

# ALLIES STRONG ENOUGH TO SMASH ENEMY LINE BUT WEATHER PREVENTS BIG DRIVE

## Have Men and Munitions to Break Through at Right Moment, but Condition of Ground Would Make Impossible Quick Movements of Artillery Essential to Big Offensive—Winter in East More Severe Than Last Year and No Big Move Until End of January—Berlin Admits French Forces Penetrated German Line.

London, Dec. 29.—Despatches from both east and west express the belief that the winter weather is likely to prove the most severe obstacle to war operations on the principal fronts during the next few weeks.

"The most dreaded period of winter is from the end of December to the end of January," was a French general's reply a year ago to the demand for a great offensive. The same remark would probably apply equally this year.

Reuters' correspondent at western headquarters, after remarking that the British staff is confident that the Allies are now so strong in men and munitions that they can break through the German lines whenever the right time comes, declares that the weather is the chief reason for postponing the big movement, and adds:

"Such a movement needs careful planning and extreme caution."

Rolling-up tactics always involve the possibility of counter-attacks, which may end in rolling-up the aggressor. With the face of the country in a porous and mushy condition, it is impossible to effect the essential quick movements of artillery, without which any big offensive is foredoomed to failure.

"The allied troops would probably have little trouble in occupying the great part of the German front trenches forthwith, because the enemy holds these lightly. But then with the ranges registered to a mile by myriads of artillery and machine guns, such a step would be sheer suicide, until the opportunity is right."

### Hard Winter in East.

A Russian correspondent writes: "The most severe part of winter has now begun in the Russian theatre. All reports agree that the weather this year is harder than usual. It is increasingly doubtful if any serious events will occur until the end of January."

Despite the weather the duel in the Vosges mountains, in the western zone, continues, and may eventually prove to be one of the big operations of the war. The gains in either direction, thus far, have been small, but the French claim progress in their efforts to establish themselves on the crest of the foothills which here dominate the plain.

By all accounts Saloniki is now safe. Certainly the Central Powers show no haste to attack the Allies' position. Seventy-five thousand Serbians have reformed at Scutari, and Elasson, in Albania, and the Montenegrin army, which heretofore has been debarricaded geographically from taking any large part in the war, is now throwing itself energetically into the contest against the Austrians.

Reports that the Austrians are attacking Scutari are authoritatively denied. According to the latest advice the Austrians were at Bietopolje, where they were recently repulsed by the Montenegrins, and cannot reach Scutari without crossing the Albanian Alps and the flooded river Drin.

No official announcement is yet available in London as to the decision of the cabinet in favor of compulsion, but the political atmosphere has been considerably cleared up by the admission that the principle of compulsion is accepted by a majority of the members of the cabinet. Public opinion has not yet crystallized, but there is widespread approval of Premier Asquith's general attitude, and there is a feeling that the public is quite ready to be convinced.

The difficulties within the cabinet may be expected to diminish as the question shapes itself in practical form.

A joint meeting of the representatives of the Labor party with the federation of trade unions has been summoned for tomorrow, and a detailed statement of the Labor attitude is likely to follow.

### French Aviators Get Behind Bulgarian Line

Paris, Dec. 29.—Despite numerous difficulties, such as landing grounds and a mountainous country, French aviators have succeeded, according to an official note issued here, in carrying on reconnaissance about ninety-three miles into the interior of the Bulgarian lines.

In the month of November alone there were no less than fifty-four reconnaissance, during which observa-

## BERLIN TO SUBMIT NEW PROPOSALS

For Settlement of Difficulties with U. S. Over Lusitania Affair.

### NOT KEEN TO CONTINUE THE CONTROVERSY.

Latest Move Significant in View of Strained Relations Between Washington and Vienna.

Washington, Dec. 29.—New proposals from Germany for a settlement of the Lusitania controversy, which the Berlin foreign office hopes will be acceptable to the United States, are expected to be presented to the state department next week. It is understood the negotiations between Secretary of State Lansing and Count Von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, recently progressed to a point where a settlement was expected at Christmas. Today, it was said, the German proposals resulting from these conversations probably would arrive soon after New Year's Day.

Information received here indicates that the Berlin foreign office is anxious to end the controversy, in spite of adverse public opinion, said to have been aroused by the American request for withdrawal of the German naval and military attaches and the demands upon Austria-Hungary as a result of the sinking of the Ancona.

The present status of the negotiations is very closely guarded. The United States has contended all along for a disavowal of the sinking of the Lusitania and reparation at American lives lost. A proposal by Germany to arbitrate the question of indemnity was rejected. It has finally suggested that Germany might make reparation with the understanding that it would involve no admission of wrongdoing. It is understood that no agreement will satisfy the United States, unless it contains something in the nature of a disavowal, but Germany contends that her instructions to submarine commanders to discontinue such attacks as that on the Lusitania is the most effective disavowal that could be given.

It is regarded here as especially significant that a settlement of the Lusitania case should become imminent at a time when Teutonic diplomatic circles are represented as being prepared for a diplomatic break between the United States and Austria-Hungary. A clearing up of the Lusitania case, officials believe, would have an important bearing on the controversy now pending with Vienna. That situation remained tonight unchanged, without word from Ambassador Penfield or any official indication of when Austria's reply to Secretary Lansing's renewed demands might be expected.

and numerous photographs useful in strategic.

Petrograd, Dec. 29, via London, Dec. 29.—The following official communication was issued tonight:

"On the left bank of the River As, a Lithuanian detachment attacked an enemy detachment with bayonet. The Germans fled, having many killed and wounded. On the rest of the front, as far as Pripet region, there have been artillery duels and fusillades in places south of Pripet, and in Galicia there have been encounters."

"There is no change on the Caucasian front."

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## Four Thousand Pounds of Rubber Found on Ford's Peace Ship

London, Dec. 29.—A British official statement, issued tonight says: "It is ascertained that fifty-five bags of rubber, all consigned to a well known enemy forwarding agent in Sweden, were removed from the parcel mail on board the steamship Oscar II. The estimated weight of the rubber seized is about 4,000 pounds."

"The remainder of the mail, which consisted of 734 bags, was handed over to the post office for immediate transmission to its destination."

The Oscar II, is the vessel which carried the Henry Ford peace party to Europe. On the voyage across she was taken into Kirkwall by the British authorities and her cargo examined. The Oscar II, was detained for more than 24 hours, but was allowed to proceed on December 16. There were reports at the time that part of the cargo was contraband, and that a prize court would take the matter into consideration.

## RUPTURE UNLESS LABOR PARTY AMERICAN NOTE DIVIDED OVER IS MODIFIED CONSCRIPTION

Official Circles in Vienna Strongly Opposed to Accepting Washington's Second Note on Ancona Incident.

Geneva, via Paris, Dec. 29.—The latest information received by the Swiss press from Vienna states that Austrian official circles are opposed to the acceptance of the second American Ancona note, unless it is modified, and a rupture of diplomatic relations is believed to be imminent, notwithstanding the strong opposition of the Liberal and Hungarian parties and diplomats, who demand that an agreement shall be reached with Washington.

The reply to the first American Ancona note, it is declared, was drafted in Berlin. Such pressure was brought to bear on Austria that both Count Tisza and Baron Burian, who favored a policy of conciliation, had their hands forced, and therefore it is claimed that the question more directly concerns Berlin than Vienna.

It is considered that there still is a possibility of an agreement within the next twenty-four hours, but if the situation comes to a rupture of diplomatic relations, not only Vienna but Berlin will be affected.

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## Opposition to Asquith's Proposals Growing Less

### RUSSIANS PUT ENEMY TO FLIGHT WITH GOLD STEEL

Germans—Leave Many Dead and Wounded when Czar's Troops Attacked with Bayonet.

### BRITISH NIGHT ATTACK NEAR ARMENTIERE

Enemy's Casualties 2,000 at Lapanatz in Battle with Montenegrins on Dec. 21st.

London, Dec. 29.—In order to give time for a possible reconciliation of conflicting opinions on the recruiting question the cabinet council which was called for today has been further postponed until Friday, and there is very great hope that it will then be found that the cabinet is in practical agreement on the acceptance of Premier Asquith's proposals.

It has become known that the prime minister found much greater support than had been supposed, some of the anti-conscriptionist ministers having realized that a peculiar situation calls for exceptional treatment.

Among these are A. J. Balfour, first lord of the admiralty, whose influence is very great, and Arthur Henderson, who, however, will be guided by the views of the Labor party.

Earl Kitchener, the war minister, also has last defended his opinion that the time is ripe for compulsion. Much depends now on the attitude of Reginald McKenna, chancellor of the exchequer, and Walter Runciman, president of the Board of Trade, both important members of the cabinet. But there is tonight a hopeful feeling that they may yet be induced to support the premier in the interests of ministerial unity.

Sir Edward Grey, the foreign secretary, looks with great apprehension upon any signs of disagreement as having a bad effect upon the attitude of conciliation, and if it turns out that the line the government has chosen is not for compulsory direct enlistment, but for compulsory attestation along the lines of the Derby scheme, it is very probable that most of the doubtful ministers may be found supporting the premier, and that the resignations will be confined to two or three ministers of lesser importance, such as Lewis Harcourt, first commissioner of works, and Sir John Simon, home secretary, whose departure would not involve a serious crisis.

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### Several Anti-Conscriptionist Members of Cabinet Showing Signs of Conversion—Meeting Postponed Until Friday—King Exerting His Influence—Single Men of 18 to 40 Years Likely Called.

of the Labor party, which, although strongly opposed to compulsion, may possibly be swayed by Mr. Henderson's view that the exceptional circumstances justify exceptional means.

Reginald McKenna and Runciman Holding Out.

According to the Daily Chronicle the new bill will be a short measure calling upon unmarried men, between the ages of 18 and 40 years, to attest in their own groups within a specified period of time, and under the same privileges as the Derby recruits, with serious penalties for non-compliance.

According to the Times Mr. McKenna bases his opposition to the scheme partly on personal doubt regarding the size of the military forces required of Great Britain to win the war, and partly on Great Britain's financial commitments, both at home and by way of loans to her allies. Mr. Runciman, the newspaper adds, is concerned to maintain the volume of trade, which he regards as an indispensable factor in the British war equipment.

"Mr. McKenna thinks," the Times says, "that the financial commitments already are as heavy as Great Britain is able to bear. Mr. Runciman's objection is based on the necessity of maintaining our exports, regardless of these objections."

The Times argues that had the Earl of Derby's enlistment scheme been completely successful its results would have been the same as will be obtained by compulsion, and that the question how the men are obtained cannot affect the economic position.

Various opinions are advanced concerning Mr. McKenna and Mr. Runciman. While the Times appears to think their opposition is irreconcilable, the Morning Post believes they will be won over. The Times says it thinks the Labor party will come into line.

