

HEAVY FIGHTING IN FLANDERS WITH ALLIES GAINING GROUND; VIENNA SAYS RUSSIANS RETIRING

CANADA'S UNITY IN TIME OF STRESS AND LOYALTY TO EMPIRE, LESSON TO THE WORLD, PREMIER BORDEN SAYS

Premier Addresses Large Gathering at Amherst in Interest of Maritime Forward Movement—Work of Equipping the Ports of St. John and Halifax Will Go on Until Both Can Compete With All—Given Splendid Reception by Audience.

QUESTIONS OF VITAL IMPORTANCE IN ADVANCEMENT OF MARITIME PROVINCES DEALT WITH

One of Most Unique and Profitable Gatherings Ever Held in Provinces—Maritime Union Touched on and Formation of Maritime Province League Decided Upon—Putting the Maritime Provinces in the Front Ranks—Gen. Hughes Pays Tribute to Fine Class of Men Canada is Sending to Front—Premiers of Nova Scotia and P. E. I. in Eloquent Addresses.

Special to The Standard. Amherst, N. S., Dec. 17.—The greatest and most unique gathering of the sort ever held in Amherst closed to night with ringing speeches for Sir Robert L. Borden, Premier of Canada, Major General the Honorable Sam Hughes, Premier Murray of Nova Scotia, Premier Matheson of Prince Edward Island, Hon. C. W. Robinson, leader of the New Brunswick opposition and Very Rev. Dean Lloyd of Halifax. It was a fitting climax to a great day. The subject of the addresses at the conference in the morning and afternoon was that of Maritime Forward Movement in which it was urged most emphatically that the provinces should unite in the common interest of all. In the evening there was a touch of maritime union in the addresses but none of the speakers were inclined to regard it as a matter requiring immediate attention. Amherst, N. S., Dec. 17.—Long before the hour for the entertainment at the Empress Theatre were crowded to the doors. The committee of arrangements had made the wise provision that until those who had advance tickets had been seated the general public would not be admitted to the main body of the house, consequently the visitors had splendid accommodation. Premier Borden Dr. G. B. Cutten, President of Acadia University, occupied the chair. On his right were seated Sir Robert L. Borden and Premier Matheson of Prince Edward Island. On his left were Major General the Hon. Sam Hughes and E. N. Rhodes, M. P. while gentlemen who had contributed to the programme of the day occupied seats on the platform. Following a selection by a double male quartet, Dr. Cutten introduced Premier Borden as the first speaker. Sir Robert in opening said the spirit of co-operation which had brought about the conference of the day had left its impression upon all Canada since the time of test came a little over four months ago. It was that spirit which had made it possible for Canada to render the assistance she (Continued on page 6)

SHORTER HOURS FOR LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEERS

Delegation Waits on Minister of Labor—Also Want a Dominion Compensation Act.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 17.—A deputation of railway locomotive engineers have visited Hon. T. W. Crothers, Minister of Labor and appealed to him to take two important steps in their behalf. The first of these is to create a Dominion Compensation Act which would apply to railways all over Canada, similar in its terms to the Ontario Compensation Act which prevents law suits and takes cases for compensation out of the hands of the courts. The other question asked to be adjudicated was the hours in the industry that an engineer may be required to work. The engineers asked that the limit be made fourteen and that this be made general throughout Canada. Sometimes, it was pointed out, engineers have been required to work more than twenty-four hours at a stretch. In talking of the matter afterwards, Mr. Crothers stated that in his opinion even fourteen hours at a stretch was far too long. No work was more wearing than that of the locomotive engineer. He was strung up to the highest tension all the time. From what he can be learned it is hardly likely that any legislation to these ends will be possible next session. It is understood that nothing save legislation pertaining to the war will be introduced. The engineers expressed themselves as delighted with the cordial reception given their views by the Minister of Labor.

Official Report Says Czar's Army in East Giving Ground—Movement Probably to Establish Themselves in Stronger Positions to Meet Terrific Onslaughts of Austro-Germans—New Battle May Settle Whether Enemy Will Retire to Warsaw or Russians Continue Invasion of German Territory—Turkey's Suzerainty in Egypt at an End—Pro- claimed British Protectorate.

London, Dec. 17.—"The Russians are retiring along the entire front in Galicia and Poland." This statement, officially issued at Vienna, is the outstanding feature of tonight's news from the battlefronts. While there is no confirmation of this from other sources, such a move on the part of the Russians, would be quite in line with the announcements in despatches from Petrograd that the Russians, threatened on both flanks, had decided to take up new positions where they would better be able to meet the onslaughts which are being launched against them by the Austro-Germans from the Carpathians to the East Prussian frontier. Should the Austro-German armies, as on previous occasions, follow the Russians in Poland another big battle will soon be in progress, which may decide whether the Germans are to get to Warsaw or whether the Russians are again to threaten an invasion of Germany.

The delay of the Russians in following up their victory would prove a serious mistake. It is a mistake to allow the Austro-Germans to establish themselves in stronger positions to meet the onslaughts which are being launched against them by the Austro-Germans from the Carpathians to the East Prussian frontier.

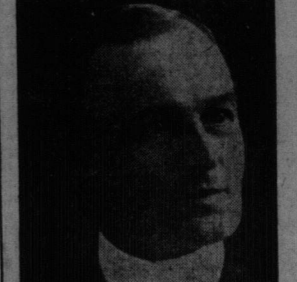
FILLING HOSPITALS WITH THE WOUNDED FROM BATTLE IN WEST.

The German and French official communications do not disclose much of what is going on in the west, but it is apparent that the allies are still on the offensive from the coast to La Bassee and at various other points along the front. While not very marked advances are reported, the French claim to have made some progress and to have organized the ground which they gained during the preceding days. The Germans on the other hand assert that the attacks by the allies have been repulsed. From the number of wounded reaching the hospitals of both the Germans and the Allies, it is evident that the fighting in Flanders today was of a more severe character than shown in the official statements. The correspondents report that the hospitals are again filling up, while along the Dutch border continuous firing can be heard. The long expected proclamation bringing an end to Turkish suzerainty over Egypt and the establishment of a British protectorate over that country was officially issued tonight. The last straw was doubtless the action of the Khedive, who was the Sultan's representative in Egypt, but, with little or no power in taking sides with Turkey against Great Britain. Lt. Col. Sir Arthur Henry McMahon who has been appointed High Commissioner, although a soldier by profession, has had long and varied experience as a political officer in India and other parts of the East. He has been Foreign Secretary to the Government of India since 1911.

HON. J. B. M. BAXTER'S NEW ATTORNEY GENERAL

New Government Sworn in by Lieutenant Governor Wood Yesterday—Hon. George J. Clarke, Premier and Minister of Lands and Mines—Hon. Mr. Baxter's Appointment Everywhere a Popular One.

A new government under the leadership of Hon. George J. Clarke and with J. B. M. Baxter, of St. John, as attorney general, has come into power in New Brunswick. The announcement



HON. J. B. M. BAXTER, Attorney-General of New Brunswick

House in honor of his new cabinet at which besides the members of the government there were present Senator Daniel and Col. Wedderburn. The government will hold a session today.

For some time past it has been the general opinion that Mr. Baxter would be called to the provincial cabinet, and his appointment to the important position of Attorney General of the province will not be a surprise to the general public. The new Attorney General is 46 years of age and has won a position at the bar and in civic and provincial politics which gives promise of still greater success in the future.

Apart from his activities on behalf of his party, Mr. Baxter has an established reputation as a public spirited citizen, keenly interested in everything making for the welfare of the city and province, and he has a wide circle of friends outside of his own party who have the fullest confidence in him, and who will be pleased to hear of the new honors which have been bestowed upon him, and will wish him every success.

Hon. Mr. Baxter was elected to the Legislature in 1911 and is recognized as one of the most able of the men in the New Brunswick Legislature. He has had considerable experience in the political arena in New Brunswick and has been prominently identified with public life of this city.

Attorney-General Baxter was formerly a member of the Common Council and is now Recorder for the civic corporation. He is ably fitted to fill the position as Attorney General, being recognized as one of New Brunswick's leading lawyers.

It is understood Hon. Mr. Baxter will have to run an election in St. John county and E. S. Carter, organizer of the Liberal party, and F. B. Carvell, who were in the race, will probably contest his election. But the appointment of Mr. Baxter to the Attorney-Generalship has been so favorably received in the county that he will find it a difficult matter to get anybody to consent to run against him, the more especially as the re-election of Mr. Baxter is a foregone conclusion.

When the new Attorney-General reached Fairville last evening on his return from Fredericton he was met by a party of about twenty of his friends, who gave him an enthusiastic reception and escorted him to his home on the West Side in automobiles.

OFFICIAL REPORT FROM BERLIN FORESHADOWS NEW ATTACK IN WEST

Berlin, Dec. 17.—Among the items given out for publication today by the official press bureau were the following: "The latest headquarters report from the west appears to point to the possibility of a renewal of activity on a considerable scale in that theatre of war. "The events in the east, however, continue to absorb chief attention. A report received from North Poland refers to the operations as normal. Similar reports preceded the taking of Lodz, and the last report is only more that favorable progress is being made. "The Austrians report that the Russians are retiring at nearly all points in South Poland and West Galicia. If the Austrian advance continues it will shortly menace the rear of the Russian forces investing Przemysl, the defenders of which continue to make successful sallies from the fort. "No news of any kind has been received from Servia. "The Turks report successes near Lake Urumiah, but evidently these operations are unimportant. "Persian tribes are alleged to be fighting on the side of the Turks. "The Swedish Lieutenant-Colonel Erel, after a long stay on the German west front, says Germany's economical forces are sufficient, that her military reserves are inexhaustible, and that her forces are steadily increasing. "Basel reports that the municipality of Lille, at the suggestion of the German officer in command, has asked Confederation to get victuals, as Lille is cut off from all foreign communication, and the population is in distress. The commander guaranteed that the victuals were destined exclusively for the consumption of civilians."

TURKEY LOSES ANOTHER OF HER WARSHIPS?

London, Dec. 17.—There has been some naval activity on the part of the Allies in other parts of the world. British ships have been bombarding the Germans along the coast of Flanders and the Turks in the Gulf of Saros, while the Russian Black Sea fleet have sunk a German steamer and an unknown vessel supposed to be a Turkish warship.

ALLIED FLEETS DOING THEIR WORK WELL

Paris, Dec. 17.—Owing to the efficiency of the allied fleets and despite the presence of German cruisers in the various oceans, the Minister of Marine said today that not a man had been lost since the opening of hostilities, of the thousands of French troops transported to France from Algeria, Tunisia, East Africa, Morocco, Madagascar and Tongking, or of the British troops from Asia, Australia, Africa and Canada. The statement was made to the naval committee of the Chamber of Deputies by the Minister of Marine.

ROBS 2 BANKS, SHOT POLICEMAN, ALL IN 3 HOURS

Cincinnati Bandit Crowds Several Chapters of Crime Into Few Hours Work—Finally Shot to Death.

Cincinnati, Dec. 17.—The life of Frank G. Hopf, notorious automobile bandit ended here today following a three hours' career of crime which included the robbing of two Cincinnati banks, the theft of an auto, and a pistol duel with policemen that resulted with almost certain fatal wounds to one officer and the death of the bandit. Thirteen thousand and one hundred dollars are missing as the result of the bank robberies, and the police are confident that Hopf, in his wild auto drives, managed to pass this money along to some confederate.

The beginning of Hopf's end started shortly after 10 o'clock this morning, when he entered the West End branch of the Provident Savings Bank and Trust Company, Eighth and Freeman avenues, fired two shots at Cashier Edward Hughes, scooped up \$8,000 in currency, backed through the door, jumped into a waiting automobile which had been stolen and disappeared. Cashier Hughes fired after the robber, but his shots did not take effect. While the police were searching for the bandit more than an hour

later he entered the Liberty Banking and Savings Company Bank at Liberty and Freeman avenues, ten blocks away, fired two shots at Cashier Winters, grabbed what proved to be \$5,000 in currency, ran to his automobile and again disappeared. The shots were so close to Winters that he was powder-burned, but other than suffering from the shock he was uninjured. Fusillade of Bullets He Met Policemen

The bandit had rented a room yesterday in a West Ninth street apartment house, and the owner of the apartment having read a description of the man, called the attention of the police. Three policemen called at his room, and upon opening the door were received with a shower of shots. Policeman Knaul fell wounded and the bandit, jumping past the other two officers, fled to the street, reentered his automobile, which was standing in the front of the house and fled. His flight proved unlucky for him, inasmuch as he crashed into a pole rounding the first corner and wrecked the machine. He extricated himself from the wreckage and started to run, but the officers by that time were close to him and after an exchange of shots the bandit fell. He died later in the afternoon, while the policeman is in a sinking condition.

CONSERVATIVES IN SOURIS, P. E. ISLAND, CHOOSE A. L. FRASER

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Dec. 17.—At the Conservative convention held today in Georgetown, Mr. A. L. Fraser, ex-M. P. of Souris, was nominated as the federal candidate in the coming

PATHETIC SCENES IN RAID ON ENGLISH COAST TOWNS

Hartlepool, via London, Dec. 17.—An inquest began here today over the bodies of seventy-nine victims of the German bombardment of Hartlepool and West Hartlepool. The evidence, though mostly of a formal character, brought to light some pathetic cases. An old woman was picking up coal dropped from cars on the railway embankment when she was killed by a shell. An old man and his two daughters were just starting breakfast in the kitchen when a shell burst in the room, killing all three of them. A young woman went to the house of her aged mother, intending to conduct her to a place of safety. Entering the passageway she stumbled across her mother's body. A shell had pierced the roof and killed her.

The verdict rendered by the coroner's jury was that the deaths of the seventy-nine persons were due to bombardment "by an enemy who, under cover of a dense fog, fired shot and shell into the towns, killing many unarmed civilians."

Although at a late hour tonight the official estimate of the casualties was 82 persons killed and about 250 injured, many of the wrecked houses have not been explored and it is believed the list of dead eventually will reach one hundred. Eight soldiers, two of them gunners in the coast defence, and two sailors are among the killed.

Throughout today rumors were current that German and English fleets were firing off the Scotch coast. No sounds of gun fire were heard here, but the rumors excited the crowds, which were willing to believe predictions that the Germans will shortly shell this coast again. Army officers who examined the ruins caused by the bombardment estimated that the Germans fired two hundred shells, chiefly of the 9-inch and 12-inch kind. Several 12-inch shells which had not exploded were found today in the soft earth. As the German cruisers made their escape to the northeast they poured a fire from their guns on the north side of the peninsula. Many destroyers were visible beyond the Germans during the bombardment. At first these were believed to belong to the hostile squadron, but competent observers say the Germans fired both seaward and toward the shore, which seems to indicate that the Germans slipped between the English flotilla and the coast during the heavy fog that prevailed just before the bombardment. Two large German cruisers and one small cruiser did the shelling here. The shore guns acquitted themselves creditably and were not injured by the German fire. Persons who witnessed the fighting between the shore guns and the cruisers say the smokestack of one of the cruisers was smashed and that many shots landed on another, while it was standing broadside to the shore batteries. It is estimated that the cruisers were about four thousand feet off shore during the heaviest part of the shelling.

EGYPT PROCLAIMED BRITISH PROTECTORATE THE END OF TURKISH SUZERAINTY THERE

Placed Under Martial Law on Nov. 3 — Khedive Exiled for Pro-Turkish Attitude — Reported He Had Been Preparing to Lead Army to Wrest Control of Country From the British.

London, Dec. 17.—Egypt has been proclaimed a British protectorate. The proclamation of Egypt as a British protectorate was fore-shadowed in recent despatches. On November 3, Egypt was placed under martial law, and Major General Sir John Grenfell Maxwell, commander of the forces in Egypt, was placed in military control of the country.

Advices from Constantinople have reported the Khedive, Abbas Hilmi, exiled, it has been alleged, from Egypt, on account of his pro-Turkish attitude—as having gone to Vienna to confer with the Austrian authorities. Previously the Khedive had been reported preparing to lead an army into Egypt to wrest control of the country from the British.

Egypt, while nominally forming part of the Turkish Empire, has been virtually a dependency of England. The administration is carried on by native ministers, subject to the ruling of the Khedive. Since 1883, England has been represented in the government. On the abolition of the joint Anglo-French control in that year, the Khedive, appointed an English financial adviser, without whose concurrence no financial decision can be taken.

The financial adviser has a right to attend the Khedive's council of ministers, but is not an executive officer.

OFFICIAL WAR REPORTS

FRANCE

Paris, Dec. 17.—The following official communication was issued by the War Office tonight:

"In Belgium our troops have gained ground to the north of the road from Ypres to Menin, and also on that to the south and south-east of Bixchoote.

