of events it would be foolish to speculate.

SCHOONERS IN TROUBLE.—The schooner Margaret Stanley, Capt. Collins, left St. Pierre on December 4th and has not been heard of since. She no doubt fared badly in the recent storms that swept the Atlantic. The schr. Burdette, which has made history a couple of times within the past year and which left Burgeo, had to return to port disabled.

Sir Douglas Haig

SENDS CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR MESSAGE.

December 26, 1917.
Dear Sir,—His Excellency the Governor has forwarded me the enclosed message from Sir Douglas Haig, which I shall be glad if you will publish in your paper to-day.

Yours truly,
R. A. SQUIRES,
Colonial Secretary.
No. 1621
Telegram from Sir Douglas Haig. (recd. 23 Dec. 1917.)
All ranks under my command join with me in sending heartfelt good wishes to the Colony of Newfoundland for Christmas and the coming Year.

Casualty List.

RECEIVED DECEMBER 24th, 1917.
Seriously Ill, Dec. 16th. (Nature of Wounds Previously Reported).

3472—Private Arthur Warford, Pt. Leamington.
3471—Private John C. Butt, Henville Hr., Labrador.
3593—Private Joseph Hurley, Brennan's Lane.

Removed from Seriously Ill List.
1792—Private Abram B. Antle, Botwood.
2052—Private Sidney Locke, Burnt Arm, N.D.B.
Previously Reported Wounded, Now Reported at Front, Diarrhoea.
3153—Private W. Garfield Way, Newtown, B.B.

At Wandsworth. (Nature of Wounds Previously Reported from Etaples).
2946—Private Ambrose Wheeler, Tizard's Hr., N.D.B.
2923—Private Frank J. Angot, Hr. Breton.

RECEIVED DECEMBER 26th.

Missing November 20th.
2853—Private Arthur A. Messervey, Sandy Point.
Previously Reported Missing—Now Reported Killed in Action or Died of Wounds on or about November 20th.

1042—Private Archibald W. Bishop, Burnt.

Died in Enemy Hands in Hospital at Tournal—Buried Grave No. 570, Cemetery, Tournal—No Particulars Given.

1925—Private George Attwood, Jamestown, B.B.

Previously Reported Missing—Now Reported by Officer Commanding 1st Battalion Not Missing.
3139—Private William C. Anthony, Seldom Come By.
3226—Private John J. Walsh, 10 Codner's Lane.

Transferred to Forestry Companies—D dangerously Ill Pneumonia, Military Hospital, Halifax.
35—Sergt. John J. Sheehan, 5 Howe Place.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED.

48 Casualty Clearing Station, December 10th—Previously Reported Wounded November 30—No Particulars Given.
3533—Private George Rose, Great Harbor, F.B.

Still Seriously Ill, Dec. 16th.

2699—Private Clarence Stone, Smith Sound, T.B.

At Wandsworth—Nature of Wounds Previously Reported.
2905—Private George E. Fitzgerald, 51 Cochrane St.
3225—Private Richard A. Hickey, 38 Flower Hill.
1517—Private John Hawco, 43 New Gower Street.

R. A. SQUIRES,
Colonial Secretary.

The Christmas Party (and Tree) for the Church of England Orphans will be held at the Orphanage on Friday, December 28th, at 3.30 o'clock. Contributions gratefully accepted. Friends are cordially invited to be present.—dec24,2i

Personal.

Lieut. William Laird Orr who has been visiting his parents since his recent return from France, where he was attached to the 134th Division French Army, leaves for the United States on Thursday's express. Lieut. Orr has greatly improved in health and goes now to prepare for examination to enter one of the Officers' Training Camps for a commission in the United States Army. Lieut. Orr has many friends throughout Newfoundland who wish him every success and hope for his safe return.

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Capt. Herbert Rendell

Mentioned in Despatches.

The Minister of Militia has received the following message from the Pay and Record Office, London:
"Mentioned in Sir Douglas Haig's despatch November 7th, to be published December 28th, Captain Herbert Rendell."

The nature of Capt. Rendell's services, which have won this honour, is not known, but there will be general pleasure felt that his long and meritorious career with the Regiment has received such a high reward.
We congratulate Capt. Rendell and his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Rendell.



The Governor and Miss Armorer Harris will be "At Home" at Government House on Thursday, the 3rd of January, 1918, from 4 to 6 p.m.
By command,

H. KNOX-NIVEN,
Lieut.-Colonel,
dec26,31,33 Private Secretary.

Newfoundland Scotch Cured Herring.

Advices from Newfoundland that buyers have been paying as high as \$19 and even \$20 for stocks. Local there has had its effect already on the market here. Importers and merchants who are interested in this grade of herring are now predicting an opening market at \$25 and \$28 for fall caught herring of good quality, and there is a bullish tendency in evidence. The trade is apparently ready to meet these prices, for the demand for Newfoundland Scotch pack herring has been steadily growing, and operators here who are expecting supplies on the arrival of the s.s. Florizel from St. John's have had many offers to sell out their holdings in advance of their arrival at a fair margin of profit. Stocks held by merchants in this city are now practically exhausted. It is doubtful if any one holder could muster a lot of 100 barrels, at this time, and indeed, buyers appear to be little interested in offerings just now in view of the fact that new goods are soon to be available here. The first shipment from Newfoundland is expected to be about 2,000 barrels, but there is a question in the minds of many merchants here if it will be anything like this quantity. The fact that operators have made every effort to get their first supplies into New York before the arrival of the steamer bringing herring from Scotland, however, may have resulted in a heavier shipment than many are willing to admit. If there are 2,000 barrels on the Florizel, it is a safe conjecture that it will be sold upon arrival and at good prices, for only limited supplies are held here in the jobbing trade and they will soon be exhausted. It is reported that the catch at Green Bay has been good, and many other fishery centres on the island have had good fishing up to this time. The bulk of the herring has gone into Scotch cure, according to these advices.—N. Y. Fishing Gazette, Dec. 15.

McMurdo's Store News

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 26, 1917.
We announce the arrival of a full stock of Orchard White, the well known cosmetic lotion. All accounts agree as to the unique qualities of this famous emollient and whitener of the hands and face. Bottles contain three ounces with space left for the addition of lemon juice to complete the recipe.

Another late arrival is that of 108 Nox-a-Cold, a remedy for which it is claimed that it not only relieves and cures the cough, but gets at the general cold and eradicates it. Certainly, it is one of the most successful things of the kind to be had. Price 30c a bottle.

For distinctly evening clothes chiffon velvets, metal brocades and novelty satins are chosen.

MILLIONS DIE

Every year from Consumption, Millions could have been saved if only common sense prevention had been used in the first stage. IF YOU ARE A Sufferer from Asthma, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Fluorisy, Weak Lungs, Cough and Colds—all Diseases leading up to Consumption— Write for Testimonials and Booklet, DR. STRANGLER'S MEDICINE CO., 233-235 Yonge Street, Toronto.

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Here and There.

PERSONAL.—Mrs. W. Kennedy, of Western Bay, who was visiting the city, returns home by to-morrow's train.