Both the Times and the Daily Mail anticipate that when the matter comes before parliament much of the opposition will be found to have evaporated, in deference to the strong public opinion in favor of Premier Asquith's view.

The Daily Mail as an indication of the trend of Labor in the situation, quotes G. H. Roberts, member of parliament, a life-long enemy of compulsion, as saying:

"There is something worse than conscription, and that is national defeat."

## RANKS OF 132ND SWEDISH FORTS ARE RAPIDLY FILLING UP TORPEDO BOATS

### North Shore Men are Coming Forward in Fine Style—Father and Three Sons in Same Battalion.

Newcastle, Dec. 29.—The following have been added to "C" Co., 132nd Battalion here since last report: Second Lieutenant F. T. Mowatt, Campbellton; and the following privates: Archie Matheson, James Fallon, Sr.; Clarence Russell, Clayton Morris, Chas. M. Johnston, Hubert Johnston, Daniel Foran, of Newcastle; Geo. Royal, Grand Downs; Frank Richards, Charlton Hill and Road; Thos. Coughlan, Nelson; Clarence Henderson, Rosebank; Vincent Holland, Redbank.

A very successful recruiting meeting was held at Trout Brook school house Monday night.

The following young men joined the 132nd: James Allison, Wayerton; Harry Johnston, Denmark, and Weldon Dunneil, Trout Brook.

Chas. Johnston's enlistment makes four out of one family for the front.

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FIVE MORE CASUALTIES IN THE TWENTY-SIXTH

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF PROVINCE FOR PAST YEAR IS VERY SATISFACTORY

Despite War Year Substantial Credit Balance in Accounts of Ordinary Revenue and Expenditure, with Generous Provision for Important Public Service.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, Dec. 29.—In the Royal Gazette today the official statement of the receipts and expenditures of the provincial accounts for the fiscal year ending Oct. 31st last as submitted by the auditor general, Mr. W. A. Loudon to Hon. Dr. Landry, Provincial Secretary-Treasurer, is published. The statement will prove a most gratifying one to the people of the province for it shows that despite the fact that it has been a war year he revenues have held up so that there is a substantial credit balance of about \$5,000 in the accounts of ordinary revenue and expenditure with equally as generous provision as ever for the important public service.

ST. JOHN MAN WOUNDED; TWO NORTH SHORE MEN IN LIST

Ottawa, Dec. 29.—The casualty list issued at midnight includes five members of the 26th Battalion as follows: Killed in action—Wm. A. Martin, Galt, Ont. Wounded—Ross A. Murphy, Bass River, Kent County, N. B.; Henry I. Bertin, Bathurst, N. B.; Henry A. Adams, South Africa; Leonard McQueen, 9 Ann street, St. John, N. B.

Suffering from concussion—Samuel Sheriff, Montreal. Died of wounds—Joe Gagnon, DuRoi, Minn.

Twenty-Fifth Battalion. Wounded—George Brown, Florence, C. B. Suffering from concussion—Edward Davies, Westville, N. S.

Twenty-sixth Battalion. Killed in action—Wm. A. Martin, Galt, Ont. Wounded—Ross A. Murphy, Bass River, Kent County, N. B.

Twenty-seventh Battalion. Wounded—Orwell Egan, Ayr, Ont. Wm. Geo. McCutcheon, Ireland. Accidentally wounded—Lieut. Sydney H. Wilson, England.

Twenty-eighth Battalion. Wounded—Lieut. Gerald G. D. Murray, Moosemin, Sask. Twenty-ninth Battalion. Wounded—Percy H. Rumely, Harwoodale, Guelph, N. S.; Alfred A. Hyde, New Zealand.

Thirty-first Battalion. Killed in action—Thomas McCormack, Vancouver. Thirty-sixth Battalion. Died—Wm. J. Hutty, Jamestown, N. Y.

Thirty-ninth Battalion. Seriously ill—Dexter A. Werner, Wales, Ont. Forty-ninth Battalion. Wounded—Archie Ferguson, Deville, Alb.

Princess Patricia's. Previously reported missing, believed killed, now killed in action—Wm. Stewart, Scotland. Royal Canadian Regiment. Died—Edward Hiscock, Manitoba.

Third Canadian Mounted Rifles. Reported wounded in error now officially rejoined regiment—Rowan P. Fitzgerald, Charlottetown, P. E. I.

Receipts 1915. Dominion subsidies, \$637,976.16. Territorial revenue, \$591,905.14. Territorial revenue, N. B. settlement lands, \$1,646.40.

Private and local bills, \$725. Succession duties, \$156,191.63. King's Printer, \$2,621.50. School books, \$16,324.18.

Liquor Licenses, \$44,333.75. Probate court fund, \$18,013.12. Supreme court fund, \$2,233.25.

Provincial Hospital, \$34,321.66. Jordan Memorial Sanatorium Maternity, \$9,919.96. Motor vehicles, \$23,116.

Factory inspection—Inspector, \$1,674.19; factory inspection—Board examining engineers, \$58.54. Fish Forest and Game, \$31,005.48.

Public Health—Hospital, \$10,000. Public Health—Salaries, expenses, \$2,049.47. Probate Fee Fund, \$13,467.37.

MEN OF THE FLEET FIND LIFE IN TRENCH NOTED 'SOFT JOB' THEY IMAGINED

Party of Jellicoe's Men Spent few nights in Trenches in France and have their views of conditions changed considerably.

Mr. Philip Gibbs sends an interesting account of the impressions given to a party from the British fleet to whom Admiral Jellicoe had granted the privilege of visiting the fighting front on the continent in order to give the navy a nearer view of the work which is being done by the army.

British Headquarters, Monday. "When the wind blows over the state of Flanders and booms like the rumbling of distant guns, our soldiers often say to each other, 'Pretty rough on the fellows at sea! What a time they must be having in the fleet!'"

They had an idea that compared with their own existence the troops in the trenches had a 'soft job,' with more variety, excitement and creature comforts. "A dear little digout in France appeared to Jack's imagination as a fine and enviable place."

Under fire. Shells came screaming overhead, and they found themselves making exposed to the enemy's fire over certain swamps where the communication trenches lay in the water.

It was very cold in the night, so cold on their rifles, and out of the dark mist came whizz-bangs and pipe-bombs and other noisy things with threats of death. The guns on each side were busy through the night, and the shells went rushing overhead like express trains through Clapham Junction on Derby Day.

"Not so soft a job." "We were in action all night, sir," said one. There was a smile at his answer—because there was no "action" as soldiers call it, but only the ordinary "strafing" between the lines.

"We had one casualty," said another bluetacket. The General was surprised and alarmed. He had hoped that his naval guests had escaped without a scratch. "One casualty?" "Yes, sir. One of our dugouts was hit by a piece of shell."

There was a general agreement among all the seamen that after all, life in the trenches is not so soft a job as they had imagined, and that there is more comfort on a battleship even in dirty weather. They were amazed at the high spirits of the men, and there is no doubt that they will take back to the fleet a vivid story of the pluck with which the "land-lubbers" carry on in their wet ditches.

Truly, all the rain has made the front a quagmire which only the high spirits of our fighting men could suffer without complaint. Some camps which I visited yesterday were so muddy that if one stepped off the "duck-walks" or boarded pathways one went ankle-deep. In a bad place outside one of the camps a man who had missed his way nearly disappeared altogether. He sank up to his chin in mud—it was pitch-dark at the time.

It has also been decided by the general staff to organize an aeroplane corps, which will have its headquarters at Wu-Li Tai, in Nan Yang, where the government aviation school is located. Nan Yang is in Honan province, southwest of Peking.

COMPULSORY SERVICE IN CHINA AFTER JANUARY 1

Formation of an Aeroplane Corps Also Part of Government's New Military Plans.

Peking, Dec. 19. (Correspondence)—China is to have compulsory military service. The government has announced that conscription will be inaugurated on January 1, 1916. It will first be put into effect on Chi Li province, in which Peking is located and Shan Tung province, which adjoins Teh province, on the south.

West End Boys Entertained. Edgar Bisset, John Rowley and Kenneth Carney, three very popular young men of West St. John have enlisted in the Steer Battery and as a testimonial of the high esteem in which they are held by the young men residing in that section of the city, they were tendered a banquet at Bond's cafe, on Charlotte street, last night.

TOWN OF 4,000 PEOPLE WIPED OUT BY EARTHQUAKE

San Salvador, Dec. 29.—The earthquake shocks which began early Monday morning are still being felt here. A wall collapsed during a shock today, killing two persons and seriously injuring two others.

Late advices from Honduras confirm the previous reports that the town of Graecias was completely destroyed by the earthquake Monday morning. This town, which lies 70 miles north of San Salvador, had a population of 4,000.

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Imperial's Last Showing Today. Of the Great Indian Mutiny Story. "THE RELIEF OF LUCKNOW" "THE CAMPBELLS ARE COMING" Arthur & DeWitt Universal Weekly

FRIDAY AND NEW YEAR'S DAY. Blanche Sweet in Jesse L. Lasky's "THE CLUE" "The Broken Coin"—No. 18 Singers and Comedies

A HOLIDAY PROGRAM WHICH WE THINK WILL PLEASE. LYRIC THEATRE. "CUPID BEATS FATHER" "THE DRUMMER'S TRUNK" VAUDEVILLE—BEAL & STILLWELL (LADY AND GENTLEMAN) SONGS AND DANCES

UNIQUE. "KEY TO THE PAST" 2-Part American Drama. "THE VILLAINOUS VEGETABLE VENDOR" COMEDY—YES, AND A REAL FUNNY ONE

OPERA HOUSE. THE W. S. HARKINS PLAYERS. TONIGHT "The Spy in the House" FRIDAY and SATURDAY (New Year's) NIGHTS, The Best of all Comedies "BABY MINE" SATURDAY (New Year's) MATINEE TO BE ANNOUNCED

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Without Its Powerful Presence, Though Guns May be Silent, Allies Banded Together Against Tyrannical Foe Would Become Isolated From World and Cut Off From One Another.

London, Dec. 29.—The British grand fleet, which as a grand fleet has never yet had the opportunity of being in action, has nevertheless been the foundation upon which everything else has rested, was the summing up by A. J. Balfour, First Lord of the Admiralty, of the lessons to be learned from a moving picture record of the activities of the fleet over the last production of which he presided this afternoon.

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## BELIEVED WHOLE CREW OF BRITISH STEAMER LOST

Str. Morning torpedoed by submarine — Three neutral ships sunk by mines in British waters.

New York, Dec. 29.—A news agency despatch from London today, says: The crew of the British steamer Morning, sunk by a submarine today, is believed to have been lost.

## SOLDIERS' COMFORTS ASSOCIATION MAKE SPECIAL APPEAL

Owing to the urgent and constant appeals from our Overseas Contingents now in the trenches for socks, the above association has decided to hold a "Special Sock Week" commencing January 3rd, 1919, when it is hoped that every town and village throughout the province will make a special effort to assist by donating socks or money to buy the same.