"We have debouched to the northeast of Arras, and have reached the first houses of St. Laurent Blangy.

"Appreciable progress has been made at Oulliers-La-Boisselle, Mammetz and Maricourt, in the region of Bapaume and Peronne.

"From the Somme to the Vosges there is nothing to report."

RUSSIA

Petrograd, Dec. 17.—The following statement from the general staff of the Russian command-in-chief was made public tonight:

"In the direction of Mlawa our cavalry and vanguard troops are chasing the beaten Germans.

"Several of their corps already have crossed the frontier, and are captured prisoners, guns and war material."

AUSTRIA

Vienna (via Amsterdam to London, Dec. 17)—The following official communication was issued today:

"The latest news permits of no further doubt that the resistance of the Russian main force has been shattered. After the defeat of the southern wing in the battle of Limanovo, which lasted several days, our allies also gained a victory near Lodz.

"The Russians are now completely routed on the River Buzur.

"Threatened by our advance across the Carpathians from the south, the enemy began a general retreat, which they are trying to cover by stubborn fighting in the regions before the Carpathians.

"Our troops are attacking on the line of Grodno-Zakliczyu.

"Along the other parts of the front the pursuit has begun."

AN AUSTRIAN TRAINING SHIP SUNK BY MINE

London, Dec. 17.—In a despatch from Rome the correspondent of the Central News says:

"A Trieste official has announced the blowing up of a mine, and the sinking of the Austrian training ship Beethoven, with the loss of the crew and all the cadets on board."

None of the standard naval reference books has mention of a training ship named Beethoven belonging to Austria-Hungary. The Dual Monarchy has four or five ships devoted to the training of cadets, and it is possible since the outbreak of hostilities other vessels have been used for this purpose.

When a ship is assigned for training purposes her name is often changed.

WORST YET TO COME, SAYS VON BUELOW

Rome, Dec. 17 (8:55 p.m.)—On his arrival at Rome, Prince Von Buelow, former Imperial German Chancellor and now Ambassador to Italy, was informed of the bombardment of the English coast by German ships, but showed no surprise. He said that this achievement had been arranged for prior to his departure from Berlin. He added:

"This is simply the prelude to what the German fleet is going to undertake, which may astonish the world."

FRANCE UNDER WAR CONDITIONS

The Corriere Della Sera of Milan publishes some accounts of life in the French trenches which are decidedly entertaining, whether true or not. An officer writes that his soldiers had erected in the in-trinchements a bath-room, with all modern improvements. The entire company could take a warm shower every morning. "All the general," he says, "came to admire our comfort. We also have a butcher's shop, and a small vaudeville theatre is being built. One of us gives performances with a trained dog. The game straying between the trenches of the hostile parties often causes amusing incidents. A rabbit was greeted by firing from both sides. But, when the fight for the animal was to begin, from the German trenches, came the call, 'Tobacco, tobacco!' The firing ceased. A Frenchman took the rabbit and put a package of tobacco in its place, which was calmly called for by a German. A moment later, however, no one could show his head over the edge of the trench. Occasionally target shooting is arranged to waste the time. A Frenchman raises a cap high on the end of a gun, and shots are fired at it from the trench. As soon as a bullet strikes the cap the Frenchman wears a spade or a hoe. In order to protect themselves from night attacks the soldiers cover the ground with tin cans, which clatter at every step. Sometimes a rabbit also strays at night, and a lively fire is opened against his shadow."

The Journal des Debats, of Paris, declares plaintively that New Year's is going to be a failure this year, because Parisians have already renounced all the vanities they can, and what good resolutions remain to be taken?

After the first evacuation of the French town of Bapaume by the Germans, the lieutenant commanding the cycle squad of the seventeenth came into town just ten minutes after the departure of the enemy. Knowing that all the wounded had been left behind in the field-hospital, he decided to lend them the consolation of a visit. The wounded received him with tears in their eyes, as his was the first French uniform they had seen since the departure of the enemy. Knowing that all the wounded had been left behind in the field-hospital, he decided to lend them the consolation of a visit. The wounded received him with tears in their eyes, as his was the first French uniform they had seen since the departure of the enemy. Knowing that all the wounded had been left behind in the field-hospital, he decided to lend them the consolation of a visit. The wounded received him with tears in their eyes, as his was the first French uniform they had seen since the departure of the enemy.

Tales of the Germans' conduct in other people's houses continue to fill the French papers, and the following is a good sample:

"Marsuill-sur-Ay was occupied for eleven days by 60,000 Germans. One of the Kaiser's sons, Prince Eitel Friedrich, was established in the Chateau des Montebello, with Gen. von Bellow and sixteen officers of the Imperial Guard. The first thing they undertook on arriving was to requisition a vast number of bottles and order a sumptuous repast. Their arrogance was then in all its freshness; and they, no doubt, had a perfect right to feel pleased with themselves as they passed before the statue and the portrait, by Gerard, of one of the Jena victors.

"Some days later they returned, on their way back from the Battle of the Marne. They dined again; but the dinner was less gay and decidedly brief. They did not tarry in the dining-room, where the standing portrait of the Emperor Napoleon remained of them of Montmirail, Champaubert, and other memories of recent date. They hardly pillaged at all; a little bedding and a few covers; but they left everything they touched ready for the laundry. On their departure, they bombarded the town, in spite of the fact that nobody was left but a few civilians. The bombardment lasted for 120 hours; the inhabitants took refuge in caves and lived there day and night. The damage, however, was negligible. The Germans drink better than they shoot."

An Attractive Calendar.

The calendar sent to this office by the Mutual Life Assurance Co. is a gem of its kind, and well worth a place in any home. Much valuable information about the company is to be found on the calendar.

ON THE BARREN SAND DUNES WITH THE WATCHFUL BELGIANS



GERMAN FLEET ON WAY TO TAKE FALKLANDS WHEN ENGAGED BY STURDEE

Story of Sea Fight in South Atlantic Described by Passengers on Steamer Arriving at Punta Arenas — Eight British Warships in Fight — Germans Saw Only One Warship and Opened Fire — Other British Ships Appeared on Scene Unexpectedly and Sent Von Spee's Squadron to Bottom.

Buenos Ayres, Argentina, Dec. 17.—The first detailed accounts of the naval battle on December 8, when four German cruisers were sent to the bottom reached here today from Puerto Gallegos, Patagonia.

According to these accounts the Germans were on their way to seize the Falkland Islands, British possessions, when they came unexpectedly upon a long British warship. The other members of the British fleet were taking on supplies from neighboring islands at the time. Before the Germans were aware of the strength of their opponents, these ships closed in on them and the fate of Admiral Von Spee's squadron was soon sealed.

Eight British Warships in the Fight

The story of the battle was told by passengers on the British steamer Orissa, which arrived at Punta Arenas from the Falkland Islands, and says the losses of the British were placed at eight men.

It was a formidable British squadron which faced the Germans. In addition to the battleship Canopus, the battle cruisers Invincible and Indefatigable and the cruisers Kent, Cornwall, Carnarvon, Bristol and Glasgow. It far out-matched in strength the German squadron, consisting of the five cruisers Scharnhorst, Gneisenau, Leipzig, Nurnberg and Dresden.

The British squadron arrived at Port Stanley, Falkland Islands, on December 7 to take on supplies. The next morning the Canopus, which was guarding the entrance to the port, sighted a hostile warship. Four others quickly came into view and were recognized as the squadron of Admiral Von Spee. The German warships had left the Chilean Islands off Guano Fernandez on November 15 for the Falkland Islands, to take possession of the islands and destroy the wireless station.

Only the Canopus was visible at first to the Germans, who steamed straight at her. The Canopus opened fire and the other British warships rushed to her assistance.

The Scharnhorst, Gneisenau and Leipzig formed in battle line. The Nurnberg and Dresden, however, dropped back from the firing line.

The British warships concentrated their fire on the Scharnhorst, which sank after an hour's fighting. When it became evident that the Scharnhorst, Admiral Von Spee's flagship, was doomed her crew assembled on the forward deck. The Scharnhorst refused to surrender and soon plunged beneath the waves. The crew preserved its formation as the ship went down and cheered as the waters closed about them.

THE NURNBERG WENT TO BOTTOM

The Glasgow engaged the Leipzig, and sank her. The Gneisenau went down sixty miles from Port Stanley. The Nurnberg attempted to escape but after a pursuit of two hours was sunk. The Carnarvon pursued the Dresden but was not swift enough to overhaul her, and the German warship escaped.

After the battle the British picked up 194 Germans, including a few officers. Of these survivors one hundred were from the crews of the two German colliers. An opportunity to surrender was offered the colliers, but it was refused and they were sunk.

The cruiser was damaged slightly below the waterline. None of the other British warships was damaged.

On December 10, funeral services were held for the eight British sailors from the Orissa, who were killed, in the presence of the commanders and crews of the squadron.

The British Admiralty report of the battle states that only seven men of the British squadron lost their lives.

THE BRITISH LUMBER MARKET CONDITIONS

Farnworth and Jardine's wood circular, dated, Liverpool, 1st December, 1914, says:

There is little change to report in the business of the past month; deliveries about kept pace with the moderate arrivals, but the demand is generally quiet, excepting for special woods required for government purposes. Stocks are comparatively light and values are firmer. Ocean freights are very high, and tonnage almost unobtainable.

Canada. Woods—Pine Timber—Imports during the past month were on a moderate scale, but the demands continue quiet; values are firm; stocks sufficient. Many Pine—First class. The arrivals, again entirely to Manchester, were on importers' account; the demand continues slow; deliveries disappointing; stocks are adequate; values firm. Second class. There is only a limited enquiry. Square Pine—The demand is very limited. Red Pine—Seldom enquired for. Oak—Imports were light, and chiefly on Merchants' account for special railway work; the demand, however, is very quiet, but stocks are not too large; values steady. Elm—About 3,000 feet imported; deliveries from Manchester imports were satisfactory, but they more than represent the actual consumption, a portion being forwarded to other centres; stocks are adequate; values are firm. Pine Deals arrived more moderately; there has been a little more enquiry, and the deliveries show improvement, but stocks are sufficient; values steady. Red Pine Deals—There is little improvement in the demand to report; stocks are light, and values firm.

New Brunswick and Nova Scotia Spruce and Pine Deals.—The import to the Mersey (including Manchester) during the past month amounted to 3,950 stds., against 1,530 stds. during the corresponding month last year; the demand was steady; deliveries satisfactory, and stocks are considerably reduced; prices continue to advance, and now rule very high. Ocean Deal tonnage is very difficult to obtain. Pine Deals are in fair request; stocks are light, and prices steady.

GIFTS FOR CHILDREN

Notwithstanding the many demands which have recently been made upon the generous impulses of citizens of St. John the number of gifts coming into the Church of England Institute rooms for distribution among the out-lying parishes of the Diocese of Fredericton in connection with what is known as the children's festival is well up to the average of previous years. For years past the Church of England Institute in this city has made a practice of collecting Christmas gifts of various kinds, including candles, toys, etc., and sending them in boxes to outlying parishes, where they are displayed on Christmas trees in various parish missions and later presented to the children.

This year it was thought that owing to the demands made upon the citizens of St. John by the war and the Belgium relief committees the gifts for this purpose would not be as numerous as in previous years. But when a reporter called at the Church of England Institute on Princess street yesterday he was told that gifts were coming in in a very gratifying manner, though it was stated it was hoped everybody who has contributed in this purpose in the past would send in their usual contributions as all the gifts offered could be disposed of.

BOMBARDMENT INSURANCE IN HALIFAX

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 17.—There is talk of bombardment insurance at this port and one big concern is reported to have already placed a risk against bombardment. It is rumored that the Acadia Sugar Refinery might insure to the extent of over \$2,000,000 against bombardment damages and that a local insurance agency had offered to take a million of it. The insurance, however, has not yet been placed.

Wants a Fight

Harry Swain of Sydney street, has received a letter from Private Harry Hanlon, (Regimental No. 22752), formerly caterer at the Imperial candy store, and a native of Alma, Albert county, addressed from Salisbury Plain. He says he has not yet got a German scalp for the reason that he is still in England, and that although otherwise well pleased he is looking forward to going to the front.

Sad Death.

Much sympathy is felt for Mr. and Mrs. James McCloskey over the loss of their young son. The funeral took place yesterday.

THE PREMIER APPRECIATES LOYAL ACTION

Thanks Civil Servants for Volunteering for Foreign Service — Donation To Patriotic Fund.

The loyalty shown by the civil servants throughout the Dominion in volunteering for active service has been the subject of much favorable comment. The following correspondence between the Rt. Hon. Sir R. L. Borden and F. G. Grierson, secretary of the Civil Service Federation of Canada, will be of interest:

December 8th, 1914.

The Right Honourable
Sir Robert Borden, P.C., G.C.M.G., Prime Minister.

Sir,—I have the honor to hand you herewith lists containing names of four hundred civil servants of Ottawa, of both the outside and the inside divisions, who have offered their services to the government in a military capacity; placing themselves in that behalf at the absolute disposal of the government.

These lists were but casually submitted to the service and hundreds of other names can be procured.

This act on the part of civil servants emphasizes their attachment to the Crown and their fervor in the cause of the Empire.

I respectfully beg to express the hope that the enthusiasm displayed by those who have signed this roll may not be in vain, but that the government will, at an early date, endeavor to take advantage of this offer of military service by organizing this body as a distinct unit.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
(Sgd.) F. GRIERSON,
Secretary,
Civil Service Federation of Canada.

Prime Minister's Office,
Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 10th, 1914.

Dear Sir,—I beg to acknowledge your letter of the 8th inst., enclosing lists containing names of 400 civil servants of Ottawa, of both the outside and inside divisions, who have offered their services to the government in a military capacity.

My colleagues and I appreciate very sincerely the earnest patriotism of the gentlemen who have thus volunteered to serve their country, and I hope that you will convey to them an expression of this appreciation.

The lists as well as a copy of your letter have been transmitted to the Department of Militia and Defence, to whose consideration and attention the offer is being commended.

Yours faithfully,
(Sgd.) R. L. BORDEN,
F. Grierson, Esq., Secretary,
Civil Service Federation of Canada,
Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 12th, 1914.

My Dear Mr. Grierson,—

In my previous letter of today I omitted to express my appreciation of the splendid contribution which the members of the civil service have made to the Patriotic Fund. The fine spirit of patriotism thus displayed by the service will commend itself most warmly to the Canadian people.

Yours faithfully,
(Sgd.) R. L. BORDEN,
F. Grierson, Esq., Secretary,
Civil Service Federation of Canada,
P. O. Box 484, Ottawa, Ont.

NEW BREAKWATER BADLY DAMAGED BY HEAVY GALES

Hundred Feet of Breakwater at Comeau's Cove Carried Away and Other Damage Caused.

Special to The Standard

Yarmouth, N. S., Dec. 17.—The new breakwater at Comeau's Cove on St. Mary's Bay has been seriously damaged in this week's gales. About a hundred feet of the cap have gone, large strings broken, the flooring broken in and the fenders washed away. This work was constructed this year at a cost of \$16,000.

The tern schr G. M. Cochrane was floated today, undamaged, but the fishing schr James R. Clark which was driven high up on the beach will have to be dug out, the tugs being powerless to move her.

THROWN FROM HORSE AT SALISBURY PLAINS AND BADLY INJURED

London, Ont., Dec. 17.—Word was received here today to the effect that Lieut. Col. A. H. MacDonnell, General Staff Officer of the First Division and now on the Headquarters Staff of the first contingent, has been seriously injured at Salisbury Plains by being thrown by his mount.

Col. MacDonnell, who is a brother of Canada MacDonnell, M. P., of Toronto, had a distinguished career in the South African war.

MARRIED.

CHOWN-FLEMING—At St. James' Church Rectory, Tuesday night, Dec. 15th, Harry Chown and Miss Nellie Fleming, both of St. John, were united in marriage by Rev. H. A. Cady.

SLOCUM-JEFFERY—At the home of Mrs. George Carvell, 151 Victoria Road, Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 16th, Daniel F. Slocum and Miss Alice D. Jeffery, both of Young's Cove, were united in marriage by Rev. H. A. Cady.

DIED.

BANKS—At her late residence, 170 Millidge Avenue, at 5 p. m., on Wednesday, December 16, Esther, wife of J. W. Banks.

Funeral at 2:30 p. m. on Friday. No flowers, by request.

KELLY—Suddenly in this city, on 16th inst., Elizabeth, widow of John Kelly, leaving one son and daughter to mourn.

Funeral from her late residence, 405 Union street, Friday morning at 8:30, to the Cathedral for high mass of Requiem. Friends are invited to attend.

McALLISTER—In this city, on December 17th, James McAllister, in the 75th year of his age, leaving a wife, seven sons and two daughters.