TRAIN MOVEMENTS.—Yesterday's outgoing express left Howley at 8.40 a.m. to-day. The incoming express left Port aux Basques on time this morning.

Gem Rings, Pendants, Brooches, Chains, Wrist Watches, and all the different lines of pretty jewellery most suitable for Xmas Gifts, just now in at TRAPNELLS—dec12,tf

ARRESTED ON SERIOUS CHARGE.—On a deposition sworn out by a young woman, a young shipwright was arrested on Christmas Eve night on a serious charge. He was later released on furnishing \$100 bonds.

Stafford's Prescription "A"—Cure for diseases of the Stomach: Indigestion, Dyspepsia, Catarrh, Gastritis and Nervous Dyspepsia.—nov6,tf

HELPS HALIFAX.—Mr. J. A. McKenzie, manager of the Imperial Life Assurance Co., Ltd., Quebec, has for their local manager, W. P. Comeford, for the Halifax Relief Fund.

Every Saturday evening after 7 o'clock, Choice Ends of Beef, Mutton, Lamb, Pork will be sold at cost. ELLIS & CO., LTD., 203 Water Street.—nov29,tf

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.—The Hon. Treasurer of the Church of England Orphanage begs to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of Twenty Dollars from P. G. Lodge of Newfoundland L. O. A., per Jordan Milley, Secretary.

Funnist Comedy, "The Sudden Arrival," by Llewellyn Dramatic Club, Canon Wood Hall, New Year's Night. Popular prices, 50c. and 20c. Plan at Gray & Goodland's.—dec26,1i

We are just opening up some very pretty Silverware consisting of Jewel Cases, Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, Manicure Sets, Shaving Sets and other articles most suitable for Xmas Gifts. R. H. TRAPNELLS.—dec12,tf

EXPRESS PASSENGERS.—The following first class passengers are on the incoming express: Jno. Peckham, Capt. W. Kennedy, P. Walsh, L. Layman, F. Harris, A. Sdeber, A. Cowan, P. C. Irwin, A. Stuple, Jno. Riley, M. Pike, S. Worby, S. B. Hynes, Mrs. S. Vatcher, M. Vatcher, B. Clark.

TO-NIGHT, TO-NIGHT.—C. C. C. Band Dance (in aid of Band's expenses) in the C. C. C. New Hall at 9.15. Tickets:—Double, \$1.00; Lady's, 50c. Programme of 5 or 6 Square and 8 Round Dances. Music by the full Band. Tickets at Smyth's, Atlantic Bookstore and Cash's.—1i

POLICE COURT.—A Spanish and local seaman, who were primed from drinking toilet preparations as substitutes for liquor, were the only ones to engage the attention of the police Xmas Eve night and had to be locked up. They were liberated yesterday morning. There was no business in court to-day.

BEVERLEY CHANGES HANDS.—The well known firm of W. A. Munn completed arrangements this morning for the purchase of the s.s. Beverley. She is now loading for foreign market and will be in command of Capt. Wilson. The ship was practically rebuilt during the year and is now in excellent condition for trans-Atlantic voyages.

Dance in aid of St. Patrick's Restoration Fund, eve of first general holiday, C. C. C. Hall, C. C. C. Band, Double Tickets, \$1.00; Ladies', 50c. Teas and Refreshments served. Tickets to be had at J. J. Nelder's, M. J. Murphy's, Water Street, and N. J. Vinicombe's, Duckworth St. dec26,Jan10,27

RESERVISTS RETURNING.—The following Naval Reservists, who have been on active service, are returning on through by the incoming express: P. Neary, E. Ryan, W. Critch, W. Mollow, R. Smith, S. Hussey, A. Torraville, E. Jeco, A. Poorter, G. Power, W. Head, T. Penson, E. Hammond, W. Warren, J. Whelan, J. Hayte, E. Dunn, W. Young, J. Burton, J. Willis, P. Poole, E. Mercer, R. Brown, — Hayden, W. Poole, E. Trenchard, W. Goldworthy, B. Renouf.

The Organist and Choir of Cochrane Street Centennial Church, assisted by Mrs. F. J. King, Solo Soprano, and Mr. F. J. King, Solo Organ, will give a Vocal and Instrumental Recital in the Church on Wednesday evening, 2nd January, at 8 o'clock. His Excellency the Governor and Miss Harris have graciously signified their intention of being present.—dec26,28,31

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AFTERNOON, 2.15; NIGHT, 7.30.
PRESENTING MARIN SAIS IN
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A thrilling episode of the "American Girl" series.
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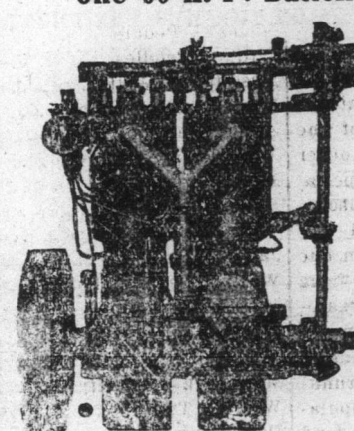
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From Cape Race.
CAPE RACE, To-day.
Wind S. W. light, weather dull and rainy, no vessels sighted to-day. Bar. 29.65; therm. 42.
INFECTIOUS DISEASE.—The Health Authorities have evidently been successful in checking a further spread of the outbreak of smallpox in the city as not a single new case was reported within the past week.

LATE

2.00
UNDER HUN
Although the Austro-German have been most strict in keeping any news from their lines to indicate position is treated in the most a copy of a decree issued by the command of Udo's vigilance. It prescribes in six hours from the places designated by all the arms which bring to the designated foodstuffs which the houses. Each citizen's name every day at eleven must present himself in ticket.

GERMAN SAVAGERY.
With the American man To-Day—Information on man savagery has reached troops in one of a series read to them by units posted on bulletin boards what they heard about a man's own trenches held troops. A lone sentry of found with his throat cut ear. He had been an overwhelping force and must have been a soldier. Such brutality to old soldiers who were savages in the Philippines. Another bulletin tells the Germans in occupied France and Belgium men and children of into the snow, the used by the soldiers' terials.

BOLSHEVIKI INFLUENCE WANE.
LONDON.
There have been local conditions in recent Petrograd that the influence of the Bolsheviks was waning. With such unanimity in the despatches dated from capital on Sunday and Monday. Nearly all take the form or other that the workmen's and organization is growing consistent the causes alleged are the lack of authority, increased the reluctance of the tion to work and the scarcity of stuffs. The main doctrine of ics is said to be for peace.

F. E. SMITH IN AN ATLANTIC PORT.
An Atlantic liner arrived Sir Frederick E. Smith, General of Great Britain as Sir Frederick had here to spend one connection with legal matters the United States and to settle the details for the British subjects living in the States.

PRESIDENT TO VISIT PORTAU.
WASHINGTON.
The nation's Transportation ties will be taken care of by the United States on high circles. While the House, the information given that the President has ally upon this step to solve the railroad congestion. His position has been prepared, it is ready to be made public conference with rogues and four big brotherhoods and presidents later in this week.