## CONFIRMS NEWS OF SIMPSON'S ARREST

Winnipeg, Dec. 29.—Attorney-General Hudson this afternoon confirmed a special cable from England, reporting that Dr. R. M. Simpson, the Winnipeg physician, had been arrested in England on charges in connection with the receipt of \$100,000 from the province of Manitoba.

## FEDERAL JURY WILL PROBE GERMAN ACTIVITIES IN U. S.

Three of Defendants Indicted for Conspiracy to Foment Strikes give themselves up— Indicted Congressman claims he is immune from Arrest.

New York, Dec. 29.—Warrants for the arrest of Congressman Frank Buchanan, of Illinois; H. Robert Fowler, former congressman from Illinois; H. B. Martin, and Herman Schulteis, four of the eight men indicted yesterday for conspiracy to foment strikes in American munition factories, were sent to Washington tonight.

## OVER HUNDRED SHIPS TIED UP IN WHITE SEA BY ICE BLOCKADE

Berlin, Dec. 29.—Reports from Copenhagen say that more than 100 ships, chiefly American, British and

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## MAKE EVERY SCHOOL A POLITICAL TOWN HALL, SAYS MISS WILSON

Washington, Dec. 29.—Every school building in the United States was pictured as a potential town hall at today's session of the American Civic Association, at which Miss Margaret Wilson, daughter of President Wilson, presided.

## QUICKEST REMEDY EVER SOLD IN ST. JOHN.

We have never sold anything here in St. John with the INSTANT action of the simple mixture of buckthorn bark, glycerine, etc., known as Adler-ka. This remedy used successfully for appendicitis, is so quick and powerful that ONE SPOONFUL relieves almost ANY CASE of constipation, sour or gassy stomach, Adler-ka acts on BOTH lower and upper bowel and it is the most THOROUGH bowel cleanser we ever saw. J. B. Mahony, druggist, Corner Dock and Union.

## FAVOR ARBITRATION OF ALL DISPUTES BETWEEN THE AMERICAN NATIONS

Washington, Dec. 29.—Arbitration of all disputes between the American nations was the keynote of practically all the addresses at today's session of the Pan-American Scientific Congress. While many delegates were engaged in scientific discussions in the sections into which the meeting has been divided, the general subject of political means of binding all the American closer was the outstanding feature of all the conferences.

## The Appetite of Youth Quickly Restored

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Notice of New Train Service for Xmas Week.

Special train service will be in effect leaving Fredericton six a. m., and five p. m., Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, for Gagetown, and on same days leaving Gagetown eight a. m., and seven-thirty p. m., for Fredericton. After Xmas there will be a regular tri-weekly service on the same schedule Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday until further notice.

### EX-SENATOR THORNTON DEAD

Monticello, N. Y., Dec. 29.—William L. Thornton, ex-senate senator, dropped dead in front of his home here today, a victim of heart disease, aged seventy-two.

### "KING OF THE COCOS ISLANDS," IS DEAD.

Wellington, New Zealand, Dec. 29.—Andrew Ross, known as "King of the Cocos Islands," is dead.

**KITH**

Harry Rowley presided at the... and about forty friends... had been done to the good... offered by the caterer, the... were passed and the... called back in their chairs... of home and enjoyed an... programme. The King and the... were toasted, and there were... Harry Langley and Dr. Frank... while readings were given by... Ferguson and Frank Adams... songs broke up with cheers for... and the singing of the... anthem.

**OF 4,000**

**PLE WIPED OUT**

**BY EARTHQUAKE**

Salvador, Dec. 29.—The earth... shocks which began early Mon... are still being felt here... collapsed during a shock to... two persons and seriously... of two others.

advice from Honduras con... previous reports that the... of Gracias was completely de... by the earthquake Monday... This town, which lies 70... north of San Salvador, had a... of 4,000.

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**YEAR'S DAY**

... Sweet in... Lasky's... "THE CLUE"

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... "Broken Coin"—No. 18

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ST. JOHN, N. B., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1915.

"We are fighting for a worthy purpose, and we shall not lay down our arms until that purpose has been fully achieved."—H.M. The King TO THE PEOPLE OF THE EMPIRE—Every fighting unit we can send to the front means one step nearer peace.

### NEW BRUNSWICK'S FINANCES.

The best answer that can be made to the gentlemen who have been claiming that the Clarke Government is not wisely administering the affairs of the Province is found in the statement of provincial finances for the year ending October 31st which is published in The Standard this morning. For months Mr. Carvell, Mr. Carter, Mr. Veniot and their associates have busied themselves in declaring that under Premier Clarke the Province of New Brunswick has been firmly started upon the road leading to financial perdition. Giving the direct lie to such slanders the report of the Auditor General shows that for the year ending October 31st last the ordinary revenues of the province were the largest in history, the ordinary expenditures were kept well within bounds and as a result there is a real surplus.

And this has been accomplished with honest bookkeeping in all provincial departments. There have been no "figure jugglers" at work on the books making up a favorable showing, as the Telegraph claims was done during the last year of office of the Pussley-Robinson plunderbund. The administration of New Brunswick's affairs has been honest, the accounts have been fairly audited, and the legitimate bills have been paid. Current expense has been met out of current revenue and the surplus shown represents cash, not I O U's or mysterious slips bearing such initials as "W. P., \$5,000."

For the year closing in October the ordinary revenue of the province was \$1,634,079.44. From this, all ordinary expenditures were paid, amounting to \$1,626,638.36 and a surplus of approximately \$7,441 is shown on the credit side. If we deduct from the expenditures the sum of \$12,500 paid as a contribution to the Patriotic Fund, we will find a surplus of ordinary revenue over ordinary expenditure of \$29,000. Surely an excellent showing.

In the days when the Telegraph was espousing the cause of former provincial governments, Liberal in complexion, that newspaper was fond of remarking that the true test that the revenues of the province were well guarded was to be found in the crown lands accounts or territorial revenue. Judged by this standard, the Clarke Government makes a record showing. This year the territorial revenue stands at \$591,905.14, the highest figure ever reached, and this despite the fact that the past year has been a poor one for the lumbermen and the lumber cut has not reached even normal figures. In 1914 the territorial revenue was \$554,361.01, truly an excellent return. But Premier Clarke has been able to do even better than that and shows a revenue from the crown lands nearly \$46,000 in excess of the best previous mark.

Glancing over the items of expenditures one sees that the great public services have been well cared for. Agriculture, roads and bridges and education have all received due attention and, in fact, in all departments there is increasing evidence that the province entered upon a new era in 1908, when Hon. Mr. Hazen was returned to power. That was New Brunswick's first experience with business-like government, and in the departments of public service the improvement has been most marked.

When Hon. Dr. Landry, Mr. Hazen's first Minister for Agriculture, took office he found the equipment of his department consisted of a few postage stamps, a picture of a horse and a lithograph of Queen Victoria. Probable, under Liberal rule, agricultural departments could be conducted with such equipment, but Dr. Landry thought differently and set out to make the department of real service to the farmers of the province. His policy was followed by his successor, Hon. J. A. Murray, and the result is seen in the fact that New Brunswick comes very near to setting the pace for all Canada in the practical value of the Agricultural Department.

As with agriculture so with other public services. The tree-choked gutters and by-paths which, under the rule of Mr. Pussley, were by courtesy called high ways, have given place to

what may fairly be termed good roads, while the Government is about to inaugurate a new road policy which is expected to produce even better results. The people do not require to be reminded of the improvement that has taken place in the educational facilities of the province, or of the good results following the smashing of the "school book ring" which, under Grit rule, levied iniquitous toll on every parent in New Brunswick. Coming to bridges, when Mr. Hazen took office he found the bridges of the province in a sad state. Many of them were ramshackle structures, absolutely unsafe. At once, work was commenced to improve the condition, and today the province is well equipped in this respect; among the latest bridge structures standing to the credit of the Government being the splendid arch spanning the Reversing Falls and the new steel and concrete bridge near Armstrong's Corner.

Lastly, and most important, is the question of departmental accounts. The Clarke Government stands pledged to honest collection of public money and an honest and capable expenditure. Proof of this was shown even in the Chandler report (Mr. Veniot's mare's nest), where some accounts submitted to the Public Works Department were found to be excessive and payment was refused. The same careful supervision is the order in every other department and the result is that the people have received full value for every dollar spent.

There has been much talk from Mr. Veniot, Mr. Carter and other agents of the opposition party, regarding incapacity on the part of the Clarke administration. The answer to such canvasses is found in the statement published this morning. Premier Clarke and his colleagues have given the province clean, honest and capable management. Even the enemies of the Government recognize this, and when the time comes to appeal to the electorate it will be demonstrated to all in no uncertain fashion.

### THE DOMINION SESSION.

Two matters of outstanding importance will engage the attention of the House of Commons at the session to open on January 12th. The first, and most important, will be the provision of funds to bear the cost of Canada's participation in the Empire war. It is to be expected that the Liberal opposition will furnish complete support to the proposals of the Government regarding the provision of such funds. At the first emergency session, after the outbreak of war, the Liberals supported all the Government's war votes and then disloyally attempted to tie the hands of the administration by opposing the means by which it was proposed to raise the money. It is not likely that the Government, or the majority party, will tolerate a repetition of any such nonsense on this occasion.

The other matter which will attract attention will be the proposal for an extension of the parliamentary term, and in this, too, the opposition must acquiesce or stand convicted of an attempt to force an election, at a time when the attention of all our people should be centred on the really important task of seeing to it that Canada shall do her full duty in all matters pertaining to the welfare of the Empire and the Empire's war.

For months Liberal speakers have been going up and down the country crying for the subordination of political questions and representing themselves and their party as filled with a consuming desire to do only the things that will lead to harmony and complete unity of thought and action. Their good faith will be tested during the coming session. If they sincerely desire to place the country's best interests first, they will show it by their actions. They will support the administration which has so well grappled with the many troublesome problems arising out of the war. If, however, the Carvells and Kytes and the Macdonalds in Laurier's following succeed in obstructing their participation in the extent where it becomes obvious, the Government cannot be blamed if it should decide to go at once to the

people for endorsement, an endorsement that it will certainly receive. The desire of the Government and of the whole Conservative party is for political peace but, at the same time, if the Liberals have other plans in view they will probably find they will be accommodated. The situation confronting Canada and the Empire is too serious to permit of political bickering or unwarranted criticism, and any desire upon the part of the opposition to indulge in such tactics will probably be met by measures likely to prove most effective.