Funeral on Sunday, the 20th inst., from his late residence, 341 City Road. Service begins at 2:30 o'clock.

DRISCOLL—In this city, on 17th inst., Gertrude E. Driscoll, in the 30th year of her age.

Funeral from the residence of her uncle, Mr. John McAllister, 55 Sheffield street, on Saturday morning, at 8:30, to St. John the Baptist Church for high mass of Requiem. Friends are invited to attend.

TWO BIG FEATURES AT THE IMPERIAL TODAY!

"The Trey O' Hearts" THIRTEENTH EPISODE. Watch for the Great Surprise! Things are Growing Very Interesting and Exciting. ONLY TWO MORE CHAPTERS. How Will It End?

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London, Dec. 17.—I declared a British pro announcement was ma night. The official p used the following sta

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COL. WEDDERBURN PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL OF B

Special to The Stand

Fredricton, N. B. provincial council of here this afternoon session and elected cers: President, Col. burn, St. John; vice, Bilas, Fredericton; A town; J. H. Harris, town; Rev. Donald M. John; Rev. treasurer, J. The council is m sentatives from ever province where troop have been organized. St. John and Bishop were elected to the Frederic Barker, Sen Treasurer Skelton wa visory financial com mittees were elected for funds will be ma

TO THOSE WHO TO HELP TH

"From the most re that we could sec the Central Commi who has charge of t all roof supplies that food stuff was than cash, as they h on hand for all reqi fact returned \$5,000 them by the N. S. g to have this investo load the steamer rou on this advice o vested who funds w flour, amounting in eight pound bags, w very low rate f. o. Lake ports. This r per barrel lower the sack price today, and that all cash collec the different mediu province be sent to Juncton, St. John. Frink, treasurer to large wholesale qua would go much fr this way than buyi of goods from a loca Yours JAS. P. O. Box 294. "

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ST. JOHN, N. B., FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1914.

"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.

THE NEW GOVERNMENT.

There will be every satisfaction with the reorganization of the Government which today is administering the affairs of this province. Opposition newspapers have been inclined to indulge in partisan criticism because an announcement of the new cabinet had not been made at an earlier date. Premier Clarke, however, exercised wise discretion in selecting his cabinet. He himself will assume the portfolio of Mines and Lands, and Hon. J. B. Baxter is the new Attorney General. There are no other changes.

Critics who have contended that the new Premier might have sooner reorganized his cabinet must have realized that there was no difficulty on the score of a scarcity of material. On the contrary, any of the gentlemen whose names have been mentioned as cabinet material possessed absolutely the qualifications fitting them for positions in the administration. In this the Government party is more happily situated than its predecessors. It has already been generally recognized that Mr. Baxter was destined to play a prominent part in the public life of the country. As a member of the Provincial Parliament, as Recorder of the city of St. John, and for several years as a leading member of the old City Council he has been much in the public eye. That he has not previously enjoyed the privilege of prefixing "Honorable" to his name is due entirely to his own desire. The honor comes to him at an early age, and those who have followed his career up to the present will, we believe, be inclined to agree that his path will eventually be marked with even greater distinction.

Not only is he to be congratulated upon his elevation to cabinet rank, but New Brunswick is also to be the subject of congratulation upon the new Attorney General. He brings to the position extraordinary legal ability, absolute integrity and a broad judicial mind. His tenure of service is expected to be decidedly creditable to him and to the province.

Pending an announcement of policy from the Premier it would be presumption to speculate upon the new government, but whatever may be said by its political opponents, and they may be expected to use every canvass possible, the great bulk of the people of this province will express entire confidence in the administration.

Premier Clarke has surrounded himself with able men, well qualified to continue the honest, aggressive policies incepted by Hon. J. D. Hazen in 1908. New Brunswick has no reason to feel any doubt as to the future.

CANADA'S "DISLOYALTY."

When, several weeks ago there were rumors of a general election in Canada, and the Liberal newspapers, in consequence shrieked their protests, the Toronto Globe rose to the occasion and newspapers who would precipitate a general election in a time of national crisis. The Globe may have spoken with some knowledge, but there will be many to doubt it. It is not impossible that reports to the effect that Canada was disloyal have been going to Germany for some years past. Many things have happened which to a German might lend color to such reports, and among these may be mentioned:

Sir Wilfrid Laurier's independence speech in Boston.

Sir Richard Cartwright's declaration that the only thing Canada owed to Great Britain was "Christian forgiveness."

Dr. G. A. Turcotte's statement in the House of Commons to the effect that "Canadians gravitate toward and aspire after a state of complete development, complete maturity, which cannot, after all, be anything less than complete independence."

Mr. M. Y. MacLean's statement in the House of Commons that "we are not indebted to Great Britain for anything."

F. B. Carvell's insult to General French and the Canadian militia.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier's disinclination to permit Canadian troops to go to South Africa.

Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux's famous letter to the Montreal Chamber of Commerce.

Hon. H. R. Emmeron's reading of the American declaration of Independence on the floors of the Canadian House of Commons.

Hon. William Pugsley's insults to the British Admiralty, and his statement that Mr. Churchill's views would "make a horse laugh."

Lastly, the reasonable action of

the Canadian Senate in refusing to come to the aid of the Motherland with three Dreadnoughts after Canada had received assurance that such help would be very welcome.

There are other instances which might be cited in which Canadian representatives, supposedly statesmen, permitted their party zeal to outweigh their duty to the Empire and to Canada, but possibly the Liberal newspapers can throw some light on these. In the meantime it would appear that if the German spies sent information to Germany that Canada was inclined to be disloyal, they drew the material for their reports largely from the actions and utterances of followers of Sir Wilfrid.

MODESTY AND THE V. C.

If one were to read only the words of Lieutenant Dimmer, who has been added to the list of Victoria Cross heroes, it might be concluded that the winning of the high reward is a simple affair. But reading between the lines and interpreting the full meaning of the modest little account of his brave stand under the fire of the enemy one gets a better idea of the "stuff of which heroes are made," says the Regina Standard. The young officer wrote to his mother:

"Here is how it all happened. On Thursday last (12th inst.), at about one o'clock, we were suddenly attacked by the Prussian Guards. They shelled us unmercifully and poured in a perfect hail of bullets at a range of about 100 yards. I got my guns going, but they smashed up almost immediately, and then turned all their attention on the gun I was with, and succeeded in smashing that, too, but before they had completed the job I had been twice wounded, and was finally knocked out with the gun. My face is splattered with pieces of my gun and pieces of shell, and I have a bullet in my face and four small holes in my right shoulder. It made rather a nasty mess of me at first, but now that I am washed and my wounds dressed I look quite all right."

A Chicago professor claims that death from starvation is not painful. For which information the people of Belgium will probably pass him a vote of thanks.

The German Emperor is reported to have said of his troops: "We will win because our nerves are stronger than those of our enemy." If he had contented himself with using "nerve" instead of nerves, most people would have been inclined to agree with him.

MR. EDISON'S LOSS.

(Hamilton Spectator.)
 The part of Mr. Edison's establishment at West Orange, New Jersey, which has been devastated by fire is that devoted to manufacturing his various contrivances, for he is not only an inventor, but a manufacturer. Although seven thousand people have been thrown out of employment, and the loss of the buildings and plant amounts to about two million dollars, it is safe to say that, so far as the inventor himself is concerned, he is more gratified by the saving of his laboratory than by the loss of his mechanical works. Everything he has lost in the latter can be replaced with in a few weeks; the loss is merely monetary, and probably well covered by insurance. His laboratory must contain data of attained knowledge which has cost him years of mental toil to work out. Were that burned, he might be in the plight of Sir Isaac Newton, who said, when his little dog overturned a candle that burned manuscript containing mathematical formulae representing years of study: "Oh, Diamond, Diamond! how little do you know what you have done!" Mr. Edison purposes rebuilding, as far as possible in concrete. He has long advocated the building of workmen's houses quickly and cheaply by moulding them in that material. Now he has a chance to carry out his ideas in this respect on a very large scale.

TEA PRICES HIGH

Tea is dearer than it has been for a quarter of a century, says the London Grocer. There are several reasons for this. Firstly, the complete disruption of regular shipments, through the activity of the enemy on the Indian Ocean. Secondly, the greatly increased demand in the British Isles for the requirements of the army and navy. Thirdly, the large quantity of tea that has been shipped to Germany and Austria. This last cause alone has accounted for 26 million pounds in three months, and is estimated to have effected prices at least two-pence, half-penny or three-pence a pound.

Although two of these causes have now been eliminated, the increased production in India and Ceylon is not expected to keep pace with the additional demand from Great Britain and Russia. We may therefore expect a comparatively high level in tea prices for the whole season at least.

Robinson Redivivus.

The Dubious Drama of the Doleful Dumps.

(Third Spasm.)

Third Spirit.
 My name is Mr. Knowlton and I was an Also Ran;
 Even Sweet William's master hand
 Couldn't save me from the ban.
 But still I think him great and grand,
 And am proud to be his man.

Fourth Spirit.

Politically I had a bent
 And my name is A. F. Bentley;
 If Pugsley said just what he meant,
 He'd say that I was mentally
 And otherwise unfit to fill
 A public trust when he was near the
 till.
 But Pugsley is a purist pure,
 Out of office, I am sure,
 So he put me on his slate,
 And we'll say naught of my fate.

Chorus of Choice Spirits.
 Sweet are the uses of adversity,
 But no so sweet as William's honeyed
 words,
 Which are as clover to the busy bee,
 And fragrant blossoms to the humming-
 bird.
 Bright is the sun that rolls across the
 sky,
 But not so dazzling as the promises
 With which Sweet William holds the
 public eye,
 And seeks his fickle followers to im-
 press.
 Deep in his beard his voice like thun-
 der
 roars,
 When he steps forth to fight his wordy
 wars,
 He draws a long bow with a right good
 will,
 And can from facts strange phantasies
 distill.
 With meän majestic he is coming now,
 The joy of battle glimmering on his
 brow.
 Sound the timbrels, beat the drums,
 The master comes.

(A strange sweetness permeates the
 room like incense. The new leader's
 troubled countenance relaxes into a
 smile of content. Even Mephistopheles'
 aspect becomes almost benign. And
 then the master appears accompanied
 by his cohort of choice spirits.)

The Master (Oratorically.)
 When Canada at heaven's command
 Arose from out the azure sea,
 Its purpose was, you understand,
 To rear a man like me.

Chorus.
 Oh, why did they make New Brun-
 swick?
 To rear a man like him.
 What's the reason every one's sick?
 We had to follow him.
 Can he persuade us we can at once
 kick
 Those Tories who gave us a jolt like a
 gun's kick,
 When we last went to the polls
 With the fear upon our souls
 To fight in vain for him?

The Master.
 (Saluting his Lieut. Robinson.)
 Hail, my field leader, who into the
 breach
 Full valiantly have cast yourself, and
 stand
 Ready to the youth of this fair land to
 teach
 That Grits alone are fit for high com-
 mand.

Since I became the master, small suc-
 cess
 I will admit, my efforts have attend-
 ed.
 But though I've got the party in a
 mess,
 Believe me, I have seen a vision splen-
 did.

My mind is now upon a great work
 bent,
 And I choose you as fittest instrument,
 Who to your fellowmen have long
 been known
 As one who never took ought but his
 own.

Mephistopheles (Aside.)
 Hear, hear! If that were truly one of
 you,
 We might not now our fallen fortunes
 rue.

Chorus.
 Ho, ho! The master has an inspiration
 To
 No doubt he can a good elixir brew
 To charm the Grits, and edify them
 too.

The Original Hun

"Like the Huns under Attila," is a
 phrase which is much used at the
 present time in Belgium and northern
 France. Yet comparatively few peo-
 ple know by whom it was first used,
 or understand the reference.

It was with these words that the
 Kaiser bid farewell to his troops when
 they were despatched to China to help
 to put down the Boxer rising. "Gain
 a reputation like the Huns under Attila,"
 he told them. The significance
 of the advice will be appreciated when
 it is realized that Attila was a barbaric
 chief whose ravages in Europe about
 the beginning of the fifth century
 gained for him the name of "the
 scourge of God." The leader of
 countless hordes of Huns, who were a
 Mongol race which crossed the Volga
 and struck terror into Europe, he was
 regarded by his men with superstitious
 reverence and by Christendom with
 superstitious dread. Among the acts
 which were committed by his direc-
 tion were the following:

"Bleda, his brother and co-chieftain,
 put to death."
 "All the countries between the Black
 Sea and the Mediterranean devastated
 and pillaged."
 "Thrace, Macedonia and Greece over-
 run and seventy flourishing cities de-
 vastated."
 "Several cities in Italy razed to the
 ground and their inhabitants put to
 the sword."
 "Conquered peoples either killed or
 forced to follow in his train as pris-
 oners."

Yet for all his ruthlessness Attila
 was a magnificent soldier and a striking
 personality. He was induced to
 spare Rome from destruction by the
 personal mediation of Pope Leo I, who
 is said to have subdued his ferocity
 into awe by the apostolic majesty of
 his mien. His deliverance was re-
 garded as a miracle by the afflicted
 Romans, and old chroniclers relate that
 the Apostles Peter and Paul appeared
 in Attila's camp and chased his pur-
 pose.

Attila died on the night of his mar-
 riage with the beautiful Hilda—pos-

Little Benny's Note Book.

BY LEE PAPE.

Me and my cuzzin Artie was setting in our parlor today looking out of different windows and talking about Krisssmus presents, and I sed, Do you no who yure going to give presents to yet.
 No, not yet, sed Artie.
 Well, if I give you wun will you give me wun, I sed.
 Yes, only thats the way Puds Simkins and me was going to do last Krisssmus, and I went and gave him a real hard wood top and he nev-
 vir gave me anything, sed Artie.
 Ill give you something, awl rite, I sed.
 The best way to do is for each wun to say wat he wunts, and then he wont be disappointed, sed Artie.
 Thats wat I think, I sed, wat do you wunt.
 You no those wissels that sound like a berd wen you blow them, sed Artie.
 Yes, I sed.
 Thats wat I wunt, wun of them, sed Artie, wat do you want.
 You no those punching bags that you tie wun end to the ceiling and wun end to the floor and punch, I sed.
 You mean the kind with rubbie at both ends, sed Artie.
 Yes, thats wat I wunt, wun of them, I sed.
 G wizz, heck, they cost about a doller and a berd wissel only costs 10 sents, sed Artie.
 Wat dus that hent, ovvrybodys not supposed to pay the saim thing for a present, I sed.
 Yes, Ill tell you wat, dont you give me the punching bag and Ill give you the berd wissel, sed Artie.
 No sir, I asked for the punching bag first, I sed, if you had asked for it first I wood of gave it to you.
 Yes, and then I gess youd of asked for a hole gymnasium, sed Artie, Ill tell you wat, dont you give me any Krisssmus present and I wont give you any, and then neithir of us will be disappointed.
 Awl rite, I dont care if you dont, I sed, Artie being a grate wun for backing out of things.

ably by her hand. His death spread consternation through the host of Huns, who cut themselves with knives, to celebrate the funeral rites of their king. His body was placed in three coffins—the first of gold, the second of silver and the third of iron. The comparisons of his horses with his arms and ornaments were buried with him, while the captives employed to make his grave were all put to death so that none might betray the last resting place of Attila, King of the Huns.

Insurance Men Dine.
 The members of the staff of the Prudential Life Insurance Company were the guests of the district superintendent, F. G. B. Gorrill, at a dinner and business meeting in Bond's restaurant last evening. Among the invited guests were the company's medical examiners, Dr. C. M. Pratt and Dr. F. H. Neve. Speeches were made by the superintendent, the medical examiners, E. A. Job, A. D. Duncan, G. A. Gilroy, F. Watson and members of the staff and a musical programme was also given.

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THIRTY-FIVE DEATHS CAUSED BY BASEBALL.
 Chicago, Dec. 17.—Thirty-five deaths and 918 injuries were caused by baseball during 1914, according to figures made public today by a sport writer who keeps tabulation on the season's record. Of the players who died from injuries, twenty were hit by pitched balls, five were struck by bats, four were in collisions, four over exerted themselves, one was hurt sliding to a base, and one was killed in a fight. Players hurt in the minor leagues numbered 116; American league, 69; National league, 61. Federal league, 66; College teams, 8.

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The North Pole, December 1, 1914.

To the Children of St. John,
Care of The St. John Standard.

My Dear Children:

Dear me, but this warm weather, is going to be hard on your old friend this year, but I am surely going to see you all anyway. I have decided that although I cannot get my faithful reindeers to pull all the good things that I will have for you on the dry ground, I will be there just the same and I will have to come on the train.