AUSTRO-GERMAN SINKING OF ITALIAN HEADQUARTERS.
Italian Headquarters. To-day captured by the Asiago Plateau said the hearts are sick of the among the rocks, fighting filled with bloody. A rights with suffering. What r on their suffering. Their rian officers promise their soon as the plain is freed. food wine, food, and rander of the Italian army which they hold for. These them to fresh forts. Italian resistance is such as pressed backward and fields to counter attack and sition only after striking the enemy the maximum price.

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LATEST

2.00 P.M.

UNDER HUN RULE.

ROME, To-day.

Although the Austro-Germans have been most strict in their efforts to keep any news from coming through their lines to indicate how the population is treated in the invaded regions, a copy of a decree issued by the military command of Udine has escaped their vigilance. It provides that within six hours from the publication of the decree all citizens must bring to the places designated by the command all the arms which they possess; within six hours more they must bring to the designated places all the foodstuffs which they have in their houses. Each citizen must give his name every day at eleven o'clock and must present himself to receive a food ticket.

GERMAN SAVAGERY.

With the American Army in France, To-day—Information concerning German savagery has reached American troops in one of a series of bulletins read to them by unit commanders and posted on bulletin boards. Here is what they heard about a raid by Germans on trenches held by American troops. A lone sentry of infantry was found with his throat cut from ear to ear. He had been surprised by an overwhelming force of Germans and must have been killed after a struggle. Such brutality is familiar to old soldiers who served against the savages in the Philippine campaign. Another bulletin tells the men how the Germans in occupied sections of France and Belgium are turning women and children out of their homes into the snow, the buildings being used by the soldiers' horses and materials.

BOLSHEVIKI INFLUENCE ON THE WANE.

LONDON, To-day. There have been occasional assertions in recent Petrograd despatches that the influence and power of the Bolsheviki was waning, but never with such unanimity as in the special despatches dated from the Russian capital on Sunday and printed today. Nearly all take the point in one form or other that the defection from the Workmen's and Soldiers' organization is growing constantly. Among the causes alleged are the general lack of authority, increase in drunkenness, the reluctance of the population to work and the scarcity of food stuffs. The main desire of the soldiers is said to be for peace.

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PRESIDENT TO CONTROL TRANSPORTATION.

WASHINGTON, To-day. The nation's transportation facilities will be taken over by the President of the United States on December 31st, is a statement made here in high circles. While no confirmation was forthcoming from the White House, the information given out is that the President has finally decided upon this step to solve the increasing railroad congestion. His proclamation has been prepared, it is said, and is ready to be made public after his conference with representatives of the four big brotherhoods and railroad presidents later in this week.

AUSTRO-GERMANS SICK OF MOUNTAIN FIGHTING.

Italian Headquarters, To-day—Prisoners captured by the Italians on the Asiago Plateau say that the men's hearts are sick of this cruel fighting among the rocks, where the days are filled with bloody fighting and the nights with aching cold. A surfeit from their sufferings is what the Austrian officers promise their troops as soon as the plain is reached. Warmth, good wine, food, plunder and the surrender of the Italian Army are lures which they hold before their eyes to wise them to fresh efforts, but the Italian resistance is tough and when pressed backward returns continually to counter attack and yields each position only after extracting from the enemy the maximum price.

FROM BREST LITOVSK TO STOCKHOLM.

LONDON, To-day. The serial revolutionary majority for the Constituent Assembly has decided to convoke that body on January 2nd, according to a Petrograd despatch to the Times, although the

Bolsheviki Government has said that it was determined to prevent the meeting of the Assembly independent of its sanction. M. Borovsky, a Bolsheviki representative, in a Stockholm despatch to the Morning Post from the Swedish capital says he confirms the reports that Stockholm will be the scene of the continuation of the Russo-German peace negotiations. He says that the session in Stockholm will begin early in January, when all delegates now at Brest Litovsk are expected in the Swedish capital.

STILL AT IT.

PETROGRAD, To-day. The Bolsheviki Government has decided to send special representatives to all countries, belligerent as well as neutral, to further the propaganda of internationalism.

Distribution of Food Cards.

Commencing with to-day, the campaign for food economy will be initiated in earnest. Members of the W. P. A. are distributing the cards by which householders pledge themselves to save food in every way possible, and it is expected that the whole city will be canvassed by Monday.

Halifax Disaster.

Individual Subscriptions from Several Wards of Carbonear and Bristol's Hope.

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Ethel Simmonds	5c.
Albert Taylor	20c.
Mrs. James Taylor	40c.
Robert Penney	50c.

\$23.30
(To be Continued.)

BIG RUSH WITH FREIGHT.

Water Street to-day presented an unusual scene of activity. For a considerable distance both sides of that thoroughfare as well as the approaches to Bowring's wharves were occupied with teams with freight, principally Christmas goods, for the coast-land steamer Portia, which sails tomorrow night, it is expected, for western ports. In consequence the efforts of the officials of the Bowring Coastal Department are heavily taxed in the handling of passengers and freight.

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Christmas Day Nuptials

MARCH-ANDERSON.

The marriage of Mrs. Clymena March, of St. John, N.B., and Hon. John Anderson, M. L. C., took place yesterday afternoon at the Manse in the presence of the church Kirk Session and their wives, the Board of Management and the intimate friends of the groom, the Pastor, Rev. Gordon Dickie, officiating. The bride looked charming in pale gray satin, with georgette crepe sleeves over shadow lace, and carried a beautiful bouquet of violet, pink and white flowers. Her daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) G. Dickie, who was dressed in pale blue georgette crepe, handsomely trimmed with gold beading, was matron of honour. Bride and groom were unattended. The guests present included Lieut. Col. Knox-Niven and Capt. Campbell, Private Secretary and A. D. C. respectively, to His Excellency the Governor, Hon. S. and Mrs. Milley, W. and Mrs. Frew, H. E. and Mrs. Cowan, Canadian Trade Commissioner Nicholson and Mrs. Nicholson, D. and Mrs. Baird, F. J. and Mrs. King, A. and Mrs. Robertson and Lieut. Alex. and the Misses Ledingham. Following the ceremony supper was served at the Manse and the health of the bride and groom, proposed by Mr. W. Frew, was enthusiastically toasted. Many beautiful presents were received as well as telegrams from abroad, including those from the bride's sons, Captains Ernest and Edgar March, who were prevented from being present through press of military service, and the groom's sons, Lieut. Hugh, of the Royal Naval Regiment, and Mr. J. Murray Anderson, of New York. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson will reside on Circular Road. The Telegram unites in the cordial congratulations extended.

Presentation to Mr. Pratt.

On Xmas Eve, the Official Board of Wesley Church sent to the residence of J. C. Pratt, Esq., the very efficient Organist and Choir Master, a valuable arm chair as a token of appreciation of his talented service as Conductor of the music which is an important factor in the success of Wesley Church. Mr. Pratt accepts no remuneration to him if it is a labor of love to assist in the praise and worship of God, but feeling under a deep sense of obligation to him the Stewards of the Church annually send some honorarium to express their gratitude. Following the service yesterday morning the choir presented Mr. Pratt with a splendid set of carvers, Mr. A. Rooney in a brief but neat speech made the presentation, to which Mr. Pratt made a suitable reply.