### FORD'S FIATCO

A simple little cablegram from Washington to the American Minister at Stockholm effectually wrote "finis" to the mission of the "peace at any price" cranks who had accepted the invitation to tour Europe at Henry Ford's expense. The American automobile manufacturer is thus forced to return to ordinary channels for his advertising, while the combat in France, Flanders and other areas of war continues with no abatement.

It was Ford's boast, when he started on his expedition, that he would have the soldiers out of the trenches by Christmas. Better and wiser men had held similar aspirations but because they were better and wiser did not attempt to realize them. The sole result of Ford's effort has been to make himself and his associates subjects for more than a little ridicule and, finally, to cause the constituted authorities at Washington to put an end to his nonsense.

So long as the apostles of peace confined their attentions to neutral countries they could do little harm, even though they accomplished no good. But, had they been permitted to journey through war areas, untoward incidents might have occurred which might have caused Washington to take cognizance of the fact that while the peace promoter and his friends are undoubtedly eccentrics they, nevertheless, have the right to all the protection their citizenship can afford. Such a development would have placed the United States in a serious position, and it was quite the wisest solution of the difficulty to put a stop to the whole ridiculous business.

The suppression of Henry Ford is one of the sanest steps the American government has taken since the war broke out; the only comment that can be made is that it did not come soon enough. A sane commission should have been put to work on Ford when he first suggested his mad scheme.

### HARKINS PLAYERS SCORED ANOTHER HIT LAST NIGHT

The W. S. Harkins Players presented "The Spy in the House" at the Opera House last evening to a thoroughly delighted audience, judging by the applause. The performance was under the patronage of Major Barker and officers of the Siege Battery, Miss Lotus, the leading lady, and Miss Gordon, who sang very appropriately, a special compliment to those present in khaki, were the recipients of beautiful bouquets, presented by the officers of the Siege Battery. "The Spy in the House" will be repeated tonight and the performance will be given under the patronage of Lt. Col. Danser and officers of the 69th Battalion, who will be present.

The funniest comedy ever written, "Baby Mine," will be presented tomorrow and New Year's night's.

### TWO BOYS ARRESTED FOR STEALING A HORSE AND WAGON

Team located on Delhi St. and youthful culprits found at home of one of them—Other loot discovered by police.

### I Wish to Thank the Public

for continued generous patronage and to intimate that our new term begins Monday, Jan. 3rd.

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### Little Benny's Note Book

BY LEE PAPE. KRISMAS. O, wealth! your own aye land Or a peninsula or a isthmus, If its the 25th of December You can be pretty sure its Krissmas. Because the only day it ever comes awn Is December the twenty-fif, And every time the door bell rings You run to see if its a Krissmas gift.

Krissmas trees are bewittill things Awl covered with decouryahnus, They come from the knutry in frate cars And get awl at the different stayshins.

Your farthr carries it throo the frunt door, And all the peopl say, Wat a grate big luvly Krissmas tree. But the ashman takes it away.

You bring the uthr fellos in to see it, And they set around on the chares And say thares is biggr than yours Is And you say yours is biggr than thares.

O, thare aint any skool in Krissmas week, And we get alawg awl rite without it, O, thare aint any skool in Krissmas week Being wun of the best things about it.

Sum bleeve thares a Santer Klaws And sun bleeve thares not, But as lawng as you get wat you ask for, It dont reely matter a lot.

livery from a wholesale house to a shoe store on Union street at the time the boys made away with the rig.

After driving about the city Tuesday afternoon the boys put up the horse in a vacant barn on Delhi street, and yesterday afternoon har-

nessed the horse and were making ready to drive out of the city, but changed their minds and left the horse and wagon in the street. In the vacant barn the detectives found seven pairs of the stolen rubbers, while a pair was found in Phalen's house and the other pair in Crawford's home.

The boys were taken before the police magistrate yesterday afternoon and on account of their parents not being in court they were remanded until this morning at 9.30 o'clock.

It was while searching for the boys yesterday that the detectives found a set of light harness, a brush, a cury-com and a hitching weight in Harry Hayes' wood yard at the foot of Clarence street. The articles were in a

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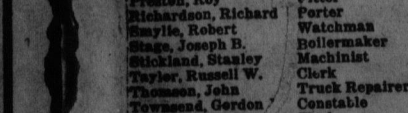
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Several thousand officers and employees of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company enlisted for active military duty with the Canadian Expeditionary Forces, and the majority of them are now in Europe, bravely battling for Canada and the Empire.

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Montreal, December 14th, 1915 (Fifth List).

MAGIC BAKING POWDER advertisement with logo and text: Magic Baking Powder costs no more than the ordinary kinds.

THE MEN SIGN ROLL OF HONOR

Recruiting for 115th goes steadily on - Last evening's meeting in Mill St. rooms.

- ROLL OF HONOR. 115th Battalion. Thomas L. Devlin, Brussels street. Albert Dawes, Adelaide street.

Last night's meeting at Mill street was fairly well attended and several applications were received.

Hidden Strength of France So Brilliantly Revealed Since War Began Causes World to Marvel

Visitor Cannot Fail to be Impressed by Adaptability of People and Manner in which Nation is Throwing Whole Strength into the War.

Paris, Dec. 28—Everyone who visits France at intervals during the war must be impressed by the hardened spirit of the people, and the magnificent spirit of the army.

The Revival of Paris. Paris is not, of course, her old self; but there is a liveliness about her boulevards, a bustling activity in the business quarters, and in general, an animation which was lacking a short time ago.

There are shadows in the midst of all these scenes of recuperating Paris. There is the procession of bruised and broken humanity in the streets; men without legs, or with a loose sleeve which once held an arm; men with torn faces and bandaged heads; men who crawl along on crutches; men who wear patches to conceal missing eyes; most of them men who wear proudly on their breast the Military Cross or the Cross of the Legion of Honour.

Women and the War. In the meantime, in spite of the mobilization of her fit manhood, except those retained for munition work, France carries on. Industries are kept going, crops are sown, and the harvests reaped. The nation lives, and, very largely, within itself.

Adaptability of the French people and their capacity for war imposes on the nation can be seen in any business establishment. I visited the offices of the great national newspaper "Le Journal," conducted with so much public spirit by Senator Humbert.

France looks kindly to the army to avenge the death of the victims who have fallen on the battlefield, and to drive the enemy out of the country. The French army is magnificent. The spirit which pervades all ranks is superb.

People look with sympathy at these mourners, and with pride at the men who, though broken and battered, have survived the ordeal of battle.

The spirit of the people is an example to the world. The enemy is within fifty miles of the capital; it is as if the Germans were at Reading. Yet a superb confidence inspires the people. Paris is not so dark at night as London. It laughs at Zeppelins, but the Zeppelins and Taubes now give Paris no opportunity to show its disdain for them.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander McManus, of Lakeside, N. B., desire to thank their many friends both in the rail, their many friends both in the rail, their many friends both in the rail, their many friends both in the rail.

SIEGE BATTERY MEN MARCH TO ROTHSAY

Entertained in College on arrival - Outing much enjoyed by participants.

One of the most enjoyable outings the members of the Siege Battery have yet experienced, took place at Rothsay on Tuesday evening and Wednesday forenoon.

After the supper had been duly attended to, Rev. Mr. Hibbard extended on behalf of the people of Rothsay a hearty welcome to the visiting soldiers and invited them to come again as often as they pleased.

The gymnasium of the College had been fitted with mattresses, and the men after an enjoyable hour or two listening to a musical program, spent the night very comfortably. They had brought their own cook and supplies with them and yesterday morning breakfast was prepared in the College kitchen and served in the dining room following which the squadron went for a route march around Rothsay.

At one point on the way the men halted, photographs were made and all members of the detachment were treated to cigars furnished by the committee of ladies who had charge of the last patriotic undertaking in Rothsay.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

- Royal. W J Drake, Charlottetown; G G Glennie, Campbellton; A W Bennett, Sackville; Mrs M H Garratt, P G Fredericton; H Lindsay, W M Bristol, Halifax; Capt J H Munro, Bermuda; N R Norman, Moncton; Mr and Mrs F H Alward, Havelock; Y L Alward, P. R. N. Alward, Shediac; A J Fournier, Montreal; G S Deeks, Toronto; C M Potter, Nakomis; Mr and Mrs A Patterson, J Patterson, Yarmouth; D Burns, Vancouver; S White, D Y White, Sussex; G G Glennie, Campbellton; R S Eakins, Yarmouth; B L Brosseau, Halifax; J B Moore, New Glasgow; G J Ross, Shediac.

Dufferin.

- J R G Armstrong, Fredericton; H W Corbit, Annapolis Royal; Chas S Perkins, Boston; C R Jones, Weymouth, N S; F E Ramsay, Halifax; C Cantin, Quebec; Mrs W J Liney, Charlottetown, P E I; B M Berry, Moncton; Mr and Mrs L S Heustis, Truro; B H Ford, Sackville; Chas L Comeau, Carleton Place; W S McIntosh, Truro; A J O'Connor, Campbellton; G A Trites, Salisbury; Robert Dyrart, Cocagne, N B; Geo Winfield, city; H H Morehouse, Kingston, N S; Mr and Mrs J F Durso, city; P J Venlot, Bathurst; W S McCart, Eastport, Me; P O'Leary, city; J W Lister and wife, Moncton; Chas P Givan, Sussex; H Varrault, Montreal; H Vallieres, Quebec; E M Watling, city.

Liquor Licenses.

Fifty-three applications were made for retail licenses to sell spirituous liquors during the ensuing year; twelve for wholesale, seven for hotel and three for breweries.

FRUIT, THE GREAT PHYSICIAN

Healing Powers of Fruit Proved by "Fruit-a-lives"

The simple juices of apples, oranges, figs and prunes, when transformed into "Fruit-a-lives" will relieve diseases of the Stomach, Liver, Kidneys and Skin.

The truth of this statement has been proved in thousands of cases of Indigestion, Dyspepsia, Torpid Liver, Constipation, Kidney and Bladder Troubles, Skin Diseases, Rheumatism, Neuralgia and Chronic Headaches.

The enormous sales of "Fruit-a-lives" are the best proofs of the value of this fruit medicine.

After the supper had been duly attended to, Rev. Mr. Hibbard extended on behalf of the people of Rothsay a hearty welcome to the visiting soldiers and invited them to come again as often as they pleased.

The men under heavy marching order reached the city about four o'clock in excellent condition after the long tramp and once more returned to Partridge Island to continue their drill.

For Strength, Purity, Flavor

in Bread, Buns and Biscuit, hundreds of householders prefer

LaTour Flour

milled by special Sanitary Process, from choicest Manitoba Hard Spring Wheat

Ask Your Grocer For It



Big Drawing!

This is the last month before the big drawing which takes place Dec. 31-15. Now is the time to get your teeth and incidentally get a free opportunity to win a big trip or \$100 in gold.

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To Call West 7 or West 81 When Needing Oats, Middlings, Bran or Hay

We have Western Oats—good quality, reasonable price.