I will get into Saint John at about ten-forty Saturday morning and I want you all to be there to meet at the Union Depot. If your papa has an auto, please have him bring you in it, but meet me anyway.

If you can't meet me at the train be sure and see me at the Oak Hall Store at about Eleven O'clock, for I have a lot of Christmas buttons for you all.

Now, Dear Children, I can't write you any more now for I have to write lots of letters to the other children all over the world. So good bye until Saturday.

Yours,
Loving Santa.

P. S.—Be sure to meet me Saturday and get a button and I will tell you how to get your Christmas Money for just a little work and a lot of fun.

PRESENTATION TELLS OF GROWTH OF M.C.A. WORK TO SOLDIER

William Pink of the A.S.C. Presented With Case of Pipes and Purse By Brother Owis.

William C. Pink, of the A.S.C., was presented last night by the order of Owis, of which he is a member, with an address tied with blue and white, the colors of the order, a case of pipes and a purse. The presentation was made by the president, F. L. Potts, at the room in Coburg street. Mr. Potts spoke of incidents leading up to the present war, particularly the readiness of the Canadian people to respond to the call of the Mother Country under such conditions as have now arisen as exemplified during the time of the Boer war and now. James Hovey gave a short address, and Mr. Pink, after the presentation, expressed his appreciation of the kind remembrance of which he was the recipient. About seventy members were present during the proceedings, which included a short musical programme. A business meeting was held subsequently when several matters of routine were dealt with, including nomination of officers, whose installation will take place on the first Thursday of January.

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PROVINCIAL BEEF IN COUNTRY MARKET

At the country market today there will be special displays by the butchers to mark the opening of the Christmas trade. A feature of the market this year will be the display of beef raised in the Maritime Provinces. It was said yesterday that no western beef would be on display on the market, and this is very unusual in the past the most of the beef sold here at Christmas times has been imported from the west. There will be a large quantity of poultry available for the Christmas trade this season, and prices will be lower than they have been for some years. Prime turkey will, it is said sell from 22 to 25 cents. Stall holders at the market are making a special bid for the Christmas trade and some of the displays are attracting a deal of attention. Probably one of the best displays is that being made by Kane and MacDonald. This firm bought up 20 of the prize cattle at the Amherst winter show, and are offering them to the Christmas trade. Among these cattle it is interesting to note are 8 steers raised by Rupert and Harold Eiter, Westmorland County, which took the first prize at the Amherst fair, and the R. A. Snowball cup. There are also four steers raised by the Forest Bros., which took the first prize in their class and also the gold cup presented by W. A. Black of Amherst. This is the first Christmas season a special effort has been made to supply the St. John market with beef and poultry raised in the Maritime Provinces, and the results have surprised the butchers themselves and should have a great effect in stimulating interest among farmers in the possibilities of cattle and poultry raising.

WEDDINGS.

Biddiscombe-Dalling.
An interesting wedding took place yesterday when George Biddiscombe was united in marriage to Miss Annie Jane Dalling. The ceremony was performed at the parsonage by Rev. Mr. Ross. After the ceremony the happy couple went to the home of the bride's parents, where supper was served and an enjoyable evening spent by those present. Among the many beautiful presents received was a chest of silverware from the sergeant's mess, Partridge Island, of which he is a member. The bridegroom will go to Fredericton before proceeding to the front.

NOTES ON TRADING

The Cuban Consul, Oscar Barranco, has furnished the Board of Trade with the present prices prevailing in the Havana market for the following commodities:
Codfish in drums, \$7.50; haddock, \$7; hake, \$5.50 per 100 pounds. This is a slight decline in the price of hake owing to heavy stocks in the market. The prices of codfish and haddock have been sustained in spite of the short demand prevailing for these kinds of fish. Norwegian codfish can be quoted at \$9, and from \$7.50 to \$8.50 per case for other sources. For herring boats there is a fair demand at \$1.37 per large box. Small importations of Gouda cheese are cleared out promptly and therefore the market is exhausted in this commodity. Farmers are quoted at \$5 and factory at \$30 per case. The demand for potatoes remains active and holders of barrels are firm, but sale of bags has continued. Quotations are \$3 per barrel and \$1.62 per 100 pounds for bags.
Lumber
Report received from Liverpool wood brokers by the Board of Trade announces that the chief feature during November has been the extraordinary and rapid advance in freights, which has almost paralyzed business from the United States and Canada. Pitch pine has been placed to arrive in small lots only. Heavy timber is not actively enquired for. Prime lumber is wanted in some centres, and the demand for lower quality deals is active, with a limited quantity offered owing to the freight situation. Colliery wood is in increasing demand. Spruce is in active demand and prices advancing. Government requirements are absorbing the bulk of the imports. There is more enquiry for birch logs and hemlock is in better request, largely owing to the scarcity of spruce. Clear spruce has been more enquired for.



WILL BRING JOY TO CHILDREN'S HEARTS

Soldiers' Wives' League Making Preparations For Christmas Cheer—Greetings to Men at Salisbury.

There was a large attendance at the regular meeting of the Soldiers' Wives' League held yesterday afternoon in the schoolroom of St. Andrew's church, the president, Mrs. George F. Smith, being in the chair. Arrangements were made for the Christmas tree entertainment to be held in Centenary schoolroom from 5 to 8 p. m. on December 22. It was decided to make the age limit of children who will receive gifts from four to fourteen years, the object being to give pleasure to as many homes as possible. Further particulars of the arrangements finally made will be available at an early date. The league decided to send a cablegram, embodying Christmas greetings, to the Canadian force at Salisbury Plain. This will be sent in care of General Alderson, the officer commanding in terms to be agreed upon by the league.

TUBERCULOSIS FUND

The St. John Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis begs to acknowledge the following contributions:
Miss Sarah Hare, \$1; Mrs. Gillis Robinson, \$2; A. K. G. Crump, Mrs. Stratton, Mrs. C. J. Coster, Florence E. Edwards, Mrs. Murray MacLaren, Mrs. E. A. Smith, Mrs. Scovill McLaughlin, Mrs. M. B. Edwards, Mrs. R. O'Brien, Mrs. M. B. Lawrence, Mrs. Fred H. Nichols, \$1 each. Also through Jos. Lively \$25 from John Prescott.

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THE MARITIME FORWARD CONVENTION YESTERDAY AT AMHERST A SUCCESS

Two Hundred in attendance heard noteworthy address on Best Methods of Promoting Industrial and Commercial Interests of the Maritime Provinces—Distinguished Speakers Heard—A representative gathering.

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had rendered to the cause of the empire. That spirit had made it possible to assemble and organize at Camp Valcartier, under the personal supervision of Major General Hughes (cheers) the largest force of the kind which had ever left Canada. It was that same spirit which made it possible for every province in Canada to contribute huge funds to be devoted to the dependents of soldiers who had gone to the front or who were yet to go. He was glad to say that he had been assured that enough funds had been secured to meet the requirements.

Canada's Unity and Loyalty to Empire a Lesson to the World

Sir Robert then referred to the large number of Canadian citizens originating in countries with which the Empire is now at war. These citizens of Canada had vied with each other in seeing which could do the most for the empire and throughout had comported themselves as law-abiding citizens. Since the war broke out in Canada's days of stress and of test there was made apparent in Canada such a unity of race in their adherence and admiration as to astonish the world and to prove that the ties which bound Canada and the other British Dominions were tangible and real ties of justice of freedom of patriotic love.

No matter how long the war might last there could be but one outcome—the triumph of liberty over oppression and democracy over militaristic oligarchy. There need be no faithlessness on that score. The main problem the government had to meet was the thousands of men who were rushing forward to fight for the empire. But it would be detrimental to the success of the British arms to send men to the battle lines unless properly trained. The empire was now marshalling and training her forces. She had not marshalled them in times of peace because she did not desire war, but now she was getting them together and no one could doubt in the end that the triumph would be Britain's.

The Importance of Co-operation

Sir Robert Borden then referred to the co-operative spirit manifested by the gathering and approved it. It would be a work of importance not only to the Maritime Provinces but to Canada and to the empire. Such desire to get forward was a laudable desire.

He then paid a glowing tribute to the British navy and its splendid work in keeping the seas clear of the enemies and safeguarding our commerce. The Maritime Provinces of Canada had many and splendid resources and he thought presented much opportunity for future development. He had no doubt that in the future much could be done in attracting immigration in which he assured his audience the Dominion of Canada would be glad to co-operate and assist in every way possible.

Maritime Union

He had heard that the meeting of the day had considered the advisability of effecting a political union of the Maritime Provinces. There might be difficulties in the way, but they could not be greater than those confronting the gentlemen who formed the Canadian Confederation. Premier Borden thought it possible that if united the Maritime Provinces might carry some more weight in the councils of the nation, but whether political union into one province or not there was no doubt as to the future. The ports of St. John and Halifax had acquired the status of national ports and the work of equipment at both would go on until they were placed in a position to compete with other ports on a fair basis. Canada should be able to compete with other countries in the search for trade, and already the Dominion government was conducting exhaustive investigation as to conditions of trade in certain countries with which Canada had already done some business and much might be expected from this score.

Canadians Will Do Their Duty Well, Gen. Hughes Says

Major General the Honorable Sam Hughes was the last speaker, and he spoke but briefly. He referred to the contracts for shell being placed by the British government in Canadian manufactures. He had received a cable during the day which led him to believe that other contracts would at least be doubled. He then dealt with the German preparations for war. How when the war broke out German warehouses were stocked with food supplies sufficient to last for more than a year, while Britain and France were not prepared. Dealing with the first contingent, he said, he could guarantee that there were no better rifle shots in the world. He had absolute faith that the Canadians would do their duty well as they had always done it. There could be, and must be, but one termination to this war, and that was British victory. On no occasion had the soldiers of Britain made as good a showing as now, though the road to Berlin was long. It had to be travelled, and the soldiers of the Empire would travel it.

The attendance at the convention was approximately two hundred of whom more than fifty were from the cities of Halifax and St. John. The convention opened at ten o'clock and continued with only brief intermissions till after 10 o'clock at night. Half an hour was taken up at the opening in registration and then the chairman of the local committee, Joseph H. Douglas, immediately began the proceedings by stating that he would not take up the time of the meeting by the reading of letters of regret at inability to be present which had been received, and at once read his inaugural address. Chairman Douglas then called on E. T. Higgs, of Charlottetown, president of the Maritime Board of Trade, for the opening address.

He hoped that some good would result from the meeting for the progress and unification of the Maritime Provinces.

A resolution providing that there should be no discussion on resolutions except by the mover and seconder, was moved by E. A. McCurdy of Newcastle, and seconded by Captain Joseph Read of Summerside. This was qualified by allowing same latitude to be exercised by the chairman.

Rev. Dr. Cullen of Wolfville was not able to be present till noon and his place was taken by Prof. M. Cumming of Truro, on progress of dairying in Nova Scotia. He began with the statement that the output of the creameries of Nova Scotia had increased 360 per cent since 1910, but these figures did not indicate the whole gain of dairying in the province. The history of the development of the creameries was outlined since its beginning in Pictou. He gave W. A. McKay the credit for this development which had commenced at Scotburn, and had spread marvellously. The creameries had further justified their existence by the incalculable and practice of co-operation among the farmers. Mr. Cummings placed the gain to Nova Scotia from improved dairying at \$7,000,000 annually.

Premier Murray

The double quartette and immense audience sang Rule Britannia with great spirit and enthusiasm. Hon. George H. Murray, Premier of Nova Scotia, expressed his gratification at listening to forceful address of Sir Robert Borden. He then dealt very briefly with the Empire's case in the present war. It had not been desired by the allies, but if Germany wanted war she should have it. Referring to the question was not a new one. When he had heard it suggested he had in turn suggested that a committee from the organization should work out the details. The greatest asset of the Maritime Provinces was to be found in the quality of its men. Our resources in agriculture, lumbering, fishing and mining are also vast. He made a strong plea for a system of national technical education. The benefits of such a system would be great. The Maritime Provinces, he felt, were especially adapted for dairying, and there should be great opportunity for development in that line, but in all our great natural resources technical education brought to the men and women of the province would be of great benefit in developing resources. Politics, he thought, were being done seriously in the Maritime Provinces. Development of these provinces was not settled by party doctrine but by common sense. Great federal questions required party action, but in provincial matters he did not understand why one political party could do more than another, provided they employed common sense. Let us do away with selfishness and work together in co-operation forgetting local differences.

Helping Farm Immigrants

A. S. Barnstead, commissioner of industries and immigration, spoke of the loan act of Nova Scotia with respect to immigration. The war had interfered with the complete working out of the plan of monetary assistance to farm immigrants and but six of these had been settled in Nova Scotia. Speaking of the settlement of Belgians, Mr. Barnstead said that but few of the refugees would be suitable in this country, but the matter was under consideration of the government.

Rev. Father Gauthier, of St. Louis, P.E.I., who followed, said he had no apology to make for his cloth and his taking a part in the battle of peace. If the clergy were sky pilots they should also help in the things of the world for prosperity assists in making a picture of the beneficent results of co-operation between the clergyman and the farmer. What the farmer wants, what the community requires, is that we put a premium on quality. Let us do away with selfishness and work together in co-operation forgetting local differences.

This finished what was proposed of the agricultural department of the programme, and Thomas Cantley, of the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company, was called upon to open the discussion on manufacturing and mining. He began by discussing the resources of Nova Scotia. Our agricultural possibilities, he considered to be only fair. The great and predominant things we had were the fisheries and coal, both practically inexhaustible.

Made in Canada Synonymous With Good Quality

Our gypsum deposits were great and the timber fair. Our great and abounding asset, Mr. Cantley said, was the intelligence, the energy, the adaptability, the initiative and courage of our maritime men. If the steel industry had not been developed thirty years ago in Nova Scotia, the speaker said, contracts for abrapel shell amounting to \$8,000,000 would not now be available for Canada, and of which \$1,500,000 comes to the lower provinces, bringing to Amherst alone \$80,000 to \$100,000 in wages. Give up "all got rich quick schemes and buying of corner lots," he said. Be honest and faithful in your work and reinforcing this aphorism, he quoted the appeal of Lord Kitchener on this subject. Let the words "made in Canada" be synonymous with "good quality."

Mr. Agar Shows Where There Are Neglected Opportunities

Miles E. Agar, St. John, showed that if it takes three dollars a week to barely maintain an individual the sum of \$150,000,000 per annum is required to maintain the million population of the Maritime Provinces for the bare necessity alone, showing the magnitude of the local market. Mr. Agar regretted the removal of the chief banking interests away from the Maritime Provinces. About \$80,000,000 is required for the manufacturing and \$70,000,000 for the farming products of the people. We should work to gether more for that \$150,000,000 in our own markets. As an illustration of the magnitude of our war market, Mr. Agar said that probably four dollars per head was spent in shoes in the Maritime Provinces. That is \$4,000,000 a year. Get after that, Mr. Agar said.

The Maritime Provinces have 200,000 homes. The average piano required for these is \$1,500,000. Mr. Agar ran through other items and showed that we are not by any means taking advantage of the market at our doors. We should wake up to the situation.

S. E. Elkin on Manufacturers' Export Business

S. E. Elkin, of St. John, spoke of the export business. We must look to the export market if we are to have a future. The Germans were quoted as having been leaders in the export business of manufactured goods. They had a thorough

conspiratorial service, they catered to the wishes of customers, they had a good banking system, but their terms of credit had been a failure, which the Germans had found to their cost. The German merchantile marine had helped their export business. The most important factor in assisting German foreign trade had been the syndicate system. Should the Germans again become a factor in export business we must design some system to meet their syndicate or pooling system, under which losses are borne in common and profits related. The Sherman law in the United States had interfered with American meeting this, but they were seeking a way out of the difficulty. It must be met by Canada if the Germans continue even at somewhat increased costs.

Sir Geo. E. Foster's Forward Made in Canada Movement

J. H. Sherrard, of Toronto, addressed the convention bringing the greetings of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association. The blazing of a new trail by Sir George Foster and his "Made in Canada" and forward movement were eulogized by the speaker as well as the great programme of the Minister of Agriculture, which almost staggers the imagination. Let us make goods in Canada that are worthy of Canada. Let us have government assistance to our manufacturers by their giving advice and furnishing information on new methods, by their refusing permission to grant bonuses to new industries that have no natural chance, and by the preventing of the that without it might be all right. His watch-word was: "Amherst—the Maritime Provinces—Canada."

The Fox Industry

Hon. Charles Dalton, of Tignish, was called upon to speak on fox ranching in Prince Edward Island, a province, he said that could produce more per acre than any other in the Dominion. Prince Edward Island is peculiarly adapted, he went on to say, to the fox farming industry.