Obituary.

WM. QUINN.
We note with regret the demise of Mr. William Quinn yesterday, after a prolonged illness. Deceased who was twenty-seven years of age, was the son of the late Patrick and Margaret Quinn, and nephew of Hon. W. J. Ellis, with whom he was associated in business up to some months ago, when he was stricken. The deadly ailment from which he suffered had gained such inroads that cure was impossible. He was a prominent member of the T. A. and B. Society. To the bereaved relatives and friends of the deceased much sympathy will go out.

Reid's Boats.

The Argyle left Placentia at 7.40 p.m. yesterday.
The Clyde arrived at Lewisporte at 3 a.m. to-day.
The Dundee arrived at Port Blandford at 8.20 a.m. to-day.
The Ethie has not been reported since leaving Port Saunders on the 23rd inst.
The Glencoe is due at Placentia to-day.
The Wren left Clarendville at 11.10 a.m. on Monday.

Want "Winning a Heiress" Repeated.

Editor Evening Telegram.
Dear Sir,—A few days ago I read in your contemporary the "Star" an open letter to Mr. H. W. Stirling, requesting that the "Llewellyn Dramatic Co." repeat that side-splitting farce, "Winning an Heiress," which made such a hit last season. I, too, (who enjoyed it immensely) join with the "One who missed the Mysteries" in asking Mr. Stirling to repeat the popular farce at an early date, and I feel sure, if he decides to do so, his company will be greeted by another bumper house.

ENCORE.
St. John's, Dec. 26th, 1917.
MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES GARTIC IN COWS.

Gift Suggestions



For the Christmas Season

If the selection of Christmas Gifts troubles you, come right here and see how quickly and satisfactorily we can remove the pressure from your mind by showing you something choice in Footwear that will be "just the thing" for Christmas Gifts.

Long Rubbers for Boys and Girls are bound to please. All sizes; lowest prices.

A pair of our Swell Skating Boots make an Ideal Xmas Gift. Prices from \$3.40 to \$9.50.

Nothing would be more pleasing to "Daddy" than a pair of our Buckle Gaiters. Give him a pair and make him happy.
Prices from \$1.90 to \$3.70.

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Prices from \$1.00 to \$2.50

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We have a wide range of dainty Felt Slippers, assorted colors, from \$1.00 to \$2.50

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Only \$1.90 a pair.

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For Granda.
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The Loganberry is a new berry. It is a cross or grafted berry of the Oregon wild blackberry and the ordinary red raspberry and was discovered by Judge Logan of Salem, Oregon, who gave it his name.
The juice is a rich, dark red juice pressed from the rich ripe berries and bottled where they grow. It is non-alcoholic but is a most delicious and eminently pleasing drink. Each bottle of "Phez" is equivalent to three times its contents, as "Phez" is the pure undiluted juice of the Loganberry and is very heavy.
NOTE.—To be used as a beverage "Phez" should be diluted with two parts water.

RETAIL PRICES:

Per 2 oz. bottle	15c.
Per 4 oz. bottle	25c.
Per 8 oz. bottle	35c.
Per 12 oz. bottle	50c.
Per 24 oz. bottle	90c.
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All Proverbs Aren't True.

By RUTH CAMERON.



There is the strangest notion current among us that because a point of view has passed into a proverb or a fable, it is necessarily true and right and not to be argued against. I was brought to a sudden and poignant realization of this notion the other day when some question came of asking a friend who had helped us when we were down, to help another friend. "I'd hate to do it," said my worldly wise advisor. "He may not like it." "But he seemed glad to help us," I pointed out. "Yes," said the worldly wise one, "but maybe he thinks that's enough. You know," he finished triumphantly, "the fable of the lame dog and the doctor. You don't want to be a lame dog, do you?"

I let myself be squelched. "I suppose not," I said, feeling quite squelched. But afterwards when I fell to thinking it over to myself I began to feel quite differently, and see things with answers I might have made him (I believe I have told you of my cousin who declares he is going to write a book to get in the wise and witty answers he thinks of after the opportunity to make them has passed).

Who Was the Villain? You all know the fable. The doctor helped the dog with the broken paw, the next day the dog came back with another dog, and the next day with still another. And as I remember the fable, the doctor repented him of having helped the first dog. There isn't any definite moral attached but the idea seems to be that one should take all the help one can get but not make a nuisance of oneself by asking it for anyone else.

The lame dog is supposed to be the villain of the tale. To my mind the doctor was the villain. He could do one kind act but he balked at doing more. No, to be sure he couldn't give up his practice to fix lame dogs' paws, but he could do as much as he could himself, and organize his brother doctors to help with the rest.

From what I've seen of doctors, I am sure they would have done it willingly. Shrewdness is Sometimes Allied to Meanness. I don't see why we should worship proverbs and fables so. They are shrewd, to be sure, but their shrewdness often comes very close to meanness. Stevenson speaks scornfully of "cowardly proverbs."

Besides, many of them contradict each other. For instance, "If a thing is worth doing at all it's worth doing well," (my particular bete noir among proverbs, used to justify housewives in wearing themselves out over small matters) and its diametrical opposite, "Half a loaf is better than none."

Proverbs represent common sense. They are apt to crowd out uncommon sense. And we need both in this world.

For 15 days in the month of January I was suffering with pain of rheumatism in the foot. I tried all kinds of remedies but nothing did me any good. One person told me about MINARD'S LINIMENT; as soon as I tried it the Saturday night, the next morning I was feeling very good; I tell you this remedy is very good; I could give you a good certificate any time that you would like to have one. If any time I come to hear about any person sick of rheumatism, I could tell them about this remedy.

Yours truly,
ERNEST LEVEILLE,
216 Rue Ontario East, Montreal,
Feb. 14, 1908.

Fads and Fashions.

Low shoes of beige suede have black military toes and heels. Motor clothing this season uses an immense amount of fur. Leopard skins are used for coats, caps, robes and foot muffs. Bright green suits are sometimes trimmed with black and white. Very full sleeves are a feature of a very chic frock of silk jersey. Russian blouse styles hold their own in a way that is really wonderful. Very interesting things can be embroidered on the ends of the wool muffler. Unless a veil is put on with great care it will mar more than add to the costume. Brilliantly colored handkerchiefs give a spot of gaiety to a sombre costume.

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TURKEY.

Turkey is a jagged slice of explosive purgatory which has been exploding at the expense of the foreign missionary for the past 2,000 years. It is a restless, uneasy nation with a barbaric and unwashed population and its four degrees farther removed from the dawn of civilization than the reservation Indian of the present day.