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The following new "Matheson" built boilers, are on hand at our works, and are offered for immediate shipment:

- 2—"Inclined" type on skids, 60 h. p. 1—Locomotive type on skids, 20 h. p. Also "Used." 1—Return Tubular type .40 h. p. Complete details and prices will be mailed upon request.

L. MATHESON & CO. Limited Boiler Makers New Glasgow, Nova Scotia

FLOORS advertisement with image of a woman cleaning a floor and text: Clean Enough to Eat From are Made so by Old Dutch Cleanser.

Willard Frost Proof advertisement with image of a battery and text: Frost Proof. A well cared for and fully charged battery will give you the best performance all winter.



# LATEST FINANCIAL AND SHIPPING NEWS AND NOTES

## CLOSING LETTER OF N. Y. MARKET BY E. & C. RANDOLPH

New York, Dec. 29.—The market was inert and lifeless during nearly the entire session. The street believed that the Austrian note would be received before the end of the week and as those who had stocks for sale thought the communication from Vienna would open the way for further communication and possibly result in some covering of shorts in the market, the selling pressure was suspended for the time being. The iron and steel industry in its review of steel trade conditions says that domestic demand has slackened and regarded this change as an encouraging development, as prices had begun to advance at a dangerously rapid rate. It is also stated that the British and French governments are making great efforts to obtain vessels to transport steel and munitions from American ports but without making much headway. This accounts for the export business at these ports is an unknown quantity, the effect of which upon the quarter's statement of the Steel Corporation may be reflected. The material is not paid for as a general rule until actually shipped, and thus the inadequacy of ocean transportation may result in a very large increase of exhibit or net earnings for the quarter. Sales 400,429. Bonds \$3,500,000.

E. & C. RANDOLPH

## SHIPPING

### MINIATURE ALMANAC.

December Phases of the Moon.  
 New Moon, 6th 11:24 a. m.  
 First Quarter, 13th 7:38 p. m.  
 Full Moon, 21st 8:58 p. m.  
 Last Quarter, 29th 4:59 p. m.

### PORT OF ST. JOHN.

Arrived Wednesday, Dec. 29, 1915.  
 St. Chinnecto, 2943, Adams, Demerara, West Indies and Bermuda, Wm. Thomson & Co., mails, passengers and general cargo.

### BRITISH PORTS.

Manchester, Dec. 21.—Arr. Sir Paul de, McCarty, Dalhousie, N. B.

### FOREIGN PORTS.

Portland, Dec. 27.—Arr. Sch Hartney W. Diligent River, N. S.  
 Rockland, Dec. 27.—Arr. Schs Ralph N. Hayward, Bridgewater; N. E. Ayer, Bangor; Edward Stewart, do; John J. Perry, Rockport.

### NOTICE TO MARINERS.

Portland, Dec. 27, 1915.  
 Portland Approach, Me.  
 Old Anthony Gas and Whistling Buoy, 22, regulated December 27, having been found not showing proper characteristics.

### MARINE NOTES.

THE ADMIRALTY COURT.  
 In the Admiralty Court at Halifax on Monday Mr. Justice Drysdale continued the cases of the prize steamers Hamburg and Hocking for a week and allowed time to amend the appraisement of the Hamburg.

### STEAMER IN TROUBLE.

Sir Tredegar Hall at Portland, Me., is in trouble and there is a strong probability that she will have to proceed to Boston or New York to haul out on the drydock for repairs before taking on the cargo of 240,000 bushels of wheat she is scheduled to load for Portland, Me., Friday last, after a particularly hard passage of 45 days from Algiers via Bermuda, she having touched at the latter port for bunker coal, her supply of which was about exhausted. She had passed through several terrific gales and it is believed that owing to the severe battering received her bottom is damaged.

Medical Examiner Appointed.  
 At the meeting of the Citizens' Recruiting Committee, yesterday afternoon, Captain Tilley submitted his report with reference to the appointment of a medical examiner for recruits and stated that Dr. C. M. Pratt had been provisionally appointed to act in this capacity.

## FOREIGN AFFAIRS AGAIN SERVE AS A CHECK TO SPECULATION

### Market disturbed over Austrian outlook and Political Situation in England—Record-breaking Railway Earnings for November one of encouraging features which partly nullified adverse developments

New York, Dec. 29.—Increased anxiety over the foreign situation, particularly the Austrian outlook, and the acute political conditions in Great Britain, together with a new quotation for the Anglo-French bonds, served as a check to speculation today. Trading suffered some curtailment, also, as a result of the storm, which interrupted communication with this centre.

Adverse developments were partly nullified, however, by others of a highly constructive character, such as additional record-breaking November railway earnings, the further strengthening of exchange on London, heavy buying of equipment by the railways, and the optimistic forecasts of steel trade authorities.

Heaviness prevailed at the opening of the market, followed by spasmodic rallies in which specialties were most conspicuous. United States Steel and leading rails inclined to lower levels. St. Paul proving the most notable exception on its rise of 1 1/2 to 3/4 prior to the publication of November earnings, disclosing a net increase of \$2,000,000. Canadian Pacific was unresponsive to that road's remarkable exhibit, a net gain of \$3,719,000, but

## STOCK QUOTATIONS ON N.Y. EXCHANGE

McDOUGALL & COWANS	
Open	High
Am Beet Sug	69 1/2
Am Car Py	77 1/2
Am Loco	49 1/2
Am Smelt	103
Anacosta	89 1/2
Am Tele	129 1/2
Atchafon	107 1/2
Am Can	59 1/2
Balt and O	94 1/2
Beth Steel	460
C P I	51 1/2
Ches and Ohio	62 1/2
Chino	53 1/2
Cent Leath	53 1/2
Can Pac	178 1/2
Cruc Steel	72 1/2
Erie Com	42
Gr Noe Pfd	125 1/2
Lehigh Val	89 1/2
Min Pac	38 1/2
N Y NH and H	76 1/2
N Y Cent	108 1/2
Nor Pac	117 1/2
Penn	50
Press Stee Car	63 1/2
Reading Com	81 1/2
Repub Steel	54 1/2
St Paul	95 1/2
Son Pac	102 1/2
Studebaker	158 1/2
Un Pac Com	138 1/2
U S Steel Com	87 1/2
U S Steel Pfd	116 1/2
U S Rub Com	55
Westing Elec	69 1/2

## NEW YORK COTTON MARKET SALES

McDOUGALL & COWANS	
Month	Close
Jan.	12.10
Mar.	12.22
May	12.46
Jul.	12.61
Oct.	12.86

## JEW AND CHRISTIAN UNITED IN MARRIAGE AT YARMOUTH, N. S.

Yarmouth, Dec. 28.—An event of great interest to the Jewish colony of Yarmouth has just taken place in the marriage of Miss Beatrice Nelson, daughter of J. Nelson, to Leonard L. Shane of Yarmouth. The civil ceremony was performed by Rev. G. W. Schurman of Zion Baptist church, and the Jewish ceremony by Rabbi Wasserman of this town. The bride wore a gown of white chamoise silk, trimmed with Irish lace and carried a beautiful bouquet of white roses. She was attended by Miss Fannie Kaplan as maid of honor, who wore a dress of pink silk trimmed with allover lace and carried a bouquet of pink carnations. The groom was supported by Isadore Shans of Halifax. The bride was given away by her parents and the ceremony was presided over by the Rev. G. W. Schurman and Rev. J. H. McKnight, M. R. Benn, R. W. Crocker and Mr. Simonsen of Millbank. Among the soloists were John Elder, of Millbank; Robert Galloway and C. M. Dickson of Newcastle, and Andrew Casse, of Douglstown.

The addresses, which was on specially prepared paper, illuminated in gold, and bearing the emblems of the four orders, endorsed by the Sisters of Chatham Convent, was read by the chairman and, along with a beautiful bouquet for Mrs. Hutchison, was presented by Miss Zeldia Johnston.

Newcastle, Dec. 29.—Following were installed as officers of No. 29—R. O. L. No. 47, at a special meeting last Monday night:—W. M., Wm. Touche; Chap., F. S. H. Street; R. S. H. A. Taylor; F. S. Wm. H. Corbett; Treas., J. H. Williamson; D. of C., Keith Anderson; Senior Committeeman, D. C. Smallwood; Committee, D. McGrath, John Jardine, Daniel McDonald and W. J. McCormick.

## CHICAGO GRAIN AND PRODUCE

McDOUGALL & COWANS	
Chicago, Dec. 29.—WHEAT—No. 2	Close
red, nominal; No. 3 red, 1.16 1/2; No. 3 hard, 1.30 1/2 to 1.33 1/4; No. 3 hard, 1.16 to 1.18.	
CORN—No. 2 yellow, nominal; No. 4 yellow, 68 1/2 to 69 1/2; No. 4 white, 68 1/2 to 69.	
OATS—No. 3 white, 42 1/4 to 43; standard, 44 to 45.	
RYE—No. 2, 98.	
BARLEY—64 to 76.	
TIMOTHY—5.50 to 8.25.	
CLOVER—10.00 to 13.00.	
PORK—16.10; lard, 9.50; ribs, 9.50 to 9.92.	

## MONTREAL MARKET

McDOUGALL & COWANS	
High	Low
Ames Holden Com	20 1/2
Ames Holden Pfd	70 1/2
Braslian L. H. and P.	54
Canada Car	88 1/2
Canada Car Pfd	104 1/2
Canada Cement	38 1/2
Canada Cement Pfd	90 1/2
Can. Cotton	87 1/2
Crown Reserve	56
Detroit United	70 1/2
Dom. Bridge	230 3/8
Dom. Canners	31
Dom. Iron Pfd	95 1/2
Montreal	111 1/2
Dom. Tex. Com	74 1/2
Laurentide Paper Co.	187 1/2
Lake of Woods	138
MacDonald Com	10 1/2
Man. and St. Paul	122 1/2
Mt. L. H. and Power	232 1/2
N. Scotia Steel and C.	101 1/2
Ottawa L. and P.	120
Ogilvie	135 1/2
Pennan's Limited	60 1/2
Quebec Railway	15 1/2
Shaw W. and P. Co.	136 1/2
Sher. Williams Co.	55 1/2
Spanish River Com	3 1/2
St. John's Com	48 1/2
Toronto	111 1/2
Tuckets Tobacco	23
Winnipeg Elect	180

## DELAWARE AND HUDSON CO. CUT A MELON

New York, Dec. 29.—The directors of the Delaware & Hudson Company today declared an annual dividend for 1915 of nine per cent. The disbursement is payable in installments of two and one quarter per cent on March 20, June 20, Sept. 20 and Dec. 20.