He traced the history of fox culture and held that the black fox had become acclimated to Prince Edward Island. Prices of foxes had been too high, he admitted, too great dividends had been paid and the policy of laying aside a rest had been neglected to the present injury of the companies. He would favor no dividend above ten per cent, and predicted a permanent existence for the fox industry.

The Iron and Steel Industry

The afternoon sitting began with an address by J. H. Plummer, president of the Dominion Iron & Steel Company. His subject was "the manufacture of iron and steel in Nova Scotia and its effect on the well being and prosperity of the province." When his company was running full time

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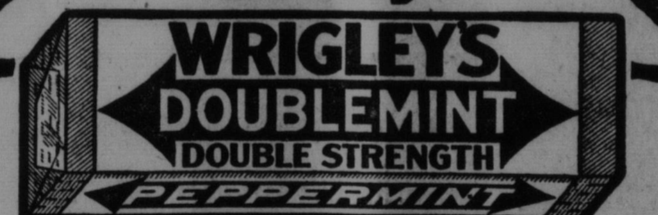
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QUOTATIONS

ST. JOHN

Wholesalers report most commodities... Prices have undergone the tendency in many reduced prices. The increases in prices in Standard sugar has dropped \$5.70 to \$6.80 being year... Granulated corn about 35 cents. Molasses about half-cent. See now quoted one-quarter... Ontario flour is 25... Canadian and American sold at about 50 cents week's quotations. Lard and compound, is slight... In the fruit department oranges have dropped to \$3.30 to \$4. Oats a lot per bushel being at from 65c to 67c, cent from the quotation day.

Wholesale prices obtained as follows:

Sugar, standard	60c
Rice	50c
Apples	1.00
Beans	1.00
Yellow Eye	1.00
Hand picked	1.00
Cornmeal, gran.	1.00
Cream of Tartar	1.00
Currants, cleaned	1.00
Molasses	1.00
Salmon	1.00
Milk	1.00
Shoes	1.00
Beans	1.00
Tomatoes	1.00
Peas, split, bags	1.00
Barley, pot	1.00
Raisins	1.00
Choice, seeded	1.00
Fancy, seeded	1.00
Salt, Liverpool, per sack, ex store	1.00
Soda, bicarb.	1.00
Canned Goods	1.00
Beef—	1.00
Corned 2s	1.00
Corned 1s	1.00
Beef—	1.00
Baked	1.00
String	1.00
Corn	1.00
Herring, kippered	1.00
Oysters—	1.00
Is	1.00
Pineapple	1.00
Sliced	1.00
Singapore	1.00
Peas	1.00
Peaches, 2s	1.00
Peaches, 3s	1.00
Plums, Lombard	1.00
Pumpkin	1.00
Raspberries	1.00
Strawberries	1.00
Flour—	1.00
Manitoba	1.00
Ontario	1.00
Oatmeal, rolled	1.00
Oatmeal, standard	1.00
Provisions	1.00
Pork, Can. mess.	2.00
Pork, Am. clear	2.00
Beef, Am. plate	2.00
Lard, pure	2.00
Lard, comp. tubs	2.00
Fish	1.00
Bloaters, boxes	1.00
Cod—	1.00
Medium	1.00
Small	1.00
Fishes	1.00
Herrings—	1.00
Gr. Manan, bbls	1.00
Kippered, boxes	1.00
Haddock	1.00
Halibut	1.00
Meats, etc.	1.00
Beef—	1.00
Country	1.00
Butcher's	1.00
Western	1.00
Lamb, per lb.	1.00
Veal, per lb.	1.00
Mutton, per lb.	1.00
Pork, per lb.	1.00
Butter—	1.00
Tubs	1.00
Roll	1.00
Creamery	1.00
Eggs, fresh	1.00
Eggs, case	1.00
Cheese, Can.	1.00
Fowl, per lb.	1.00
Potatoes, bush	1.00
Turkey, per lb.	1.00
Chickens, per lb.	1.00
Fruits	1.00
Apples, N. S.	1.00
Brazil	1.00
Cocoanuts, sacks	1.00
Almonds	1.00
Bananas	1.00
Walnuts	1.00
Dates, new	1.00
Figs	1.00
Lemons	1.00
California Oranges	1.00
Ontario	1.00
American	1.00
Canadian	1.00
Peanuts, roasted	1.00
Prunes (Cal.)	1.00
Pears	1.00
Malaga grapes, keg	1.00
Hay, Oats and	1.00
Bran, ton lots, bags	1.00
Cornmeal, bags	1.00
Hay, car lots, ton	1.00
Hay, per ton	1.00
Mags small lots, bags	1.00
Mags, small lots, bags	1.00
Oats, car lots, bush	1.00
Oats, per bushel	1.00
Oils	1.00
Royalite	1.00
Premier motor gas	1.00
Lard	1.00
Raw oil	1.00
No. 1 Lard, com.	1.00
Palatin	1.00
Turpentine	1.00
Hides, Skins	1.00
Beef, hides	1.00
Gulf skins	1.00
Tallow, rendered	1.00
Sheep skins, Dec.	1.00

Financial And Commercial News And Notes

QUOTATIONS IN THE ST. JOHN MARKETS

Wholesalers report a brisk trade in most commodities during the week. Prices have undergone several changes the tendency in many lines being for reduction. There have been no increases in prices in any instance. Standard sugar has dropped 20 cents, \$5.70 to \$5.50, being yesterday's quotations. Granulated cornmeal has fallen about 25 cents. Molasses has fallen about half a cent. Seeded raisins are now quoted one-quarter of a cent lower. Ontario flour is 35 cents cheaper. Canadian and American pork is being sold at about 50 cents lower than last week's quotations. Lard, both pure and compound, is slightly less in price. In the fruit department California oranges have dropped from \$4.50 to \$4.30 to \$4. Oats are cheaper, car lots per bushel being now obtainable at from 65c to 67c, a drop of one cent from the quotations of last Friday.

Wholesale prices obtained yesterday are as follows:

Groceries	
Sugar, standard	\$6.70 @ \$6.80
Rice	4.50 @ 5.00
Yell. Eye	2.15 @ 2.20
Hand picked	2.95 @ 3.00
Cornmeal, gran.	5.75 @ 5.80
Cream of Tartar	0.38 @ 0.41
Currants, cleaned	0.34 1/2 @ 0.35
Molasses	0.34 1/2 @ 0.35
Salmon	6.00 @ 6.10
Winks	6.50 @ 6.60
Wholes	6.50 @ 6.60
Red spring	1.05 @ 1.07 1/2
Tomatoes	1.00 @ 1.05
Peas, split, bags	5.00 @ 5.25
Barley, pot.	7.00 @ 7.10
Raisins	0.09 @ 0.09 1/2
Choice, seeded	0.09 @ 0.09 1/2
Fancy, seeded	0.09 1/2 @ 0.10 1/4
Salt, Liverpool, per sack, ex store	1.10 @ 1.16
Soda, bicarb.	2.10 @ 2.20
Canned Goods	
Corned 2s	5.55 @ 5.90
Corned 1s	5.00 @ 5.40
Beans	1.20 @ 1.40
Baked	1.20 @ 1.40
String	0.97 1/2 @ 1.00
Chama	4.00 @ 4.25
Corn	0.97 1/2 @ 1.00
Herling, kippered	4.50 @ 4.75
Oysters	1.50 @ 1.65
2s	2.00 @ 2.55
Pineapple	2.00 @ 2.05
Grated	1.55 @ 1.60
Slagopora	1.85 @ 1.90
Peas	0.97 1/2 @ 1.00
Peaches, 2s	1.82 1/2 @ 1.85
Peaches, 3s	2.25 @ 2.30
Plums, Lombard	1.00 @ 1.05
Pumpkin	2.02 1/2 @ 2.05
Raspberries	2.02 1/2 @ 2.05
Strawberries	2.35 @ 2.27 1/2
Flours	
Manitoba	6.00 @ 7.55
Ontario	6.00 @ 6.60
Oatmeal, rolled	7.00 @ 7.00
Oatmeal, standard	6.00 @ 7.70
Provisions	
Pork, Can. mess.	28.00 @ 28.50
Pork, Am. clear	28.00 @ 28.50
Beef, Am. plate	26.25 @ 27.00
Lard, pure	0.12 1/2 @ 0.11
Lard, comp. tubs	0.10 1/2 @ 0.10 1/4
Fish	
Bloaters, boxes	0.85 @ 0.90
Cod	5.25 @ 5.50
Small	4.75 @ 4.75
Finian haddies	0.09 @ 0.07
Herrings	6.00 @ 6.50
Gr. Manan, bbls	0.00 @ 0.80
Kippered, boxes	0.00 @ 0.80
Halibut	0.00 @ 0.12
Meats, etc.	
Beef	0.08 @ 0.10
Country	0.10 @ 0.12
Western	0.11 1/2 @ 0.13
Lamb, per lb.	0.11 @ 0.13
Veal, per lb.	0.08 @ 0.11
Mutton, per lb.	0.07 @ 0.10
Pork, per lb.	0.09 @ 0.11
Butter	0.28 @ 0.30
Tubs	0.32 @ 0.32
Roll	0.32 @ 0.32
Creamery	0.32 @ 0.32
Eggs, fresh	0.30 @ 0.34
Eggs, case	0.00 @ 0.30
Cheese, Can.	0.16 @ 0.16 1/2
Fowl, per lb.	0.07 @ 0.10
Potatoes, bush.	0.00 @ 0.28
Turkey, per lb.	0.00 @ 0.28
Chickens, per lb.	0.18 @ 0.22
Fruits	
Apples, N.S.	1.25 @ 2.50
Brazil	0.14 @ 0.15
Cocoanuts, sacks	4.00 @ 4.50
Almonds	0.16 @ 0.17
Bananas	2.00 @ 2.75
Walnuts	0.12 @ 0.13
Dates	0.05 @ 0.07
Filberts	0.13 @ 0.14
Lemons	4.50 @ 5.00
Calif. Oranges	3.30 @ 4.00
Ontario	2.15 @ 2.25
Canadian	1.50 @ 1.60
Peanuts, roasted	0.10 @ 0.12
Prunes (Cal.)	0.08 1/2 @ 0.13
Pears	3.25 @ 3.50
Malaga grapes, keg	5.00 @ 6.00
Hay, Oats and Feed	
Bran, ton lots, bags	0.00 @ 28.00
Cornmeal, bags	1.75 @ 1.90
Hay, car lots, ton	15.50 @ 16.50
Hay, per ton	16.00 @ 18.00
Mdgs small lots, bags	31.00 @ 32.00
Mdgs, small lots, bags	31.00 @ 32.00
Oats, car lots, bush	0.65 @ 0.67
Oats, per bushel	0.68 @ 0.70
Oils	
Royalite	0.00 @ 0.17 1/2
Premier motor gas	0.00 @ 0.20 1/2
Raw oil	0.00 @ 0.55
Ex. No. 1 Lard, com.	0.00 @ 0.82 1/2
Palatine	0.00 @ 0.50
Turpentine	0.00 @ 0.65
Hides, Skins, etc.	
Beef, hides	0.13 @ 0.15
Calf skins	0.17 @ 0.18
Tallow, rendered	0.05 @ 0.05 1/2
Sheep skins, Dec.	0.50 @ 1.00

PRODUCE PRICES.
Chicago, Dec. 17.—WHEAT—No. 2 red, 1.18 @ 1.20 1/2; No. 2 hard, 1.19 @ 1.20 5/8.
CORN—No. 2 yellow, 64 1/2 @ 65; No. 3 yellow, 63 1/2 @ 64 1/4.
OATS—No. 1 white, 48 1/2 @ 49 1/4; standard, 49 1/2 @ 50.
RYE—No. 2, 1.09 1/2 @ 1.10.
BARLEY, 60 @ 70.
PORK, \$16.50; lard, \$10.15; ribs, \$9.25 @ \$10.12.

STOCK QUOTATIONS ON N.Y. EXCHANGE

(McDougall & Cowans.)			
Open	High	Low	Close
Amal Cop	54	54	54
Am Beet Sug	30 3/4	30	31 1/2
Am Car Ry	45 1/2	45	45 1/2
Am Smeit	58 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2
Anacanda	26 1/2	27	26 1/2
Am Tele	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2
Am Can	26 1/4	26 1/4	26 1/4
Balt and O Co	70 1/2	69 1/2	69 1/2
Brook Rap Tr	85 1/2	86	85 1/2
C F I	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
Ches and O	44	44	43 1/2
Cons Gas	119 1/2	119 1/2	119 1/2
Can Pac	157 1/2	157 1/2	157 1/2
Erie Com	22	22 1/2	22
Gr Nor Pfd	114	115 1/2	115 1/2
Lehigh Val	135 1/2	135 1/2	134 1/2
Louis and Nh	125	125	125
Miss Pac	10 1/4	10 1/4	10
NY NH and H	55 1/2	55 1/2	55 1/2
N Y Cent	82 1/2	83	83
Nor and W	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2
Nor Pac	102	102	101 1/2
Penn	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2
Press Sul Car	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2
Rend Com	148	147 1/2	148
St Paul	90 1/2	90 1/2	89 1/2
Sou Pac	85 1/2	86 1/2	85 1/2
Sou Ry Com	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2
U Pac Com	118 1/2	118	118
U S Steel Com	51 1/2	51 1/2	51
U S Steel Pfd	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2

ST. JOHN.
The clearing for the week ending December 17th was \$1,388,019.00, and for the corresponding week last year, \$1,500,476.00.

World's Shipping News

MINIATURE ALMANAC.			
December Phases of the Moon			
Full Moon, 2nd	2h. 21m. p.m.		
Last Quarter, 10th	7h. 32m. a.m.		
New Moon, 16th	10h. 35m. p.m.		
First Quarter, 24th	4h. 25m. a.m.		
Data.			
D. of W.	Sun Rises	H. Water	L. Water
18 Fri	8:05 4:38	12:09 6:13	18:40
19 Sat	8:06 4:38	0:42 13:01	7:05 19:31
20 Sun	8:06 4:38	1:34 13:54	7:56 20:23
21 Mon	8:07 4:38	2:27 14:46	8:46 21:15

STEAMSHIPS CHARTERED
The steamships Charterhouse from Halifax and the Navara from St. Lucia have been fixed to load hay and cats at this port for Havre.

INISHOWEN HEAD ARRIVES
The Head Liner Inishowen Head, Capt. Pickford, arrived in port yesterday from Ardrossan and docked at No. 2 berth, Sand Point. She loads for Belfast.

ENCOUNTERED HURRICANE
The British schooner Frances, Capt. Mosher, which arrived at Vineyard Haven, Tuesday, from St. Thomas, West Indies, bound for Halifax, N. S., encountered a hurricane on Dec. 5, during which she lost her deckload of molasses and her foresail, main-sail and forestaysail. She will rest at Vineyard Haven.

FROM PORTLAND
White Star-Dominion Line Vadeland sailed from Portland, Me., Tuesday, for Liverpool via Halifax. She has on board 620 passengers. Among her shipments are 88,000 bushels wheat, forty cars meals and 9,000 barrels apples.

LARGE EGG SHIPMENTS
Boston Advertiser: Enough eggs to last the British army for many weeks were carried out in the holds of the Wilson and Furness-Loyd Line steamer Anglian, Capt. Fooses, which sailed at daybreak Tuesday, bound for London. The shipment consists of 4,320,000 western eggs from cold storage plants in Chicago. If stretched out the shipment would make a straight line 860,000 feet, or 1,600 odd miles long. There are 12,000 cases in the shipment. This is the largest shipment of eggs ever sent abroad from this country. The eggs are largely for use by the British commissary. The Anglian also took out 64,000 bushels of wheat, 400 tons of provisions, 1,000 tons of flour and a large cargo of rubber boots, clothing and other necessities for the British army.

PORT OF ST. JOHN, N. B.
Arrived Thursday, Dec. 17
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Stmr Cassandra, Brown, Newport News, Robert Reford Co.
Stmr North Star, Mitchell, Boston via Maine ports, A. E. Fleming.

BRITISH PORTS
Avonmouth—Ard Dec 15, stmr Geor.

CLEARINGS OF CANADIAN BANKS

Quebec.
The clearing for the week ending December 17th was \$2,942,165 as compared with \$3,345,854 for the corresponding period of last week.

Halifax.
Halifax, N. S., Dec. 17.—The Halifax bank clearings for the week were \$1,885,233.22 and for the corresponding week last year, \$2,004,828.46.

Toronto.
Toronto, Dec. 17.—Clearings of local banks for the week ended today with \$3,333,417; last week, \$3,854,206; year ago, \$4,008,524; two years ago, \$4,141,838.

Montreal.
Montreal, Dec. 17.—Bank clearings this week were \$44,954,489, against \$56,578,019 in the corresponding week a year ago, and \$60,294,251 in 1912.