Turkey is a rich agricultural country and has a fertile clay sub-soil, which has been carefully fertilized for several centuries by strangers who went there to set up a new form of government. Every few years some outside nation would decide that it was time to reclaim Turkey and introduce it to the modern marriage licenses, large expeditions being fitted out for that purpose. Travellers tell us that all over Turkey can be seen the silent, reproachful mounds of crusaders who landed with a sword in one hand and the double ring service in the other, only to be driven off in the nearest promontory by coarse Turkish soldiers in red bloomers and interred in a state of utter collapse.

If it were not for his 389 wives, the Sultan of Turkey would be a long bachelor. He is a mealy monarch, and is subject to long, sustained attacks of melancholy, varied with a high degree of hook-worm fever. The Sultan's wives are not conspicuous for intellect, but are carefully weighed before the ceremony on a set of platform scales in front of the royal palace. They are kept in a large, segregated scoop called a harem and are not allowed to look upon the face of any other man except the Sultan, which shows to what extent the refinements of cruelty are practised in that savage country.

The inhabitants of Turkey are a simple, hospitable people with a religion which they never allow to interfere with business. In this respect, they have a number of initiators in our own land. Turkey's principal industry is the noiseless assassination

of strangers who have a substitute for the Turkish religion, and as a result, it takes more courage to go into Turkey and preach the Gospel than it does to accept the pastorate of a church which is split in two from the neck down.

Must Explain Himself.

During the midnight hours of Christmas Eve the police, while making their rounds on Water Street, noticed a light flickering in a certain store and on investigating found a young business man there in a comatose state. He being unable to account for his presence therein, the owners were communicated with. The latter, after a brief conference with the police officers, decided to let the nocturnal visitor go on condition that he must give a satisfactory explanation of himself to the proprietors of the premises when his constitution reaches the normal stage again.

Ladies' Dressing Cases, Brush, Comb and Mirror, BOWRING BROS., LTD., Hardware Dept., dec24, eod, tf.

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Sergt. Coughlan Prisoner of War.

Mr. James Coughlan, of the G. P. O., received word on Christmas Eve that his son, Sergt. Louis Coughlan, who has been missing since April 14th last was a prisoner of war in Germany. The glad tidings came from Pte. Wells of Grand Falls, who is a prisoner in Germany. He says that six others, including Sergt. Coughlan, are with him in the same camp.

Patronizing Foreign Companies.

KEEP OUR MONEY IN THE COUNTRY.

Editor Evening Telegram.
Dear Sir,—I feel patriotically bound to expose the thoughtlessness of our people in regard to certain matters of late.

During the past year several theatrical troupes have come to this prosperous community and, although tenth rate concerns, have taken away with them thousands of hard-earned dollars. Now we hear that yet another is coming to try to do the same. Many of our people have the idea that, because a show is given by strangers, it must be excellent. In this Colony, at any rate, it is generally quite the opposite, and our local talent is far ahead of any show ever brought here from outside.

Indeed I have seen amateur entertainments which stood for months of labour in aid of the Red Cross and W. P. A. given to almost empty halls, because, round the corner, was a much inferior play by a foreign company so well patronized as not to leave standing room.

Lastly, though not posing as a social economist, I wish to point out that every cent made by these people goes with them and is never seen here again, to the detriment of our country's prosperity. If our people must have entertainment in these hard times let them, at least, patronize our own local shows—their profits are spent in the Dominion and still kept in circulation.

The enormous gains made by these last few companies will bring scores of others flocking to these good profit-making grounds, and we may be sure they will be just as inferior. Our country is desperately in need of finances. Here, thrown into our hands, is the means of increasing our revenue. Let us force our Government to tax these people heavily. It should be the duty of the head of every family in the least patriotic to see that none under his care works against the welfare of our Dominion.

Yours sincerely,

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December 23rd, 1917.

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To-Day's
Message
10.30 A.M.

FRENCH OFFICIAL.
PARIS.
An official statement from the War Office to-night says: "The moderate artillery activity is greater part of the front on the right bank of the Meuse. South of Juvincourt the enemy's lines and positions.

BELGIAN REPORT.
Belgian Communiqué—The last of the last few days (Wednesday) the barbed Schor Lekke and the Schor-Bakko in return for the poison gas shells directed at Ramsappelle. There was light activity in the region of the last night. Enemy prisoners taken in the region of Meebeke.

WAR REVIEW.
Increased cannonading in the region of Verdun, especially in the Deaumont, Chaume Wood and the theatres of some of the British counters in the war, indicates the parent intention of the Germans to keep the French forces in this well occupied, or might mean the renewal of the effort to break through at this vital point. The Allies, however, are evidently making any untoward event and have the initiative in other theatres. The British air squadron has been bombed the City of Metz, one of the most important bases of the revictualing of the German west front. Numerous air started in this city, tons of bombs being dropped. The British squad had numerous combats with the British machines were forced to make a landing. In Italy the Italians announce that they have captured, despite stubborn resistance, the positions they lost on the previous day on the Astago Plateau.

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To-Day's Messages.

10.30 A.M.

FRENCH OFFICIAL.

PARIS, To-day. An official statement issued by the War Office to-night says: There was moderate artillery activity over the greater part of the front and quite spirited on the right bank of the Meuse. South of Juvincourt we rained the enemy's lines and brought back prisoners.

BELGIAN REPORT.

Belgian Communiqué—In the course of the last few days we have bombarded Schoor Leike and the road to Schoor-Bakko in return for the use of poison gas shells directed against Ramscapelle. There was light artillery activity in the region of Bischoote last night. Enemy prisoners were taken in the region of Mepelen.

WAR REVIEW.

Increased cannonading in the region of Verdun, especially around Dcaumont, Chaume Wood and Courriers Wood, which a year ago were the theatres of some of the fiercest encounters in the war, indicates the apparent intention of the Germans to keep the French forces in this sector well occupied, or might even mean a renewal of the effort to break through at this vital point. The Allies, however, are evidently making ready for any untoward event and have taken the initiative in other directions. A British air squadron has successfully bombed the City of Mannheim, a great Rhine commercial center and one of the most important bases for the re-transporting of the Germans on the west front. Numerous fires were started in this city, tons of bombs being dropped. The British squadron had numerous combats with German airplanes in the expedition and one of the British machines was forced to make a landing. In Italy the battle is still raging on the Piave front. The Italians announce that they have recaptured, despite stubborn resistance, the positions they lost on the previous day on the Asiago Plateau. Berlin

reports, however, tend to minimize the setback and lay stress on the repulse of Italian counter attacks against the positions newly won by the Germans and a thrust at Monte Pertico. The Germans report the capture of nine thousand Italians in engagements around Col del Rosso. True to their tactics, the Teutons will probably direct another and greater thrust at a different point, as would appear from the shifting of large forces to the Franzela Valley, and the mountainous region to the north. The menace to Venice seems, however, to have been removed for the time being. The Associated Press Correspondent at Italian Headquarters in Northern Italy reports most unusual weather conditions in this war theatre, with little snow and exceedingly mild temperatures, conditions which are greatly aiding the Austro-Germans in their operations of the shifting of troops and supplies.

THE RUSSIAN MIXUP.