**McDOUGALL & COWANS**  
 Members of the Montreal Stock Exchange  
**58 Prince Wm. Street, St. John, N. B.**  
 SECURITIES BOUGHT AND SOLD IN ALL MARKETS  
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 Lumber and General Brokers  
 SPRUCE, HEMLOCK, BIRCH, SOUTHERN PINE, OAK, CYPRESS,  
 SPRUCE PILING AND CREOSOTED PILING.

**Western Assurance Co.**  
 INCORPORATED 1851.  
 Assets, \$3,213,438.28  
**R. W. W. FRINK - BRANCH MANAGER**  
 ST. JOHN, N. B.

**Guid Wishes and A' That for 1916**  
**Robert Brown, Ltd. - Glasgow**  
 Proprietors of **FOUR CROWN SCOTCH**

## MONTREAL TRANSACTIONS

McDOUGALL & COWANS	
Month	Close
Jan.	12.10
Mar.	12.22
May	12.46
Jul.	12.61
Oct.	12.86

## GENEROSITY OF DOUGLSTOWN MAN IS APPRECIATED

Presentation of address to Ernest Hutchison who donated fine Hall for use of Fraternal Societies.

## NOTICE TO MARINERS.

Notice is hereby given that the South West Ledge, Cape Sable, automatic gas and whistling buoy, is out of position. Will be replaced as soon as possible.

## PRODUCE PRICES ON MONTREAL MARKET

Montreal, Dec. 29.—CORN—American No. 2 yellow, 81 to 82.  
 FLOUR—Manitoba spring wheat patents, firsts, 6.90; seconds, 6.40; strong bakers, 6.20; winter patents, choice, 6.50; straight rollers, 6.50 to 6.85.  
 MILLFEED—Bran 3 1/4; shorts, 4 1/2; middlings, 4 1/2 to 4 3/4; mouille, 4 1/2 to 4 3/4.  
 HAY—No. 2, per ton, car lots, 19 to 19.50.  
 POTATOES—Per bag, car lots, 19.00 to 19.25.

**Printing**  
 We have facilities equal to any printing office in Eastern Canada for the production of high-grade work.  
 Job Printing of all kinds promptly attended to.  
 Phone today Main 1910  
**Standard Job Printing Co.**  
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 CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT  
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**BRIDGES**  
 Designs and All Structures of Steel and Concrete  
**T. CUSHING, M. Sc. (M. I. T. Boston)**  
 Civil Engineer  
 Creighton Ave., - Creighton, Pa., U. S. A.  
 Work - Maritime Provinces Specially Solicited.

**Monthly Income Policy**  
 New York Life Ins. Co'y  
**J. W. V. LAWLOR, Agent**  
 P.O. Box 174, St. John, N. B.

**W. Simms Lee, F.C.A.**  
 Chartered Accountant and Auditor.  
 Queen Building  
 177 HULL ST.  
 HALIFAX, N.S.

## STEAMSHIPS. MANCHESTER LINE

From St. John to Manchester  
 Dec. 5 Manchester Merchant Dec. 25  
 Dec. 14 Manchester Miller  
 Dec. 25 Manchester Citizen Jan. 15  
 Dec. 31 Manchester Shipper Jan. 15  
 Jan. 7 Manchester Corpora in Jan 29  
 Steamers marked \* take cargo to Philadelphia.  
**Wm. Thomson & Co., Ltd.**  
 Agents, St. John, N. B.

## CANADIAN PACIFIC HOLIDAY EXCURSIONS

Between all Stations on Atlantic Division, (including C. P. Ry. St. John-Digby S.S. Service), also to Montreal City.  
 SINGLE FARE:  
 Tickets on sale December 24 and 25.  
 Limit..... December 31  
 ALSO  
 December 31, 1915, and January 1, 1916  
 Limit..... January 5, 1916  
 FARE AND ONE-THIRD:  
 Dates of Sale, December 23, 24, 25, 30, 31; January 1, 1916.  
 Limit,..... January 4, 1916

## CANADIAN GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS

Will Sell Round Trip Tickets for **NEW YEAR**  
 First Class One-Way Fare  
 Going Dec. 31, Jan. 1. Returning Jan. 3, 1916.  
 First Class One-Way Fare  
 One-Third.  
 Going Dec. 29, 30, 31, Jan. 1. Returning January 4, 1916.

## STEAMSHIPS.

**Head Line**  
 St. John to Dublin  
 SS. Bengore Head.....Dec. 7  
 SS. Bray Head.....Dec. 29

**St. John to Belfast**  
 SS. Inishowen Head.....Dec. 7

**St. John to Avonmouth**  
 SS. Ramore Head.....Dec. 15  
 Subject to Change.  
**WM. THOMSON & CO. LTD.**  
 Agents.

## FURNACE LINE

From London, St. John, Dec. 19  
 From Rappahannock, Jan. 3  
 From Shenandoah, Jan. 15  
**WM. THOMSON & CO. LTD.**  
 Agents, St. John, N. B.

## CHANGE OF TIME

Fall and Winter Time Table of the **GRAND MANAN S.S. CO.**  
 Grand Manan Route—Season 1915-16  
 After October 1st, 1915, and until further notice, a steamer of this line will run as follows:  
 Leave Grand Manan Mondays at 7.30 a. m. for St. John, via Eastport, Campbellville and Wilsin Beach.  
 Returning leave Turbul's Wharf St. John, Wednesdays at 7.30 a. m. for Grand Manan, via Wilson's Beach, Campbellville and Eastport.  
 Leave Grand Manan Thursdays at 3 a. m. for St. Stephen, via Campbellville, Eastport and St. Andrews.  
 Returning leave St. Stephen Fridays at 7.30 a. m. for Grand Manan, via St. Andrews, Eastport and Campbellville.  
 Leave Grand Manan Saturdays at 7.30 a. m. for St. Andrews.  
 Returning same day, leaving St. Andrews at 11 a. m. for Grand Manan, via Campbellville and Eastport both ways.  
 Atlantic Standard Time.  
**L. C. GUPPILL, Manager.**  
 Grand Manan.

## Eastern Steamship Lines

All-the-Way-by-Water.  
 INTERNATIONAL LINE.  
 Steamship Galvin Austin  
 Will leave St. John Thursdays at nine a. m. for Lunenburg, Eastport and Boston.  
 Returning leaves Boston Mondays at nine a. m. via Portland, Eastport and Lunenburg, due at St. John Tuesday afternoon.

## MAINE STEAMSHIP LINE

Between Portland and New York  
 Steamships North Land and North Star.  
 Reduced Fares in Effect.  
 \$3.00 to New York.  
 Reduced Steerage Prices.  
 Leave Franklin Wharf, Portland Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at six p. m.  
 City Ticket Office, 47 King Street.  
 A. C. CURRIE, Agent, St. John, N. B.  
 A. E. FLEMING, T. F. & P. A., St. John, N. B.

## THE MARITIME STEAMSHIP CO. (LIMITED).

Until further notice the S. S. Cameron Bros. will run as follows:—  
 Leave St. John, N. B., Thorne Wharf and Warehouse Co., on Saturday, 7.30 a. m., for St. Andrews, calling at Digby Harbor, Beaver Harbor, Black Harbor, Back Bay, or Letata, Deer Head, Red Store, St. George. Returning leave St. Andrews Tuesday 8.30 a. m., calling at Letate or Back Bay, Black Harbor, Beaver Harbor and Dipper Harbor, tide and weather permitting.  
 AGENT—Thorne Wharf and Warehouse Co., St. John, N. B.  
 (Phone 255.) Manager, Lewis Cameron, Black Harbor, N. B.

This company will not be responsible for any debts contracted after this date without a written order from the company or captain of the steamer.

## Live Sport

### NATIONAL LEAGUE PICK OF FEDERAL

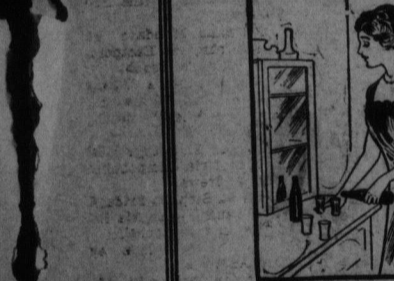
### THE WILLARD-FULTON FIGHT CALLED OFF

### LOCAL BOWLING YESTERDAY

Last night in the City League Black's allies the Wanderers took the Fred Fulton and Specials will play tonight. Individual scores of the match last night follow:  
 Elka..... 428 461 431 1320  
 Wanderers.  
 Kenney..... 83 87 119—289 90  
 Wright..... 112 85 110—307 10  
 Cromwell..... 87 87 95—269 87  
 McLeod..... 101 101 82—264 83  
 Logan..... 78 105 89—272 9  
 461 465 495 1421

Two cups of sugar, 1 1/2 of butter, 3 eggs, 2 1/2 level teaspoons of baking powder. Wash butter in water to remove salt, slip it with the hands to remove the cream sugar and butter well, add unbeaten eggs, one at a time beat with the hands, lastly, add Bake in a slow oven.

### For Th



Do not forget to include in a package of Red Ball Ale without this Red Ball Ale in offering Red Ball Ale or bestow a delicate compliment prestate your good taste as Deliveries made to any part



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# Live Sporting Topics

## NATIONAL LEAGUE WILL GET PICK OF FEDERAL LEAGUE STARS

### THE WILLARD-FULTON FIGHT CALLED OFF

New Orleans, Dec. 29.—The twenty round fight for the heavyweight championship, scheduled for March 4, in this city between Jess Willard and Fred Fulton, of Minnesota, was definitely declared off here late today by Tom Jones, Willard's manager, and Tommy Burns, local promoter, who was a partner of Dominick Torricelli in promoting the fight.

### LOCAL BOWLING YESTERDAY

Last night in the City League on Black's alleys the Wanderers took the four points from the Elks. Tonight the Elks and Specials will play. The individual scores of the match last night follow:

Elks.	
Evans	79 81 94-254 94 2-3
Nase	89 88 84-261 87 1-3
Brown	82 94 86-262 87 1-3
Cooper	95 89 81-263 88 1-3
Stanley	83 109 86-278 92 2-3
428 461 431 1320	
Wanderers.	
Kenney	83 87 119-239 96 1-3
Wright	112 85 110-307 102 1-3
Cromwell	87 87 85-269 89 2-3
McLeod	101 101 82-284 94 2-3
Logan	78 105 89-272 90 2-3
461 465 495 1421	

**Pound Cake.**  
Two cups of sugar, 1 1/2 of washed butter, 3 eggs, vanilla, 3 1/2 cups of pastry flour and 3 1/2 level teaspoons of baking powder. Wash butter in ice water to remove salt, slap it hard with the hands to remove the water, cream sugar and butter well, add unbeaten eggs, one at a time, and beat with the hands, lastly, add flour. Bake in a slow oven.