FOREIGN PORTS
Delaware Breakwater, Del.—Passed out Dec 15, schr Emily Anderson, Jamaica for Philadelphia.
Mobile, Ala.—Ard Dec 15, schr P J McLaughlin, Wilson City.
Philadelphia—Ard Dec 15, stmr Manchester Miller, St. John.
Delaware Breakwater—Passed out Dec 14, schr David C Ritchey, Philadelphia for Halifax, N. S.
City Island—Passed Dec 15, schr Beatrice L. Corkum, New York for Yarmouth.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET
Wheat
July 123 5/8 123 1/4 123 1/2
May 116 5/8 115 3/4 116 3/8
Dec. 120 1/2 118 5/8 120 1/8
Corn
July 70 1/4 69 1/4 70 1/8
Dec. 70 3/4 69 7/8 70 3/4
Oats
July 52 3/8 51 3/4 52 3/8
Dec. 48 1/2 48 48 1/2
Pork
Jan. 18 40 18 22 18 40
May 90 .70 .87

NOTICE TO MARINERS.
Notice is hereby given that South West Ledge, Cape Sable, automatic gas and whistling buoy has been reported some distance out of position. Will be replaced as soon as practicable.
CHAS. H. HARVEY,
Agent Marine & Fisheries Dept.
Halifax, N. S., Dec. 16.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.
Notice is hereby given that the light on the Brazil Rock gas and whistling buoy has been reported not burning. Will be relighted soon as possible.
CHAS. H. HARVEY,
Agent Dept. Marine & Fisheries.
Halifax, N. S., Dec. 16, 1914.

PRICES IRREGULAR IN DAY'S TRADING

General advance which followed irregularity of opening hours, was short-lived—Plans complete for loan by cotton pool.

New York, Dec. 17.—Stocks continued to droop today on a smaller and more contracted volume of operations. Trading seemed to be largely for that faction of the professional investors committed to the short account and when the demand for that quarter had spent its force the list drifted fully towards lower quotations. The significance of the session as a whole may be judged from the fact that a relatively inconspicuous specialty—Central Leather—was the most active feature, with a gain of one and a half points.

Irregularly characterized the opening, followed by a general advance which provoked fresh selling of the international list. It took only a few thousand shares to reverse the rising movement and send the average under yesterday's close. Numerous additions were made to the group of stocks selling at minimum prices. In keeping with its recent custom, final quotations were at or near the low level of the day.

Little encouragement was derived from routine news, which included reductions in Louisville and Nashville and the Atlantic Coast Line dividends from seven to five per cent, and the Southern Pacific statement for November showing a net loss of almost \$800,000. The government crop report also was far from favorable in its forecast of winter wheat, which was two per cent under the ten year average.

The investment market followed the course of stocks. Exchange on Germany was lower and London remittances showed an easier tendency. Reduction in France was ascribed to the further extension of the French moratorium.

Bonds were again irregular, with contrary movements in some of the speculative issues. Total sales, par value, aggregated \$1,302,000. United States government bonds were unchanged on call.

MOVEMENT OF WHEAT MARKET YESTERDAY

Chicago, Dec. 17.—Wheat prices developed a hardening tendency today, influenced by the steadiness of quotations at Liverpool and by knowledge that cash sellers were larger than had been reported. There was a noticeable absence of the selling pressure, weak holdings having apparently all been disposed, and there being no further evidence of flurry in regard to the German naval raid. After opening unchanged to 1-4 higher, the market reacted a little, but then promptly rallied.

PRODUCE PRICES ON MONTREAL MARKET

Montreal, Dec. 17.—CORN—American No. 2 yellow, 73 @ 74.
OATS—Canadian western, No. 2, 60 @ 62 1/2; No. 3, 58 1/2 @ 59; extra No. 1 feed, 59 1/2.
FLOUR—Manitoba spring wheat patents, firsts, \$6.70; seconds, \$6.20; strong bakers, \$6.00; straight rollers, \$5.50 @ \$5.80; bags, \$2.65 @ \$2.75.
MILLFEED—Bran, \$25; Shorts, \$27; Middlings, \$30; Moulis, \$32 @ \$36.
HAY—No. 2, per ton car lots, \$19 @ \$20.
POTATOES—Per bag, car lots, 60c.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET			
	High	Low	Close
Jan.	7.25	7.12	7.25
Mar.	7.46	7.32	7.46
May	7.67	7.46	7.65
July	7.82	7.64	7.81
Dec.	7.05	6.92	7.05

at three per cent, but time loans hardened a fraction for long dates.

Apart from a gain in gold, the weekly statement of the Bank of England threw no light on the situation in that quarter. London's markets reflected in mild degree the alarm occasioned by the recent bombardment of British coast towns.

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D. V. LANDRY,
Prov.-Secretary Treasurer.
Provincial Secretary-Treasurer's Office, Fredericton, 4th Dec., 1914.

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CONTRIBUTION TO QUEEN MARY'S NEEDLEWORK GUILD BY WOMEN OF PROVINCE

Loyal Women of New Brunswick have done splendid work in making hundreds of valuable articles for soldiers on battle line and in hospitals.

The boxes sent by the loyal women of New Brunswick to Queen Mary's Needlework Guild as a Christmas greeting to Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Mary are in course of transit for the old country.

At the beginning of the war Lady Tilley received an appeal from Sir Herbert Perrott, Secretary General of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem, asking that some assistance be given to the Queen's Needlework Guild through a committee of ladies of the Order, of which Her Majesty had consented to become President.

Lady Perrott, Secretary of the committee referred to, has written to say that the demand for warm clothing for the soldiers at the front is tremendous, and that they would be most grateful for anything sent to them, so the 700 pairs of hand-knitted socks, the mufflers, mittens, wristlets, will no doubt be received with gratitude by many a poor soldier, who whether he be English, Canadian, Indian or Australian, is fighting in this great cause.

List of articles sent to Queen Mary's Needlework Guild by the loyal women of New Brunswick as a Christmas greeting to Her Most Gracious Majesty, Queen Mary.

The advisory board of the New Brunswick Women's Patriotic Society, Mrs. Sherwood Skinner, Duke street, St. John, N. B., secretary.

Twenty-four pairs woolen socks, fifty pairs of hand-knitted handkerchiefs, five pneumonia jackets, six pairs woolen bed socks, twenty-two pairs mittens, five scarfs, eleven bandages, fourteen helmets.

The "Willing Workers" Young Women's branch of the Women's Missionary Society, St. John, N. B., president, Miss Carris S. Ballie, St. John, N. B., Canada, Secretary.

The "Queen Mary Sewing Bee" of St. Paul's church (Churing Street, St. John, N. B., Canada, President, Mrs. Geo. Wetmore, Summer street, St. John, N. B., Canada, President.

The "Maple Leaf" thirty-seven hospital pillows for wounded soldiers, and 100 gray comfortable embroidered towels with a Maple Leaf, thirty-seven hospital pillows for wounded soldiers, and 100 gray comfortable embroidered towels with a Maple Leaf, thirty-seven hospital pillows for wounded soldiers, and 100 gray comfortable embroidered towels with a Maple Leaf.

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The Dalhousie Branch of the Women's Auxiliary of the Church of England, Miss Maudie Kerr, Dalhousie, N. B., Cor. Secretary. A box of Red Cross socks.

The Dorchester Branch of the Red Cross Society, Mrs. D. R. Arnold, Dorchester, N. B., Canada, President, 14 pairs bed socks, 31 pairs white bed socks.

From the ladies of Gagetown, collected by Miss Pearl Peters, Gagetown, N. B., Canada, 20 pairs socks, 3 helmets, 2 mufflers, 5 pairs wristlets, 7 doz. cheesecloth handkerchiefs, 1 1/2 doz. nightshirts.

The Women's League, Hillsboro, N. B., Canada, President, 20 pairs socks, 30 pairs wristlets, 40 pairs mittens, 70 pairs hand-knitted socks, 70 pairs hand-knitted socks, 70 pairs hand-knitted socks.

The Women of Hopewell Cape, N. B., Canada, President, 32 pairs stockings, 37 pairs wristlets, 5 pairs mitts, 3 mufflers, 42 gray flannel day shirts, 43 night shirts, 73 pr. socks.

The Red Cross Society, Hampton, N. B., Mrs. Allan Schofield, Hampton, N. B., Canada, Secretary, 12 Nightingales, 12 pneumonia jackets, 6 pairs bed socks.

From Lower Jemseg—2 pr. socks, 34 Housewives, 22 comfort bags, 20 hospital handkerchiefs, 1 package to bacco, 25 knitted helmets, sweets—Box No. 3.

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Canada, president—1 dozen mufflers, 1 dozen pairs wristlets, 6 pairs bed socks, 6 day shirts, 8 nightgales.

The Smithtown branch of the Red Cross Society, Harriet L. Smith, Smithtown, N. B., Canada, president—15 dozen nightgales.

The Sussex branch of the Red Cross Society, Mrs. O. R. Arnold, "The Knoll," Sussex, N. B., Canada, president—100 handkerchiefs, 70 pairs socks, 26 pairs bed socks, 20 sheets, 10 Balacava caps, 6 scarves, 3 pairs mitts, 2 pairs wristlets.

The St. Andrews branch of the Red Cross Society, Mrs. G. Harold Stickney, St. Andrews, N. B., Canada, president—31 nightshirts, 41 pairs socks, 42 scarves, 31 pairs wristlets, 6 pairs mittens, 8 Balacava caps, 3 pairs socks, 1 pair pyjamas, 4 cholera belts.

The St. George branch of the Red Cross Society, Mrs. J. S. Clark, St. George, N. B., Canada, president—2 dozen army shirts, 16, 17 and 18 in colors, 4 dozen pairs socks, 68 pillow slips, 10 flannellette nightshirts, 4 flannellette bed packets, 17 pair elderdown bed socks, 3 knitted cholera belts, 2 pairs wristlets, 5 scarves, 12 pairs bed socks, 6 white night shirts, 48 pairs socks, 9 pairs pyjamas, 1 lb. absorbent cotton, 69 wristlets, 9 handkerchiefs, 14 surgical patches.

The St. Stephen branch of the Red Cross Society, Mrs. G. L. Baskin, St. Stephen, N. B., Canada, president—30 surgical patches.

The Woodstock branch of the Red Cross Society, Mrs. W. F. Jones, Woodstock, N. B., Canada, president—2 grey day shirts, 7 khaki day shirts, 18 helmets, 1 bed jacket, 14 cholera belts, 12 pairs wristlets, 5 scarves, 12 pairs bed socks, 6 white night shirts, 48 pairs socks, 9 pairs pyjamas, 1 lb. absorbent cotton, 69 wristlets, 9 handkerchiefs, 14 surgical patches.

The Red River branch of the Red Cross Society, Mrs. Silas Raymond, care of Coster Wetmore, Woodstock, N. B., Canada, president—6 day shirts, 3 operation shirts, 20 sterilized pads, 2 pillow cases, 8 pair bed socks.

The Bell branch of the Red Cross Society, Mrs. John W. Bull, Woodstock, N. B., Canada, president—1 dozen unit socks, 25 rolls bandages, 20 sterilized pads, 2 pillow cases, 8 pair bed socks.

Mrs. C. W. Nichols, Westfield, N. B., Canada, president—12 pr. pyjamas, 8 dressing gowns, 2 pr. bedroom slippers, 3 mufflers, 1 muffler knit by Mrs. M. L. Litch, Cannington Manor, Sask., writes: "You will remember me writing you last spring. Well, I have up my doctor and began using Dr. Chase's Nerve Food. This treatment cured me rapidly and I was soon myself again. I was pale, thin and weak, suffered from stomach troubles and liver complaint, and frequently vomited. I never felt so strong and well in all my life. Headaches never bother me any more, and I am glad to say that my nervous system is restored to its normal condition. With an abundance of rich, red blood coursing through the veins the nerves are strengthened and vigor and vitality are carried to every organ of the human body.

With the nerves properly nourished and the blood rich, all ailments disappear, appetite improves, digestion is good, you sleep and rest well, and gain in strength and weight.

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Mrs. Robert Thomson, Mecklenburg street, St. John, N. B., Can., 3 helmets, 2 pr. pyjamas, 2 pr. bed socks, 2 pr. bed socks, 2 pr. bed socks.

Frank R. Fairweather kindly insured the shipment while at my house, 223 Gormann street, St. John, N. B., where they were waiting to be forwarded, as his donation.

Mrs. L. P. D. Tilley, 29 Wellington Row, St. John, N. B., Can., 2 helmets, 1 pr. wristlets, 1 scarf knitted by Margaret Tilley, aged 8 years, 1 pr. wristlets knitted by Samuel Leonard Tilley, aged 4 yrs, 1 pr. mittens from Mrs. Ada V. Bayard, Coburg street, St. John, N. B., Can., 3 helmets, 1 cholera belt.

Mrs. F. J. White, Prince William street, St. John, N. B., Can., 1 bx. milk chocolates.

Mrs. F. J. Harding, Gormann street, St. John, N. B., Can., 1 ice bag, 1 rubber air-cushion.

Mrs. R. J. Hooper, Queen street, St. John, N. B., Can., 1 pr. wristlets.

Thanks are also due to J. B. Cudlip who supplied the materials for the comfortable mats made by Queen Mary's Needlework Guild, and to those who mill they were packed and made ready for shipment.

And to Mr. Lordy and Mr. Hutchins who contributed the hair with which the hospital pillows were filled.

Also to those ladies who assisted in packing the boxes and getting them ready for the final shipment, and to many other people who have in one way or another helped in the work.

And lastly to Miss Clements, my private secretary, who has most ably assisted me in every way during the entire progress of the work.

And to Messrs. Furness, Wither & Co., Ltd., who most kindly offered to transport the entire shipment free of charge.

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Classified Advertising. One cent per word each insertion. Discount of 33 1/3 per cent on advertisements running one week or longer if paid in advance. Minimum charge 25 cents.

SEALING TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Renewal of Boiler of Dredge P. W. D. No. 3 'Restigouche,'" will be received at this office until 4.00 P. M., on Tuesday, January 5, 1915, for the renewal of boiler of Dredge P. W. D. No. 3 "Restigouche."

Persons tendering are notified that tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed forms supplied, and signed with their actual signatures, stating their occupations and places of residence. In the case of firms, the actual signature, the nature of the occupation, and place of residence of each member of the firm must be given.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank, payable to the order of the Honorable the Minister of Public Works, equal to ten per cent. (10 per cent.) of the amount of the tender, which will be forfeited if the person tendering declines to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or fails to complete the work contracted for. If the tender is not accepted the cheque will be returned.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender. By Order, R. C. DESROCHERS, Secretary, Department of Public Works, Ottawa, December 12, 1914.

MALE HELP WANTED. AGENTS WANTED—Salesmen \$50 per week, selling one-half dozen egg-baskets for ladies' furnishings. Apply Box 30, care of The Standard.

WANTED—A woman for one week to attend three children by day. Apply 48 North street.

WANTED—At once, Firemen. None but the best need apply. Apply Box 30, care of The Standard.

FOR SALE. FOR SALE—Six shares stock Brighton Black Box Co. of Charlottetown. Company has increased of ten shares this year. Capital \$81,000 for 21 boxes. Above stock offered at \$90 per share. Apply quickly, A. B. C. Standard office.

Mince meat, sausages, hams, bacon, Bologna, etc. Buyers of pork, eggs, poultry—John Hopkins, St. John.

SAWMILL PROPERTY FOR SALE. ORR—Steam and water power, plant in Victoria county is being offered for sale at very low cost for immediate sale. Suitable terms can be made for renting and sawing out this season's cut of spruce and hardwood. Capacity about three million feet. For particulars write P. O. Box 3376, St. John, N. B.

NOTICE. The partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned under the name of Cooper & Alexander has this day been mutually dissolved. Mr. E. Cooper has taken over the business and has become responsible for all the liabilities of the firm of Cooper & Alexander. Dated at Alma, N. B., the 7th day of December, 1914. E. E. COOPER, CECIL ALEXANDER.

TIMBER LAND FOR SALE. Sealed tenders addressed to the undersigned will be received until December 24th, 1914, for the purchase of Timber Land comprising approximately eighty acres of heavy spruce timber at Gardiner's Creek, St. John County, N. B., one half mile from wharf. Highest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Edgar Smith, Black River, St. John County, N. B.