NEW YORK, To-day. Civil warfare in Russia seems to be spreading. Negotiations between the Bolshevik and Central Powers apparently are not proceeding smoothly. The time gained by the Germans in the negotiations would mean so much more time for the shifting of troops now being carried out with the greatest speed possible. The Germans have refused to grant German Socialist leaders permission to go to Stockholm for another Socialist discussion. The Bolsheviks are reported to be incensed over this decision and in the opinion of the Bolshevik leaders a German official delegation should go to Stockholm instead. A Bolshevik manifesto to Russian workers declared that the preparation of military equipment must be stopped and that their energies must be devoted to the production of peace supplies.

PEACE NEGOTIATIONS BEING PROTRACTED.

PETROGRAD, To-day.

Ensign Krylenko, the Commander-in-Chief of the Army reported to Bolshevik Headquarters on Sunday that the Germans were transferring troops in very large numbers and as quickly as possible to the west front against the Allies, also to the southwest on the Russian front. Leon Trotsky, the Bolshevik Foreign Minister

has called the attention of the peace delegation to that fact. A special despatch from Brest Litovsk announced Germans were not ready to reply to the Russian peace terms and consequently the meeting of the peace delegates was postponed until Monday afternoon. It is reported that the refusal of Germany to issue passports to German Socialists Haase, Ledebour and Kautsky, who desire to go to Stockholm to acquaint themselves with Russian revolutionary conditions which may hamper the peace negotiations.

FRANCO-GERMAN AGREEMENT OVER PRISONERS.

PARIS, To-day. An official note has announced the reaching of an agreement between the French and German Governments for the exchange of prisoners, by which non-commissioned officers and men of 48 years of age or older, who have been in captivity more than 18 months, will be repatriated. Officers in the same category will be interned in Switzerland. Appreciable improvements are also obtained through the agreement for men still in captivity as regards letters, regulations of work, and discipline. Negotiations for the repatriation or internment of men 40 or more having three or more children have failed, says the note, notwithstanding the generous efforts of the Swiss Government.

CIVIL WAR IN SERBIA.

PEKING, To-day. The Trans-Siberian Railway has been severed near Irkutsk, in eastern Siberia, where the Bolsheviks have destroyed locomotive sheds and work shops. Heavy fighting between the Bolshevik forces and supporters of the original revolutionary party is occurring in many places in Siberia.

ITALIANS HOLDING THE ENEMY.

ITALIAN ARMY HEADQUARTERS IN NORTHERN ITALY, Dec. 24.—(By Associated Press). Having devoted all their attention last week to trying to get down the San Lorenzo Valley leading to the plain, the enemy suddenly turned his attention to the last 24 hours to the Franzela Valley, which gives another line of approach to the lower level. These valleys lie on opposite sides of the Brenta River. With German divisions operating east of the river in an effort to push through the valley of San Lorenzo and the Austrians fighting west of the river in an attempt to effect a penetration by the Franzela Valley route, the latest attack on the west side of the river was preceded by a heavy bombardment. This operation was followed up by an advance of successive waves of infantry from a large concentration of enemy forces which succeeded in making a few hundred yards progress. The Italians, however, are still contesting the ground, their counter attacks blocking enemy progress. Enemy troops from the Russian and Rumanian fronts have been identified during the last attacks. It is also established that Austrian troops along the Piave are being shifted to the mountain region with the evident purpose of concentrating all attention on breaking through from the north. The menace to Venice from the recent success of the enemy in one of his numerous attempts to cross the old Piave has now been ended. By a brilliant attack the 17th Bersaglieri drove the enemy from his foothold on the west bank near the mouth of the river and forced him back across the stream to his old position on the east bank.

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GRAND STAR DANCE.—To be held in the Star Hall, New Year's Night, Dec. 31st. Music by Bailey and Miskell. Tickets: Single, 30c.; Double, 70c. F. J. WOODS, Actg. Chairman; H. M. WALL, Secy.—dec26.11

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A Cantata, entitled "Santa Claus in Japan," will be given in the Presbyterian Hall on Thursday and Friday, 27th and 28th insts., commencing at 8 p.m. Admission 30c.—dec26.31

TYPICAL GENEROSITY.—The captain and crew of the s.s. Ranger are very thank to Messrs. J. S. Munn and E. A. Bowring for their kindness in compensating them for the loss of their clothes in the storm of the 8th inst.

Forget the Eight Ounces, it's only throwing your money away. But don't forget to have your suit or overcoat cleaned and Pressed for the holiday season, as it is going to be very DRY weather, and you need good clothes. Phone 574 or send to SPURRELL the Tailor, 365 Water St.—dec19.eod.tf

POOR HOUSE PARTY.—The annual party for the inmates of the Poor Asylum will be held to-morrow afternoon. Contributions of fruit, candy, cakes, etc., may be sent to Mrs. Robinson, 14 Cathedral Street, Mrs. Arthur Hiscock, Long's Hill or the Asylum. This event is literally the only ray of sunshine that enters the lives of the poor unfortunates who are compelled by want to spend the eve of their lives within the walls of the "Poor House."

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The character of Christmas has changed so much since the war that you never know if you are right in wishing a friend a Merry Christmas. However one may be reconciled to separation from those nearest and dearest, with Christmas Day come memories of past associations which, in the circumstances, must leave a feeling of sadness. I have always found a War Christmas more happily spent by those who are out in the thick of things than by people at home, whose thoughts are divided by reflections on what it was a year ago and anticipations of what it may be next Christmas.

Bombarded With Puddings.

One of the most curious Christmas-eves ever passed, by 12,000 Britishers was when we were besieged in Ladysmith, with only two doubtful plum-puddings between the lot of us. Yet we spent as joyous a day as was possible on half-rations, our only one concern being the worry we knew our imprisonment was causing the old folks at home. The puddings came as a present from the Boers. Soon after daylight a couple of 100-lb. shells hurtled into the town. They did not explode, having been considerably plugged with wood in place of the fuses, and they were chalked "Compliments of the Season."

But for a long time Tommy was very suspicious of them. After he had drawn the plug he was not at all satisfied with the mixture inside until he had brought out a beautiful, fat raisin on the end of a pointed stick. There were the materials for two good-sized puddings in the shells; but as the senders had not thought of scalding the interiors and removing the bursting-charges, the batter did not look appetising, so the recipients of these seasonable attentions contented themselves with the fruit alone.

Fatal Thirteen.

In our own camp we made Christmas a red-letter day by eating two four-shilling eggs, each! We had laid in a dozen at forty-eight shillings at the Christmas Eve auction of delicacies. It was in the composition of our menus that we shone, rather than in the wealth of our dishes, quite the contrary to what happened at a recent historic hard-times banquet in London. All the garrison, except the men in the trenches or with the guns, had an afternoon off. We ran the Ladysmith Derby, competed for by Tommies on mules, and afterwards, by some ghastly mischance, our little party sat down thirteen to tea. Six were killed or mortally wounded in the battle on the following January 6th, and I know that four of the seven survivors have since died. Tragedies like this make Christmas such a landmark in life.