When the Federal League announced its intention to fight the National and American Leagues by taking star players of both, it happened to be the senior league which was made the target because of a peculiar combination of circumstances that caused several stars of Fener's league to be dissatisfied. The signing of Joe Tinker after Charley Ebbetts had failed to come to terms with the former, who had been pronounced a failure as the manager of the Reds, was the first real blow struck at organized ball. Then came the rumors of trades and managerial changes which caused Otto Knabe to become disappointed at not being made the leader of the Reds. Gerry Hermann having selected Charley Harkok. The Feds had no trouble inducing Knabe to jump. The two new leaders of the Feds had played in the National League for years and then knew little of American League players. Naturally they started signing National Leaguers.

**National League Has Call.**  
It has often been said that the Feds got such a large number of National pastimers because the object of the independents was to break up the senior league or steal the stars from the first division teams in order to make the race one-sided. However, it was really the selection of National Leaguers as first managers and scouts after the expansion which caused the uneven system of raiding. This really proved a good thing for the National and was no doubt responsible for the closeness of the pennant race in 1914 and again in 1915. It will prove equally beneficial when the stars return, as all teams will be strengthened alike. While but few real stars who are now considered worth fighting for were taken from the American League, some of the youngsters who were property of teams in Johnson's circuit may completely upset the dope in 1916.

**Browns May Get Plank.**  
In case Plank is not wanted by Mack, he will be switched to the St. Louis Browns, who will consolidate with the St. Louis Feds, according to present arrangements. If Plank should land with the Browns, he may play an important part in the pennant race. The usual tallenders are going to benefit to such an extent by the consolidation that it probably will put them up with the leaders. St. Louis had a strong team on paper, and no less than six men are likely to hustle regulars of the Browns' 1915 team, while two or three can be

counted upon as certain regulars. They are Tobin, a young outfielder; Horton, a much-improved first baseman, and Fred Johnson, a more promising looking shortstop than Johnny Lavan. This is not taking into consideration Eddie Flank, Dave Davenport, Ward Miller, Fels Vaughn, Red Groom, Grover Hartley and Chapman. The latter is an unusually clever catcher, but it

is likely he will be claimed by either Detroit or Washington. These teams had picked deals with the National Commission at the time Chapman jumped. The consolidation of these teams also will mean that Fielder Jones, who led the White Sox to a world's championship victory over the "Peerless Cubs" of 1905, will be made man-

ager. This should be the best thing that has occurred in years—for the American League in St. Louis. Kansas City has Nick Cutler, who probably will be claimed by Washington; Mike, an improved pitcher, who jumped Detroit; Brown, a young catcher, who will go to Cleveland, and Manager George Stovall, who is said to be in wrong with President Jan-

Johnson. Buffalo also has four players who might be in demand. One of them, Pitcher Anderson, who will go to New York, is looked upon as a great prospect. The other players are Krapp, owned by Cleveland; Ehmske, Pacific coast sensation, who jumped after being purchased by Washington, and Hal Chase, who may be placed under

the unwritten "blacklist," despite the claim that all players will be released. The Chicago will turn back George McConell, one of the leading pitchers of the league; Rankin Johnson and Black, both twirlers. McConell will go to New York, while Johnson and Black may be traded to Cleveland along with Combe for Vean Gregg.



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RICHBUCKTO

Richbuckto, Dec. 23.—Misses Irene and Edna LeBlanc who are attending college in Roussell, P. Q., are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. LeBlanc. Miss Lillian Wathe is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wathe.

HARCOURT

Harcourt, Dec. 27.—Miss Drustilla Hallwood, of the Sackville teaching staff, is spending her vacation at her home here.

UPHAM

Upham, N. B., Dec. 23.—Mr. John Sherwood spent Christmas at his home here.

NOPEWELL HILL

Nopeowell Hill, Dec. 23.—Miss Kathleen R. Prescott is home from Bridgewater for the Christmas holidays.

REXTON

Rexton, N. B., Dec. 23.—Miss Lillian McLellan and her friend, Miss Verna Steeves, went to Albert County to visit friends yesterday before opening their schools.

COAL BRANCH

Coal Branch, Dec. 23.—The people of this vicinity were greatly shocked on Wednesday last week to hear of the sudden death of Pte. Wellington E. Cassidy of the 64th Battalion, Halifax.

BRIGHTER CHILDREN

Children are probably brighter today in a generation ago—but are they longer? That's a grave question, many pinched faces, dulled eyes and languid feeling make us wonder they will ever grow into robust, alky men and women.

MACHINE PLUNGES TO EARTH, AVIATOR KILLED

Portsmouth, Dec. 23.—Lieut. Rogers of the Royal Flying Corps, was killed today when his aeroplane, which was flying at a low altitude, suddenly tilted forward and plunged to the earth.

SUICIDES FOR YEAR

Toronto, Dec. 23.—There were 255 sudden and violent deaths in Toronto during the past year up till today. Of these 32 were suicides by carbolic acid, inhaling gas, cutting their throats or shooting themselves.

Mr. Roy Reid, who has gone through an operation at the General Public Hospital, is improving rapidly.

Mr. Leslie Reid accompanied by his sisters, the Misses Cora and Beatrice Reid visited Mr. and Mrs. Medley Reid of Salt Springs on Saturday.

Mr. Russell H. Baxter, who has been in St. John for some time on account of sickness, is now at his home here.

Mr. Stephen Gillard of Lepreau is at his home here now for Xmas holidays.

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**THE WEATHER**

Forecasts:

Maritime—Strong north-easterly to northerly winds, cold; local snow at first then fair.

Washington, Dec. 29.—Forecast: Northern New England—Fair Thursday, preceded by snow on coast; Friday, fair; strong north and northwest diminishing winds.

Toronto, Dec. 29.—The depression which is now in Alabama last night is now off the coast of Connecticut. Pressure is decidedly high from Alberta to northern Ontario. Snow has fallen over the southern portion of Ontario and it is snowing tonight in the Maritime Provinces. Cold weather prevails generally.

Temperatures:

	Min.	Max.
Dawson	8	2
Prince Rupert	32	36
Victoria	32	38
Vancouver	24	35
Edmonton	4	12
Prince Albert	4	8
Moose Jaw	3	8
Winnipeg	8	14
Parry Sound	4	22
London	10	25
Ottawa	4	16
Montreal	16	18
Quebec	10	18
St. John	24	26
Halifax	28	34

—Below zero.

**Around the City**

**Patient Returned.**  
A patient in the provincial hospital escaped yesterday. He was pursued by a guard, caught at Nauwigewauk, and returned to the institution.

**Receives His Stripes.**  
Friends of J. Walter McIntyre of Brookville, who is serving with the 29th Battalion in France, will be pleased to learn that he has been promoted to the rank of Lance Corporal.

**Engagement Announced.**  
Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Gutuosa, of Moncton, N. B., announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Dorothy, to Dr. Duncan Campbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Campbell, of North Bay, Ont. The wedding will take place quietly early in the new year.

**Assault Case Dismissed.**  
The complainant failing to put in an appearance before Magistrate Adams in the Brookville court, Tuesday evening, Mildred Boyce and Harvey Boyce who were charged with assault, were dismissed on paying the costs of the court.

**Wrist Watch For Soldier.**  
A large number of the friends of Douglas Hannah called at his father's residence, 10 Canon street, last night and his uncle, Charles Hannah, offered half of those present presented him with a wrist watch. Mr. Hannah is a member of the 104th and is home on leave for Christmas. A very enjoyable time was spent by all present.

**Hospital Contracts.**  
A contract for supply of bread for the new St. John County Hospital, East St. John, has been awarded to Messrs. McMurray Bros. and to Messrs. F. E. Williams & Co., Ltd. for peals. Arrangements for the supply of milk were left in the hands of Councillor Dean. The tenders for vegetables and canned goods will be dealt with later.

**Inquest to be Held.**  
An inquest into the death of Wm. Connel will be held in the court house on Monday evening by Coroner Roberts. Yesterday morning he empaneled the following jury: H. B. Hayes (foreman), Joseph T. Quinn, Charles O'Connell, John A. Brooks, V. L. Morrell, J. W. Cassidy, H. W. Bromfield. The jury viewed the body after which permission was granted for burial.

**Taken to Industrial Home.**  
David Thomas was taken in charge by Policeman John Collins of the I. C. R. depot staff yesterday morning. Information came to hand previously for the police to be on the watch for the lad as it was said he had escaped from jail after sentence at Sussex on a charge of stealing lambs from the militia stores. Sheriff Freeze arrived yesterday morning from Hampton and took him to the Boys' Industrial Home.

**Christmas Treat.**  
The annual Christmas treat of the Ludlow street Baptist church was held last night in the vestry. The following program was carried out: The King, prayer by Rev. W. R. Robinson; 23 Psalm in unison; hymn, Crown Him Lord of All; exercise by the primary class; recitation, George Cameron; violin solo, Clarence R. Rupert; reading, Miss Wayne; choron by school, melody of national airs; chorus by primary; address, John F. Ring, hon. superintendent. At this stage of the proceedings Santa Claus appeared and distributed between 450 and 500 bags of candy and nuts. During the evening the pastor, Rev. W. R. Robinson, was presented with a purse of gold from the church and Sabbath school. R. H. Parsons, superintendent of the school, presided, and Miss M. E. Mallin officiated at the piano. Arrangements were made to have the boys of the church between ten and seventeen meet at two o'clock Saturday to take part in the parade.

**ARRANGEMENTS COMPLETE FOR NEW YEAR'S PARADE**

**Recruiting demonstration expected to be greatest in history of Province—Procession will be followed by meeting in armory.**

All arrangements have been completed for the grand recruiting rally to be held on New Year's Day and the Recruiting Committee expect the affair will mark the real start for recruiting for the 115th Battalion. Up to the present time over two hundred men have enlisted and signed on the 115th and it is expected that after the big rally on Saturday this number will be greatly increased. It will undoubtedly prove to be the greatest recruiting demonstration ever held in the province, and the committee in charge have been untiring in their efforts to make it a sure success.

With the mammoth procession, headed by nearly one hundred officers and sailors from the British navy, every battalion at present here, along with the Siege Battery, Boy Scouts, Cadets and every brass band, bugle and drum corps in the city will take part.

While the various bodies of men will start from different sections of the city at an allotted time, they will all meet at the Market Square, from which point the grand procession will start at three o'clock. The arrangements have been well worked out by the committee, so that there will be no hitch in the proceedings. One line will extend along Dock and Mill streets, another will be along Water street, a third will be on Chipman's Hill, while the fourth will be along Prince William street, so that all sections of the procession will head towards King street, and as the first section starts on its march towards the armory the others will fall into their proper places in the line.

Lieut. Col. B. R. Armstrong and Captain L. P. D. Tilley have been chosen as marshals and all that is now needed is fine weather. When all arrive at the armory the multitude will be addressed by prominent military officers and citizens and the gathering will be presided over by E. A. Schofield.

**The Arrangements**

The following is the programme arranged by the committee, giving the position of each body of men in the procession and full information regarding the afternoon's arrangements.

The Navy—Lieut. Gardner, Sub-Lieut. Adams and ninety sailors of the British Navy will assemble at corner of Mill and Pond streets at 2:30 o'clock.

115th—Regiment will assemble at Armory under command of Lt.-Col. Wedderburn. Proceed to Scott's corner with 62nd Band to accompany North End parade. Leave Scott's corner at 2:30. Proceed by way of Main street and Mill street. Halting at west corner of Union and Mill till the 69th pass into Dock street, then follow them down Dock.

140th—Regiment will assemble at their quarters, West St. John, under command of Lt.-Col. Gunning. Proceed to ferry with 140th Band. Line up there with detachment from Siege Battery, Bugle Band and citizens from Fairville and Carleton. Leaving Carleton on 2:50 trip of ferry. Proceed along Water street and await orders at entrance to Market Square.

69th—Regiment will leave Armory at two o'clock for East End, under command of Lt.-Col. Dansereau, proceed to the host at a dinner to be given by the host at the Soldiers' Club, and after the dinner there will be a musical programme.

Before leaving Lieut. Gardner and Adams promised the committee that the sailors would take part in the big recruiting procession to be held on Saturday afternoon. Accordingly the "navy" will be given the place of honor and will lead the procession. They are a hardy looking lot of men, and their presence in a body marching through the city streets will undoubtedly evoke much enthusiasm.

**Route of Procession.**

Up King to Charlotte, Charlotte to Union, Union to Sydney, Sydney to south side King Square, thence to Charlotte to Princess, to Sydney, past Soldier's Club to north side Queen Square, thence to Charlotte, down Charlotte to St. James, thence on to Carvermarket.

On arrival at the armory the procession will move into Barrack Square till the Mayor and Commissioners arrive at entrance to armory where they will turn to right and enter building, the general public following.

Mayor and Commissioners will occupy the platform with the speakers who are to address the meeting, also the colonels of each regiment.

The 69th Band will attend in the armory.

For further information apply to representatives of Recruiting Committee, namely: North End, A. M. Rowan; East End, H. H. McLaughlin; South End, James K. McKimsey; West Side, Capt. Mulcahey.

The meeting at the armory will be addressed by Lieut. Belque, Lieut. Col. Wedderburn, Lieut. Col. Gunning and others. E. A. Schofield will be the chairman.

The bands will assemble as follows: 69th at armory, 2 p. m.; 62nd at armory, 2 p. m.; 140th on West Side, 2 p. m.; Temple Band at Scott's Corner, 2:30 p. m.; City Cornet Band, City Hall, 2:45 p. m.

The Recruiting Committee and citizens will follow behind the Mayor and Commissioners at 2:45, proceed up King street following the Scouts and the general public are asked to join in the procession.

**"JACK TARRS" IN THE CITY FROM WEST INDIES**

Party of ninety arrived in city yesterday on R.M.S. Steamer Chignecto.

The Royal Mail Steam Packet steamship Chignecto, Captain Adams, arrived in port from the West Indies yesterday morning and docked at the Atlantic Sugar Refinery pier where she will discharge a large consignment of sugar. The ship had a good voyage and in addition to the mails and a large general cargo, brought about ninety man-o-war sailors under command of Lieut. Gardner and Sub-Lieut. Adams. The sailors left the ship early in the afternoon and are being billeted at the Grand Union Hotel.

Yesterday afternoon Lieut. Col. E. T. Sturdee, Capt. A. J. Mulcahey, and C. W. Hallamore, representing the recruiting committee, called on Lieuts. Gardner and Adams, and in the absence of His Worship Mayor Frink, who was unable to be present, extended the hospitality of the city to the officers and seamen of the navy, to which the officers expressed their thanks. The committee informed the officers and sailors that during their stay in the city the Imperial Theatre, The Soldiers' Club and the Seamen's Institute were places to which they could have free access.

On Friday night the Mayor will be

**PERSONAL.**

Dr. E. A. Gorham, who has been visiting her brothers, James A. Gorham of Douglas avenue, and George M. Gorham, of Main street, for several months, has returned to her home in the west, Montana.

H. B. Burnham, H.M.C., of Annapolis Royal, is at the Victoria.

C. H. Lynott, H.M.C., of St. George is at the Victoria.

W. J. McDougall of Halifax is at the Victoria.

Hon. J. A. Murray was at the Victoria yesterday.

W. B. Bentley of St. Martins is at the Victoria.

Geo. E. Frauley of St. George is at the Victoria.

F. P. Hunter of St. Stephen is at the Victoria.

Mr. O. C. Bissell, sales manager for "Lantic Sugar left for Montreal last night.

**Spent Your Christmas Money on Furs.**

F. A. Dyleman & Co. have made a second reduction on the prices of all furs now in stock, and as the furs they carry are made by one of the most reliable manufacturers in Canada, and were bought before the 20 per cent. increase in price, your money could not be better placed than invested in these splendid furs; either in coat, neck piece or muff. On Friday this firm will give a hand painted calendar, without advertisement, with every purchase made at their store.

Full of Natural Flavor—BRAYLEY'S FLAVORING EXTRACTS.

**Funerals.**

The funeral of William Connel took place yesterday from O'Neill's undertaking parlors in Main street. Burial services were conducted by Rev. Gideon Swin and interment took place in Cedar Hill.

The funeral of Frederick Devine took place yesterday afternoon from his late residence, 179 Prince William street. Burial services were conducted by Rev. Wellington Camp, and interment took place in Fernhill.

St. John Business College, day and evening classes will re-open Monday, January 3rd.

**NEW YEAR'S EVE**

AT WANAMAKERS' Watch night dinner served from 11 p. m. to 1 a. m., with big cabaret, including Zingari girls. We reserve these tables early.

**STARTLING DISCLOSURES BY OFFICIAL**

**Aliens in Charge of Large Quantities of Explosives Near City.**

**What was revealed by recent visit—Dynamite found near highway—Carelessness charged.**

Some rather startling facts have been disclosed by an officer who was doing a little bit of detective work in the vicinity of St. John, and his revelations undoubtedly deserve careful attention from the proper authorities. It is stated on good authority that a couple of nights ago the officer found seven sticks of dynamite in a parcel near the side of a highway, and that a county councillor was summoned and told of the state of affairs in that district.

In the vicinity mentioned there are three or four sheds which contain enough dynamite and powder, which should it explode, would certainly startle the citizens and cause great damage with, perhaps, loss of life. There is only one watchman and his duties are to keep guard on one of the houses containing the high explosives. When the officer was making a search it was stated this watchman was found asleep.

In other sheds where powder and dynamite are stored there was no person on guard and the boxes of explosives could easily be counted through holes in the wall or door.

Another story told is to the effect that a person who is called "The Head Dynamiter," and has charge of the blasting, and on whose order dynamite is taken from the shed, is an Australian. The officials do not say that the Australian is not a man of good intentions and a model living person, but, if the story is true, and an official is quoted as verifying it, the "Head Dynamiter" is an alien, and an enemy. This fact alone should be sufficient to cause suspicion. No doubt something more will be heard regarding the matter.

**TUBERCULIN TESTED PORK FOR ST. JOHN**

All Pork from this establishment is Guaranteed Perfectly Free from Disease.

In addition to their fine, modern milk producing and dairy plants, Primecrest Farms, Limited have installed an abattoir department from which they furnish the retail market with tuberculin tested pork from their herd of four hundred hogs, thus ensuring to the consumer a strictly high grade of pork guaranteed absolutely free from disease. The names of dealers handling this pork will be given those who phone Primecrest Farms, Limited, South Bay, St. John. Phones West 373 and West 374.

**Patrick Durning Found.**

On Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock the father of Patrick Durning, aged 32 years, left his home and no trace of the old man could be found. The police were notified Monday evening and the officers made a search but without result. Last evening the son of the missing man learned that his father had wandered to the St. John Infirmary on Coburg street where he had been taken in and cared for. He will be taken back to his son's home this morning.

**Seriously Ill.**

Burpee E. Brown, the druggist on the corner of Princess and Sydney streets, is reported very ill with pneumonia, at his home 92 Mecklenburg street.

**Fire Sale At Thorne's**

Goods damaged by water and smoke are now being SOLD AT A DISCOUNT

IN OUR KITCHEN WARE DEPARTMENT we are offering SELF-BASTING PANS and BAKE PANS of sheet iron, also a nice line of ALUMINUM WARE, slightly damaged by water and soot, at REDUCED PRICES as follows:

Sheet Iron Baking Pans, 8c, 13c, 14c each	Lip Sauce Pans . . . . . 20c—40c each
Self Basting Pans . . . . . 70c and \$1.25 each	Frooswing Kettles . . . . . 45c—\$2.25 each

**ALUMINUM WARE:**

Coffee Pots . . . . . \$1.70—\$2.25 each	Tea Kettles . . . . . \$3.35 each
Tea Pots . . . . . \$2.00—\$2.25 each	Berlin Kettles . . . . . \$1.00—\$1.45 each
Frying Pans . . . . . 55c—\$1.80 each	Steamer Sauce Pans . . . . . \$2.10 each

Also Cups, Punnels, Pie Plates, Soap Dishes, Fudding Pans, etc., at similar reductions.

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**We Are Showing a Fine Selection of Men's Fancy Cambric Shirts**

In Soft Front, Soft Collars and Cuffs and Stiff Cuff styles. The colors and designs are quite new. All materials of which they are made being fast wash colors. Satisfaction in wear is guaranteed.

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All the new shapes in ARROW BRAND LINEN COLLARS, \$1.50 dozen; 2 collars for 25c.

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**Advance Showing of Spring Dress Goods and Suitings**

**FINE ENGLISH WORSTEDS**—Plain weaves in navy, myrtle, fawn, tan, mid. brown, nigger brown, battleship grey, purple, black; 52 inches wide. . . . . Yard \$1.75, \$1.90, \$2.10, \$2.25, \$2.40

**ENGLISH WORSTEDS**—In navy, green, brown, grey; 52 to 58 inches wide. Yard \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$2.75.

**MANNISH WORSTEDS**—In two-tone effects, grey, nigger brown, green, black and white effect; 52 inches wide. . . . . Yard \$2.10 and \$2.25.

**SHEPHERD AND NOVELTY CHECKS**—Brown and white, navy and white, Belgian blue and white, tan and white, grey and white, black and white; 50 to 54 inches wide. Yard 75c., 80c., \$1.10, \$1.25.

**FRENCH POPLINS**—In myrtle, mauve, navy blue, Belgian blue, Sapphire blue, sand, putty, golden brown, mid. brown, dark brown, pearl grey, taupe, purple, black; 44 inches wide. Yard \$1.25.

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