PLACING MINING CLAIMS are 600 feet long and from 1,000 to 2,000 feet wide. Entry fee, \$5. Not less than \$100 must be expended in development work each year. DREDGING—Two leases of five miles each of a river may be issued to one applicant for a term of 20 years. Rental, one cent per acre per year. 2 1/2 per cent after the output exceeds \$10,000. W. W. CORY, Deputy Minister of the Interior, N. B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.—6438

PUBLIC NOTICE. THE UNDERSIGNED, having been appointed by the Common Council of the City of Saint John a committee of the said Council for conducting the sale of the Fisheries for the ensuing year, pursuant to law, hereby give notice that certain Fishery Lots along the East side of the Bay, River and Harbor, heretofore enjoyed and possessed by the inhabitants on the East side of the Harbor, with those in and surrounding Vieux Island, and also certain Fishery Lots on the Western side of the Harbor, will be sold at Public Auction on TUESDAY, the FIFTH DAY OF JANUARY NEXT, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the Court House, in the City of Saint John, for the fishing season of the ensuing year, to end on the 15th day of December, 1915. Dated the 17th day of December, 1914. JAMES V. RUSSELL, JAMES H. FRINK, HARRY R. McLELLAN, RUPERT W. WIGMORE, FRANK L. POTTS.

Tenders for Indian Supplies. SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned and marked on the envelope "Tender for Indian Supplies," will be received at this department up to noon, on Tuesday, 5th January, 1915, for the delivery of Indian supplies during the fiscal year ending the 31st March, 1916, paid at various points in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

Forms of tender containing full particulars may be had by applying to the undersigned. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Newspapers inserting this advertisement without authority of the Department will not be paid.

DUNCAN C. SCOTT, Deputy Superintendent, General of Indian Affairs, Department of Indian Affairs, Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 1st, 1914.

MAIL CONTRACT. SEALED TENDERS addressed to the Postmaster General, will be received at Ottawa until noon on Friday, the 8th January, 1914, for the conveyance of His Majesty's Mails, on a proposed contract for four years, 3 times per week each way, between Sheffield and No. 1 Rural Mail Route from the pleasure Postmaster General.

Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed contract may be seen and blank forms of Tender may be obtained at the Post Offices of Sheffield and Ottawa, and at the office of the Post Office Inspector. A. R. COLTER, Post Office Inspector, St. John, N. B., Dec. 2, 1914.

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SENIOR LEAGUE.
The Senior bowling league had another match last night when Mr. Taylor's team captured three points to Mr. Parker's one. The individual scores follow:
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Dawson ... 65 79 73
374 386 416—TI 1176
Mr. McKee taking the individual prize, making the highest string of 97.

LOCAL BOWLING YESTERDAY

FIVE MEN LEAGUE
In the Five Men League on the Victoria alley last night Team No. 1 captured the four points from No. 2 Team. The scores are as follows:
No. 1 Team
Jenkins ... 94 94 104 292 87 14
McGivern ... 86 94 79 259 85 1-3
Harrison ... 84 81 100 265 88 1-3
Gaminia ... 92 82 108 283 94 1-3
Sullivan ... 88 98 84 210 90
444 449 471 1369
No. 5 Team
Labbe ... 74 82 92 248 82 2-3
Lewis ... 85 81 84 250 83 1-3
Featherstone ... 85 84 96 265 85 1-3
Tweed ... 90 106 97 293 91 2-3
Hill ... 84 83 100 267 89
418 436 469 1323

THE FIRST CURLING OF THE SEASON

The St. Andrew's Curling Rink was opened to play last evening when four rinks competed. This is about the earliest opening that the club has enjoyed for a number of seasons. Two rinks were in excellent condition and were greatly enjoyed by the men with the brooms. Despite the fact that it was the first curling of the season the curlers played excellently and there was many good keen shots made. With the continuing cold weather it is expected that every sheet of ice in the building will be in use by tomorrow. The following were the results last night:
Frank White, R. G. Haley, skip, ... 11 skip
W. A. Stewart, Dr. Barton, skip, ... 13 skip

SPORT DOPE.

Last year the Fed. League was but a rumor. This year it is quite a healthy youngster, with growing pains. Next year it may be the best thing. One can never tell.
The Naps will go south next spring and Charlie Somers hopes that most of last year's outfit will get lost some place before the team returns.
Bender and Plank may be suffering from rheumatism, as Connie Mack says, but it apparently has not affected their hands sufficiently to prevent them signing regular contracts with a bundle of cash attached.
Freddie Welsh is overtrained, he says, due possibly to the fact that he has been doing plenty of marathoning after the merry dollars.
Connie Mack denies that he will manage the New York Americans. They do like to jump on a gent when he is down.
The Chicago White Sox has signed a Chinese ball player, just to look after the laundry end of it, presumably.

DUNDEE AND MOY WILL NOT MEET

Johnny Dundee will not box Eddie Moy in Fresno this month. Promoter James W. Coffroth, recently received word from the New York boxer, who is in Los Angeles preparing for a bout with Joe Rivers, stating that he must have a guarantee to meet Greedy Mitchell's lightweight. Coffroth is not making any guarantees these days, so he dropped negotiations with Dundee.
Dundee is anxious to get a return match with Willie Ritchie, and stated that in case Coffroth could get him a match with the former lightweight champion he would be willing to accept twenty-five per cent. of the receipts for his share. Ritchie will not fight this month, and that match could not be arranged.
Having other business to attend to, Coffroth has turned over the matter of making matches for the Canal Club's show to Gregory Mitchell, and the promoter's secretary is now busy hunting up an opponent for Eddie Moy who will undoubtedly be a principal. Mitchell is eager to put Moy against Red Watson, and claims that Watson has persistently avoided all offers for a match with the Philadelphia fighter. Raybe Watson will accept the offer which Mitchell is now prepared to make him for a twenty-round go.

BURNS INJURED.

Cheyenne, Wyo., Dec. 16.—Tommy Burns former heavyweight champion pugilist, was severely injured today by a fall in a Pullman car near Casper, Wyo. In the darkness Burns stumbled twisting his left arm and wrenching his side. It is thought the ex-champion will be confined in the hospital several days.
WILLIAMS-DALY.
New York, Dec. 17.—Guaranteed \$2,000 as his "bit" Kid Williams, bantamweight champion, today signed to meet Johnny Daly, a New York star, in New York Christmas day. It will be Williams' first appearance in a Manhattan ring since he wrestled his title from Johnny Colton.
HERZOG WILL MANAGE.
Charles Herzog finally arranged with Garry Herrmann to continue in the capacity of manager of the Cincinnati Club for another two years. Herzog, after several conferences with Herrmann, signed a contract in which the salary clause was left blank, leaving it to the judgment of the chairman of the national commission to fill in the right figures.

THE MARITIME FORWARD CONVENTION YESTERDAY AT AMHERST A SUCCESS

(Continued from page 6)
they employed 3,200 men, the number now at work being about 2,600 working three quarters time, so that conditions are not too bad. It was the steel company that had been the deciding factor in steadying and stimulating the coal industry, making the whole thing practicable. It takes a year's work of one man to make one hundred tons of coal and one man a year to produce coal enough for that quantity of steel. The demand for the company's output from Canada had fallen enormously. The war had at once hurt and helped the industry. What affects the steel industry now is the fact that no money is to be spent on construction work where it can be avoided. We now have to look face to face on dull times that may last indefinitely, but we look forward to the time when normal conditions will be resumed. But what of the meantime? The difficulties of working up new trade in South America, for instance, were mentioned, but the field there was being investigated though without much hope of achieving great results. Some European business had been secured and it was largely due to the export that works were kept in operation.

Canada's Opportunity.
Rev. Dr. Cutten of Acadia College, spoke of the quality of men in the Maritime Provinces and of the superb resources that should be asked to do things that were not being done. We have not believed enough in our own country. A miracle of the last half century had been the industrial growth of Germany. That country lost its opportunity to conquer the world when it declared war. Let Canada seek supremacy by the peaceful means that Germany had abandoned. Our government should be asked to do things that stimulate our people's industry. Why, for instance, should they not offer a prize of a million dollars to the man who would solve the problem of harnessing the tides for power purposes.

The Transportation Question.
F. P. Goutellus, general manager of the government of Railway Employees, addressed the convention on transportation. In the Maritime Provinces we now have 3,200 miles of railway, reaching one hundred ports, providing facilities for double the traffic that ever was presented. The problem is more population, for we have everything else. At the bottom of the success of the forward movement he believed lay the question of population and how to increase it. Mr. Goutellus gave figures showing the low rates charged for freight on the I.C.R.R.
Richard O'Leary of Richibucto spoke on the fishing industry. He congratulated the convention and government intervention to save the oyster and be touched on lobsters, urging the wisdom of a close season in 1915 for lobster packing which would help the packer and conserve the lobster. Fred Magee of Port Elgin followed also on the fishing industry which in Canada was valued at \$35,000,000 a year, with an equipment worth \$21,000,000 and 76,000 fishermen. The fishery is thus one of the greatest industries of Canada. The value of the Nova Scotia fisheries is \$9,500,000 and of New Brunswick \$4,500,000. The maritime lobster industry began in 1895. If the war is not over by March, he said, and packing is allowed this winter lobsters will probably sell at \$6 or \$7 a case instead of \$19. The outlook is not good. Mr. Magee expressed himself in favor of maritime union.

LOOKS LIKE TROUBLE FOR MARQUARD

Where will Rube Marquard pitch next year? Manager McGraw says the southpaw will pitch for the New York Giants or he will not pitch. And he shows a contract for 1915 and 1916 calling for Marquard to be a member of the Giants at a salary of \$8,000 a year. Marquard, however, has signed a contract to play with the Brooklyn club of the Federal League. Before signing the contract he made an affidavit that he was not bound by contract to any other club, and after signing the contract he received \$1,500 advance salary. So it looks like Marquard is in for a little litigation, no matter what happens. Marquard was bought by the Giants from the Indianapolis club of the American Association a few years ago for \$11,000, the highest price paid for a player up to that time. For two or three years he was a failure and was called "the \$11,000 lemon." Then he rounded into form and became a star. In 1913 he was at his best, being credited with winning 23 games and losing 10. Last season he was at his worst, winning 12 and losing 22. He was thirty-fifth in effectiveness, allowing 3.06 earned runs per nine-inning game.

MACK ONCE PLACED VALUATION OF \$100,000 ON EDDIE COLLINS

Edward Trowbridge Collins, who was acquired from the Chicago White Sox from the Philadelphia Athletics, the team with which he made the reputation of being "the brainiest baseball player that ever lived," in the estimation of Manager Mack, was bought at Millertown, N.Y., on May 2, 1917. He is 5 feet 10 inches in height and weighs 160 pounds. He bats left handed and throws right handed.
Collins' record for his big league career with the Mackmen in the closing days of the 1906 season, coming direct from Columbia. Collins was signed under the name of Sullivan and assumed his own name the following spring.
Clark Griffith, then manager of the New York Highlanders, refused to give Collins a tryout on account of his small stature, in an effort to discover the latent possibilities of the youngster Mack tried him out at third base and then at shortstop. He failed at both. Collins was then asked to try his hand at second base, and since 1908 has been rated as the best second baseman in the game.

GOOD NEWS FOR THE HOUSEHOLDER

Special to The Standard.
Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 17.—Reports to the labor department from all over Canada show that there is a further steady decline from the very high prices which followed the outbreak of the war. There was a drop of about one degree in the index number last month. Householders are finding many articles of food cheaper than for a long time and rents, especially in the west, are considerably lower.

GLOSING EXERCISES AT THE HIGH SCHOOL

The closing of the schools for the Christmas holidays will be marked in the High school by special exercises. These will begin at 11 o'clock this morning, and the programme will be as follows:
Orchestra...
Recitation—The Tribute, John Dunlop
Essay—Anatomy of a Mince Pie
...
Chorus—Never Let the Old Flag Fall
Recitation—Searchlights
...
Dora Corbett
Ed Jennings
Earl Roberts
Chas. O'Regan
Land of Hope and Glory
...
Ceclia Amdur
After this programme is carried out the presentation of prizes and medals will take place. Those who will make the presentations are Mayor Frink, Rev. G. A. Kuhring, Dr. Thomas Walker, Dr. D. C. Malcolm, Dr. H. C. Wetmore and Supt. H. S. Bridges.

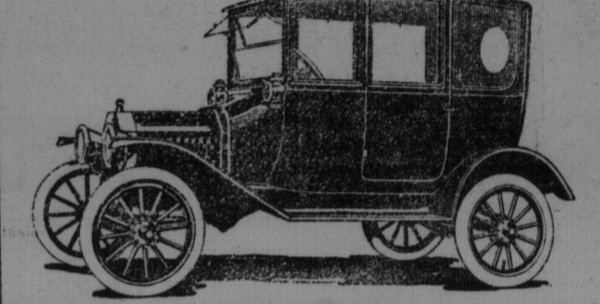
THE ROLL-OFF

Walter Gambin won the afternoon roll-off with the score of 110.

PET DOG AIDS RED CROSS COLLECT FUNDS



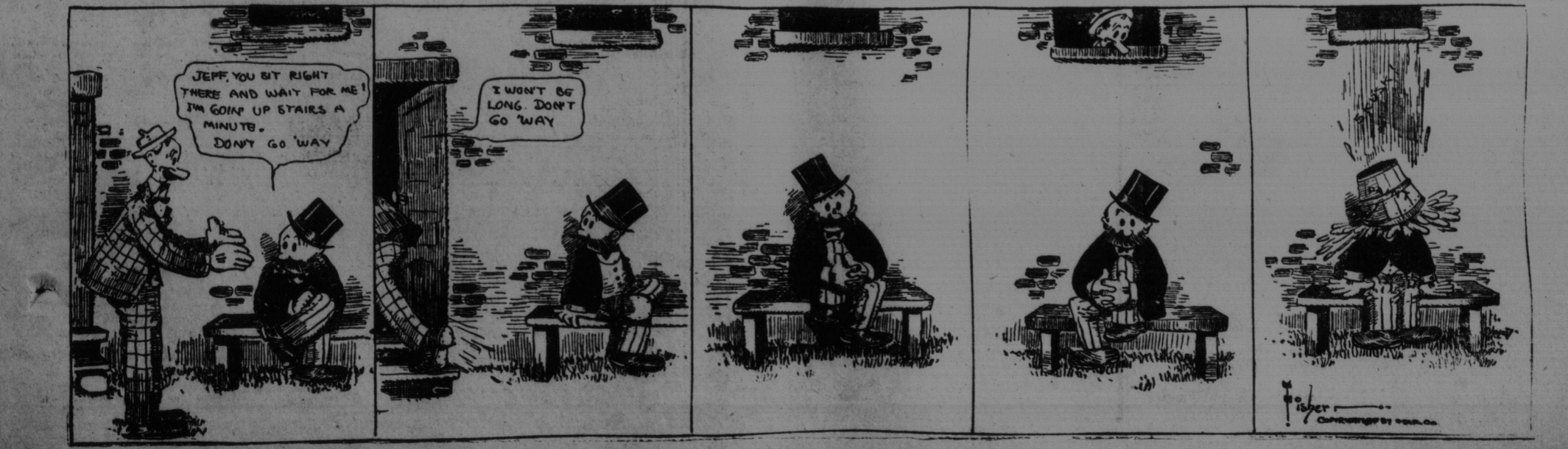
THE RED CROSS IN BERLIN - A CANINE COLLECTOR.
The Red Cross in Berlin has enlisted the services of a good natured dog who has proven a valuable aid to their cause. As a collector of funds this pet canine sits with a box in his mouth soliciting contributions to the noble cause and rather seems to know and enjoy the work in which he has been employed.



"MADE 'IN CANADA'"
The Ford Sedan
This car with its graceful lines, artistic and ample proportions, beautiful finish, roomy interior and luxuriousness in detail of appointment meets the desire for the high class enclosed five-passenger car
Fully Equipped (f. a. b. Ford, Ont.) \$1150
Buyers of this car will share in profits, if we sell at retail 30,000 new Ford cars between August 1914 and August 1915.
Ford Motor Company
OF CANADA, LIMITED
ST. JOHN, N. B.

Five Roses Flour
Not Bleached Not Blended
FEEL THE FEEL OF FIVE ROSES. THE EVEN GRAINS SO FINE SIFTED MANY TIMES THROUGH SILK. DRY GRANULAR. DUSTLIKE. QUICK TO FERMENT EASY TO WORK. HAPPY BAKEDAYS.
LARGEST OF THE BREADS MADE IN CANADA

Mutt Has to Do Something to Pass Away the Time



THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Westerly to southerly winds, gradually increasing in force, fair, stationary or a little higher temperature. Washington, Dec. 17.—Forecast: Northern New England—Generally fair Friday and Saturday, fresh west winds. Toronto, Dec. 17.—A depression is situated tonight over Saskatchewan and pressure is highest over the Middle States. The weather is fair throughout the Dominion, except in Northern Alberta, where light snow has fallen.