I have already spent five Christmas-es during the present war, and am looking forward to the sixth, whilst most people at home are preparing for their fourth. It has happened in this way. In 1915 we kept up the first Christmas after Italy's entry into the war with some officers and members of the Italian Parliament at a hotel behind the front. I contributed a plum pudding, but it proved a failure, because most of our Allies pretended they did not like it, and more than half was left on their plates.

Not the Genuine Article.

To tell the truth, it was a bought one, which had not improved by travel, and was not like "what mother makes." Anyhow, the exchange of very cordial entente speeches made amends. Within a few days of this warfeast I was ordered to Greece, and reached Athens on the Greek Christmas Eve, in time to join in an English dinner which several of my colleagues had arranged in order to escape the greasy Greek cooking.

Last Christmas was also kept in duplicate. Following the defeat of the Allied troops outside Athens on December 1st, and the sanguinary repression of the Venizelists the next day, the British colony was ordered to leave the capital, and took refuge on the Vasilief Constantine, a large Transatlantic liner, chartered by the Home Government as a temporary floating hotel. Here we had to spend the season of good will and good cheer.

As we blockaded Greece there was not much good cheer, as the Greeks had already started getting a little of their own back by preventing our fresh milk and vegetable supplies from leaving the shore. But the Fleet came to the rescue. Not content with conveying fresh provisions from loyal islands, it supplied us with the ingredients for plenty of Christmas-pudding for the whole British colony. I can truthfully say that the Greek cooks got the same results out of the

material that an English housewife would have done. They were too generous with the fruit, for one thing, and seemed to have been afraid of overbolting the puddings, for another. Still, for war plum-puddings they must have satisfied everybody except a professional grumbler.

The Hidden Future.

It must have been a unique Christmas dinner for the whole British colony of a foreign capital to sit at table on a foreign ship under the protection of the Allied Fleet. My recollections of last Christmas will be saddened this year by the thought that my immediate neighbour on the right was Mr. George J. Stevens, the Athens correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph," who, while on a brief visit to London in September, was killed by an air-raid.

I am certain that during the meal we had speculated where Christmas, 1917, might find us, and on the prospects of peace coming within the year. The Greek Christmas found us still at sea. And to please our Greek crew, and especially our cooks and waiters, who welcomed a second opportunity of sending round the hat, we celebrated their festival by partaking of a national dish they prepared.

The first Christmas of the war was quite uneventful. I was with the French, who prefer to reserve their break in the monotony of days until the New Year. When this came I happened to be at a Swiss post overlooking the Alsace plain, which had been the scene of much heavy-fighting during the early days of the war. Trench warfare had commenced, and the French and German lines faced each other at a few hundred yards' distance right up to the Swiss frontier.

The Voice of a Child.

Just before midnight on New Year's Eve the band of a Swiss cavalry corps took up a position right on the border, midway between the belligerents' trenches, to play the New Year in. It seemed that the music was being wasted on empty space, but by-and-by heads appeared above the trenches, without attracting the fire that they would have provoked in ordinary times, and before the serenade ended the occupants of both sets of trenches were standing in the open enjoying the unexpected treat.

This scene recalls an incident of the Franco-German War. Paris was preparing to pass its siege Christmas, and at midnight a little English chorister went over the top of the fortification, within a few hundred yards of the German rifles, and started singing "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night." The effect was magical. The Germans left their lines to press forward to listen to the youngster, and the French soldiers came out of their defences, encouraged by the applause from both sides, the little chap was kept busy singing carols in the early hours of the morning, carrying a touch of Christmas-ide, with all that it means, into the hearts of men which had been steeled into bitterness by the terrible ordeal of war.—Answers.



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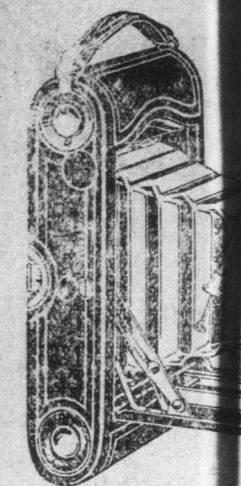
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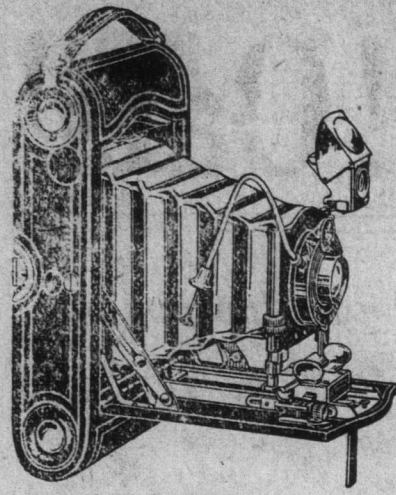
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**Pastor Honoured
by Congregation.**

During the Christmas morning service at George Street Methodist Church yesterday the Stewards of the Church, on behalf of the congregation, presented their Pastor, Rev. N. M. Guy, with an address and purse of gold as an appreciation of his good work. Rev. Mr. Guy leaves during the year for Bermuda where he has accepted the position of pastor of a large church. The presentation was made by Mr. C. R. Steer with the following address:—

ADDRESS.
George St. Methodist Church, Christmas Day, 1917.
To Rev. N. M. Guy, M. A., Pastor.
Dear Sir,—Taking advantage of the Christmas season, your congregation have deputed the Stewards to address you in terms and with tokens of high esteem and affectionate regard. May this day of happy and holy significance bring to you and Mrs. Guy, a full measure of Christmas joy, replete with a sense of the presence of Jesus in your lives and in your home; and may many such happy Christmas-tides come to you both, and find you still happily engaged in the great work to which you have given your lives, and for which you are so well fitted and endowed.

We are commissioned to present to you a small, but tangible token of regard from the congregation, which we beg of you to accept, as a sign of the admiration and affection, which your work among us has inspired.

Signed on behalf of the congregation
C. R. STEER,
Recording Steward.
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A. H. CHRISTIAN
W. M. SAMWAYS
J. W. TAYLOR
C. P. AYRE
JAMES ANGEL
Stewards.

REPLY.
"It is with feelings of deep thankfulness and appreciation that I accept from Mr. Steer on behalf of the congregation of George Street Church, the address so beautifully expressed and the accompanying gift. To-day, when so many demands are made upon your generosity, such a gift, representing as it undoubtedly does many sacrifices, is all the more deserving of appreciation. It is not, however, the intrinsic value of the gift, that touches me most; it is the spirit of love and sympathy which has prompted it. As for the address, I can only wish that the day may yet come when I shall be able to measure up to at least some of the good things contained therein. Our relationship to one another since I became your pastor has been one of unbroken mutual sympathy and goodwill. I have always felt that I have had at all times your loyal support. This is the last Christmas that I shall have the privilege of spending with you for some time, perhaps forever, but whether in the future I shall labour in the land of my childhood or under other skies, I shall never expect to meet kinder hearts or more loyal friends than I have met during my pastorate of this Church. Again I thank you for your kind token of appreciation, and since under existing conditions the bid familiar greeting of a Happy Christmas, seems a little out of place, I will take this opportunity of wishing you all a brave Christmas, and I hope your New Year will be bright and prosperous."

**Christmas at
Cochrane St. Church.**

The Christmas morning service at Cochrane Street Methodist Centennial Church was largely attended by a congregation of devout worshippers. The pastor, the Rev. Dr. Bond, occupied the pulpit, his Christmas message being taken from the text, "Peace on earth." It was a sympathetic yet inspiring message, lasting just twenty-five minutes, in which the pastor briefly dwelt on the critical times through which all were passing, the heartaches, the wearisome hours, the anxiety, a really sad Christmas for many. In choice language Dr. Bond said: "Members of my own congregation, despite the gloom and sorrow it is Christmas; the festival of Christmas means all it ever did. To the tearful, look up. No clouds darken the Christmas season, hear the angels singing the same song of peace as was sung over the Bethlehem hills over nineteen hundred years ago. God gave the angels this song to sing. God is not dead. Let all be true to themselves, true to the nation and, above all, true to our Father in Heaven. The congregational singing was heartily. The choir also did its share to brighten the service by singing a number of carols and anthems which were exceptionally well rendered, the soloist being Mr. Chas. Hatcher. The offering was for the Poor Fund of the Church.

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CHRISTMAS GIFTS.



WALTER MASON

I've done my stunt as Santa Claus; with horse-whiskers on my jaws, I ran the Christmas tree; and all the Christmas gifts in sight were reminiscent of the fight that's on across the sea. My little girl, Evangeline, drew down a large tin submarine, and never raised a brow! She said this instrument of crimes was more in keeping with the times than any sawdust doll. The baby drew a cartridge case, and happy smiles lit up his face, where I expected tears; Aunt Sarah got a flashing blade, and said for that she'd prayed and prayed for many weary years. One kid received a bright tin lance, and one a steed that couldn't prance, because its legs were oak; and there were soldiers made of zinc, lieutenants blue and colonels pink, and other warlike folk. There was no sign of peace on earth, oh, not a bogus nickel's worth upon that Christmas tree; my grandsire drew an aeroplane, and said a gift more safe and sane he surely ne'er did see. And 'en the candy stuff was wrought in shape of cannonball and shot, and bomb and hand grenade; and as I ply my creaking pen I wonder if good will to men must permanently fade.

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Your Boys and Girls.

After all crying is the most natural form of recreation for the baby. It is the first thing he does upon coming into the world and it is his principal occupation during almost the entire first year of life. So the mother who starts to worry every time the baby cries will spend most of her days in this condition.

When baby is just crying to exercise his lungs, the call is loud and strong, a lusty yell that forces all the blood into his face. He may keep this up for a long time and actually enjoy it. Then there is the fretful cry, a continuous whimpering, persistent and loud. If it comes at night the baby may be too hot or too cold. The mother should see to it in such cases that the hands and feet are quite warm and that the bed clothes are comfortable and smooth beneath the little body.

If the body is perspiring the baby is too warm and one cover may be removed. The infant should not be taken up and cuddled when he whimpers like this, and once the mother has made sure he is not too cold or too hot, she should return to her bed and let him continue crying until he falls to sleep.

Everyday Etiquette.

"When invited to dinner at the home of a friend and the meal is especially good, is it proper to compliment the hostess?" asked Evelyn.
"Unless the dinner is a formal one, it is a very thoughtful courtesy to compliment the hostess," said her mother.

Milady's Boudoir.

CARE OF THE BODY.

The physician considers the body a house that needs constant care. If one neglects her house dust and dirt gather in every corner. And, because a famous actress loves her art she has persisted in adhering to the rules of her beauty trinity; diet, exercise and bathing. The extreme grace and ease of her lithe movements are not characteristic of many women of even thirty years. She has no sympathy with the woman who takes a hot, soapy bath every day and yet wonders why she is listless and inert.



She, herself, makes the bath a source of invigoration.

Here is a recipe for a beneficial herb bath: Barley two pounds, powdered rice one pound, pulverized lupin seed three pounds, bran six pounds, oatmeal two pounds, lavender leaves half a pound. Cover the mixture with water and boil for an hour. Strain and add two quarts of this decoction to the bath water in which has been pre-

viously dissolved one ounce of borax and the same of bicarbonate of soda. Rub the body with a rough towel and use a flesh brush vigorously.
She believes this bath is unequalled for softening, whitening and preserving the flesh. She usually drinks a cup of warm milk or a frothy beaten raw egg, just after the bath in order to relieve any faintness of the stomach. After the theatre this famous actress, who is no longer young, always eats a light supper of simple food and has a rub down. Rather than use impure soaps she will use dried rosemary. She believes that a few handfuls of dried or fresh cowslips in the bath water aid to make the flesh firm and that a warm, salt rub restores as much vitality as in such hours of sleep.

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**S. A. Dinner for
the Poor.**

A large number of poor families were each given a parcel containing meat, vegetables, fruit, bread, etc., on Monday afternoon by the Salvation Army. Those who have been provided with the free meal are thankful to the Army workers and the generous public who contributed to the fund.

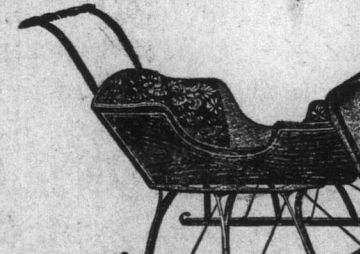
The Abandoned Idea.

The Tonnage Committee, we learn, have abandoned the idea of taking over one of our coastal ships for a certain purpose and have decided to seek for a steamer outside the country.

CHRISTMAS TREE AND CONCERT.—A Christmas Tree is being held at Kilbride this afternoon in aid of church purposes. Tomorrow evening a concert will be held which will be followed by a dance in the new hall.

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NOTICE!

In the matter of the Will and Estate of the Honorable James Ryan, late of Bonavista and St. John's, Merchant, deceased.

WHEREAS the above named James Ryan died at St. John's on the 19th day of September, A.D. 1917, with a Will by which he appointed Daniel A. Ryan, John T. McCarthy, Katherine G. Ryan and Hon. James D. Ryan, executors thereof; AND WHEREAS letters of probate to said Will and estate of said deceased have been duly granted out of the Supreme Court of Newfoundland to said executors;

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all persons claiming to be creditors of or to have any claim or demand against said estate of said deceased, requiring them to furnish particulars of such claim, duly attested, to the said executors at Bonavista, Newfoundland, or to the undersigned Solicitors for said executors at the address given hereunder on or before the thirty-first day of December, A.D. 1917; and notice is further given that after said thirty-first day of December, A.D. 1917, the said executors shall proceed to distribute said estate having regard only to such claims of which they shall then have had notice.

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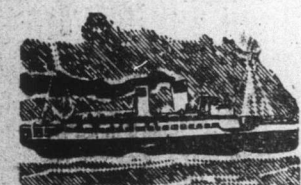
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