Around the City

Not Properly Fenced. The police report that a vacant lot on Union street owned by Dr. Bishop is not properly fenced and is dangerous.

Keys Found. A bunch of ten keys found on King street yesterday was handed to the police and the owner can obtain the same on application at the central station.

Escaped From Chain Gang. About one o'clock yesterday afternoon Michael Burns, one of the fall prisoners, made his escape. With other members of the chain gang he had been working on Delhi street, and when the guards were not looking he managed to make a clean get away.

Railway Employees. The Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees met last night and elected the following officers: Wm. Howard, president; D. W. Daley, vice-president; T. Donovan, secretary; W. Shaw, treasurer; J. Bradley, warden; K. McLeod, chaplain; R. Cain, messenger; J. Sheehan, reporter; M. McCarthy, inside foreman; H. H. Coburn, member of the Brotherhood, who has enlisted with the 26th Battalion, was presented with a wrist watch. The presentation was made by T. Donovan.

Plumbers' Association. The annual meeting of the St. John Master Plumbers' Association was held last evening at Foresters' Hall, Coburg street. Reports were received and officers for the year elected as follows: President: George Blake; vice-president: S. E. Fitzgerald; treasurer: F. S. Walker; secretary: W. J. Crawford. Messrs. Noble, McNulty, Emerson, McDonough, Doyle, Harrington and Buckley were appointed a committee to deal with the arrangements for entertaining the master plumbers who will meet at the annual convention of the Dominion Association of Sanitary and Heating Engineers next June. Two hundred delegates are expected to come here.

A False Rumor. Some persons started a rumor about the city yesterday which caused no little uneasiness among citizens. The rumor was to the effect that the steamships which left St. John during the week had received word to return to port and that two of these ships had already arrived in Halifax. It was said that all ships were to remain in port until such time as it was deemed good and safe for their departure. The reason for such action, the rumor said, was that the German war ships which bombarded the English coast had escaped from the Atlantic. The agents of the different liners received many calls for information during the day, and to every person who enquired the same answer was given: "There is no truth in the rumor; there has been no ships recalled. Two ships, the Scandinavian and Cassandra sailed today. There is no danger, and if there are any German ships in the Atlantic there are plenty of British to take care of them."

GLOVE SALE. Why not get your Christmas presents from the lot of French kid gloves which F. A. Dykeman are now selling at 89 cents a pair. These gloves are done up in dainty boxes, and every pair guaranteed. Ask to see their extra good quality of French kid gloves at \$1.25 and \$1.40. Children's kid gloves of a very fine quality, heavy weight, and all sizes at 75 cents a pair.

Is Appreciated. Ensign Clarke, the matron of the Evangeline Hospital, 36 St. James street, desires to gratefully acknowledge the donation of four pairs of white woollen blankets, one large table cloth and four chairs, given by the Brunswick Chapter of The Daughters of the Empire, per Mrs. W. E. Earle. The kindly thought, as well as the very practical help, is most sincerely appreciated by both officers and inmates.

BEACONSFIELD. Local government supporters in Beaufield, in the Parish of Lancaster, will meet in the Conservative Club rooms, 19 Dufferin Row, West End, this (Friday) evening.

Xmas Beef on Display. Kane and McDonald have for Xmas trade 20 prize steers from Amherst Stock Show.

TEN DAYS AFTER CHRISTMAS. You will appreciate the useful presents much more than the fancy articles. Warm Slippers, Solid Shoes, Beautiful Party Shoes, are always appreciated.

McRobbie Shoe Co., King street.

ELECTORS OF SIMONDS PLEDGE WARM SUPPORT TO HON. J. B. M. BAXTER

His Appointment as Attorney General Subject of Rousing Addresses at Splendid Meeting at Mayall's Last Evening—December 31st Nomination Day and January 7th Election Day, if Necessary.

The meeting of the Conservative electors of Simonds No. 3 in Mayall's last evening developed into a rousing demonstration for Hon. J. B. M. Baxter, who was taken into the provincial cabinet yesterday as Attorney General. Hon. Mr. Baxter will come before his constituents for a ratification of his appointment and the spirit of the meeting last night indicated that no candidate of the Liberal party would have the least chance of saving his deposit should that party be able to secure a candidate to bear its colors.

The general feeling of the meeting was that the Conservatives would have no opposition, although it was understood that perhaps W. E. Foster might be selected as the leader of the reform hope.

Although the Conservative electors were called to attend the gathering, still it was the general feeling that Liberals as well as Conservatives in the county would rally to the support of Mr. Baxter and should an election be necessary his majority would show that the county was unanimously back of him.

G. Fred Stephenson acted as chairman for the meeting and the speakers were Luther B. Smith, Councillor Wm. Golding, Thomas B. Carson, M. L. A., John A. Barry, Rupert W. Wigmore, Councillor Shillington, W. B. Tennant, Thomas P. Jordan, Messrs. Ballie and LeBlanc and G. Earle Logan.

Mr. Logan was first called upon. He announced that J. B. M. Baxter, one of the representatives of St. John county in the local house had been taken into the provincial cabinet as Attorney General and that a by-election would be necessary for the ratification of this appointment. The election would take place on January 7, 1915 and nomination day would be December 31. He asked the electors to give their support to Mr. Baxter and do their best to secure other support. It had been said that W. E. Foster would be nominated to oppose Mr. Baxter but he felt that Mr. Foster stood no chance at all.

Luther B. Smith. Luther B. Smith, who contested the constituency of Sunbury—Queens against Col. H. H. McLean, was then called upon. He felt that Mr. Baxter was the logical selection of all parties for their representative and he pointed to the good work done by Mr. Baxter for the county of St. John and the advancement of the province in general. Mr. Carson, the other county representative, had also done valiant service. Mr. Smith also spoke of the fine work done by Hon. J. D. Hazen, minister of marine and fisheries. With Mr. Baxter in the local cabinet as the representative of St. John county, the people of this constituency should be well content, and he trusted that should an election be necessary Hon. Mr. Baxter's majority would show the county behind him to a man.

John A. Barry. John A. Barry was given a hearty reception, and in a few well chosen words he told the people of Simonds why they should give their support to Mr. Baxter and help to secure other support to him. Mr. Barry's remarks were greeted with great applause and he showed himself an earnest speaker, who could drive home his points well. In opening his address he said he had a close personal acquaintance with Hon. Mr. Baxter, and he felt that anyone who knew Mr. Baxter at all intimately knew him as a man working earnestly in the interest of St. John county, and the province in general.

Mr. Barry was surprised to hear that there was to be opposition to Mr. Baxter. It had been the custom in cases of this kind for a minister to be returned without opposition. He cited several instances where Conservatives had allowed Liberal cabinet ministers to be returned without a contest. If a candidate were to run against Mr. Baxter it was evident that the Liberals were partly awakened again. The leadership of Hon. C. S. Robinson he did not consider seriously, for he believed that Hon. Mr. Robinson would never run an election, at least in provincial politics, and he felt that before the Liberals came out for real work they would have a new leader. The man to oppose Mr. Baxter, was, he understood, W. E. Foster. He could remember a time when Mr. Foster was rather sore against Hon. Mr. Robinson.

Should it so happen that Mr. Foster were elected he could do nothing as a member of the legislature. With the two present members of the opposition he would form a weak party and would have little chance to do much in the interest of St. John county. On the other hand with Mr. Baxter as the county representative much good would be accomplished. He believed Mr. Baxter to be the brightest man in the present government and he deserved the support of every man in the county. While there was no doubt of his re-election still organization must be completed and strengthened and no opportunity lost for increasing the majority. He felt that every supporter of Mr. Baxter should personally work to swell the majority. For himself he was willing to devote twenty-four hours a day to the work of swelling the majority for Mr. Baxter.

The findings of the royal commission that recently investigated the Dugal charges had placed no stain on any member of the present government. A Strong Man. Mr. Baxter had been selected for the cabinet but the honor was not all his. The people, whose representative he was, should also be proud of having such a big man as their representative.

Mr. Foster had run one election in the city and now it was said he was coming to the county. The people of the county should ask if he is coming out of the city in the interests of the county or his own interests. The people of St. John county had been well represented by Mr. Baxter, who along with Thomas Carson, had done so well by the county.

PLATOON SYSTEM FOR 26th

Battalion Re-Organized Yesterday—Four Companies Instead of Eight—Other Corps.

The 26th Overseas Battalion has been re-organized on the Imperial plan by doubling the strength of a company, and making four companies instead of eight. Companies will be known as A, B, C and D. This change will involve some reorganization of the officers' establishment, but will not affect their rank or pay. There will be four company commanders instead of eight. With a second captain in command. So far as the lieutenants are concerned their position will not be affected by the change, as each will command a platoon of fifty-two men as under the Canadian system.

Most of the time of the Battalion was occupied yesterday with making the necessary arrangements in connection with the change from the Canadian system to the Imperial system. Major Harrison, commanding officer of the Divisional Ammunition Column has received orders to mobilize his command on Friday on Monday of next week. The men who have been sworn in here to the number of 125 will parade at the armory shortly before noon on Monday and will march to the Union Station where they will take a special train at 1.30 p.m. for Fredericton, where quarters have been arranged for them.

Today the 26th Battalion will be giving training in outpost duty as well as in the new formations required by the Imperial form of organization. The commanding officer of the 26th Battalion received an offer yesterday from the City Cornet Band to attend all church parades of the Battalion while it is quartered here. The offer was accepted and as the 62nd band attends all church parades this means that hereafter the Battalion will have two bands.

When the Minister of Militia was in the city the advantage of Sussex as a mobilization center was urged upon him with a view to the utilization of the big military grounds there. The Minister told local cavalry officers that the order for the muster of a cavalry regiment in the Maritime Provinces would not be issued until after the new year.

Rupert Taylor of Taylor Bros., 31 King Square, has gone to Halifax to join the Royal Canadian Engineers. He is a British war veteran, having been eight years in the Imperial Navy and was wounded while attacking Tien Sing in China.

EAST ST. JOHN. Local government supporters will meet at Peck's Hall, East St. John, Monday evening.

SANTA CLAUS AT IMPERIAL TODAY. The Imperial annual Santa Claus skit for the children will commence this afternoon. This year it will take the form of shadowgraphs and will include six funny characters. The pantomime will be called "St. Nick in Shadowland," and will be brought on at 3.30 sharp. It was planned for childish eyes only, adults will overlook its literary defects.

For Belgian Fund. A very handsome baby doll which is beautifully dressed in all hand made clothing has been kindly donated to the Belgian fund by Mrs. Yessie. This pretty doll is on exhibition in a front show case at Macaulay Bros. & Co.'s store. Drawing to take place on Wednesday next; tickets, 25c each which may be purchased at this firm.

9 TO 12 O'CLOCK SPECIALS AT M. R. A.'S FOR THIS MORNING. These morning specials seem to be meeting with great favor and this morning there will be offered in the whitewear department, Ladies' Piated-Spun Cotton and Silk Undervests at 50c. Children's Silk Spun Piated Vests at 40c. and Ladies' white aprons at 20c. and 35c. also in linen room, embroidered circular table centres, at 50c. Embroidered bureau scarfs at 35c., embroidered pillow shams 55c., bureau scarfs, to match shams, 55c. Damask luck guest towels, 25c.

Local government meetings in different parts of the county not already held will be announced during the week.

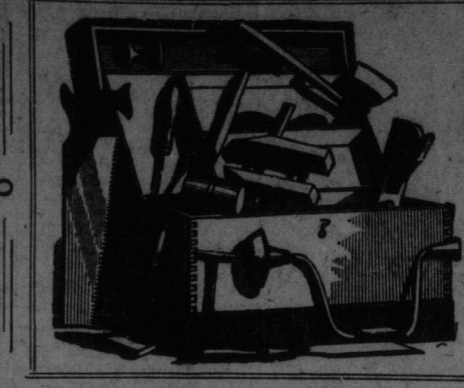
MUNICIPAL HOME. The Commissioners of the Saint John Municipal Home, request that all accounts against the Board be rendered not later than the 22nd of December to ensure payment before the 31st inst. By order, S. M. WETMORE, Secretary. Saint John, N. B., Dec. 18th, 1914.

FAIRVILLE. Local government supporters in Fairville will meet in the Temperance Hall, Main street, on Tuesday evening.

PARK HOTEL, KING SQUARE. served by having one of its members in the government; Therefore resolved that this meeting extend Mr. Baxter its hearty congratulations on the honor conferred upon him; And further resolved that this meeting do all in its power to ensure his re-election.

Another resolution as follows was also supported by everyone present at the meeting: Resolved that this meeting convey to the Hon. J. D. Hazen, M. P., from the City and County of Saint John, its hearty appreciation of the work done for Saint John since the advent of the present government to power. This was moved by George M. Johnston and seconded by J. W. Wilks. Cheers were given for Hon. J. B. M. Baxter, Hon. J. D. Hazen and the meeting broke up with the singing of the National Anthem.

TOOL CHESTS--THE PRACTICAL KINDS



Not toys, but Tools—Tools of real practical value—of good quality and which will prove useful and amusing to boys of all ages. To a well equipped Tool Chest many a boy owes the development of his mechanical ability and the start of a successful career in the field for which nature intended him. Our English Tool Chests contain more and better Tools than ordinary ones at the same prices, and in each is placed an illustrated book of instructions. Prices range from 75 cts. to \$13.50. Our Own Special Tool Chests 50 cts. to \$13.75.

W. H. THORNE & CO. LTD. MARKET SQUARE AND KING STREET

SLATER SHOE STORE to be closed up



BIG SALE NOW ON

A Good Time for Bargains

The directors of the Slater Shoe Company have decided on closing up their retail stores and our instructions are to close out the stock immediately. With that end in view we are offering stirring bargains in new, clean, up-to-date Slater Shoes.

Holiday season is not generally selected as a time for a sale, but so that people may save some money on their Christmas shopping we are now giving them a chance to obtain gifts at bargain prices.

Slater Shoe Store, King St.



The "Bissell" Santa Claus

Becomes more popular every year, because he has delivered thousands of women from the drudgery of sweeping. Hundreds of husbands, fathers and brothers have recognized in the "BISSELL" CARPET SWEEPER a most acceptable gift at a most moderate price. "BISSELL" UNIVERSAL.....\$2.75 "BISSELL" GRAND RAPIDS.....\$3.00 "BISSELL" BABY TOY.....35c PURITAN VACUUM CLEANER.....\$8.00 FAMOUS CLEANER AND SWEEPER.....\$9.00 Makes sweeping easy, and is a daily reminder of the giver's thoughtfulness.

Emerson & Fisher Ltd.

All M. R. A. Stores will be Open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday of next Week Until 10 O'clock p. m.

9 to 12 O'clock Specials in Two Departments FOR THIS MORNING

9 TO 12 O'CLOCK SALE IN WHITEWEAR DEPT.

Here are some more offerings from the Whitewear Department which are even more inviting than the last kept. In mind the fact, however, that these bargains are good only until noon. Ladies' Piated Spun Cotton and Silk Undervests, with fancy embroidered tops. Morning sale price, garment 50c. Children's Silk Spun Piated Vests at 40c. and Ladies' white aprons at 20c. and 35c. also in linen room, embroidered circular table centres, at 50c. Embroidered bureau scarfs at 35c., embroidered pillow shams 55c., bureau scarfs, to match shams, 55c. Damask luck guest towels, 25c.

9 TO 12 O'CLOCK SALE IN LINEN ROOM

Note carefully these interesting items specially reduced in price to induce shoppers to come out in the morning. Things suitable for gifts or for immediate use at home and representing attractive savings if you are early enough to get them. Embroidered Circular Table Centres with scalloped edge. Size 30 inches. Morning sale price, each 50c. Embroidered Bureau Scarfs, hemstitched, Size 17 by 50 inches. Morning sale price, each 35c. Embroidered Pillow Shams with scalloped edge. Size 20 by 30 inches, and Bureau Scarfs to match the shams. Size 18 by 54 inches. Morning sale price, each 55c. Damask Huck Guest Towels, with hemstitched or scalloped ends. A variety of designs. Morning sale price 25c.

GIFTS IN LADIES' NECKWEAR

There is nothing like nice new neckwear to improve the appearance of any gown and you may be certain that such a gift would be acceptable. We offer a wonderfully interesting exhibit of beautiful neckwear for Christmas giving and we suggest inspection of our good values. Collars, Yokes, Vests, Collar and Cuff Sets, Jabots, etc. Each 25c. to \$4.00. Real Lace Collars, Sets, Jabots, etc. Liberty Scarfs, Satin Stoles, Lace and Chiffon Scarfs, Knitted Motor Scarfs, Motor Caps, Crepe Ties, Bows, etc. NECKWEAR DEPARTMENT--ANNEX.

Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited